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CHAA'S 2023 Flying season has begun!

Saturday February 11th was a cool but very sunny day and there was still some snow on the ground. That didn't stop C-FRWN from stretching her wings for the first time this season though! Pilot Sean Voskamp had the honours of taking to the sky and making some Harvard noise over Tillsonburg. The second flight of the day was by Al Paige.

Let's hope this is a sign of great flying days ahead!
Photos by Mike Lawrence (top) and Diane Lawrence (bottom).



Our December Member's Meeting was our Pot Luck Social. The turn out was smaller than normal but a good time was had by all. Thanks to everyone who came out! Photos by Diane Lawrence.



**MEETING
NOTICE!**

CHAA has resumed our regular monthly Members Briefings! They will be held on the third Saturday of the month at 10 am in the CHAA Welcome Centre. All are welcome.

Our Welcome Centre got a makeover!

Our Welcome Centre is the first place our guests and passengers see when they come to CHAA. These changes have made this space more bright, airy and attractive to our members and visitors. A huge thanks to Bill Shepherd, Diane Lawrence, Logan Lawrence and Jeannette Rooke for their help in moving the furniture before the painting. A new, larger TV has been installed to show videos and to help with training sessions. Thank you to Melanie Burden for painting the walls and the new "Welcome" letters. Great job team!

Photos by Diane Lawrence.



The next generation of CHAA Pilots

On January 14th while helping in the Maintenance hangar Logan Lawrence took a break and sat in the cockpit of C-FRWN. He took the time to practice flying a Harvard simulator on his phone. I guess if you are going to do it you might as well do it in a real cockpit! He even attracted the attention of pilot Tony Donnelly and showed him how this simulator app looks and works! Photo by Diane Lawrence.

On January 14th, CHAA's Yale was briefly outside in the Winter sunshine during an airplane shuffle. Something about sunshine, yellow airplanes and white snow makes for a great photo. Photo by Shane Clayton.



Yearly Winter Maintenance

As usual, the Winter months give us the chance to do our yearly Annual Inspections. There is lots of work to do in the hangar and we could use some more help. You do not need to have any experience as we can find a job for every skill level. Interested? Just come on out to the hangar on Tuesday or Saturday mornings. On the right Mel Rolph and Don Avent were putting the stress plates back on C-FRZW. Photo by Diane Lawrence.



HWX's prop and engine have been removed. The engine was put in the transport can to go to Oklahoma and the prop will soon be sent to the overhaul shop in Michigan. Huge thanks to Mel Rolph, Jack MacKenzie, George Mikula, Tony Hietkamp and Berj Sillian for their hard work! Photo by Shane Clayton.



You may have heard about or seen a Harvard on a stick.....but have you heard about the Harvard as a weather vane? That's right! Pahiatua's Harvard lays claim to flight record in New Zealand.

To read the full article [click here](#).

Spring Fling Banquet and Fund-Raising Auction



Save the Date: Saturday April 29, 2023

Guest Speaker and Details: Elizabeth Murphy is a former member of the Canadian Armed Forces. She is a motivational speaker and her passion is owning and flying aerobatics in her Cessna 150 Aerobat.

Tickets will be \$40 each and will go on sale April 1st. Please contact Pat Hanna to purchase your ticket.

CALL for AUCTION DONATIONS!
Sandra Sparkes - sandspar@rogers.com

We are looking forward to organizing the auctions at our April 29th Banquet and would appreciate your help!

Please consider:

- Donating gift cards: for gas, pizza, alcohol, home decor, groceries, movie theatre, restaurants, online shopping, hardware etc (include receipts)
- Donating gift baskets or bundles with a theme: spa, Italian, games, gardening, tools, children's items, baking, decor, history etc
- Donating aviation related items: books, enlarged photos, models, framed art work etc
- Donating handmade/homemade items: a sewing project, baked goods, knitted/crocheted item, scrapbooking items, pottery, jams, etc.
- Donating items you think will be of interest to others
- Canvassing businesses for donations (include their business card) A letter is available to show you represent CHAA; ask us for a copy.
- Volunteering at this and other CHAA events; team effort = lighter work & great CHAA events!

Requesting donations be brought to the next Members Meeting, March 18, with all remaining items in by April 1st, if possible. Thanking you, in advance, for your help! We could not possibly do it without you!

Photo by Shane Clayton



There will be a formation clinic on June 14-18th at Brantford Airport (CFYD).

Harvards, Yales, Texans and Trojans are invited for 4 days of Formation Flying. Details and Registration to follow.
<https://flynata.org/>



Service Crew Training

Service Crew Annual Training Course
May 6-7, Tillsonburg Airport

This will be a comprehensive two day program covering all aspects of aircraft servicing, ramp procedures, and more.

For those interested in taking part and joining CHAA's Service Crew, contact Mike or Shane in person at the airport or at crewchief@harvards.com

2023 Fly Dates (Tentative)

May 27 - CHAA Open House and Fly Day
Jun 14-18 - NATA Formation Clinic, Brantford
Jun 24-25 - BCATP Fly In, Tillsonburg
Jul 15 - CHAA Open House and Fly Day
Aug 19 - CHAA Open House and Fly Day
Sep 16 - Wings and Wheels, Tillsonburg
Oct 14 - CHAA Open House and Fly Day



CTechO Report – March 2023

We're still looking for additional help on both the maintenance and restoration crews. Please contact me at the hangar on Tuesdays and Saturdays, via email at maintenance@harvards.com or by phone at 519-320-1854 if you are interested. Here's an update on the current fleet status:

Harvard 3830/C-FRWN – Good ol' 54 came back online in mid-October, and has been on standby duty over the winter months for pilot recurrency and any potential flypasts we may have. We are planning on rectifying a couple of minor issues that were discovered in the Fall, after WPK and RZW have emerged from their winter maintenance programs.

Harvard 20422/RZW – 422 is about 95% of the way through her annual inspection, with no major issues encountered. We successfully replaced the wing-to-fuselage bolts, and inspected the fuel tank bays in the process. At the moment, we are finishing up any loose ends with the hopes of having the inspection completed in early March.

Harvard 20242/C-FWPK – The annual inspection on 242 is approximately 90% complete. We are currently working on getting the freshly repainted canopy sections ready for reinstallation.

Harvard AJ583/C-FHWX – The engine was successfully removed by our volunteers at the end of January, and was shipped down to Covington Aircraft in Oklahoma by mid-February. They will perform a tear-down inspection to determine if there is any internal damage to the engine, and we expect it to return in early 2024 (they are currently projecting an 11 month lead time) In the meantime, HWX will be stored, and we plan on starting work to bring the airframe back to airworthy condition later this year.

Harvard 20304/C-FBZT – Work on 304 has steadily continued, with AME Kerry Wilkinson planning on returning from vacation sometime in March. We are currently working on the electrical system, instrument lines, and engine bay components to ensure everything is up to airworthy operational standards. Barring any extraordinary circumstances, BZT will fly this year!

Harvard 20321/CF-UFZ/'Bessy' – Our beloved Bessy has been stored in the North Hangar over the winter, with only a few small behind-the-scenes projects such as the instrument panels making any progress in the cold weather. We are planning on bringing UFZ back to the front burner very shortly, in preparation for sending the airframe to be stripped and repainted once we reach warmer temps.

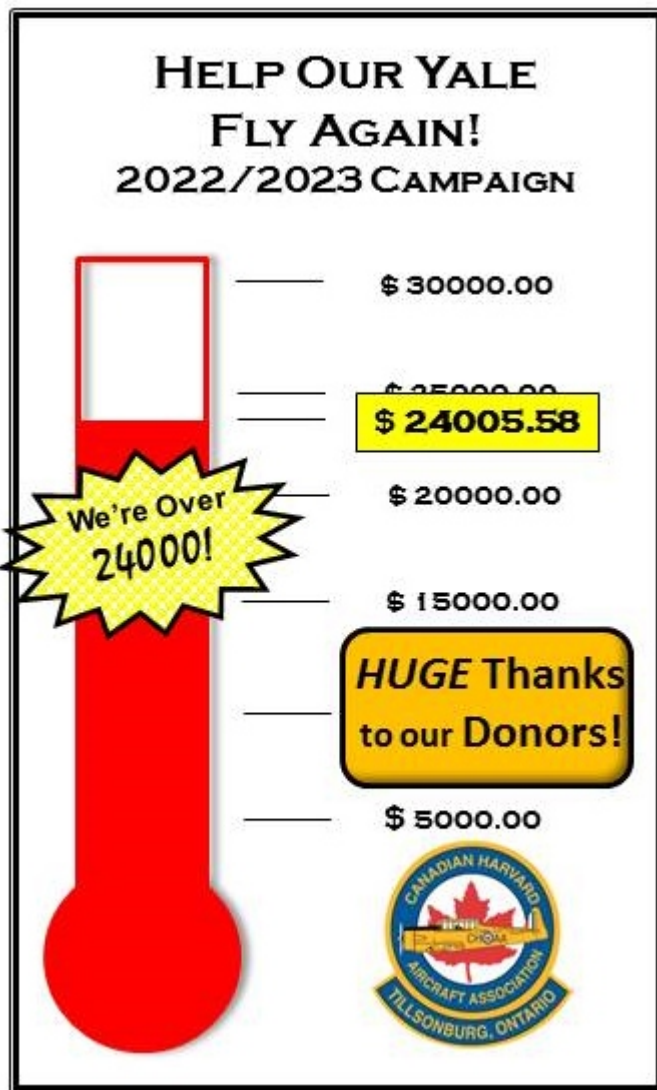
Harvard 20436/C-FWLH – No major updates since the last report, however some work is continuing to take place to make 436 appear more complete in order to be used for cockpit tours.

Yale 3399/C-GLJH – We performed a ground run on the Yale in mid-January, and removed the propeller for overhaul shortly afterwards. The prop is now at H&S Propeller in Michigan, and should be back in April. Once WPK and RZW are out of the maintenance hangar, we will begin LJH's annual inspection immediately. As she has not flown since 2015, this year's inspection will be extra thorough, and I have already compiled a lengthy to-do list for our maintenance crew. Once the overhauled propeller is reinstalled and the annual inspection is complete, 3399 will have a short flight to Waterloo (CYKF) sometime this summer in order for FliteLine to replace two of her wing attach angles. Once this repair has been completed, we will have a fully functioning Yale ready for passenger flights.

Harvard 3191/C-FMTX – The restoration crew is making good progress in the disassembly, stripping and inspecting of MTX’s parts. We’re also working on building stands to hold the tail cone and cockpit tubular structure, with the latter being sent out for ultrasonic NDT inspection later this year.



BZT in Restoration. Photo by Shane Clayton



CHAA’s Yale
Photo by Shane Clayton



Spotlight

on our Members

Jack McKenzie

From: Tillsonburg, ON

Occupation: Retired
TTC Subway Electrical
Foreman



What year did you join CHAA:

Can't remember...Sandra Sparkes took my money in Geneseo, NY (confirmed by Sandra that Jack joined in 2008)

Who/What Inspired you to join:

The late Bill Ritchie, CHAA member, invited me to work in the maintenance hangar where I am today, and I enjoy it.

Fun Fact: Born in 1933 in New Glasgow, NS, I moved to Toronto in 1951 and within 3 days, I was working for CP Railway. I got my pilot's licence in the 70's at Maple Airport.

Connie Beacham

From: Woodstock,
ON

Occupation: Income
Tax
Specialist



What year did you join CHAA: 2022

Who/What inspired you to join:

I bought my son a flight in the Harvard. On the Fly Day, Bill Shepard gave us all a tour and we learned this was all made possible by volunteers. I volunteered the next day. Though I'm not an engineer or a mechanic, under the direction of other members, I help where I can.

Fun Fact: Every time I hear or watch the Harvard take-off and land, I have a sense of 'I helped do that'

Clara Corujo

From: Scarborough, ON

Occupation: Retired Banker
& Graphic Technician

What year did you join
CHAA: 2013



Who/What inspired you to
join:

Members of the CHAA family – their dedication & hard work, inspires me 100%. The love of the CHAA family keeps me coming back.

Fun Fact I love nature & photography. Also, I love doing anything with Gus, but not in the kitchen. I can listen to the same song all day long, until Gus asks me to stop.

Gus Corujo

From: Scarborough, ON

Occupation: Retired
Respiratory Therapy
Assistant

What year did you join
CHAA: 2013



Who/What inspired you to join:

The CHAA family. They are a bunch of awesome and dedicated individuals. I feel like I am coming home to the family and that's what keeps me coming back.

Fun Fact: I can't sleep the night before a CHAA event. I'm up at 5am hoping to be at the Skyway Café before 8am to be the first customer in line when they open.

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