



# The Antenna

October 2021



*Ken Heck's J3 Cub - photo by Colin Vandermeer, owner of a full size J3*

**Upcoming Flying Event:** Indoor Flying, Dec 2021, Penhold Multiplex, 10:30AM

**Next Club Meeting:** 19:30 Wednesday November 3, 2021 - **ONLINE ONLY**

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# 2021 Executive, Standing Committees and Contacts

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## **COUNTY OF RED DEER BYLAW ENFORCEMENT**

403-343-6301 (Call will be forwarded to member on duty).

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

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

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## Field Tables - Text by Bruce Schollie, Design by Randolph Janssen

Before the winter flying season starts we hope to have a new field table built and placed at the field for the diehards to fly this winter. By spring, we would like to have two more in place for the much busier summer flying season.

Since joining CARFF about a year ago I've noticed that many of our pilots are finding it uncomfortable to kneel down to work on/ start/ prepare their planes for flight. As such, many are bringing home-made tables or airplane stands to the field. I've also seen rugs and cushions brought for kneeling in the (sometimes wet) grass, or snow. Perhaps there are some that are giving up flying or flying less in part because they find kneeling too difficult? Let's face it, our members are not getting younger. As well, CARFF membership is not exactly growing. If we can add a nice feature to the field to keep our members flying longer, and maybe help attract new pilots, it seems logical.

Many clubs have field tables on site for pilots to use. They are typically placed in the pit area making it convenient for pilots to assemble their aircraft for flight, tune motors, prepare batteries, do simple repairs, etc. Randy's diagram below shows the design of our tables but the key features are:

- Counter top height and sized (30" x 60") for 40-60 size aircraft plus your other equipment such as transmitter, starter, batteries, etc.
- Heavy enough to safely run up your motors but easily movable (for mowing)
- Multiple holes to fit the tail restraint yokes already at the club. The holes will also allow drainage.
- Weather resistant finish so they can be placed in the pit area and left there all season.
- Small lip around the table edge to prevent tools/ aircraft from falling off.
- Second lower surface to set field box, fuel cans or other equipment.
- Skids so the table can be moved for mowing. Wheels will be added if skids prove difficult for moving.



At this point you are likely wondering how much these will cost the club. The answer is nothing. Randy Janssen, a carpenter in the club, has been collecting wood (left over from his renovation projects) and has kindly offered to help design and build the tables. Any additional materials or supplies (stain, screws etc) needed will be sourced/ supplied by Bruce and Eraldo.

With the first table in place later this fall, we would appreciate your feedback so we can make changes to the next tables. Feel free to email any of us or chat with us at the field.

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## CATTLE

The smaller of the cattle grazing in the adjacent fields have learned to ignore the wire fence and just wander in and out of the CARFF field at will. This has led to some issues, not the least of which is cow patties on the field and in the pit area. After some planes suffered cow-poo splatter during landing, Bruce took it upon himself to remove the cow patties.

There was discussion at the last club meeting about fortifying the fence, BUT the **good news** is that Ron Munro tracked down the owner of the cattle and discussed the matter. The owner apologized and told Ron he has already made plans to move the cattle early during the week of October 10. **Thank-you Ron Munro** for the great initiative and follow-up!



## Clubhouse Roof Repair

**Thank-you George Rehman** for applying sealant to some lifted shingles and the furnace roof vent. We will probably need to re-shingle the roof(s) next season.

## 2022 Executive Election - Please Consider Standing for Election

The nominating and election committee for the 2022 CARFF Executive Election is:

[Mila Petrik](#) and [Eraldo Pomare](#).

As in previous years, each paid-up member will receive a call within the next 6 weeks asking if they are prepared to stand for election; ideally you will preemptively email either Mila or Eraldo before the call to indicate you wish to stand for election to the club leadership team. Election will be held at the December AGM.

Current President Ron Hall and Secretary Chris Warner have indicated they will not stand for re-election. Mike Trevors is strongly considering a run at the President's role, Jeff Denny is prepared to stand for re-election as Treasurer and John Ferguson as Director. Other executive members are undecided/undeclared at this time.

The seven executive roles are:

President, Vice President, Treasurer, Secretary & 3 Directors

## 2021/2022 Indoor Flying

Last season's Indoor Flying was canceled due to COVID-19 restrictions. Fortunately the 2021/2022 season is going ahead, but there are a couple of hoops to jump through:

- 1) You need proof of full vaccination.
- 2) You need to complete a declaration form/questionnaire.

This info & form was sent out to members on Oct 1, 2021. Event dates are reprinted on the last page of this newsletter. Any questions, please contact event organizer: *Wayne Hutmacher* at 403-342-2801 (H) or 403-352-9241 (cellular)

## 2022 Dues - Notice of Motion

A vote will be taken at the AGM regarding the proposed increase of the annual dues to \$175.

## Editor's Soapbox - Eraldo Pomare

While it is true that few, if any members will welcome the pending increase in dues, I do support and understand the need to do so. Our current dues income does not cover the fixed costs; we have been dipping into the capital (savings) fund.

It is excellent to see various members taking initiative to actively support and improve the club: items that immediately come to mind are: Sea-Can relocation at a reduced rate, roof repairs, field table initiative, new fence stiles, cattle management, mowing crew coordination, mowing crews, equipment management, indoor flying coordination, weed control proposals, cow-poo shovelling etc. Thank you all.

Another thank-you also goes to the current CARFF Executive for managing the club's affairs and taking some difficult decisions through the COVID period.

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## \*\*\*\*\*NOVEMBER CLUB MEETING\*\*\*\*\*

The next club meeting will be held online only at 7:30PM, **Wednesday Nov 3<sup>rd</sup>**.

Skype Link for the club meeting: <https://join.skype.com/RCTkBKng4LjA> - connect just before 7:30PM. This link works for *every* online monthly meeting.

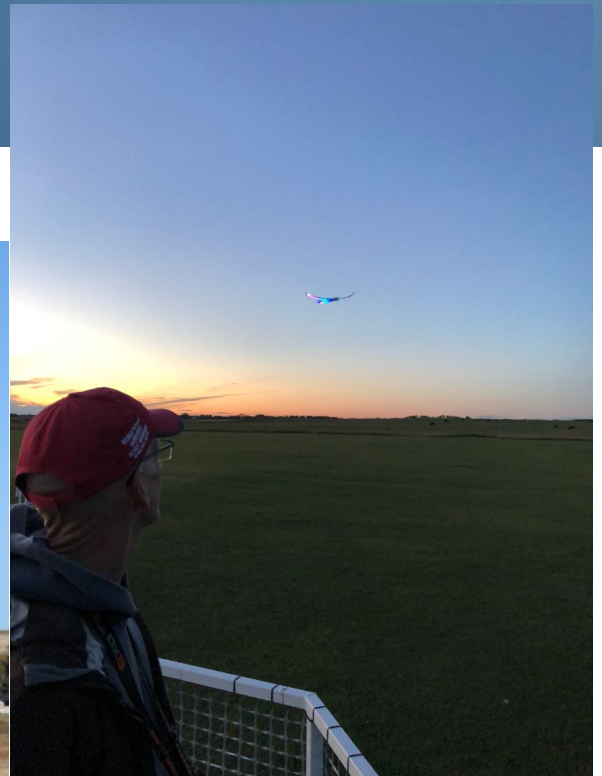
## New Fence Stiles

Another example of an unsolicited improvement is the construction and installation of new fence stiles by **Randolph Janssen**. This enables members to more easily retrieve models in adjacent fields. Sadly, the editor had opportunity to use one to retrieve the remnants of Wayne Hutmacher's 4-Star following a radio lock-up while flying Wayne's airplane. I can attest to the sturdiness and excellent ergonomics of the stile.





## Seen at the Field



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## CARFF General Meeting October 6, 2021

In Attendance: Ron Hall, Chris Warner, Eraldo Pomare, Brian Davies, Jeff Denny, John Ferguson, Adam Tomalty, Mila Petrik, Mike Trevors, Rene Weber, Greg McMaster, Bruce Schollie, and Roger Medavarapu.

\*\*\*\*Please note some members might not be recorded in the attendance. \*\*\*\*

The meeting was called to order @ 19:30 by Ron.

Agenda: Additions:

Moved : None (Meeting Virtual).

Minutes:

No attendance.

Financial Report:

The balance in the bank account is \$7037.96 and a GIC of \$ 15,940.89 for a total of \$22,978.85.

Motion made by Jeff, seconded by Ron to adopt the financial report. Carried.

Old Business:

none

New Business:

Club dues increase for 2022, more at AGM in the Dec meeting. \$175 a year , \$50 Increase.

- Rene made a notice of motion to Increase the Club fee to \$175 for 2022. Ron seconded it.

Fence requires repair, as the cows are getting into the flying field.

- Vinnie looking at a chain link fence.

- Other alternatives would be a Snow Fence.

Indoor Flying See Wayne for more information.

a) Time-slot change (no longer in the afternoon).

b) COVID protocol; proof of full vaccination required by Penhold Multiplex (see attachments).

c) Only one session in October, none in November due to venue availability.

10:30 - 12:30, Sunday morning Oct 10th at the Penhold Multiplex.

Landing Fee: \$10 per pilot.

Open Discussion:

Nomination Chair - Eraldo and Mila volunteered.

Proxy vote for AGM due to current Covid restrictions - Ron will talk to Vinnie, and also inquire about online voting.

Adjournment: Motion by Ron at 7:49 that the meeting adjourned. Carried.

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Pres. Ron Hall

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Sec. Chris Warner

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## 2021 Calendar of CARFF Events

Nov 03, 2021 (Wed) Club Meeting, 7:30PM, Red Deer Flying Club (Red Deer Airport)  
 Dec 01, 2021 (Wed) Club Meeting, 7:30PM, Red Deer Flying Club (Red Deer Airport)

### Dec Mtg: AGM & Executive Election

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## 2022 Calendar of CARFF Events

Jan 09, 2022 (Sun) Indoor Flying, Penhold Multiplex, 10:30AM-12:30PM, \$10/Pilot  
 Jan 23, 2022 (Sun) Indoor Flying, Penhold Multiplex, 10:30AM-12:30PM, \$10/Pilot  
 Feb 06, 2022 (Sun) Indoor Flying, Penhold Multiplex, 10:30AM-12:30PM, \$10/Pilot  
 Feb 27, 2022 (Sun) Indoor Flying, Penhold Multiplex, 10:30AM-12:30PM, \$10/Pilot  
 Mar 13, 2022 (Sun) Indoor Flying, Penhold Multiplex, 10:30AM-12:30PM, \$10/Pilot  
 Mar 27, 2022 (Sun) Indoor Flying, Penhold Multiplex, 10:30AM-12:30PM, \$10/Pilot

**NOTE:** If you know of other clubs who would like to have their events listed in the CARFF newsletter, please have them send the info to the [editor](#)

### History Moment

Guy Johnson with his 12 foot sailplane at the 1975 Canadian Nats in Calgary where he won!

Notice the 1970s hair!!!!

