

# Canadian News

Edited by DAVE KING

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.

## FAI Badges for Soaring

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### C BADGES

- 551. David Panton MU-13D; Westbrook, Ont.
- 552. Barry Brown; Grunau Baby; Saskatoon, Sask.
- 553. Leonard Proctor; Grunau Baby; Saskatoon, Sask.
- 554. Albert Lizée; 2-22C; Mossbank, Sask.
- 555. Horst Dahlem; Grunau Baby; Saskatoon, Sask.
- 556. Donald McKay; 1-26; London, Ont.
- 557. Gero H. Von Dehn; Cherokee; Edmonton, Alta.
- GB4894. Philip White; 1-26; Ottawa, Ont.
- 558. Walter Owen; 1-26; Edmonton, Alta.
- 559. James Nishikawa; 1-26; Regina, Sask.

### SILVER BADGES

- 124. Ted Beyke; KA3; Etobicoke, Ont.

### DIAMONDS FOR GOLD BADGES

- Jim Carpenter; Goal; 1-23; Clarkson, Ont.

### LEGS FOR GOLD BADGES

- Jim Carpenter; Dist; 1-23; Clarkson, Ont.

## SAC News

A "Free Flight Bulletin" has recently been sent to all member clubs (2 copies each). Among items of general interest may be noted the following:

1965 World Championships fund drive—we're hoping for \$5 to \$10 per member because the host country, Great Britain,

will not be able to subsidize transportation, etc. Prospective retrieve crew members should get their names in early.

1964 National Championships—there's a proposal that these be combined with the U. S. Nationals if these are to be at Adrian, Michigan. Clubs are being asked their opinions.

Regional Contests, SAC-sanctioned, are suggested in order to give broader participation in competition soaring.

FAI award and record claims should now be on the new forms and sent direct to:

Julien J. Audette  
3423 Victoria Avenue  
Regina, Sask.

Official Observer applications and other SAC business should still go to:  
Soaring Association of Canada  
Box 2006, Station D  
Ottawa 4, Ontario

1964 SAC Meeting—this will probably be at Kingston. Items for the agenda should be sent to the SAC as soon as possible.

Getting your *Soaring*? If not, let's hear about it—if you've moved, please advise the SAC and, if you like, the SSA (publishers of *Soaring*), as well as your own club; this will save time.

An up-to-date list of Official Observers is included with the Bulletin. A few clubs are short of OO's and should apply for more, so that there will always be one available when needed.

Finally, don't hesitate to take pen in hand and tell the SAC president (the undersigned) about your views on things. How else can we know?

T. R. (TERRY) BEASLEY

## Edmonton Soaring Club Box 293, Edmonton, Alta. An SAC Member Club

The slowing up of thermal activity hasn't had too much affect on our Club's enthusiasm or attendance at our field at Cooking Lake during weekends. On the Thanksgiving weekend we had a record number of flights, 54 in all, on Monday, October 14th. Ken Lewandowski very ably managed the ground-handling. We had spot landing and bomb dropping competitions, with Malcolm Jones winning the spot landing and Ross Grady and Eric Erickson winning the bomb dropping contest. Ross Grady climbed in

the wave at Pincher Creek, Alta., to 18,700 feet, asl, on October 13th, and Horst Strach managed to stay aloft in weak lift for over an hour at our field on October 27th.

Of course, we must all accept the fact that the cold Canadian winds will be coming down from the north soon and the fellows are very reluctantly preparing to store the ships for the winter.

Our annual Banquet and Dance, ably arranged by Gordon Prest, will be held on November 29th, with guests welcome. Accommodation is provided for about 200 persons, so maybe we will pick up some new members at that time.

Our election of officers also is on the horizon, and following that will be the ground school instruction during mid-winter. With these items to consider, and our monthly meetings quite well-attended, we do not seem to drift apart for those few months of winter, so we will be well-primed to go again in early spring.

We have had nearly 1000 flights this year, resulting in quite a number of new solo students, a few C badges, one five-hour duration flight, one Silver badge, and one completed Diamond badge.

With no serious mishaps having occurred, I feel sure that our whole Club will join me in saying that 1963 was a top year for the E.S.C.

WALLY OWEN

## Lakehead Gliding Club Box 161, Ft. William, Ont. An SAC Member Club

Good News! As our season for gliding draws to a close, we have been capitalizing on our fabulous weather. I guess "Somebody up there likes us" after all. The months of September and October have brought us exceptionally good weather and we have been using this to everyone's advantage. Frank Bertsch, Jon Macdonald, yours truly, Charles Pastor, and Vlasta Pastor have soloed since our last report.

Yours truly became the first female in our Club to accomplish such a feat. (And what a feat—I didn't even start to shake until I was down on the ground.) The second girl was Vlasta, the third member of the Pastor family to solo, and the youngest (16 yrs.) member in our Club.

Frank Bryan has been conducting ground school classes for us and seven of us will write our examinations for Pilot Licence in November.

A wiener roast held at the field on Thanksgiving Day after gliding was enjoyed by the members and their families. A ball game provided us with exercise after all that food, until we broke (of all things) the ball!

Early in November, from a winch launch to 1200 ft., Jon Macdonald soared to 2600 ft. to make his C Badge. This surpassed our Club record of 2100 ft. and left a few members rather green with envy.

Since we have so many soloists we are beginning to feel we have outgrown our 2-22C. We are now making inquiries both at home and abroad for a used two-seater high-performance plane in good condition. Any offers?

All in all, we have enjoyed a very successful season. Bye for now. See you next year!

PAT (MRS. JOE) ZIRNSAK



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