



CANADIAN AVIATION HISTORICAL SOCIETY – Toronto Chapter 2026-27



Twin Otter at Farnborough 1966 in Trans Australia Airlines colours – the Australian launch customer

Photo via **Tom Appleton**, presenter of **de Havilland – a lived experience** Oct 4_25 recalling his DHC career.



L/Col J. E. "Jack" Waters, **Canada's 1967 RED KNIGHT** presented by **Brian Cotter**, Dec 6_25. photo: Jack Neale.



Presented by author **Dr Jacqueline Gibbons**, May 2_26. Replica Blériot X1 Thulin, Biggin Hill Int'l Air Fair, UK 2008. photo via AB.

President's Message: Whatever your interest in aviation **Geoff Pyne** and our Chapter Executive invite you to consider membership in the GTA/Southern Ontario's *oldest* aviation heritage organization.



Comprising aerospace engineers, AME and technicians, pilots, photographers, veterans, historians, enthusiasts, students, authors, etc., our Chapter offers an array of benefits and activities for anyone enthralled with aviation! Among these: In-person and Zoom presentations; our **FLYPAST** newsletters; a dedicated Facebook and website; *gently used* books, journals and artwork; stimulating fellowship *plus* access to authors and experts. Our members and guests are a font of knowledge especially on Canadian aviation – past, recent or contemporary. And via **CAHS National** we are well connected to **10** other CAHS Chapters across Canada. National members can receive the **CAHS Journal**, its e-Newsletter and attend the Annual **CAHS Convention** and much more.

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Our In-Person Meetings:

Over Fall, Winter and Spring **CAHS – Toronto** offers in-depth In-Person and/or Zoom Presentations by highly knowledgeable aviation experts, researchers and authors on aircraft flown in Canada by/for government, commercial, civilian, military or experimental operators as well as foreign aircraft... all of whom are or were of significant historical importance to aviation.

Where? The Canadian Forces College
215 Yonge Blvd. Toronto, ON M5M 3H8
off Wilson Avenue

in its *plush 70 seat LGen Guy Simonds Auditorium* – Ground Floor – with its *Big Screen*, dual A/V *hi tech* Projector, side Monitors and Surround Sound audio.

When? 1 PM on the 1st Saturday of every month Oct - May

- 'Landing Fee': \$ 5 for all attendees;
- gently used books, journals & art \$ 2-10; Lending Library
- après Presentation reception with coffee & treats in the historic CFC Officers' Mess.

2026-2027 Speaker Presentations:

- Oct 3, 2026: **The Long & Winding Road to the Q400**
presenter – **David Schenck**
- Nov 7, 2026: **Canada's Aerial Firefighting Fleet**
presenter – **Ken Swartz**
- Dec 5, 2026: **Avro Canada C102 Jetliner**
presenter – **Marc-Andre Valiquette**
- Jan 15, 2027: **Tight Floats & Tail Winds**
a **Zoom** event presenter – **Tim Cole**
- Feb 6, 2027: **The History of Wardair**
presenter – **Ted Larkin**
- Mar 6, 2027: **The RCAF's Nuclear Capability**
presenter - **Martin Keenan**
- Apr 3, 2027: **WCA and the RCAF Go North 1927/28**
presenter – **Dr Robert Galway**
- May 1, 2027: **Restoring the CWHM's Avenger**
presenter – **Rob Thompson**

Schedule subject to change – see CAHS-T website for alterations.

Extra ZOOM Talks 2026-27: At 7:30 PM on Sep 15 and again on Oct 13, Nov 17, Feb 9 and Mar 16 CHAS-T will offer these extra talks by distinguished CAHS speaker **Dr Bob Galway**. Join us for this *five-part Cdn Mining Aviation Series 1925-35* on key episodes and adventures in the 1920-30s that established commercial flying in Canada. For details – see CAHS-T website.

See also our **CAHS-T website:** <https://www.cahs.com/cahs-toronto-chapter.html>

or follow us on **Facebook** at: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/1794796724128270>

*"I've belonged to CAHS-T for years and have enjoyed it all! From the presenters with their historical topics, to the professional lecture hall, the excellent aviation books for sale, the print and e-version **FLYPAST** Newsletter and the Cdn Forces College Mess on the WW I flight school grounds. An excellent venue for aviation chit chat. I never miss it and look forward to the Fall start-up."*

Bob Gumbinger, fmr DHC Pilot, then Field Aviation, ret'd.

CAHS-T members receive seven issues of our **FLYPAST** newsletter via mail/email per their type of membership.

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High in the Sunlit Silence - The 1967 T-33 Red Knight Silver Star 21630 flown by LCol Jack Waters. Photo illustration by Jeff Stephenson.
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<https://www.cahs.com/flypasthangar.html>

Visit: <https://www.youtube.com/@canadianaviationhistorical2820/videos> to watch the Chapter's past presentations on You Tube. On joining CAHS-T, new members can get access to our most recent videos e.g. fm 2024/25 & 2025/26.

CAHS-T hosts a Toronto-specific aviation history page at: www.torontoaviationheritage.ca

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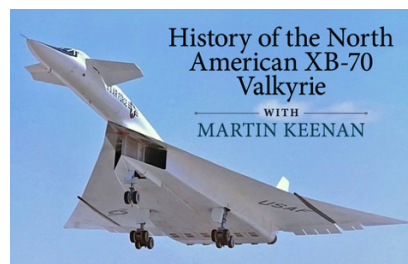
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other organizations.**

Contact: **Geoff Pyne, Brian Cotter, Eric
Roscoe or Ken Swartz** – see below.

NEW Presenters welcomed.

Contact Eric Roscoe or Brian Cotter –
see below.



Presented by **Martin Keenan**, Mar 7_26;
NASA photo: XB70A Valkyrie, Aug 17, 1995



CAHS-T audience awaits a presentation in the **Simmonds
Auditorium** at Cdn Forces College. photo: B Cotter



Apr 4_26: **ATC: A View from the Tower** with **Moe Vyas**
interviewed by **John Bertram**. graphic: J Bertram

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