

# *Silver Dart*

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Canadian Aviation Pride  
Fierté en aviation canadienne



"Connecting Canada's LGBTQ+ Aviation Community Since 2008"  
"Rassembler la communauté en aviation LGBTQ+ du Canada depuis 2008"

**Welcome Aboard**



**Bienvenue à bord**



Greetings everyone from Vancouver, where the cherry blossoms have heralded in the spring. Ontario, you don't lead the country in this trend.

Things are opening up again and the airlines are trying to resume pre-pandemic schedules and private pilots are getting their annuals done. It's an incredible time. I know of several LGBTQ pilots that are coming out of the woodwork and finishing their licences right now. It's a great time for job hunting. I know several of you have that pilot in waiting but I'm optimistic it will not be for long.

As of April 1st, if you were fully vaccinated, you no longer had to do a pre arrival test to enter Canada. This was welcome news as it will make it easier for people to travel again.

Vancouver, Toronto and Montreal Pride events are officially on. We are registered for the street fairs. We hope to call on those that have put out their offer to help as we get a little closer, thank you. If you wish to help we'll be looking for People in Toronto June 24-26, Vancouver July 31 and Montreal August 6th. If you can put in a few hours to help staff the booth, meet fellow gayviators, and get some free swag, it would be great! It's lots of fun and hope you'll join us. Please email [chair@aviationpride.ca](mailto:chair@aviationpride.ca)

We are also planning Pride weekend socials on the Friday evenings, so join us for that.

Mel and Tom have graciously offered to host the Canada Day Party in Vancouver.

This year we are planning our first official Fly-in on the west coast in August so watch for that. I hope some of the new pilots can rent a plane and join in and bring some more people.

Lots to look forward to this year as we return to normal. June is Pride month, dust off your outfits and make up for lost time.

The seat belt sign is now off and you may now release your seat belts and feel free to mingle.

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As you likely noticed, we skipped the April issue of the newsletter, mostly because the development and publication timeframes were exactly in the middle of the travel plans of my partner and myself, as we set out for southern California.

For the rest of 2022, I plan to publish the "Silver Dart" bi-monthly instead of monthly, largely because the pandemic has affected the availability of our volunteer staff, without changing the workload. By the fall, we'll have a better idea of where the virus is going (and we do hope it is 'going'), and eventually we will resume a normal monthly routine.

For the first time since the pandemic started we are pleased to have four 'Featured Events' to present this month. With one in Toronto, two in Vancouver, and our monthly Zoom social right across the country and sometimes even

across the world, we are making a start at getting back to normal activities.

Even the 'outside organizations' listing on the event calendar in this issue has four entries, with well-known events in Oshkosh, Abbotsford, Provincetown and Toronto all firing up again this year.

We are delighted this month to feature on our cover a photo from CAP member and friend Mike Zaytsoff, a pilot for Air New Zealand, based in Auckland. Credit for the photo goes to Air Nelson.

The aircraft of course is a DeHavilland Dash-8 and was being ferried from Canada to New Zealand in 2005. Mike had wondered about the registration letters, which are still Canadian ones, C-FCPO. With the "CP" in there he suspected the mark had originally belonged to a CP Air aircraft. Sure enough, it had belonged to a Douglas DC-8-63 until December 1990.

It was later assigned to this Dash-8 in January 2005 during its manufacture in Downsview ON, and carried the registration through to its ferry flight to New Zealand that July. The mark is now on a Piper PA-28-236 in Brantford ON.

Best wishes,

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## Flight Plan 2022



## Plan de vol 2022

### Vancouver

Friday 1 July  
Friday 29 July  
December

Canada Day fireworks party – **SEE FEATURED EVENT**  
CAP Social at Sunset Beach – **SEE FEATURED EVENT**  
Year end party

### Toronto

Friday 24 June  
November

Pre-Pride pub night – **SEE FEATURED EVENT**  
Year end party

### Montréal

August  
November

Fierté Take-off at Sky Lounge  
Year end party

### External Organizations Organisations externes

25 – 31 July  
5 - 7 August  
15 – 18 September  
Saturday, 22 October

EAA AirVenture – Oshkosh WI  
Abbotsford Airshow, Abbotsford BC  
NGPA Cape Cod Classic – Provincetown MA  
Northern Lights Award Gala - Sheraton Parkway North, Toronto ON




## 2022 YYZ Pride

Our Toronto Pride launch party will be held on Friday 24<sup>th</sup> June from 6:00 pm until 8:00 pm, at **Fran's Bar**, 20 College Street, Toronto, second floor.



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**NGPA**  
**The Worldwide LGBT**  
**Aviation Community**

*Canadian Aviation Pride & NGPA welcome you to*

**2022 YYZ Pride**  
**Weekend Launch Party**

**Friday, June 24 6pm**

***Fran's Bar***  
**20 College Street, Toronto, ON M5G 1K2**

Aviation LGBTQ+ and allies are welcome whether pilot, flight attendant, engineer, air-traffic controller, or enthusiast.

***Join us! The event is free.***  
*Buy your own food and drinks.*

***Partners, family and friends welcome.***



## Zoom Social

Coming up this Friday 6<sup>th</sup> May at 5:00 pm PST, 8:00 pm EST is our next social of 2022. It's a chance to connect and reconnected with other LGBTQ+ Canadian Aviators, allies and enthusiasts from you home, work or on the road. Share all the news and rumours in the industry!



We challenge you to use a virtual background with a Canadian Aviation Theme. Occasional prizes and gifts for participants.

Please the Join Zoom Meeting by clicking the link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84449880517...>

**Meeting ID: 844 4988 0517**

**Passcode: 1867**







## **2022 Mel and Tom's Canada Day Party - Vancouver**



It's almost time for our biennial Canadian Aviation Pride party on Canada Day at 1930 at Mel & Tom's condo in Coal Harbour, Vancouver.

We'll be able to view the Canada Day Fireworks extravaganza from their balconies (<https://www.canadaplace.ca/events/canada-day/fireworks/>). This pyrotechnic show starts at 2230. We'd love to have you attend. There will be food and desserts (courtesy of Leslie & Andrew & MORE Cafe & Bakeshop in Gibsons, BC, <http://www.morebakeshop.org/>). Mixers will be provided, but BYOB.

### **WHEN**

July 01, 2022 at 7:30pm - 11pm

### **WHERE**

Mel and Tom's  
1710 Bayshore Dr, suite 1902  
Vancouver, BC

### **CONTACT**

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## 2022 CAP Pride Weekend Social - Vancouver



This year, with restrictions lifting, CAP is hosting a BBQ at Sunset Beach in Vancouver.

Look for the CAP banner flag on the Soccer field by the concession stand at Sunset Beach. We'll bring out the BBQ, some burgers, smokies, some veggie options and some soft drinks. You are welcome bring something for the grill.

Please bring a chair or blanket and your favourite beverage 😊 BYO

PLEASE let us know if you are coming so we can supply an appropriate amount of food and drinks. 50 people max. If it looks like Rain, we'll postpone the event.

### **WHEN**

July 29, 2022 at 5:00pm - 8pm

### **WHERE**

Sunset Beach  
1204 Beach Ave  
Vancouver, BC

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## Canadian Aviation Pride Merchandise



We're online!

You can now show your Pride with these great items and support Canadian Aviation Pride! Using the Fulfilment by Amazon you don't have to wait until Pride any more to get some swag.



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**En ligne**

## Web Page - Page Web



Canadian Aviation Pride's Web Page contains information about our organization, our objectives and who we are. Check it out, including our Resources and Newsletter pages!

<http://www.aviationpride.ca>

La page Web de Canadian Aviation Pride contient de l'information sur notre organisation, nos objectifs et qui nous sommes. Découvrez-le, y compris nos pages des ressources et des bulletins!

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## Member Profile



## Profil d'un member

*Would you like to be featured in our Monthly Member Profile? Everyone is welcome to submit their profile, whether you're a long time member or are new to Canadian Aviation Pride. You can answer as many or as few of the questions as you feel comfortable with, and use of your last name and employer are optional. If you'd like to share your story, [CLICK HERE](#)*

*Souhaitez-vous figurer dans notre profil de membre mensuel? Tout le monde est invité à soumettre son profil, que vous soyez un membre de longue date ou un nouveau membre de Canadian Aviation Pride. Vous pouvez répondre à autant de questions que vous le souhaitez, ou en utiliser le moins possible, et l'utilisation de votre nom de famille et de votre employeur est facultative. Si vous souhaitez partager votre histoire, [CLIQUEZ ICI](#)*



## In Closing



## En clôture

Thanks for taking the time to read our newsletter. As we get closer to each event, we will send out further details and a reminder.

If you would like to volunteer or help lead an event, or if you have ideas you would like us to consider, please don't hesitate to let us know. Email us at [info@aviationpride.ca](mailto:info@aviationpride.ca).

Blue skies and tail winds!

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Merci d'avoir pris le temps de lire notre bulletin. Plus proche de chaque événement, nous enverrons d'autres détails et un rappel.

Si vous voulez être un bénévole, ou aider à diriger un événement, ou si vous avez des idées à nous soumettre, n'hésitez pas à nous le faire savoir. Envoyez-nous un courriel à [info@aviationpride.ca](mailto:info@aviationpride.ca).

Ciel bleu et vent arrière!



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