

# **RFF** The Antenna

June/July 2024



<u>Upcoming Events:</u> Show and Shine Fun Fly, July 6-7

Next Club Meeting: August 7, 7:30 PM at the CARFF Clubhouse

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**Control Line Fun Fly in Ponoka** 

P-47 Thunderbolt

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Field GPS Coordinates: N52° 12' 6", W113° 42' 18"

CARFF on Facebook https://www.facebook.com/groups/1418503868392501/

NEXT CARFF FLYING EVENT: Show and Shine Fun Fly, July 6-7

### **EDITORIAL**

Hello again. There hasn't been much to report the past month, the June club meeting did not have a quorum so it was just a fun gab session amongst the members present. The July meeting has been cancelled due to nothing on the agenda needing to be discussed.

The Show and Shine Fun Fly is this coming weekend, July 6-7. This will be a fairly low key event to stay within all the silly TC rules regarding events. As such, I have not advertised anywhere other than in this newsletter. But if you are able to, come on out and have some fun!

Ron

# **Birds of a Tether Reunion Fun Fly**

The Edmonton Birds of a Tether Control line club was founded many years ago as a group of control line guys. A control line reunion fun fly was held by the Ponoka RC Flyers on the first weekend of June. I was able to get up there and join the party on the Saturday. Here are a few of the aircraft that were there.





# **Some Action Shots From the Field**

Here are some photos of recent action at the CARFF Field. All photos

courtesy of Eraldo and Glen.











# **Bruce Schollie's P-47 Thunerbolt**



The addition of a P-47D Thunderbolt to my warbird collection checks off another gap I've had for a few years. Once my Top Flite Spitfire is finished later this summer, I'll have a decent representation of American and British warbirds. The collection will include a Lancaster, Hurricane, P-40 Warhawk, P-47 Thunderbolt, TF Spitfire, P-51 Mustang, PT-19, Corsair, and a smaller Spitfire. I wouldn't mind adding another Corsair since the one I have is

a small foam board model. I also have an unbuilt Sea Fury and a BF-109 ARF from the auction.

This P-47D is the Hanger 9, 20cc size (67" wingspan) model. I bought it complete with all the electronics and motor, along with some very nice retracts. It was a smokin' hot deal that I found online from a gentleman in Calgary. The seller bought it from another guy who assembled but never flew it. The guy I bought it from converted it to electric but also never flew it.



It's a discontinued model that used to retail for just shy of \$600. Anyone who has bought components for planes knows you can double or triple the ARF/kit cost for the components. The Eflite struts and retracts alone are \$300.

The maiden went well but I swore I saw the retracts cycle on their own during flight. Thinking it was just my eyes, I went up for a second flight. During that I had a serious receiver glitch (just east of the field) that made the plane bank and dive violently. Luckily I saved it and brought it straight back.

I threw out the receiver and put in a new receiver. I had one other glitchy (Spectrum) receiver that I didn't get rid of and paid the price. I think I'm going to have another "rule" which is never to trust used receivers in second-hand airplanes. Looking forward to many more flights now that I (hopefully) have all the wrinkles worked out.





# **2024 Mowing Teams**

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# Thank-you all mowing team volunteers!

# Same process as last year:

Once a team has completed mowing, the lead for the following team on the rotation will coordinate with his team members for the next mowing session.

# Paying your 2024 CARFF

- 2024 CARFF dues can be paid via e-Transfer or cheque see details below.
- NOTE: Dues are \$175 for the year.
  - Please ensure your MAAC membership is valid for 2024. Pay online at MAAC website.
  - NOTE: You MUST have valid MAAC membership. RPAS-Basic or Advanced are required to legally fly RPAS (models) under the Transport Canada Part IX regulations

Contact CARFF Treasurer (Eraldo Pomare) if you have any dues/payment questions.

Preferred Payment by Interac e-Transfer: carffadmin@shaw.ca No Security question.

If mailing cheque: CARFF, c/o Eraldo Pomare 1 Mackenzie Crescent, Red Deer, AB T4N 0H6

NOTE: e-Transfer or cheque is preferred over cash as both provide tracking/confirmation of payment.

# 2024 Calendar of CARFF Events

Show and Shine Fun Fly - July 6-7 Club Meeting – Wednesday August 7, 7:30PM Vintage Fun Fly; September 7-8



Heading back towards Red Deer after an evening thunderstorm. I'm flying the Cessna 140 while Ethan Brown is flying the Piper J-5 Cub Cruiser. We switched positions in the formation so we could tale photos of each airplane with the rainbow in the distance.

