



# ~ GRAND ADVENTURES ~

March 2020 Edition

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## Can you feel it?

Something is changing in the air. Could be the longer days. Could be the milder breeze. It could be your shovel creaking under the weight of a winter's worth of snow in a week! Regardless, I think the march toward spring is in full swing and I don't know about you, but I'm dreaming of sunny skies and flight plans to who knows where! Have you got any trips planned this spring?



It's still the season of contaminated runways. Ensure you check conditions before you leave and prior to landing!

If you're new to our chapter, we do our best to meet regularly on the **second Sunday of each month at 1pm**. Mark your calendars, watch your email for updates, and join us when you can! You can also follow us on Facebook and Instagram. See the links at the end of the newsletter!

## **NAILED IT!!**

We're delighted to congratulate **Amanda Beintema** who passed her RPP flight test! Amanda, the sky is yours! Enjoy your new freedom.

We're thrilled to congratulate **Heather Pesto** on her new position as First Officer for MAG Aerospace flying charters on a King Air 200! However, this means we have to say goodbye as she heads up to Kenora this month. Heather, it's been a pleasure having you at our meetings and we wish you all the best on your new adventure! Please stay in touch :D

## **NAME THE NEWSLETTER**

Did you see it? You're reading the first edition of "Grand Adventures", the official newsletter of the WOTG Chapter. **Congratulations to Gayle** for submitting the winning suggestion. Next time you see her, check out her snazzy keychain! Thanks to all who voted.

## **NEW MEMBER WELCOME!**

Thinking about joining? You're always welcome! Not sure if the group is for you? Come out to a meeting or three and try us on for fit! A big welcome to all the new members on our Facebook page!

## **RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP!**

It's never too late to renew your membership! If your membership has lapsed, just contact HQ and renew to reinstate it. In fact, it's so easy, I'll leave the link right [HERE](#). Come back and join us any time! And remember that if you're still considering joining the chapter, you're always welcome to come out to our meetings. We'd love to have you visit!

## **DID YOU KNOW?**

Did you know that you can find out information about all the Ninety Nines across Canada in one place? Navigate to <http://canadian99s.com/> and check out all of the awesome information about scholarships and awards (there are even MORE listed!), the Canadian 99s Stamp program, notable aviatrixes of the past and how to reach chapters across the country. Lots of cool information... check it out!



## February recap: Winter Wellness

We were delighted to host Maddie of Yoga Union. Maddie took our group through an invigorating yoga flow and finished off with a soothing meditation session. We became warriors and airplanes and happy babies as we stretched and strengthened our bodies and calmed our minds and souls. Maddie definitely got our February off to a great start and reminded us that we can find our zen on the ground (when we're not finding it in the air!). Thanks to Kristy for connecting us! If you want to follow Maddie on IG, you can find her [@yoga\\_union](https://www.instagram.com/yoga_union)

After some awesome healthy snacks (yes, always food!), we were able to refocus for a currency seminar on Winter Flying, presented by FCC member Wendy Cragg, on behalf of the [Smart Pilot](#) organization. This TC-approved course took us through the importance of a well-stocked survival kit, a solid pre-flight inspection, airborne dangers and landing considerations, among other notable things. Everyone came away with information that has likely been forgotten over the years and Wendy brought good enthusiasm to a very important and somewhat sobering topic. Thanks so much Wendy!



Check out our amazing Airplane pose!

# What's Up? Upcoming meetings and events

- **Sunday March 8: 1pm @ Williams Fresh Café, 4500 King St E, Kitchener, ON N2P 2G4 (near the Kitchener Costco)**

**“Guess where I went!”**- Informal share of your favourite flights a small aircraft! Fly vicariously through others and take notes for your next sojourn. Bring photos or stories, whichever you prefer No matter how far, if you loved your trip, we want to hear about it! General catch up and chat session following.

- **Sunday April 19\*: 1pm @ CYKF/WWFC Classroom #3**

**Planning: Girls Can Fly** - We will be making plans for the upcoming outreach event in May.

- **SATURDAY May 9\*: 10am - 4pm @ CYKF / WWFC**

**Girls Can Fly!** - This is an annual outreach event hosted by the Waterloo Wellington Flight Centre geared towards getting girls and young women interested and excited about all things flying. We will be hosting an interactive booth in the main hangar. For more information, click [HERE](#)

- **WEDNESDAY May 20\*: 7pm - 8pm @ JM Harper branch of the Waterloo Public Library**

**Trek the Akshayuk Pass** - FCC member Lola Reid Allin is returning to town to present her recent hike on Baffin Island. If you've heard Lola's presentations in the past, you know that she is an engaging and enthusiastic adventurer. Come for a virtual trip with Lola! Visit her online at <https://lola-photography.com/>

- **May 30/31: 99s East Canada Section annual meeting @ CYJN St. Jean (Montreal)**

**East Canada Section annual meeting** is being hosted by the Montreal chapter. Social events occurring Saturday. The Annual Meeting runs Sunday 10am - 1pm. Check your email for the specifics that were sent out on March 2. Registration is open now until May 1.

- **SATURDAY June 27\*: 10am - 4pm @ CYKF**

**Aviation Fun Day!** - moved from August, this annual event opens up the whole airport to the community. This will coincide with the [Waterloo Warbirds airshow weekend](#). We've been invited to host a table. A great way to promote women in aviation to the airport visitors! For more information, click [HERE](#)

# Book Sale!

A great paperback compendium of some exciting Canadian aviatrixes, including many 99s! Written by local author Elizabeth Gillan Muir. A portion of the sales will support our Chapter activities.

We still have **4 books available** for purchase: \$22 each. Cash, cheque or e-transfer.

If you would like it sent by mail, we can find a shipping quote for you.



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