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## Chair's Message for March/April of 2022



Dear Members of #600 Wing,

Well, here we are again, AGM time and your executive feels it is prudent to handle the 2022 AGM (for the business of 2021) via the Aerogram. There was really nothing happening and this AGM can be handled quickly and easily in this manner. You all did a great job of helping complete the last two AGMs and I know that you will do so one more time.

It is our fervent hope that we can resume regular monthly executive meetings in April or May and that we can also then plan a social gathering in the summer!

Dorothy has kept our financial picture in great shape. THANK YOU so much for that Dorothy! We actually made a very few dollars in 2021, so that is a positive that we can build on for next year!

I would also like to take this opportunity to say a huge THANK YOU to Kathy Martin for all of her work keeping us all informed and entertained through periodic Aerograms for the last year. This has been much appreciated by the membership I am sure!

There is very little to say at this time, except that I am very excited about the prospect of getting back to meetings and socials and being able to see many of you.

As you all are aware, our BCATP project is on hold, as is any other activity for the Wing at this time, except for the fundraiser with SARCAN- you can take your recyclables to any SARCAN depot in Saskatchewan, fill in the info on the computer they have and just like that- #600 Wing will see the benefit of that. Please consider doing this- it helps our Wing. And as you can imagine, there is not much else coming in. Aside from a couple of donations (thank you to those who did that), the Wing is just maintaining our financial position. Which of course is much better than going downhill.

I know that this pandemic has been difficult for all of us in many ways, but I believe we can now begin to look forward to a much rosier future. And count our blessings that we have weathered this storm.

Sherry D. Burgess  
Per Ardua Ad Astra  
Sherry Burgess  
Chair  
600 (Regina) Wing  
RCAF Association



Save all your Christmas Cheer bottles and containers and take them to Sarcan to help 600 Wing with a tiny bit of fundraising." Group Code is "600Wing





## St. Patrick's Day Word Search



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| TRADITION   | LUCK       | RAINBOW     |
| GREEN       | MARCH      | SHAMROCK    |



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## **AGENDA OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF RCAFA #600 (REGINA) WING HELD IN THE SPRING ISSUE OF THE AEROGRAM, 2022**

1. Call to Order
2. Adoption of Agenda
3. Approval of AGM Minutes of May/June 2021
4. Chair's Report
5. Business Arising from Minutes - Auditor from 2019,2020 not available
6. Committee Reports for the year 2021
  - Treasurer's Report Dorothy Rhead
  - Membership Report Dorothy Rhead
  - Air Cadets John Law
  - Aerogram Kathy Martin / Sherry Burgess
  - Regalia Jean Thomas
  - Airport Authority Gary Williams
  - Social Committee Sherry Burgess
  - Fundraising Herb Harrison
  - Prairie Group Bill Peake
  - CAHS Gary Williams
7. Financial Statement for 2021
8. Election of Officers
9. Installation of Officers - will be done this summer at a social if necessary
10. Auditor for 2021 - new person is needed for this review
11. Awards - No Member of the Year Award for 2021- Dorothy will get Long Service Pins to anyone qualifying
12. New Business- Getting back to business
13. Adjournment



### **MINUTES OF THE ROYAL CANADIAN AIRFORCE ASSOCIATION #600 (REGINA) WING ANNUAL GENERAL 2021 MEETING HELD IN THE MAY/JUNE ISSUE OF THE AEROGRAM OF 2021.**

**PRESENT:** (by virtue of having received and read the Aerogram Newsletter from March/April)

**Board Members:** Sherry Burgess, Dorothy Rhead, Herb Harrison, Jean Thomas, Lorna Wolk, John Law, Bill Peake, Gary Williams

**Also Members:** Jeanne Tweten, Jean Hamm, Phil Adkins, Norm Swayze, Brian Beck, Ken Kostyniuk

**Guests:** Kathy Martin, Donna Harrison, Wendy Williams, Donna Peake and Kathleen Law

A quorum (14) being present, Chair Sherry Burgess called the meeting to order.

#### **AGENDA**

Kostyniuk/Yeomans:- THAT the Agenda be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

**MINUTES (copies attached)**

Williams/Peake:- THAT, the Minutes of the Annual General Meeting of 2020 AGM held by newsletter, email and phone calls be approved as circulated.

CARRIED

**BUSINESS FROM THE MINUTES - None**

**REPORTS OF THE OFFICERS & COMMITTEES OF THE BOARD**

**Chairs Report (attached)**

Yeomans/Swayze:-THAT, Sherry Burgess's Chair's written Report as attached be acknowledged.

CARRIED

**Treasurers Report (attached)**

Rhead/Peake:- THAT, the Treasurers Report for 2020 as presented by Dorothy Rhead be acknowledged

CARRIED

**Membership:**– Dorothy Rhead submitted a written report.

**Air Cadets:** – No report

**Aerogram:**– No report

**Regalia** - If you need items from the Kit Shop, please call Jean Thomas at 306-545-1360. Please note any new items that are advertised in our AIRFORCE Magazine.

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**Airport Authority** - No report

**Social** –

**Fund Raising** – (attached)

**Prairie Group** – (attached)

**Cdn Aviation Historical Society** –No report

Swayze/Harrison:- THAT, the written Committee Reports be acknowledged.

CARRIED

**AUDITOR**

Rhead/Thomas:- THAT, Cathy Swayze be approached to review the 2020 #600 Wing books when it is safe to do so.

CARRIED

When safe to do so, Cathy Swayze (with Sherry Burgess and Dorothy Rhead present, hopefully) will review the 2019 and 2020 books .

**ELECTION OF BOARD MEMBERS (attached)**

**AWARDS**

Because of Covid 19 and the Wing's very limited activity, we have chosen not to Award a Member of the Year for 2020.

**Long Service Pins**

Dorothy Rhead will do her best to make sure that any member that is due a Long Service Pin, will receive it over the next few months.

**NEW BUSINESS** - None –

National RCAFA has suspended all in person activities for all Wings across the country, so we are in a standstill for the time being. Our Aerogram will continue to be published as often as we see necessary. We hope that this situation will not last too long.

**ADJOURN**

Rhead:- THAT, the meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED

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Sherry Burgess  
Chair RCAFA #600 (Regina) Wing  
The Aerogram 600 Wing Regina SK

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Lorna Wolk  
Secretary RCAFA #600 (Regina) Wing  
March/April 2022



### **Chair's Message for 2021**

This will be the shortest Annual Report on record for #600 Wing.

Our memberships remain fairly steady at near the 20 mark. We lost our oldest member- Margaret McGill this past year. She was 104! What a life she lived. We will miss her.

Dorothy kept our finances in very good order and thanks to a couple of donations, we actually made a few dollars last year! THANK YOU Dorothy- Great job as always!

There will be no MEMBER of the YEAR award again this year as there just wasn't any activity. I would like to take this opportunity however, to say a huge THANK YOU to Kathy Martin for keeping us all up to date with our Aerogram and entertaining us with puzzles and jokes.

Our BCATP project has been on hold since the pandemic began, but we hope to resurrect it this coming year.

I look forward to 2022 .  
Continue to stay safe.

Sherry D. Burgess  
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Chair 600 (Regina) Wing  
RCAF Association



### **Social Report**

600 Wing has 12 regular members and 2 social members.



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#### **600 (City of Regina) WING**

#### **Fundraising Annual Report 2021-22**

This past year has been a bust as far as fundraising is concerned. I have checked with a number of businesses, and none are planning a Hot Dog sale fundraising this year. This may change and I will keep checking. We started a fundraiser thru SARCAN where anyone can drop off their recyclable items and designate them for 600 Wing, and we will get the funds. This has been slow starting but we are getting some funds and we did not have to work for them which is a good thing. If you know anyone that uses SARCAN suggest to them to designate the funds to 600 Wing. As we do not have any other funds coming into the wing please tell everyone you know. As

of today, it does not look good for any fundraising again this summer so any idea's that you have around fundraising just let anyone on the executive know. Keep safe and hope to see you all shortly.

Herb Harrison CD  
Fundraising Chair 600 Wing



### **Prairie Group Annual Report 2021-22 Year**

Well, this year like the last one has been a very slow one and for Prairie Group. It all started with the COVID-19 pandemic two years ago where we all had to stay home with no visiting or group meetings. All Wings in Prairie Group shut down and Saskatoon closed their doors. Saskatoon has opened their doors and Winnipeg are having in person meetings again and with social interaction things are starting to get better. 600 Wing membership kept in touch with each other, and things went along within reason. Because of COVID I was not allowed to do my annual visits to each of the wings and visit with old and new friends. National has kept busy thru virtual meetings and online messages.

Terry Chester our Interim Chair was voted into the position last year and he has done an incredible job along with Dean Black keeping everyone informed. Unfortunately, each Wing in Prairie Group have lost members this past year and our thoughts are with each wing in this troubling time. Our thoughts and prayers go out to all members past and present that have lost a family member or friend this past year.

The RCAF Association Biennial General Meeting (BGM) for 2021 was supposed to be held in Hamilton mid-October 2021, but the COVID-19 situation precluded us from doing so. The BGM is now planned for the fall of 2022. More information will be forthcoming. Due to declining membership a decision was made during our last video conference to cut Dean's hours to 16 per week so anyone trying to contact him it is best to do so via email and he will get back to you.

In January 2022, the Board unanimously approved the 2021-2022 budget proposal motion, which also included instructions on holding the BGM in the Fall of 2022.

The Association has implemented is a job board on our web site. Any company in the aviation field can post a job thru Dean Black and the board is open to anyone wishing to apply. For any applicant that is hired the company pays the RCAFA a fee. Members are encouraged to check both the National and Prairie Group Web sites to keep up to date on what is happening within our group.

I had planned on having a in person AGM in Winnipeg this spring but now plan on having a virtual AGM sometime in early to mid-May and will be sending out more information in the future. If you or anyone you know would like to let their name stand for office just let me know and we can take your name forward to the AGM. I have participated in several virtual meetings but never hosted one so it might be interesting maybe even give you a few chuckles. Until next time then take care and please be safe.

Herbert Harrison CD  
Chair – Prairie Group  
RCAF Association



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**ROYAL CANADIAN AIR FORCE ASSOCIATION #600 (REGINA) WING**  
**FINANCIAL REPORT**  
**JANUARY 1 - DECEMBER 31, 2021**

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**REVENUES**

|             |               |
|-------------|---------------|
| Memberships | \$ 798.00     |
| SARCAN      | 12.55         |
| Donations   | <u>110.00</u> |
|             | \$ 920.55     |

**EXPENSES**

|                         |               |
|-------------------------|---------------|
| Bank fees               | \$ 90.00      |
| Membership CAHS 2021    | 20.00         |
| Post Office Box         | 208.95        |
| Memberships to National | <u>594.00</u> |
|                         | \$ 912.95     |

Yearly income \$ 7.60

Trust fund AGM Dec. 31/21 \$ 571.77

Balance General Jan 1/21 \$8,014.20

Yearly income 7.60

Balance Dec 31/21 \$8,021.80

Trust fund Dec 31/21 571.77

\$8,593.57

Petty cash 50.00

Total cash assets \$8,643.57

Prepared by

Dorothy I. Rhead

Treasurer

Jan 12/22

Sherry Burgess

Chair



Dear Stakeholders,

We need your help reaching Veterans who do not receive VAC benefits and services. We are surveying Veterans, CAF members, former RCMP members, family members and caregivers on how they learn about and access our programs and services. Their feedback will help us better serve the Veteran community and reach more Veterans.

We kindly ask that you share the below message with your network:

**VAC wants your opinion!**

Veterans Affairs Canada (VAC) is surveying the Veteran community to find out how you learn about and access VAC programs and services. They're looking for Veterans, Canadian Armed Forces (CAF) members, former RCMP members, family members and caregivers. Even if you have never contacted VAC or do not currently receive VAC benefits and services, they want to hear from you.

The survey will take about 15 minutes to complete. It is being conducted on behalf of VAC by the independent Canadian research firm, EKOS Research Associates Inc.

Please visit the [EKOS Research website \(https://surveys.ekos.com/cwx.cgi?EN:051210\)](https://surveys.ekos.com/cwx.cgi?EN:051210) for more information and to participate.

Participation is voluntary and your responses and personal information are confidential in accordance with the [Privacy Act \(https://laws-lois.justice.gc.ca/eng/acts/P-21/\)](https://laws-lois.justice.gc.ca/eng/acts/P-21/). Your responses, whether by phone or online, are anonymous; they are not kept or shared with VAC, and will not have any impact on the benefits or services you receive or may receive in the future.

If you would like to share this survey with your followers on social media, feel free to use the following message:

Veterans Affairs Canada wants to know how it can better communicate with the Veteran community. Tell them how you like to receive information and what you know about their services, by taking part in the survey below.

If someone you know served in the Canadian Armed Forces or RCMP, Veterans Affairs Canada want to hear from them. [www.ekos.com/veteransurvey](http://www.ekos.com/veteransurvey)

Your assistance is greatly appreciated.

Thank you,

Stakeholder Engagement and Outreach Team

Veterans Affairs Canada

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## Dog Days of Summer by Dorothy I. Rhead

The hills have turned to brown, the breeze blows hot.

The prairie roses wilt and fade during the dog days of summer.

The birds fall silent, crickets cease to chirp under the noon sun of those dog days of summer.

A dog only raises his head and gives a sigh when a cat walks by. Another time he would give chase but not during these dog days of summer.

Grown men seat and swear when tempers flair as they toil in the heat of the dog days of summer.

But when the winds of winter blow cold and the snow piles up. Oh, what I'd give for a dog day of summer.



All,

Winnipeg is on board with hosting the Prairie Group AGM. It was suggested we wait until May to allow the bulk of winter (and there is indeed a lot of it here) to melt and disappear.

Looking at the calendar, I propose we meet on **Saturday, May 7, 2022**. I have the boardroom and adjacent lounge at Unit 283 Anavets on Portage Ave booked for the day. Other Saturdays in May collide with my work schedule, so this is the best I can accommodate. That said, I understand what's good for me might not be good for everyone else, so I'm open to alternatives.

For Herb, 600 and 602: request maximum distribution to your members to solicit interest. I've sent emails to the last 602 address I have on file but I can't confirm it's accurate, so I'd appreciate if you could liaise with Saskatoon.

I'm coordinating morning coffee/snack and an optional lunch service with the on-site caterer; one of our members is looking into supper options at a local restaurant. There are a few budget-minded hotel options in close proximity for our out-of-town travellers. Also, this will be a much more casual affair suspending much of the formality and regalia of past years. The goal is to create a relaxed working group environment while keeping overall costs (and planning effort) low.

More to follow including registration forms in due course. In the meantime, please mark your calendar accordingly!

Jason

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