

Canadian News

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F.A.I. Badges for Soaring

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During the Month of June 1964

C BADGES

- 586. Albin Pastor; 2-22C; Ignace, Ont.
- 587. George I. Middleton; 1-26 Montreal, Que.
- 588. Fred Wollrad; Cherokee; Winnipeg, Man.
- 589. Jutta E. Buelring; 1-26; Ottawa, Ont.
- 590. Jacques Lemieux; 1-26; Montreal, Que.
- 591. Albert Rakorsky; 1-26; Montreal, Que.
- 592. Murray J. Rorue 1-19 ,Niagara Falls, Ont.
- 593. Bernard W. Wohlleben; 1-26; Montreal, Que.

SILVER C LEGS

- Helmut Werneburg; Ka-3; Beamsville, Ont.
- Fred Wollrad; Cherokee; Winnipeg, Man.
- Philip White; 1-26; Ottawa, Ont.
- Jacques Lemieux; 1-26; Montreal, Que.

SILVER C BADGES

- 130. Willis R. McLaughlin; Skylark 4 Brampton, Ont.

GOLD BADGES

- 25. John A. Kelley; Ka-6CR; Toronto, Ont.
- 26. Henri Chabot; L-Spatz 55; Ste. Dorothee, Que.

DIAMONDS FOR GOLD BADGES

- Dennis Brian Ballinger; Skylark 3; St. Catharines, Ont.
- Diamond Distance to goal....
- Henri Chabot; L-Spatz 55; Ste. Dorothee, Que.
- Garth Schieb; L-Spatz 55; Chomedey, Que.

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On Friday May 29th, our long awaited Blanik finally arrived at Brantford Airport. The workmanship and finish of this Czechoslovakian all-metal two seater is excellent, and the attention paid to small details is amazing. For example every screw that can be seen, and there are many of them around the canopy for instance, has its slot exactly lined



The Czechoslovakian L-13 Blanik, all-metal, two-place sailplane owned by the Southern Ontario Soaring Association is seen here on its first flight. The main office is occupied by SOSA's Chief Instructor, John Schantz while Vice President John A. Kelley is acting as copilot in the rear cockpit helping with flap and landing gear controls. The Blanik is the first of its type in North America, arrived from Czechoslovakia in May.

up in a fore and aft direction. The cockpit is luxuriously furnished, with very comfortable seats, two fully equipped instrument panels and a multiplicity of neatly labeled levers for flaps, air brakes, trim, undercarriage retraction, canopy release, canopy jettison, ventilation, tow release, plus, of course, the flying controls. There is also a neat little crank for in-flight adjustment of the rudder pedals. The only things missing seem to be windshield wipers and ash trays. In addition to all the goodies already mentioned, the ship comes with a complete tool kit in a fancy brief case, and almost enough spare parts to build another Blanik. The ship is fully aerobatic when flown solo, and with two aboard is capable of loops, stall turns, half-rolls and spins. Max. L/D approaches 30:1. It all adds up to what should be an extremely popular club ship.

Soaring conditions to the end of May have been anything but spectacular, but have been good enough for some Silver "C" les. "Willy" McLaughlin completed his Silver badge with a flight to the Toronto Soaring Club base at Bellwood. He had hoped to be able to fly back but winch trouble prevented this. Eric Ketonen also did his cross country with a 50-mile flight to near Welland. A few altitude legs were also obtained during May.

The writer sneaked off to Vermont for

a week in the middle of May, and was lucky enough to return with an 11,000 foot climb record on his barograph to complete his Gold "C."

JOHN A. KELLEY, Vice President

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We had moderate thermal activity so far this year. Here's hoping it improves.

The dead grass and weeds on our field were burned only to discover a few wart-like anthills blemishing the landscape. Weed-killer was applied, therefore and now only soft grass greets each landing. A neighboring farmer has agreed to mow the hay if it reaches a reasonable height and is moderately free of weeds, so land softly boys.

A swimming pool is under construction on our campsite and our pilots are bound to make a few extra circles over that spot for a view of that cool water.

A new crop of students, 10 in all, are keeping our instructors busy. Their spirit is quite refreshing and prospects for the summer are bright.

Gold C flights are contemplated with our Ka-8 with this in mind, a new trailer was assembled last winter. The Silver C pilots are lined up to give the Ka-8 a try as soon as those booming cu's start rolling by.

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and Briegleb Soaring School, Box 101, Adelanto, Calif.