

Canadian News

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Items for this page should reach Dave King, 220 Iona St., Ottawa 3, by the 5th for the next month's *Soaring*. Photographs are welcome, but can't be returned. Copy should be about as you want it to read. Newsletters are welcome but we don't always have time to re-vamp them into items suitable for *Soaring*. "Letters to the editor" are invited.

SAC Annual Meeting

A record number of delegates turned out for the 18th Annual General Meeting of the Soaring Association of Canada. Fifteen member clubs sent 60 delegates to the meeting, held at the Bruce MacDonald Motor Hotel in Ottawa. Western representatives were Adolf Kohlfuerst of Calgary and Rigby Stamison, Moose Jaw.

The banquet was well attended, also, with 88 members and guests. After dinner and presentation of trophies, the Canadian competitors just back from Argentina told about their experiences and showed color slides and movies of the World Soaring Championships, in which our boys did so well this year.

Your 1963 Board of Directors are: Terry Beasley, Montreal, president; John Chesbrough, Ottawa, vice-pres.; Wolf Mix, Toronto, Contest Chairman; Charles Yeates, Brantford; Rigby Stamison, Moose Jaw.

In the next day's meeting of the new Board, Julien Audette was chosen to handle FAI awards. Other officers continue in their posts.

We had four visitors from the Soaring Society of America, Paul Schweizer and Tony Doherty of Schweizer Aircraft, and Bill and Alice Fuchs. Bill is here with the U. S. Air Force.

Much of the discussion centered around the raising of standards of instruction and help to the new or small club. It is understood that positive action is in prospect toward this purpose.

Bob Murray's financial statement showed his skill in tightrope-walking, such being the customary state of SAC finances. We have been saved from utter insolvency by increasing sales of SAC log books, crests, ties, decals, etc. A price list will appear in an early issue of *Soaring*. Part of the trouble has been the losses sustained by some previous General Meetings, but this one made money for a change. The World Contest films proved to be a good drawing card, and were well-publicized ahead of time.

Members will be receiving a copy of the minutes in the mail.

Under the lights of a local TV station, the trophies for 1962 were awarded as follows:

Shell Oil Co. Bowl, for Canadian Champion, to Wolf Mix (a repeat of the presentation made after the Nationals).

British Aviation Insurance Co. Trophy, for best flight of 1962, 325 miles to goal, to David Webb.

Roden Trophy, for efficient club operation, to Harmony Aero Club, Toronto.

Ball and Chain Trophy, for soaring achievement by a married pilot, to Julien Audette.

Canadiar Trophy, for best five flights of 1962, to Julien Audette.

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Cu Nim Gliding Club Box 204, Calgary, Alta. An SAC Member Club

The year 1962 will be remembered as one of the very successful ones in the club's history. Our membership has been growing steadily, but we are far from being free from financial worries. A great help in bolstering our finances were our successful dances organized by a number of hard-working individuals. Some have proposed renaming the club the "Dance and Gliding Club." Nevertheless, besides making the extra money it was a treat for all of us and especially our wives to get together socially a few times during the year.

The December meeting voted (by a slim majority) to double the annual membership fees. CFI Adolf Kohlfuerst

proposed organizing the flying in various groups according to gliding hours and individual progress. With four gliders now, and a tow plane and winch, the Cu Nims are looking forward to a terrific flying season in 1963.

Wednesday, January 16th, was the day of the annual general meeting, attended by 27 members. Don Knight is the new president.

It was decided to purchase the winch owned and built by Hans Urbas and Rene Bosshart. An out-of-town club had shown interest in this fine machine.

From April 6th to April 14th will be Wave-Flying Week at Cook Field, Pincher Creek, Alberta, Aerotowing and oxygen will be available through the Cu Nim club. All are welcome!

SIG SCHOLZ

Gatineau Gliding Club Box 883, Ottawa, Ontario An SAC Member Club

John and Marguerite Chesbrough of this club have just returned from Argentina, where they were members of the Canadian delegation to the Internationals. Marguerite, as press delegate, kept close track of each day's results, and an article by her appears separately in this issue. John was a delegate to the OSTIV conference held concurrently with the meet.

Recently-announced changes in Silver badge requirements, effective next year, lend moral support to Graham Dell's lament recorded in this club's report for January. Distance flights for badges will be accepted with start and finish over lines, as for speed records. But all Silver badge aspirants better hurry to get in on the bargain 50-km. badges!

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Regina Gliding and Soaring Club, Box 406, Regina, Sask. An SAC Member Club

The past year was reviewed at our Annual Meeting on February 1st.

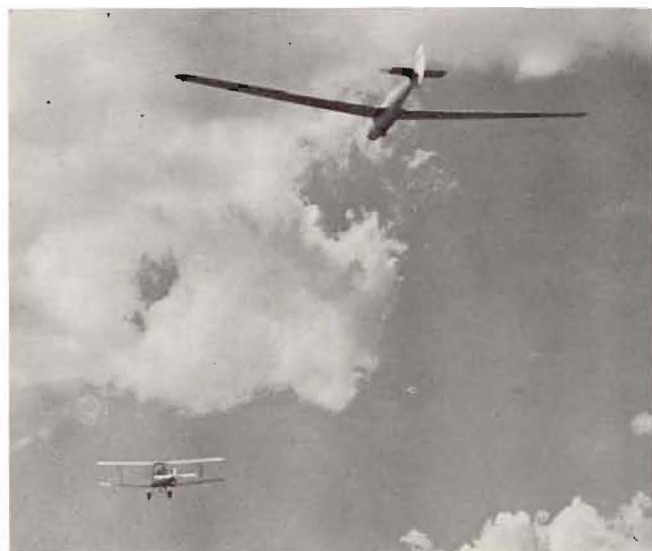
In 1962 we hosted the National Soaring Contest, which proved to be highly successful, and we entered two Wave Hunts at Pincher Creek. One of these resulted in a new Canadian distance record of 395 miles (corrected to 374.5) by our own Julien Audette, and that flight also completed Canadian Diamond Badge No. 1 (International No. 240) and won the Bob Shirley Trophy for the best flight of the year.

Another wave hunt is scheduled for April 6th to 14th.

The Super Cub tug is getting its C of A and a new paint job, with Harold Townsend, Harold Eley and Harold Finnegan doing the work.

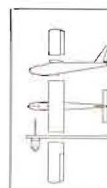
Bob Cheston has been elected as club president for 1963.

—from *Cloud Street*
FRED NAGEL, Editor



SOSA's L-K on tow
behind a Tiger
Moth at Brantford,
Ontario.

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