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ITEM 93-1:

The last issue of The Canadian Aerophilatelist was Vol. VIII No. 2 dated 14 August 1992. There were two issues only of The Canadian Aerophilatelist in 1992. This is the first issue for 1993.

ITEM 93-2:

Mike Shand, the reelection coordinator for the CAS Executive reported that no one had written in any nominations for the Executive of the CAS. Since Pat Sloan, President of the CAS and Ritch Toop, Secretary of the CAS, retired from their positions as of 31 December 1992, and since there were four volunteers for the four executive positions, the four positions were declared filled by President Sloan without holding a ballot among the membership. The new Executive of the CAS is as follows:

- (A) President: Major "Dick" Malott, Ret'd.
- (B) Vice-President: Mr. "Mike" Shand.
- (C) Immediate Past-President: W/C "Pat" Sloan, Ret'd.
- (D) Treasurer: Mr. Nelson Bentley.
- (E) Secretary: Mr. Ron Miyanishi.

The support of all members is requested to assist the new executive in carrying out their duties.

ITEM 93-3:

Past-President Pat Sloan and Past-Secretary Ritch Toop are to be congratulated and thanked for their many years of service to the CAS. Pat received a plaque of appreciation at Aerophilately 92 in Chicago on 30 October 1992. At a suitable opportunity, Ritch Toop will be publicly recognized for his dedicated work for the CAS.

ITEM 93-4:

Ritch Toop's last report as Secretary of the CAS, dated 11 January 1993 lists 147 members. (Annex "A").

ITEM 93-5:

Nelson Bentley, Treasurer of the CAS, submitted his financial report, dated 1 December 1992. The total financial balance of the CAS is \$2,288.95. (Annex "B"). Please note that the CAS spent \$2,500.00 Canadian on the special 125th Anniversary of Canada's Confederation flown covers by the Snowbirds and other special groups. Members are requested to support the project by purchasing these most attractive 4 - coloured and autographed flown covers as described elsewhere in this newsletter.

ITEM 93-6:

Due to many new projects the President and Editor of the CAS is over committed in his activities. This is the reason for the late publication of The Canadian Aerophilatelist. Two volunteers from the membership are being sought - one to be the Editor of The Canadian Aerophilatelist and one to look after the inventory and selling of aerophilatelic flown covers of the CAS. A revised inventory of the CAS holdings is required for distribution to our members to aid in the sales of flown covers. We would like to replenish the funds in our bank account that were used for the special 125th anniversary flown covers project. Please contact me for further details if you can help.

ITEM 93-7:

There are many news items to be listed for the edification of the CAS members. Most of the data are listed in an article that I prepared for the philatelic press, particularly my article for "To-days Aerophilately" in Stamp Collector Magazine. Please refer to Annex "C".

ITEM 93-8:

The AAMS regretted to announce the death of three of its stalwart members in a press release dated 3 December 1992 - Uncle Sam Goldsticker Jr., Joe Eisendrath and Mr. Paul Garber. The CAS regrets the passing of these stalwart aerophilatelists and extends condolences to the bereaved families (Annex "D").

ITEM 93-9:

The special AAMS Awards for 1992 announced at Chicagopex'92 are attached as Annex "E". It is gratifying to see all these dedicated aerophilatelists recognized for their past and present work. Please note that a pioneer Canadian aerophilatelist, Major Ian C. Morgan, was among those appointed to the Aerophilatelic Hall of Fame.

ITEM 93-10:

Nelson Bentley was instrumental in having two special types of covers prepared and flown for the 50th Anniversary of the Gatineau Gliding Club and Pendleton Airport on 6 September 1992. Those interested please see Annex "F".

ITEM 93-11:

Ron Miyanishi (CAS No. 93), our newly appointed Secretary has a revised 9 page summary of flown Canadian military covers. He is anxious to have CAS members interested in this type of materiel to contact him to help develop the listing. Those wishing a free copy of the listing should contact Dick Malott.

ITEM 93-12:

A ten page listing of Canadian and foreign air mail first and commemorative flights from and to Canada, 18 April 1950 to 4 April 1992, with ten pages of 10 large cachets was sent to the CAS by Trans World Philair Club, Postfach 1563, 6233 Kelkheim\TSl, Germany. Listed are dates, airlines, route, type of aircraft when known, and selling price in Deutchmarks by the Trans World Philair Club. This is a significant listing and those wishing a copy should contact Dick Malott.

ITEM 93-13:

Data on the fast approaching Eur-Apex'93 in London, England, 2-7 March 1993 are attached in Annex "G". This is to be a most significant aerophilatelic\Astrophilatelic event. Dick Malott is the Canadian Commissioner and will be attending the exhibition from 2-7 March, afterwhich he will be visiting friends and military museums from 8-22 March 1993. Anyone wishing aerophilatelic cancels from Eur-Apex'93 should contact Dick immediately (Annex "H").

ITEM 93-14:

In order to reimburse the CAS treasury for the \$2,500.00 obtained for the special 125th Anniversary of Confederation covers, a number of special packages of envelopes were sent out to some members who indicated earlier their interest in such times. If anyone received a package and considers it an unsolicited package I trust that no offence will be taken as the CAS offered to pay any return postage costs.

ITEM 93-15: THE FOLLOWING IS A LIST OF PREPARED FLOWN AND AUTOGRAPHED COVERS, NOW FOR SALE:

- (A) Lancaster signed cover of 27 June 1992 at Ottawa. Value \$5.00.
- (B) Hawker Hurricane signed cover of 28 June 1992 at Ottawa. Value \$5.00.
- (C) Sky Hawks signed (at Gatineau) cover by all of the team (11), plus a decal and brochure. Value \$5.00.
- (D) Set of 9 autographed Snowbird covers for 1 July 1992 at Ottawa. Value \$35.00.
- (E) Signed Italian flown cover, at Ottawa's National Air Show, 27 June 1992. Value \$5.00.
- (F) FDC and dated flight dates of Astronaut Steve MacLean. Value \$15.00.
- (G) Set of 9 autographed Snowbird covers flown in Ottawa at CFB Moose Jaw, Saskatchewan on their last day of operation for 1992. 17 August 1992. Value \$35.00.
- (H) Shearwater flown and autographed Snowbird cover for Shearwater Air Show, 19 September 1992. Value \$10.00.
- (I) The Stealth Fighter flown envelope has not yet been returned. If available the value will be \$5.00. All values are in Canadian dollars.

Orders should be sent to Dick Malott. Payment may be made by personal cheques or money orders payable to The Canadian Aerophilatelic Society.

ITEM 93-16:

CAS pewter membership pins are available for \$5.00 Canadian, post paid. Orders may be sent to the treasurer or the President.

ITEM 93-17:

The Thames Stamp Club honoured the 50th anniversary of the Doolittle Raid on Sunday, October 25, 1992. Their cachet features a B-25 Mitchell Bomber and the carrier Hornet (CR-8). Cachets with the Doolittle stamp are \$2.00 US. All other WWII stamps are \$1.00 US. A set of 10 cachets are \$10.00 US. To order cachets send remittance with a #10SASE TO: Thames Stamp Club, P.O. Box 1447, New London, Conn 06320, U.S.A.

ITEM 93-18:

One of our newest members, Captain Julius Grigore, Jr., USN, Ret'd, has researched and published a fascinating book on the New York, Rio and Buenos Aires Airlines, "NYRBA" entitled, "Triple Crash and Outlaw Flight Covers and Postal Markings". Please refer to Annex "I" for details on contents and ordering.

ITEM 93-19:

A new controversy has started among aerophilatelists as to what should or should not be collected in aerophilately. So far Alex Newall, Ken Sanford and Cdr. Frans J. van Beveren have entered the fray with all guns firing and bomb-bays opened ready for the attack. The three are members of the CAS as well as other aerophilatelic organizations. It is hoped that the arguments will stay on a friendly basis. Basically I feel that if someone wishes to commemorate an aviation event in a respectable manner, than let that person do so as we have done for Canada's 125th Anniversary of Confederation for 1992. In Canada, the airlines and Canada Post do not cater to first flights. Thus to motivate interest in aerophilately in Canada one has to be inventive to obtain new and current items for younger collectors. Not everyone can afford the more expensive pioneer and semi-official flight covers of Canada, Newfoundland, the USA, and other countries of interest. Has anyone comments that they would like published in The Canadian Aerophilatelist?

ITEM 93-20:

The CAS is about to embark on a demanding project, with the support of the AAMS through Dan Barber, Editor-in-Chief of the AAMS Catalogue. The CAS is to prepare and publish in time for a launch at CAPEX'96, 8-16 June 1996, a separate all Canadian Air Mail Catalogue featuring all aspects of aerophilately\astrophilately for Canada and Newfoundland. Dick Malott will be the coordinator as he was for the Canadian and Newfoundland Sections of Volume IV, 5th Edition of the AAMS Catalogue, 1980. A lot of work has been done already compiling data for corrections and particularly additions to the Canada and Newfoundland Sections of Volume IV, 5th Edition. Who is willing to assist?

ITEM 93-21:

The contents of this special separate catalogue from the AAMS set will be Canadian in every aspect with all the removed date after 1950 returned to the listings along with the new listings such as the one prepared by Trans World Philair Club. I envisage the following sections in the catalogue:

- (A) Newfoundland air mails - stamps and flown covers that would include pioneer and government flights to 1 April 1947.
- (B) Canadian air mails - pioneer and semi-official stamps, regular air mail stamps to their discontinuance with all-up mail.
- (C) Canadian air mails of all types - pioneer, semi official, official government flights, unofficial flights, souvenir and commemorative events, including foreign aircraft carriers to and from Canada.
- (D) Crash covers within, to and from Canada.
- (E) Aerogrammes.
- (F) Canadian Forces Air Letter Forms.
- (G) Special Canadian Forces commemorative flown envelopes, including covers flown by the Snowbirds (Ron Miyanishi).
- (H) Special flights by balloons, gliders, parachute, helicopters, Comet and Concorde.
- (I) List of known national and international air mail organizations.

- (J) List of names with a short biography of all noted Canadian aerophilatelists (collectors, dealers, auctioneers), and those non-Canadian noted for collecting Canadian aerophilately (ie Ed Richardson and John Cornelius).
- (K) Whatever else that is brought forth. The format will have to be deduced and dedicated volunteers who have the interest and the time to work on this project are now required so that we can organize and commence this challenging assignment. Murray Heifetz has offered to coordinate Pioneer and Semi-official air mail and stamps. The Toronto group working on the format of our catalogue could look after the official government flights, etc. Who has an interest in any of these areas? Please contact Dick Malott soon so that research and work on the Canadian Air Mail Catalogue may commence.

ITEM 93-22:

Royal 1993 Royale will be held in Ottawa, Ontario in conjunction with ORAPEX'93 at the Radisson Hotel, 30 April - 2 May 1993 inclusive. Refer to Annex "J" for further details on the philatelic exhibition and Canada's Second National Philatelic Literature Exhibition. It is not too late to apply for exhibiting your aerophilatelic exhibit or literary work. Refer to Annex "K".

ITEM 93-23:

CAPEX'96 will be held in Toronto, Ontario 8-16 June 1996. Start to plan your trip to this significant philatelic event. The CAS plans to cooperate with the AAMS, AFA, FISA and the RPSC to make aerophilately\astrophilately an important segment of CAPEX'96. Annual meetings of the various aerophilatelic\astrophilatelic groups will be held, seminars and lectures presented, a special dining-in-night will be held at the historic Royal Canadian Military Institute in Toronto, and a visit to the Canadian Aviation Heritage Museum at Mount Hope near Hamilton, Ontario will be arranged. A Committee to coordinate activities will be set up with CAS Toronto and environs members. Who wishes to chair this committee - perhaps Murray Heifetz, our RPSC Aerophilatelic Commissioner to the FIP Aerophilatelic Commission who lives in the Toronto area.

ITEM 93-24:

If any CAS member has any aerophilatelic news for their colleagues please send it to the Editor for use in The Canadian Aerophilatelist.

ITEM 93-25:

Anyone wishing to obtain special autographed first flight and commemorative envelopes, mainly British covers, please contact Mr. Len Gleicher, 94 Grafton Road, London, NW5 3EJ, England. Len has a wide selection of interesting autographed flown covers, including Canadian items and Battle of Britain pilot signed covers.

ITEM 93-26:

An excellent book titled "Spirit of the Yukon" by June Lunney, daughter of the famous Canadian bush pilot Andrew Cruikshank has been published by Caillin Press 1992. Trelle Morrow of Prince George, B.C. has provided a book review for our benefit. (Annex "L").

ITEM 93-27:

The British North America Society has many study groups, including two Canadian aerophilatelic study groups. One must be a member of the BNAPS to belong to a BNAPS Study Group. For data on the Canadian Pioneer and Semi-Official Air Mail Study Group contact Trelle A. Morrow, No. 102-1376 7th Avenue, Prince George, B.C., V2L 3P1. For data on the Canadian Air Mail Study Group that encompasses all aspects of Canadian air mail contact Basil S. Burrell, 911 Huckleberry Lane, Glenview, Illinois, 60025, USA.

ITEM 93-28:

Data on the British Commonwealth Air Training Plan and a reference book, "They Shall Not Grow Old" are attached as Annex "M". Data on the Canadian Aviation Historical Society are enclosed as Annex "N".

ITEM 93-29:

The next issue of "The Canadian Aerophilatelist" will be released hopefully in June 1993 after my return from England and EUR-APEX'93, and a holiday in Florida (3-24 May 1993).



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FRPSC
President CAS
Editor, The Canadian Aerophilatelist.

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CANADIAN AEROPHILATELIC SOCIETY NEWS

Greetings to all for a successful philatelic 1993. Members of the Canadian Aerophilatelic Society have been busy in 1992 and with new members in the executive plans for 1993 activities have commenced. The new executive, all in their respective positions by acclamation are as follows:

PRESIDENT:	Major R.K. "Dick" Malott, C.D., M.Sc., B.A., F.R.P.S.C.
IMMEDIATE PAST PRESIDENT:	W/C EP "Pat" Sloan, C.D.
VICE-PRESIDENT:	Michael Shand.
TREASURER:	Nelson Bentley.
SECRETARY:	Roy Miyanishi.

Pat Sloan was the first President of the CAS and guided it to maturity over the past six years. At the major aerophilatelic exhibition in Chicago, AEROPHILATELY'92, 30 October - 1 November 1992, Pat received three awards for his contribution to aerophilately nationally and internationally: The CAS Award for contribution to aerophilately nationally and internationally; "The CAS Award for contribution for Aerophilately"; The Gold FISA Medal for outstanding contribution to international aerophilately; and The Gus Lancaster Award of The Metropolitan Air Post Society of New York. This aerophilatelic hat-trick is the first on record for any Canadian aerophilatelist. We all extend congratulations to Pat and appreciate his continued support of the CAS as immediate past president of the CAS. Another vote of appreciation goes to our retiring secretary, Major ER "Ritch" Toop, our third secretary who served for five years and who got our activities on computer. We also welcome our two new executive members, Michael Shand, Vice-President, of Ottawa, and Ron Miyanishi of Toronto, Ontario. Plans for active participation of the CAS in EUR-APEX'93 in London, England and in ROYAL 1993 ROYALE in conjunction with ORAPEX'93 in Ottawa, are well underway.

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AEROPHILATELY'93 in Chicago was attended by a dozen Canadian aerophilatelists. A very full programme crammed 5 days of activity into three days. Interesting lectures, outstanding exhibits, an excellent selection of material from dealers, and several pleasant social events kept everyone very busy. The CAS awarded five of its special awards for an individual's contribution to aerophilately\astrophilately - Pat Sloan of Canada, Cheryl Ganz, the President of the American Aerophilatelic Airmail Society of the USA, Fred Blau of Chicago, Illinois, USA: Commander Frans Van Beveren of the Netherlands; and Dr. Teddy Dahinden, a Vice President of The Federation internationale de philatelie, of Switzerland. Each recipient received the CAS pewter and walnut plaque and a special citation. The Grand Award for the exhibition went to Mr. Kent J. Kobersteen for his outstanding exhibit, "The Beacon Airmail Stamp of 1928 - Production and Usage". The only Canadian entry, one of crash covers by Dick Malott of Nepean, Ontario, received a gold medal. The AAMS announced the recipients of many awards for devoted work for aerophilately, including four additions to the Aerophilatelic Hall of Fame. One individual was the renowned Major Ian C. Morgan of Montreal, Québec, now deceased. Major Morgan was a dedicated collector, researcher, writer and organizer from the late 1920's to the late 1970's. He was the founder of the International Air Mail Society, the editor and publisher of The Specialized Catalogue of Canadian Airmail Stamps (1931-1935), and a prodigious originator of thousands of historic military cancelled envelopes for Canadian Forces during the Second World War. Let us hope that other famous Canadian aerophilatelists such as O.W.R. Smith, W.R. Patton, Narcisse Pelletier, Jim Sissons, and Bob of the Northland, will be so honoured in the future. It has proven difficult to obtain data on these individuals, including their dates of death. If anyone has any data on these aerophilatelists to assist in proving their significance to Canadian and international aerophilately, I would be pleased to receive it at 16 Harwick Crescent, Nepean, Ontario, K2H 6R1, Canada Tel: (613) 829-0280.

Aerophilately'92 saw the publication of an aerophilatelic book "Via Airmail: an Aerophilatelic Survey of Events, Routes and Rates", edited by Simine Short and the associate editor was Cheryl Ganz. Two of the 17 articles were written by Canadian aerophilatelists - "Mermoz Trans-Atlantic Flights" by Pat Sloan and "Canadian Airmails, 1918-1934" by Dick Malott. The book is available in Canada from Nelson Bentley, Treasurer of the CAS and in the USA from Greg Schmidt of the American Air Mail Society at 870 Bengal Road, Neenah, Wisconsin, 54956-2052, USA for \$20.00 US plus \$3.00 US for postage and handling costs for a shipment to a

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Canadian address. For members of the AAMS the cost is \$16.00 US for the first copy and \$20.00 US for any extra copies, plus the \$3.00 US postage and handling costs. This book is an important addition to any collector's library of air mail material. For Canadians, please convert the US price to Canadian dollars at the prevailing exchange rate.

Although Aerophilately'92 was a resounding success with at least 1500 collectors attending, an ominous comparison of events occurring in the same large convention centre was there to be seen by those concerned about the future of stamp collecting or philately and aerophilately. On the bottom floor of the convention centre were two gigantic exhibitions - one for an open show and exhibition for skiing and the other a monstrous layout for toy models of trains, aircraft, ships, automobiles, some toy soldiers, etc. Most of the models were radio controlled with large areas for visitors to try certain items out. There were dealers from every corner of the globe including Russia and mainland China. There were 5 to 6 thousand people in the area at anyone time, and at least 60% were young people spending a lot of money as the items were not cheap. They were eager, having fun, competing doing something exciting, and they were not headed for the aerophilatelic section. Up stairs older generations of collectors were busy looking at the exhibits and searching for significant items for their collections. There were very few young people there. If the young people are not coming out to see these advanced collections or searching out philatelic items for their collections it will not be too long before there will be no one coming to the stamp shows. In the last few months there have been several deaths of the senior AAMS collectors - Joseph E. Eisendrath who edited the AAMS book on interrupted (crash) covers; "Uncle Sam" Samuel S. Goldsticker who served the AAMS in almost every capacity possible; the doyan of AAMS members and writers, the venerable Dr. Max Kronstein; Paul Edward Garber, the first curator of the National Air Museum of the Smithsonian Institution and staunch supporter of aerophilately (it was he who had the foresight to go after and obtain historic aircraft such as Lindbergh's "Spirit of St. Louis", for the Smithsonian); and the doyan of British aerophilatelists if not international aerophilately, Francis J. Field, who founded Francis J. Field, Ltd, in Sutton-Coldfield, the leading British aerophilatelic dealership in England. These dedicated aerophilatelists have left a wonderful heritage for those who would care for it and pass it on to younger generations. If greater effort is not forthcoming in 20 years time there will be few to carry on these aerophilatelic traditions. The comparison between the model and skiing exhibitions and the aerophilatelic exhibition (and the same would apply if it were only a philatelic exhibition)

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was startling. The traffic conditions were horrible outside the exhibition area with dozens of policemen trying to control the traffic congestion. Let us hope that our CAPEX'96, to be held in Toronto, Ontario, 8-16 June 1996, will be able to draw out the young in greater numbers than at AEROPHILATELY'92.

It is with sadness that the CAS also recognizes the death of a wonderful philatelist and gentleman, Mr. George S. Wegg, F.R.P.S.C., who died in mid-December in Toronto. After the Second World War in which he served in the RCAF, George joined forces with the late JN Sissons to form a philatelic business. They later formed separate companies and both provided exceptional service to all philatelists. Ted and Kathy Wright later purchased the Wegg business, wisely retaining the George S. Wegg name for their business activities. It is hoped that someone in Toronto who has all the details on George Wegg's philatelic career will produce an article for the philatelic press. Per Ardua Ad Astra George!

On a happier note I wish to compliment the organizers of EUR-APEX'93 to be held from 2 to 7 March 1993 for the excellent details being publicized for the event. It is to be held at the Royal Horticultural Halls, Greycoat Street and Vincent Square, London, SW1, England. The event is organized by the British Aerophilatelic Federation in association with Spring Stampex. It is sponsored by Harmers of London and the British Philatelic Trust. It is accredited by the British Philatelic Federation with patronage from the Federation of European Philatelic Associations (FEPA) and the International Federation of Aerophilatelic Societies (FISA). It will be a great aerophilatelic event with a special cachet for each of the six days. Anyone wishing further data on this event is invited to contact me at my home address of 16 Harwick Crescent, Nepean, Ontario, K2H 6R1, Canada. I have the honour of being the Canadian Commissioner for this event. Three entries have been approved for competition from Canada.

The year 1992 observed the 125th anniversary of Canada's Confederation. The CAS observed this significant milestone in Canada's history by the preparation of a size 10 four-colour envelope depicting in colour the CAS logo, the Snowbird's logo, and the four-colour 125th anniversary logo. These envelopes were used in conjunction with other aviation organizations to record special events in the Ottawa area - the National Capital Air Show held in late June and the 1 July 1992 events in the presence of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II. There were 15 special envelopes prepared in sets for different events by air and all were autographed by the appropriate pilots or team members of the Sky Hawks of the Canadian Armed Forces. The flown and autographed envelopes were:

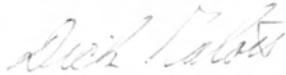
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- (1) Canadian Warplane Heritage Museum Lancaster Bomber with the Mynarski VC's Lancaster's registration number, flown by Don Schofield on 27 June 1992;
- (2) Canadian Warplane Heritage Museum's Hurricane 11B YO-A flown by Rick Franks on 28 June 1992 (plus data on the fighter aircraft);
- (3) FRECCE TRICOLORI's Aermacchi MB-339A flown by Lt. Col. Gianluigi Zanovello, No. 1 aircraft of the Pattuglia Acrobatica Nazionale on 27 June 1992 at the National Capital Air Show, Ottawa, Ontario;
- (4) An envelope with first day of issue cancellations for the two Canadian space stamps dated 1 October 1992, and the two dates for the blast-off and return to earth of Steve MacLean's Space Shuttle Columbia Mission STS 52 dated 22 October and 1 November 1992 (plus the three astronaut booklets issued by Canada Post);
- (5) A Sky Hawks carried envelope on their descent at Jacques Cartier Park, Hull, Québec, on 1 July 1992 with the signatures of the 11 team members (the envelope has a special one day cancellation for the 125th anniversary of Canada's Confederation from the National Postal Museum and added are a Sky Hawks coloured brochure and a multi-coloured decal);
- (6-14) A set of nine Snowbirds flown envelopes in each of the nine performing Tutor aircraft and each autographed by the applicable pilot (plus a Snowbirds's coloured brochure and a red and white Snowbirds's decal); and
- (15) Yet to be returned to the CAS a flown envelope on the United States Air Force F-117A and its pilot). Anyone interested in further details on these special envelopes and their availability may contact Dick Malott at the indicated address.

In reference to the 125th anniversary of Canada's Confederation 40,000 special commemorative medals were issued to selected Canadian citizens who in many various ways have contributed to the betterment of the community and the nation. Each member of Parliament was permitted to nominate 40 Canadian citizens from their applicable riding based on nominations submitted to the MP. In the riding of Nepean, the MP Beryl Gaffney chose two philatelists for their community and national work in several

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aspects of their activities - James E. Kraemer and R. K. "Dick" Malott. The medals were presented to the recipients at a special ceremony at the Nepean City Hall council chambers on 15 December 1993 with 300 guests present for the ceremony. It would be interesting to know if any other Canadian philatelists were so honoured?



(R. K. Malott)
12 January, 1993



50 YEARS



Aircraft Tiger Moth DH-82C
 Registration CF-COU
 Pilot Duncan Marshall



50 YEARS



Aircraft Glider ASK-13
 Registration C-FBQN
 Pilot Taber Bucknell

Tiger Moth and Glider flown souvenir covers for 50th Anniversary of Gatineau Gliding Club and Pendleton Airport. Flown on 6 Sept. 1992 and cancelled with one day only Pendleton Airport postmark. Covers \$2.00 each plus .50 cent postage from Nelson Bentley, 3044 Otterson Dr., Ottawa, ON K1V 7B6. Funds raised are for benefit of the Gatineau Gliding Club.

BOOK REVIEW by Trelle Morrow

SPIRIT of the YUKON, by June Lunney, Caitlin Press 1992,
Hard cover, \$24.95

Collectors of Airmail material will be interested in this biography of Andrew Cruikshank who was one of the partmenrs in Yukon Airways and later was employed by Western Canada Airways.

The author, June Cruikshank Lunney, is the daughter of this well-known pilot and the material has been gleaned from Andy's abundant correspondence to family members and business associates throughout his career. The time period covered is mainly from his participation as a teenager in World War I through to his untimely death while flying for Western Canada Airways in 1932.

Although the book does not deal extensively with Airmail matters, the collateral material is excellent. There is a chapter on Yukon Airways and the Ryan aircraft, "Queen of the Yukon", and also a chapter on his association with Western Canada Airways.

This is a beautiful book with many photos and makes a fine addition to the Collector's library.

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