

The warm November weather has made for some great flying opportunities, or as in the case of Jim Parr's newly finished Rebel some taxi testing.

I welcome any input EAA and COPA members might have for future issues, I can be reached via email at wood23@sasktel.net, by phone 306-751-1064

Ron Wood



## **COPA Flight 4 Meeting Dec 10<sup>th</sup>**

COPA Flight 4 meeting on Saturday Dec. 10 at 1 PM.

Meeting place: The Regina Flying Club in the classroom.

Saskatchewan COPA Director, Shane Armstrong will be a special guest at the meeting to receive a donation from EAA 154 to the **Freedom to Fly Fund.** 

All Pilots and soon to be pilots welcome to attend.



## **Annual General Meeting Report**

The EAA Chapter 154 AGM was held on Oct 15 at the Regina Flying Club classroom with 13 members in attendance.

Some highlights from the meeting:

- The current exec will remain in place for the upcoming year.
  - o Ron Wood President
  - Vic Zubot Vice President
  - o Bert Hamilton Treasurer
  - Malcolm McLeod Secretary
  - Cliff Paddington, Vern Brewster and Wayne Runyon Directors
- A motion was passed to form a nomination committee before the next AGM to recruit new members to the exec.

- B-17 revenue was discussed and the following was decided.
  - Purchase tables for chapter events – completed.
  - Purchase folding chairs for chapter events.
  - Look into purchasing a trailer to store chapter assets.
  - Donate \$1000 to the COPA Freedom to Fly Fund.
- Ideas for fly-outs, the 2017 Fly-in Breakfast and other events for 2017 were discussed.

## 2016 Annual Banquet

We had 37 members and their guests on hand for this year's Annual Banquet, as usual the Royal Regina Golf Course Clubhouse provided an excellent meal.

Our guest speaker Gary Williams had an interesting and moving presentation on his father's WWII RCAF experience which included flying the few B-17 bombers in the Canadian Airforce. Gary had recently been to Sweden and for a reunion with the lady who as a young girl with her father had rescued Gary's dad from the frigid water not far from her house when his Lancaster crashed after being hit by flack.

While technically a prisoner of war Gary's dad was very well treated by the Swedish people and after recovering from his injuries was secreted out of the country back to England. He was the sole survivor of the crash.

Thanks to Gary for sharing his story with us.

## EAA 154 2015 Membership is now due

Just a reminder that memberships are now due for the coming year, the dues this year remain at \$25; dues can be sent to Bert Hamilton, BOX 191, Lumsden, SOG 3C0