# Annual Report 31 December 2021

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Freedom Aviation Society (FAS) is a Non Profit Society incorporated in Nova Scotia. Its purpose is to operate a general aviation ramp at 14 Wing Greenwood (CYZX) in Kings County, NS. where general aviation can operate and prosper. This is made possible through co operation and support from Municipality of County of Kings, 14 Wing Greenwood and general aviation community.

Freedom Aviation Society is managed by a board of directors including; Paul Easson, private pilot, business operator, Aylesford, NS Gary Dunfield, private pilot, business operator, Kentville, NS Eric Sawler, private pilot, local business operator, Kentville, NS Steve Christiansen, commercial pilot, business operator, Halifax, NS

#### Freedom Aviation Ramp at 14 Wing Greenwood (CYZX) now includes;

- -Fenced and gated compound enclosing our ramp area.
- -100LL fuel system with 22,000 litre capacity and self serve pump.
- -Office trailer (waiting room, flight planning room and wash room) open 24 hours a day 7 days per week.
- -Tie downs for 15 aircraft.
- -3000 square feet of heated hanger space and 6000 square feet of ambient temperature hanger space
- -Equipment shed.
- -Snow blower and a tractor mower
- -Canada Customs Clearance available via Canpass 8:00 to 17:00 Monday through Friday
- -Flight Training Unit operated by Annapolis Valley Flight Training Centre Inc.

## Some Highlights during 2021

Jul 2021 Air Cadets familiarization flights were all cancelled due to COVID

Annapolis Valley Flight Training Centre Inc. began a flight training operation 6 Jan 2021 (Transport Canada approval was received). They have expanded from one aircraft to two aircraft and now employ 3 part time and 2 full time flight instructors. Training is offered for Private, Commercial, Night and instrument. <a href="https://www.avftc.ca">www.avftc.ca</a>

**During 2021 there were 9,364 civilian aircraft movements (about 48 % of total field movements)** at CYZX. That is 70% increase from the prior year 3,464 civilian aircraft movements. Opening of flight training school 6 Jan 2021 and less COVID restrictions moved numbers back up. There are 205 civilian aircraft registered to access 14 Wing.

Upgrades were completed to Fuel system and heat pumps were added to office space costing \$22,384. Funding for these was from cash flow.

**14 Wing Greenwood air traffic control have benefited from the extra traffic** as it assists with their training.

#### Financially operations compared well with prior year.

Actual	2021	2020	2019	<u>2018</u>	<u>2017</u>
Resident Aircraft	15	13	11	11	8
Aircraft movements	9364	3,464	7,252	5,234	4,423
Operations revenue	\$106,162	\$80,409	\$77,206	\$81,050	\$27,180
Operating expenses	\$78,008	\$67,436	\$61,024	\$80,882	\$25,970

## We are looking forward to 2022 and further developing operations at CYZX.

- 1 Expand flight training business locally owned by Annapolis Valley Flight Training Centre Inc. happened 6 Jan 2021 with 1 aircraft and 3 instructors and expanded to 2 aircraft and 5 instructors during the year. Plans are to add a third aircraft in 2022
- **2 Private funding is secured** to complete construction of additional 8000 square feet of hanger space and 2400 square feet of office space to support business development. Construction is planned spring of 2022.

In closing I want to thank 14 Wing Greenwood, Municipality of Kings, Province of Nova Scotia, and Federal Government of Canada for their cooperation in planting this important seed at CYZX.

We in the aviation community are privileged to have access to the first-class airport at CYZX, Paul Easson, Chairman of Board, Freedom Aviation Society pauleasson@hotmail.com