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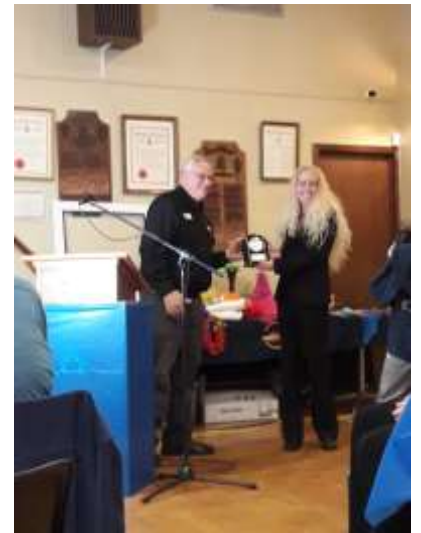


CHAA is hosting a BCATP-themed fly-in on June 24th (9am-4pm) and the 25th (9am-1pm), which will also commemorate the 80th anniversary of Tillsonburg Airport. Entry is by donation at the gate and there will be a variety of trainer aircraft on site. We are hoping to have 2 CT-156 Harvard II Trainers from 15 Wing Moose Jaw as well. Historian and author Ted Barris will be speaking and flights in certain aircraft will be available. There will be food trucks, a kid's zone, fundraisers, Stores and displays by the CHAA Aircraft Recovery Team.

There will be a catered BBQ chicken and brisket dinner on the evening of the 24th. Cost is \$30.00 each and must be ordered ahead of time. [Click here](#) to order your ticket or head to our website under "Shop" then "Miscellaneous".

Annual Fundraising Banquet

On April 29th we enjoyed our "Spring Fling" Banquet and Fund-Raising Auction at the Tillsonburg Legion. For the 86 folks in attendance, it was a wonderful evening of laughs, bidding on auctions, socializing and enjoying very good food. Our guest speaker for the evening was the amazing Elizabeth Murphy from St. Catharines, Ontario. She is a veteran of the Canadian Army, a licensed pilot and flies her own aerobatic Cessna 150. Elizabeth has Multiple Sclerosis and shared about her daily struggles and overcoming achievements. We raised over \$4000 to help keep our Harvards FLYING! We'd also like to thank the Tillsonburg Legion Ladies Auxiliary for the fantastic dinner. Photos by Diane Lawrence.



The CHAA-Recovery Dive Team would like to express gratitude to Carmeuse Quarry for their long time support and sponsorship of the Dive Recovery Team's effort to locate lost aircrew and their aircraft. The Beachville location had been flooded in 2000, and contains a truck, a car and other machinery and tools. Not only has Carmeuse allowed the CHAA-Dive Recovery team to conduct training and testing operations of equipment such as sonar and Remotely Operated Vehicles (called underwater drones by some), since 2013, but also has allowed CHAA Divers to remove scrap metal for sale that has been a very important source of funding which supports research, survey, search and recovery operations that advance CHAA-Recovery's mission to put recovered artifacts on display in museums, and to raise awareness of the sacrifices of Canadian Aircrew, some 800 of which have no known grave.



Remember the Fallen

MooseJawToday.com shared this story titled “Remember the Fallen” back in March. Thanks to Walt Irie for sharing this with us. You can read it [here](#).



Brantford Formation Clinic

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 can be found at <https://flynata.org/>



Service Crew Training

Our annual Service Crew Training Course was held on May 6 and 7th in our Welcome Centre. This 2 day course was a comprehensive program covering all aspects of aircraft servicing, ramp procedures, and more. This year we had 16 participants which is our largest turnout in quite a few years. Kudos to Shane Clayton and Mike Lawrence for delivering this training and being awesome instructors!

If you are interested in joining CHAA's Service Crew, contact Mike or Shane in person at the airport or at crewchief@harvards.com Pictures by Diane Lawrence, Mike Lawrence and Shane Clayton.



9 year old Harvard Hawk James Hanna has a little fun after the Member's Meeting on April 15th.
Photo by Gus Corujo.



2023 Fly Dates (Tentative)

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



Ontario Heritage Fair

Congratulations to Logan Lawrence who is one of our Harvard Hawks! He did his Grade 8 Heritage Fair project on the Moose Jaw Aerobatic Teams. This included the Goldilocks team (who flew Harvards) and the Snowbirds. His project won at the school level on April 5th and moved on to the Regional Fair held on April 27th in London. At the Regional Fair there were 168 projects on display. 6 were chosen to move on to the Provincial Level and his was one of them! Logan represented the Thames Valley District School Board and CHAA very well at the Provincial Fair which was held on May 27th in Toronto. Logan was also the recipient of the Heritage Fair's Reading and Remembrance Award at the Provincial level. The award is in recognition of a project with a remembrance-based theme which might include military, wartime, or peacekeeping elements and in recognition of outstanding student achievement for research of Ontario history. The student must also demonstrate enthusiasm for, and reflection on, the topic. For those of you wondering he is only 14! Logan would like to thank Shane Clayton for his help and guidance in painting the Harvard model that was on display with his project.



Spotlight on our Members



John Kapin

From: Delhi, ON

What year did you join CHAA: 2015

Occupation: Retired
Mechanical Engineer & Upper Management

Who/What Inspired you to join:

I read a Facebook post about CHAA needing maintenance volunteers. I contacted Shane and he and the whole crew welcomed me with open arms.

Fun Fact:

Working with CHAA on these historic planes, is most gratifying. To make it more special, I've reconnected with my life long best friend, George, who also joined CHAA shortly after me.



Diana Spremo

From: Oakville, ON

What year did you join CHAA: 2012

Occupation: Public Relations and Marketing

Who/What inspired you to join:

While I had known CHAA for many years as a volunteer in the air show industry, I became more aware of its mission and people during the Waterloo Air Show days. That's when I was inspired to become a member.

Fun Fact:

I've had the wonderful privilege of flying with the Snowbirds



Jeannette Rooke

From: Woodstock, ON

What year did you join CHAA: 2014

Occupation: Retired Elementary School Teacher

Who/What inspired you to join:

Growing up near the Woodstock Airport I would hear and see the Harvards flying over. When that distinctive roar was nearby, my dad would have all us running outside into the backyard to watch them.

Fun Fact:

I have always loved the great outdoors whether camping in northern Ontario, hiking the West Coast Trail on Vancouver Island or traveling to the mountains in Alaska.



John Collins

From: Toronto, ON

What year did you join

CHAA: Everyone assumed I had been a member for years, but I just joined.

Occupation: Retired Air Canada Live Cargo Specialist

Who/What inspired you to join:

The airplanes and the history of the BCATP.

Fun Fact:

I used to put snakes on planes

Come for the airplanes.....stay for the people!
Photos by Gus and Clara Corujo



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