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

Welcome Aboard



Bienvenue à bord



Hello and Bonjour to all the aviators and Aviatrix's out there. I hope everyone has had a good summer of flying.

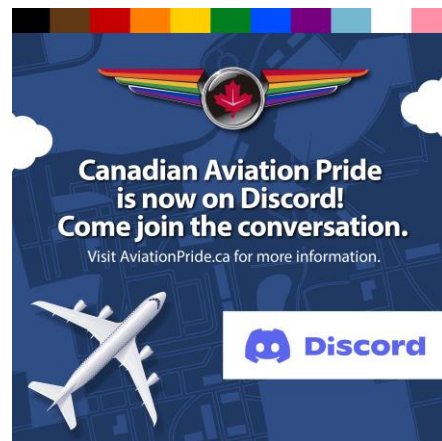
CAP was proudly represented at the Northern Lights Elsie McGill awards night by Doris, Jessica and Olivia. Thanks for the income from merchandise and donations from our supporters - We thank you! We made some other connections with intersectional organisations and we hope to participate more in future events.

If you haven't already done it, we encourage you to write the Minister of Transport, Mr Omar Alghabra to push for Gender X to be included in Aviation Documents.

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CAP is happy to announce that we have a Discord Server set up. Please check our website for the link.



Planning is underway for our year-end events scheduled for Dec 2nd in Toronto and Montréal, and Dec 10th in Vancouver. Please check out the **“Featured Event”** in this newsletter for details.

We hope to get some events going in Calgary and Ottawa if we can get hosts to facilitate that too.

We look forward seeing you in person.

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This month's issue is coming out a little early so that we can bring you the details of our year-end socials in Montréal, Toronto and Vancouver. We have featured all three of them with the details in this newsletter, and we hope you will have the time to come out and join us for the celebrations.

Also, I am looking forward to resuming normal monthly publication starting with the January 2023 issue.

Many thanks to Jessica for doing the write-up of the Elsie McGill Awards Gala in October. CAP was pleased to sponsor Jessica, Doris and our volunteer Olivia to attend this important event.

The cover photo this month was taken on 26 March 2002 from a Cessna 206 amphibian about 15 miles north of

Campbell River BC, and shows the Chained Islands near Granite Bay.

Actually, since it was taken some 20 years ago, and I only vaguely remembered my exact route, I had to hunt on GoogleEarth up and down the coast of Vancouver Island and the Sunshine Coast before I found where I had taken the photo! It was like being on a treasure hunt.

We all hope you will have an enjoyable set of holidays, that you come into the New Year safely, and that you enjoy health and happiness throughout 2023.



Best wishes,

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Flight Plan 2022



Plan de vol 2022

Vancouver

Saturday 10th December

Year end social, see "**Featured Event**" for details

Toronto

Friday 2nd December

Year end social, see "**Featured Event**" for details

Montréal

Friday 2nd December

Year end social, see "**Featured Event**" for details

External Organizations Organisations externes

9 – 12 February, 2023

NGPA Winter Warm-up, Palm Springs CA



Northern Lights Elsie MacGill Awards Gala 2022

As part of CAP's goals to promote diversity in aviation, we attended the Elsie MacGill Awards Gala at Sheraton Parkway Toronto North Hotel and Suites in Richmond Hill on Saturday, October 22, 2022.



The Northern Lights Foundation's national awards program, The Elsie MacGill Awards ("The Elsie") was established in 2009, and each year honours up to eight women for their contributions in specific aviation and aerospace disciplines. Award categories are: Flight Operations, Government, Business, Education, Trailblazer, Engineering and Rising Star.

The 2022 award recipients are:

- Business Award – Arielle Meloul-Wechsler, Air Canada Executive Vice President
- Education Award – Stéphanie Angrand, instructor, Canadian Forces leadership school
- Engineering Award – Damineh Akhavan, CEO of Global Women in STEM
- Flight Operations Award – Kim Winsor, Air Canada training Captain
- Government Award – Gisele Garceau, professional engineer and commercial pilot
- Trailblazer Award – Marlene Shillingford, Chief Warrant Officer, 2 Canadian Air Division
- Rising Star Award – Donya Naz Divsalar, CEO Caidin Biotechnologies
- Rising Star Award – Zainab Azim, future astronaut Virgin Atlantic

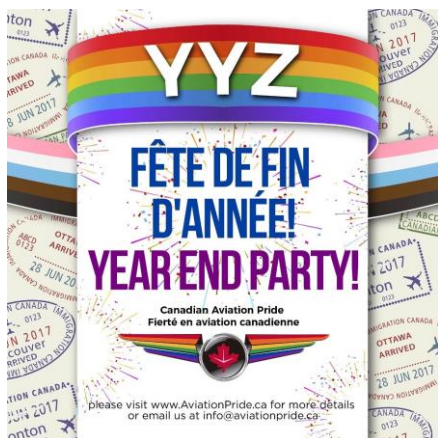
Two of CAP's Directors (Doris and Jessica) and one of our members (Olivia) were present for the networking event prior to dinner and hosted a display to encourage discussions and new memberships.

A big thanks to Doris, Olivia and Jessica, our volunteers, for this event. We had a wonderful time and cannot wait to attend the next one!



CAP Year-End Socials

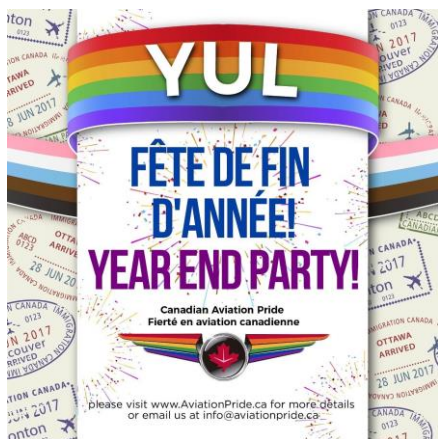
Here is our complete list of our annual year-end socials for Toronto, Montréal and Vancouver.



Friday 2nd December 2022, 18:00 – 20:00 EST
The Pilot
22 Cumberland Street, Toronto ON

Event is free
just pay for your own drinks and food

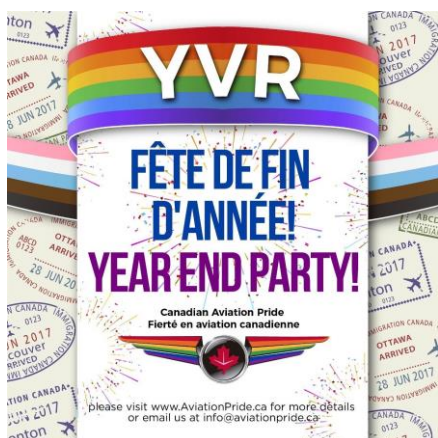
Please RSVP via facebook or
email info@aviationpride.ca



Friday 2nd December 2022, 18:00 – 20:00 EST
Complexe Sky
1478 rue Sainte-Catherine Est, Montreal QC

Event is free,
just pay for your own drinks and food

Please RSVP via facebook or
email info@aviationpride.ca



Saturday 10th December 2022, 18:00 – 21:00 PST
Peter & Leo's condo
803, 1155 Homer Street, Vancouver BC
Door Buzz code '137'

Event is free, BYOB
Potluck, bring a dish,

Please RSVP via facebook or
email info@aviationpride.ca

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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.

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.

Ciel bleu et vent arrière!



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