



BCAC
BRITISH COLUMBIA
AVIATION COUNCIL

2015 Annual Report

A Connected Community



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Message from the Chairman



At the first meeting of the BC Aviation Council 78 years ago, attendees likely could never have envisioned over 300 people gathering at the Vancouver Convention Centre to honour contributors to the B.C. aviation industry and to award over \$19,000 in scholarships. B.C. has become a world leader in heli-logging, aerial fire suppression, heli-skiing, float plane operations, innovative air charter, aircraft manufacturing, airport management and aerospace. Fully 24% of people working in air transportation in Canada do so in B.C. BCAC is proud to serve this industry and provide a focal point for growth.

BCAC represents all sectors of aviation with over 70 corporate members. In 2012 we established a five-year vision and we have been steadily pursuing our defined objectives. This report measures our progress along this flight path.

One of our strongest initiatives was to encourage greater youth involvement. The youth volunteers who help at each of our events are innovative, resourceful, connected and bring a keen interest in aviation to our organization. Our committee structure has also evolved, as well as our increased affiliations with national aviation organizations including ATAC, CBAA and COPA. This year we also wished our previous Executive Director, Vanessa Griffiths, good luck in her new flying career with WestJet Encore and welcomed Candace McKibbon to the role and as our chief communicator.

On the subject of communications, I hope you are all enjoying our new web site. We want to be the “go to” organization for aviation in B.C.; you will find a continuous flow of news and events on the site to keep you informed about the industry in our province. One of those events was our Annual General Meeting held in Kelowna in 2015, combined with an excellent airports conference. We have continued to grow our endowment fund for scholarships, and this year Conair Aviation added a \$3000 annual scholarship to support a student in commercial pilot licence training. Continued support of our aviation students and education facilities is a foundation for continued aviation growth in our province.

We look forward to seeing you all at the 2016 Silver Wings Awards Gala on October 26th and wish you all a successful year.

Mark Duncan

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Message from the Executive Director



First of all, thank you to everyone for welcoming me into the role of Executive Director with BCAC. I started in November of this year and have been overwhelmed by everyone’s support and encouragement. I also want to thank Vanessa Griffiths, previous Executive Director, for all the hard work

she put in last year and throughout her time at BCAC.

The launch of our new website has really turned things around for us this year, providing BCAC with new ways to communicate and stay connected with our members. It provides more ways to share news articles, job postings, membership profiles, online applications for scholarships and more.

BCAC excels at initiatives to support youth in our industry, and we are always looking for ways to improve this focus. Not only were scholarships totaling \$19,000 awarded in 2015, BCAC also supported the Aviation

Leadership Foundation’s Mentorship Program, hosted and attended events to support youth in our industry, and our Youth Engagement Committee has continued to thrive.

So far, 2016 has been a very active year, and we are looking forward to seeing what the rest of the year has in store. I hope you have an excellent 2016 and I look forward to connecting with each of you at upcoming events.

Candace McKibbon

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What We Do

The British Columbia Aviation Council, established in 1938, is a member-driven organization that represents and promotes the shared interests of the aviation community.

Aviation is critical to growing the B.C. economy and the aviation sector supports British Columbians in their everyday lives. It is the job of the BCAC, in partnership with members, stakeholders, and the community to positively influence the well-being of British Columbia's aviation sector. It is only by innovating and finding new ways to work together that we will grow a visible, connected, and thriving aviation and aerospace industry in B.C.

The British Columbia Aviation Council is a charitable society established under the Society Act.

Vision

An aviation and aerospace industry that is visible, connected & thriving.

Mission

To promote, stimulate and encourage the development, growth & advancement of aviation & aerospace in British Columbia.



Left to Right: 2015 Silver Wings Award Winners, Silver Wings Awards Chairman Gregg Rafter presenting BCAC Airports Committee Airport Ops/Mgt Training scholarship to Nicole Gaudet from BCIT, Chairman Mark Duncan signing Affiliation Agreement with COPA President Bernard Gervais, Winner of the Anderson Family Flight Training scholarship, Nathaniel Ralphs of Victoria Flying Club



Strategic Results for 2015

For 78 years, the B.C. Aviation Council has worked to promote and develop the aviation industry in British Columbia; We create space for the entire aviation community to connect and engage on issues of importance to aviation and aerospace.

Our strong committees support the work we do to achieve our vision and here are some examples of our efforts to achieve a visible, connected and thriving aviation and aerospace industry.

01 Increasing Visibility

Objective: The Industry's history, size, scope and impact become well known to members, politicians, civil servants, educators, journalists and the public in B.C. and elsewhere.

Results:

- New BCAC website launched, designed by Carter Hales Design Lab
- Social media following up 30%
- Membership up 5%
- Supported the Aviation Leadership Foundation's Aviation Leadership Forum
- Hosted a number of Youth Industry Nights as networking opportunities
- Hosted successful Silver Wings Awards at the Vancouver Convention Centre with 275 attendees & awarded 7 industry awards & a record 11 scholarships
- Presented an Air Operators Workshop - "Navigating the Stormy Skies of Public Relations"
- Fundraised through YVR's Annual Koffee Klutch for scholarship fund, adding approximately \$1500 to the fund
- Worked to develop an economic impact study for aviation & aerospace in B.C.
- Published 17 E-News Articles
- Established monthly reports on website
- Added affiliations with College of Professional Pilots of Canada, C.O.P.A., & Quarter Century Club

02 Contributing to the Development of Aviation & Aerospace Policy

Objective: BCAC provides a clear and timely voice on policy and related issues that can influence a visible, connected and thriving aviation and aerospace community.

Results:

- Hosted successful Airports Workshop in Kelowna with over 100 attendees
- Had annual meeting with Ministry of Transportation to discuss aviation sector & its relevance to B.C. economy
- Worked with Provincial Government to promote B.C. Air Access Program (BCAAP)
- Participated in the Vancouver Board of Trade Transportation Committee & Chaired the Aviation Forum
- Attended ATAC's AGM in Montreal
- Attended PNAA Conference in Seattle
- Attended Viking Air Operator Forum
- Attended Women in Aviation, CBAA, AIAC Pacific, & CCAA events
- Participated on the NavCanada working committee
- Sat on Transport Canada UAV Roundtable
- Participated in media interviews regarding UAVs

03 People: The Industry's Future

Objective: BCAC Collaborates with educators, industry, government, partner associations and others to promote a visible, connected and thriving industry.

Results:

- Supported the Aviation Leadership Foundation's Mentorship Program
- Focused on building high-functioning committees to drive Council activities
- Added 15 new student members
- Increased scholarships by \$3,000
- Awarded \$19,000 in scholarships, 2015 Scholarship winners:
 - » Anderson Family Flight Training \$5,000: Nathaniel Ralphs, Victoria Flying Club
 - » Ernie Alexander Memorial \$2,000: Victoria Vargas, Pacific Flying Club
 - » Al Michaud Memorial \$1,000: Tikal Unger, Pacific Flying Club
 - » Anne & Rudy Bauer Memorial, \$1,000: Karli-Ann Murray, Coastal Pacific Aviation
 - » Barry & Jim AME Graduate, \$3,000: Ken Jen, BCIT
 - » BCAC Airports Committee Airport Ops/Mgt Training, \$1,000: Nicole Gaudet, BCIT
 - » BCAC Career Training, \$1,000: Lucas Davis, University of Fraser Valley
 - » BCAC Flight Instructor Training, \$1,000: Young Min Lee, Pacific Flying Club
 - » Mary Swain Memorial, \$1,000: Soo Hyun Woo, BCIT AME Graduate
 - » William Templeton Airport Ops/Mgt Training, \$1,000: Stephen Van Dolder, BCIT
 - » Michelle Ward Memorial, \$2,000: Fraser Shindruk, Coastal Pacific Aviation
- Participated in the 'Girls Fly Too' event in Abbotsford
- Supported the Waypoint Aviation Career Fair



04 Encouraging a Connected Community with a Strong Voice

Objective: BCAC brings people together to present a strong voice for the aviation and aerospace community in B.C.

Results:

- The Silver Wings Awards brought together 275 aviation professionals from all over the province to support the 2015 award recipients. Industry awards were presented in the following categories:
 - » Wayne Coulson, The Coulson Group - Entrepreneur of the Year in Aviation
 - » Danny Sitnam, Helijet - BCAC Environmental Award in Aviation
 - » Bill Yearwood, Transportation Safety Board of Canada - Back & Bevington Air Safety Award
 - » Gerry Bruno, Vancouver Airport Authority - Robert S. Day Award
 - » Kelowna International Airport - William Templeton Award
 - » Barry Marsden, Conair Group & Jim Rogers, Flair Airlines - Lifetime Achievement in Aviation
- Held successful Annual Airports Workshop
- Held successful Annual Air Operators Workshop
- Organized & promoted Youth Committee networking events

05 Ensuring Continued Organizational Sustainability and Financial Stability

Objective: BCAC continues to strengthen and grow the organization's financial stability in order to realize the vision.

Results:

- Added three new scholarships this year - two from our endowment fund & another from private donations
- Received financial reporting monthly from the Audit & Investment Committee
- Scholarship endowment funds balance of \$226,000
- Managed & improved organizational structure through the Governance Committee



Statement of Financial Position

December 31, 2015

	2015	2014
Assets (Current)		
Cash	35,250	30,230
Accounts Receivable	13,281	21,903
Inventory	5,867	2,925
Capital Assets		
	18,450	-
Investments	225,613	242,390
	299,424	297,449
Liabilities		
Current Liabilities	7,589	1,781
Deferred Contributions	27,609	24,133
	35,198	25,914
Net Assets		
Invested in capital assets	18,450	-
Internally restricted	115,651	131,948
Endowment funds	100,000	100,000
Unrestricted	30,126	39,587
	264,227	271,535
	299,424	297,449



Committee Chairs for 2015

Airports

Carman Hendry

Airport Operators

Dave Nowzek

Audit & Investment

Mike Delves

Communications

Rebecca Catley

Governance

Heather Bell

Membership

Reg Krake

Silver Wings Awards

Gregg Rafter

Youth Engagement

Candace McKibbon

Our Affiliations

Air Cadet League of Canada, BC Provincial Committee

Air Transport Assn of Canada (ATAC)

Hope Air

Canadian Owners & Pilots Assn (COPA)

College of Professional Pilots of Canada (CPPC)

Manitoba Aviation Council

Northern Air Transport Assn (NATA)

Pacific Northwest Aerospace Alliance (PNAA)

Quarter Century in Aviation Club

Saskatchewan Aviation Council

Unmanned Systems Canada

Vancouver Board of Trade



JOIN BCAC

To join BCAC or get more information, visit:
www.bcaviationcouncil.org/join-bcac

CHOOSE YOUR MEMBERSHIP

With over 200 individual and corporate members, the BCAC represents almost all major aviation companies in the province. Please consider joining us to enjoy the benefits of membership while helping to sustain a strong aviation sector in British Columbia.



SUSTAINING
\$5,000



CORPORATE SUPPORTER
\$2,500



CORPORATE
\$500



INDIVIDUAL
\$100



STUDENT
*FREE

Member rates for BCAC	Member + 10 colleagues	Member + 5 colleagues	Member + 1 colleague	Member	Member
Member rates at Delta Hotels and Resorts	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗
One Vote in the Society	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Opportunity to serve on Committees and the BCAC Board of Directors	✓	✓	✓	✓	Committees
Member only newsletter and "first-to-know" industry announcements	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Your Company information on the BCAC website	Logo	Logo	Logo	✗	✗
Your company profile on web and periodic newsletter placements	✓	✓	✓	✗	✗
Free Job postings on website	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗
Recognition at the annual Silver Wings Awards	✓	✓	✓	✗	✗
Tickets to the annual Silver Wings Awards	4	2	✗	✗	✗