

**AIR CADET LEAGUE OF CANADA – PEI DIVISION
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
26 OCTOBER 2019
CHARLOTTETOWN PEI**

IN ATTENDANCE:

Kendra Mellish	PEI PC Chair
Dave Vokey	PEI PC Vice-Chair
Bill Fowler	Past PEI PC Chair
Russell Gallant	BOG/ Past PEI PC Chair
Barry Rowan	PEI PC Secty/Treas
Erik Manchester	PEI PC Aviation Chair
Major Mike Hargreaves	RCSC(A) Air Ops
Major Scott Rowe	RCSU(A) AEA (Air)
Capt Scott Richards	CO 53 Sqn
Susan Harris	Treasurer 53 Sqn
OCdt Cumming	60 Sqn
Stacey Newell	SSC Chair, 327 Sqn
Alec Blue	SSC Treasurer, 327 Sqn
Nancy York	SSC, 327 Sqn
Capt Sarah McAlduff	CO 641 Sqn
Stephanie Kinch	SSC Chair, 641 Sqn
Roy Pederson	SSC, 641 Sqn
Dan Miller	RCAFA Trust Fund Rep

Chair Kendra Mellish called the Meeting to order at 10:20hrs. After welcoming remarks, introductions were made around the room.

1. AGENDA

The Agenda was presented and accepted with no changes
Motion to accept Agenda: Bill Fowler
Seconded: Erik Manchester
Carried

2. MINUTES

The minutes of the 2019 SAM were distributed to all Present. There being no errors, omissions or business arising, the Minutes were accepted.
Motion to accept Minutes: Dave Vokey
Seconded: Nancy York
Carried

3. REPORTS

Chairs Report *presented by* Kendra Mellish

The Chair gave an outline of her activities and visits since the April SAM. She also indicated a need to raise funds for aircraft replacement and suggested withholding the annual Provincial grant, less League expenses for several years. This will eliminate donations to the squadrons and is dependent on continued grants.

A Motion was put forward to divert \$5000.00 per year from the general account to the shares account for aircraft replacement.

Motion made by Russell Gallant

Seconded by Dave Vokey

Carried

Finance Report *presented by* Barry Rowan

Opening balance: General Acct	\$48765.19
Shares Acct	<u>4436.11</u>
Total	\$53201.30

Revenue: \$29645.87

Expenditures: \$29405.21

Closing balance: General Acct	\$48972.21
Shares Acct:	<u>4469.75</u>
Total	\$53441.96

CRA Compliance *presented by* Barry Rowan

A brief outline of the options for PEI SSCs:

- SSC and Province PC amalgamation results in one business number one ACC9 and one T3010:
- SSCs incorporate as a separate entity with a unique BN and file own T3010:
- SSC uses League BN but with own identifying suffix. All SSCs would file own T3010

National Report *presented by* Russell Gallant

Several points were explained of ongoing processes at National:

- Fund generation: different objectives to generate revenue at the National level to help Provincial level finance fleet replacement and increase famil flights;
- advanced course training interviews only for glider and power courses and IACE. Tech courses will be selected by DND;
- CRA compliance (see above);
- MOU to be finalized in the coming months;

- ❑ affiliation agreements to improve relationships between National and Provincial levels. Final Draft has been produced and will be ratified at Provincial AGMs;
- ❑ a new Risk Management Manual is or soon will be posted on the National website;
- ❑ SUMAC has been developed as a National screening and registration program which will accept all provincial data bases, planned for completion by Christmas;
- ❑ the glider program is under review with DND and the current assumption is that the L19s need to be replaced within the next five years.

Regional Cadet Air Ops *presented by Major Mike Hargreaves*

Major Hargreaves stated that for 2019 there had been 22 positions in the Maritimes for power training and 45 for glider training, 2 for PEI. Unfortunately there is a country-wide problem in finding enough flight schools to train cadets and there are not enough pilots to be the trainers.

In regard to the L19 replacement program, the fundraising and resources will be shared by all of the Air Cadet Leagues. The plan is to acquire six Cessna 182 a/c, with one going to Newfoundland. Each Air Cadet League will own 25% of each a/c. The first a/c will be acquired the fall of 2020 for use in the Spring of 2021, and one a/c each Fall until 2012.

Capt Tyler Ham has resigned as the Summerside CFS Commander and will be replaced by Capt James Harper.

RCSU AEA (Area Elemental Advisor) *report presented by Major Scott Rowe*

Spoke about the Regional Growth Management tool and indicated the soft rollout of the RGM Tool Kit will begin in April 2020.

At present, within the Maritimes, there is an 11.05% youth capture rate. That is, of the eligible youth available, there are already 11.05% currently involved in cadets of the three services.

Flying Report *submitted by Capt Tyler Hamm*

It was a mostly successful flying season being able to fly 65% of the scheduled days. Glider 4, C-GFMF, was used for 293 flights, accumulating 28.1 hours of airtime. Of the 293 flights, 280 were truck-launched and tow plane 4, C-FTGU did the other 13, allowing 136 cadets to get up in the air.

Aviation Report *presented by Erik Manchester*

The bulk of his report had been covered in the report given by Major Hargreaves

A decision was made by the Atlantic Aviation committee that the fee for glider training will be increased from \$300.00 to \$400.00 per cadet starting Spring of 2020. This fee is passed on as part of the annual squadron assessments.

The ACC12B, PC Flying Report is attached.

Selection Boards: No report

Screening & Registration *presented by Barry Rowan*

A new system, called SUMAC, is being finalized which will become part of a National database. A new ID card will be issued which will include a passport-style photograph, but it has yet to be determined if the card will be created Nationally or locally. New applicants will still be required to send the necessary forms to the coordinator and can send the photo via email. Renewing members will follow the same routine.

Sterling Backcheck is no longer mandatory for Criminal Record checks, applicants may again utilize the RCMP or local police. If Sterling is used, the application fee of approximately \$30.00 will not be reimbursed.

Risk Management *presented by Bill Fowler*

Indicated that actions are ongoing to formalize the process and that a Handbook is being produced.

Cadet Participation

WO2 Victoria Arsenault and WO2 Anne Taha from 53 Squadron and Sgt Hippenstall and Sgt Beaulac from 60 Squadron attended the AGM and participated in a Question and Answer session.

- a) what's good about the cadet program?
 - the opportunities and extra-curricular activities;
- b) what changes would they like?
 - less classroom and more hands-on;
- c) Recruiting
 - cadets bring a friend to meeting nights, advertising posters, involve the senior cadets more;
- d) Retention
 - encourage friendship building among the Level 1 cadets who may be quieter and unsure.

They also inquired if it was possible to have more trips for the senior cadets only.

RCAFA Trust Fund *presented by Dan Miller*

The Fund was created in 1975 to support the Air Cadet Program.

It presently has two goals (1) to increase the fund to \$300,000.00 which will assist in creating three \$2500.00 scholarships and (2) establish a \$10,000.00 baseline for non-designated activities.

Fund raising and support is possible through applications available through Dan Miller and through annual activities conducted by the RCAFA Wings.

If no applications are submitted for continuation flying, applications should be considered for aviation mechanics and technicians.

Effective Speaking *presented by* Kendra Mellish

The 2019 Effective Speaking Competition was hosted in April by 60 Squadron Charlottetown. The Provincial winners were first place Sgt Batchilder 60 Sqn Charlottetown, second place Cpl Lawt, also 60 Sqn and third place Cpl Beck 327 Sqn.

The 2020 competition will be held in Summerside and the National topics are already online.

Honours & Awards *presented by* Kendra Mellish

Top Squadron for 2019 was 60 Sqn Charlottetown, top power cadet was WO Ben Dymont of 53 Sqn Summerside and top glider cadet was FSgt Conor Cole-Costain also of 53 Sqn Summerside.

Individual medals and certificates were also awarded:

Medal of Honour awarded to Guy Albert;

Distinguished Service Medal presented to Russell Gallant;

Distinguished Service Medal presented to Dave Vokey;

Certificate of Honour awarded to Bill Fowler;

Certificate of Merit awarded to Cletus Dunn;

Certificate of Merit awarded to Capt Marc Doucette;

Certificate of Recognition presented to Capt Scott Richards; and

Certificate of Recognition awarded to CI Shannon Richards

Squadron Reports

Written Reports were submitted by 53, 60 and 641 Squadrons. None was submitted by 327 Squadron.

NEW BUSINESS

Nominations from the floor were deferred until after the Cadet presentation.

Barry Rowan resigned as Secretary/Treasurer after 13 years. Alec Blue was nominated as his successor, accepted and was sworn in by Russell Gallant.

Many committee positions remain unfilled, however there were no further nominations and no volunteers.

Date for the 2020 Semi-Annual Meeting was set as 25 April 2020 and will be convened in Summerside, location to be determined.

