

# Fly-In and Camp-In

with the Abbotsford Flying Club



## 2012 Abbotsford International Air Show Aug 10, 11, 12

The Abbotsford Flying Club invites you to fly-in or drive-in and camp August 9th through 12th for the 2012 Abbotsford International Airshow 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary edition.

Arrive on Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> and make it a four day event. Get a prime location and set up camp while watching the display aircraft arrive.

RV/tent and aircraft camping, hosted by AFC members, is available on the airport grounds, near our club house and facilities.

Facilities include; hot showers, buffet style breakfast and dinner, Thursday evening through Sunday morning, served at the club house Broken Prop. Also within walking distance on field is the Baron Bar and Grill.

- > Good on the grass camping
- Hot showers at the club house
- > Breakfast and dinner available
- > Flying Club hospitality
- No Slots: easy fly-in arrivals
- > Easy border crossing for US arrivals
- > Use of club flight room for filing

There are modest charges for meals, camping and for air show admission, including packaged camping with admission deals. Fly-In pilots please review the NOTAM for show times and area restrictions. Expect morning arrival/departures before 10am and evening after 6pm. More information is available on the Abbotsford Air Show web site, with updates closer to the event by web site and email. There is a hot-line phone number for pilot specific details, typically with evening call back.

## RV and Tent Camping

Camping is on airport property at the Queen Street entrance, hosted by flying club members and gets very good participation.

Many arrivals come in Thursday, which has informal flying activity including aircraft arrivals, media and practice. There is easy access to the in-field during show hours Friday through Sunday, with a tram service.

Camping on the grass suits both tenting and RV's. No hook-ups, but there is potable water on site and portable toilets. Early arrivals get a front row view. Camping fees apply with package deals. For example, weekend camp and admission is \$200 for the family, (max 8 ppl).

Hot showers are set up at the club house within walking distance, or use a free shuttle service during scheduled periods morning and evening.

The RV Camping chairmen are club members Randy Engh and Adam Kendall. Refer the air show web site for additional information or info@AbbotsfordAirShow.com.

### Fly-In Parking

Aircraft parking changed to the north end of Alpha in 2010, which has worked well. Parking is on grass off taxiway Alpha and Golf (unmarked). Bring your own tie downs. Admissions and access to the air show is directly down the heavy display ramp (Rwy-19) and club volunteers will assist where possible.

The Fly-In chairman is AFC club member Ed Boon. Contact by email <a href="mailto:FlyIn@AbbotsfordAirShow.com">FlyIn@AbbotsfordAirShow.com</a> or via the AIAS hot-line, 604.556.3303 from July 1<sup>st</sup> up to the show. Please call from a number that you want the call returned on. Please repeat the phone number slowly.

## Fly-In Camping

Fly-In camping is encouraged. Club members provide hospitality and transport for morning and evening meals, use of showers and the flight room.

Overnight aircraft will be along with daily parking on the grass and camping beside your aircraft. Bring your own tie downs.

Enjoy a day or several days of aviation fellowship with Abbotsford Flying Club members and other fly-in participants.

## Static Display Aircraft

Interesting aircraft may be eligible for display parking, also operated by the club. This in on the heavy static ramp (Rwy-19) in roped off areas between the heavy displays.

Static chairmen are club members Aaron Edwards and Rene Robertson. Applications are requested by email: genaviation@AbbotsfordAirShow.com.

### Abbotsford Airport Improvements

Abbotsford Airport had a major upgrade during 2010 and changes are in full effect. Arrivals are still easy, but expect procedural and clearance differences. Refer to the current VTA front and back and also the CFS.

There is now taxiway Charlie parallel to 07/25 and a substantially widened apron with taxiway Alpha extending the full length parallel to 01/19.

## Aircraft Arrivals and Departures

Review the current CFS, VTA and the NOTAM when it becomes available. Follow Class-C arrival and departure procedures on those and other normal procedures.

Subject to NOTAM, arrivals and departures for the show are typically not much different from standard procedures. Expect the following:

The radius under control around the airport will probably increase, so obtain the ATIS and call early. There are outer and inner tower frequencies, most likely both in effect. The ATIS advises that. Mode-C transponder is required with a discrete code.

Thursday is a good day for arrival with more time latitude. However it is also used for show arrivals, practice and media so it is possible that you will be requested to stay clear for periods. Allow for that in flight planning.

Friday through Sunday arrival and departure times are restricted. Expect to be in before 10am and field open again by 6pm, all subject to NOTAM and show activity.

#### **Customs Procedures**

US origin aircraft may arrive directly into CYXX for customs. Follow normal customs procedures which have changed in recent years, but are not difficult.

For Canadian customs phone ahead to CANPASS not less than 2 hours before departure and respond to their questions (1.888.226.7277). You will need a committed ETA with the name and passport information of persons on the flight. Passports must be carried.

The US CBP requires an eAPIS filing for both transits. Set up an account ahead of time and file at least 2 hours before departure. Manifests need to be filed using a computer and south bound requires permission to depart, likely back to your email address within minutes.

Border crossing for customs will require a border crossing transponder code and be on a flight plan with a committed ETA. The current decal required for US customs arrival now must be ordered ahead of time. Have your required documents on hand and in order.

More information on how to file is available on DHS, AFC, EAA and other web sites or type eAPIS into Google. Use of the club flight room will be available for departure filing.

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