

100 MILE FLYING CLUB

2025 GRANT APPLICATION

The 100 Mile House Flying Club has hosted 12 consecutive "Students Flight Days" in recent years. Since our inaugural year, we have provided flights for over 365 students. At our September 2024 fly-day event, we had four aircraft on static display along with the club aircraft. The cost of hosting this event totaled \$2760, the bulk of which was donated by club members. Normally, costs for such an event come closer to \$4000 but this year it was lower due to fewer attendees. It is our intention to host another fly day event in the Spring 2025.

While the demand for pilots and support services continues to increase, the increasing cost of maintaining a viable club presents an ongoing challenge. Even though the direct cost of the September event was much less than the grant funds provided by the District of 100 Mile House and the Cariboo Regional District, we expect the grant funding balance will be consumed in the planned Spring 2025 event.

Consequently, we are requesting a continuance of the 2024 funding level of \$2250 for 2025. Also, it is hoped that the District of 100 Mile will also continue to subsidize our facility rental charge of \$1462.00 by waving the base fee of \$1000 which they so generously did in 2024. This had a huge impact on our club expenses which are funded through a general membership fee of \$50.00 annually for non-flying members.

With your continuing support we expect to continue the fly-day event well into the future and with it, hopefully motivate a few emerging flight enthusiasts to pursue a career in the general aviation field. Apart from the relatively low direct cost of hosting a fly-day event, it should be recognized that a quarter million-dollar asset is located about 200 meters from the high school. Our club facilities are well-suited for training purposes where a future pilot can solo for about \$2000 and complete a basic pilot certification for under \$6000. For this relatively minor investment in our own back yard, it is possible to launch students into an extremely rewarding career. It is difficult to quantify the value of this opportunity.

With the above considerations in mind, we, at 100 Mile Flying Club look forward to receiving your positive response.

Board of Directors, 100 Mile Flying Club

District of 100 Mile House

Grant for Assistance Application – South Cariboo/District of 100 Mile House

Name of Organization:

100 Mile House Flying Club

Mailing Address:

[REDACTED]

Telephone (Office)/Email (Office):

Telephone [REDACTED] (Ron Harrod, Treasurer) email: [REDACTED]

Purpose of Organization:

The promotion of aviation in the South Cariboo and to present aviation as a career option to local youth.

How long has the organization operated in the community:

Since 1961 or 63 years

BC Society Registration Number:

S0006121

Chairperson Name:

Frank Schlueter

Telephone: [REDACTED]

Email: [REDACTED]

Treasurer or Finance Officer's Name:

Ron Harrod

Telephone: [REDACTED]

Email: [REDACTED]

Current Grant Request: \$2250

Project Information:

Brief Description of proposed use of grant:

Financial Support toward providing local school students a free motivational aviation experience. Inviting students to consider a career in aviation by exposing them to A) a taste of ground school including the theory and regulations of flight and B) a short local trip in one of several aircrafts available for this continuing annual event.

How do you know there is a need for this project/event in your community?

This annual event is carried out in conjunction with PSO High School. It provides actual close and up-front experience for those serious students wishing to pursue an aviation career. There is a severe shortage of pilots in Canada and our annual event (12th consecutive) could be a critical step in a students' decision process.

Start date: Estimated April/May 2025: Dates subject to good weather

End date: One day is devoted to the "Student's flight day". Usually a Saturday.

Describe the key activities and timelines to complete the project

- Introduction and welcoming flyers and parents.
- Safety procedures around aircraft and flight ramps.
- Introduction to runway procedures
- Control surfaces, theory of flight, aircraft engines and avionics
- Radio procedures, transport Canada licensing
- Actual 30-minute flights, de-briefing and pilot certification.

The time allocated for the above is mid morning to late afternoon, preferably on a good-weather Saturday.

How will you determine if the project/event is successful?

Success can only be measured by the actual number of student participants that show up on the appointed day. We are not able to follow up with each attendee in the future to see how many actually pursued a career in aviation. Short interviews with random attendees have been extremely positive. Also, attendance from past events suggests that the fly days are highly popular in our community.

Does your organization have sustainable funding? Please explain.

Yes, to some extent. There are two distinct categories of expense associated with running our club.

A. Those expenses associated with running and maintaining the club aircraft.

B. Those expenses associated with running a flying club and providing an infrastructure to protect its assets.

In the case of the former (A), the aircraft is charged out at a rental rate intended to recover fuel, inspections, engine, airframe and avionic maintenance, and provisions for engine and prop overhaul. The current rental rate is \$170/hr, reduced to \$150/hr after 10 hours of flight time.

The second category (B) can only be funded through the assessment of annual club membership fees and donations from club members (donated time and \$\$\$) plus the District of 100 Mile House and CRD grant. There are two memberships available: A pilot membership of \$300/year allows access to the club Cessna 172 aircraft; A social membership of \$50/yr allows for attendance at general meetings, voting rights for Board of Directors, access to the club house and social events.

Is your organization applying for funds from other sources for this project/event? If yes, what other organization(s)? How much? \$

No

Describe the impact of this application being denied or approval of an amount less than requested. Will you be able to complete the project/event if you do not receive the funding requested?

We would likely be forced to cancel the event. Providing multiple airplanes to accommodate the demand for a flight experience is expensive. Fuel is becoming prohibitively expensive. Touching, feeling, and handling aircraft cannot be provided in any other way. Students would be denied an outstanding educational and life experience. We all remember our first flight.

Does your organization charge user fees/membership/admission? If yes, attach your current fee structure.

Yes. Please see attached financial statements/comments and the comments above. An admission fee is not charged on the day of the event.

Does your organization receive any other support(s) from the CRD? (ie financial support, rental subsidies, contribution agreements, tax exemption, use of CRD-owned facility)? If yes, what support(s) and how much?

Yes. The District of 100 Mile House recently introduced a policy change requiring airport facility users to sign a Lease Agreement. This contract included a significant increase in facility rental. To assist the club in adjusting to the higher rental fee, the District waived the base rate of \$1000 for the 2024 calendar year.

How will you recognize the CRD's contribution to your organization?

We announce at the AGM the amounts of donations received from CRD/District of 100 Mile along with all other donations of a personal nature. We also display a highly visible banner along with recognition from any club member delivering presentations at the student fly day.

A final report for your last grant received MUST be included with this submission, if not previously submitted

THE INFORMATION INCLUDED IN THIS APPLICATION IS TRUE AND CORRECT TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE


Ron Harrod, Treasurer

SEP. 29/24

Date

100 Mile House Flying Club
Report for September 2024 Fly Day

Cost of Event

Event Description	Time	Rate/hr	Total	Allocation of Expense	
				100 MFC Expenses	Volunteer/Donation
Club Aircraft C-GICT	1.1	\$ 250.00	\$ 275.00	\$ 275.00	
Member Aircraft (2 or 3)	1.9	\$ 250.00	\$ 475.00	\$ 126.50	\$ 348.50
Pilot Time for Demo Rides	3	\$ 100.00	\$ 300.00		\$ 300.00
Static Display					
Piper Malibu	1	\$ 325.00	\$ 325.00		\$ 325.00
3 Other Aircraft	3	\$ 250.00	\$ 750.00		\$ 750.00
Beverage			\$ 75.00		\$ 75.00
Ground Volunteer Time					
Fly day activities (8 members)	16	\$ 35.00	\$ 560.00		\$ 560.00
Total Cost			\$2,760.00	\$ 401.50	\$2,358.50

Report on Fly Day Events

After having to cancel the normal Spring Student's Flight Day event in 2024, it was finally rescheduled and held on Sunday, September 8, 2024. Unfortunately, it wasn't the most students that we ever had at 15, but at least it was considered respectable. A total of 3 hours flight time in 2 aircraft was required to provide the introductory flight experience for those that attended the event. The weather was okay despite a thunder cell that drifted in towards the last flight of the day. Special thanks goes to Wendy Donahue for overall organization during the day, along with Jack Carlson as her "second-in-command". As usual, Markus Springmann conducted the ground school program for which we are truly thankful. The Flying Club very much appreciates the financial contributions of the District of 100 Mile House and the Cariboo Regional District without which this event would be difficult to fund. Once again, thanks to the District for providing some security barricades.

Even though the turnout was less than prior years, we considered the day's result as reasonably successful. We do however hope to return to the Spring schedule and look forward to seeing everyone again in late April/early May 2025.

On behalf of the Board of Directors: 100 Mile House Flying Club

100 Mile House Flying Club

2024 Membership List

Dave Simons
Steven Seibert (Pilot)
Jason Barnucz
Jack Dekens
Kelly Walker (Pilots)
Ron Harrod
David Jurek
Markus Springmann
Frank Schlueter (Pilot)
Jack Carlson (Pilot)
Florian Krumsiek (Pilot)
Ross Donahue
Brian Lecompte
Travis Dashkewytch
Madden Sarver (Pilot)
Ursula Hart
Sid Goldschmidt (Pilot)
Rick Church

Board of Directors

Frank Schlueter, President:	COO of Blue Goose Cattle Company
Markus Springmann, Secretary:	Owner/manager Country Prime Meats
Jack Carlson, Aircraft Operations:	Retired, formerly Senior Air Canada Captain
Ron Harrod, Treasurer:	Retired, formerly RCAF, Atomic Energy of Canada,

Fiscal Year Income
August 1, 2023 to July 31, 2024

Cash Donations from CRD & District 100 Mile	\$2250.00
Cash Donations from other members	\$1826.00
Membership sales	\$ 3035.00
Invoiced Aircraft Rental	\$15024.00
Avgas Sales	\$349.89
Total income	\$22484.89

Fiscal Year Expenses
August 1, 2023, to July 31, 2024

Aircraft operation expenses

Aircraft Expenses	\$7706.43
Aviation Fuel	<u>\$9763.37</u>
Subtotal	\$17469.80

Club Operation Expenses

Business Expenses	\$ 627.91
Utilities (Hydro)	\$ 165.32
Facility Rental (Hanger)	\$ 462.00
Advertising & Promotion (Web page)	\$ 654.52
Board of Director Insurance	\$ 895.00
Other	\$ 82.00
Subtotal	\$2886.75

Total Expenses \$20356.55

Comments

1. Aircraft expenses include all maintenance, mandatory inspections, aircraft insurance, provision for major engine and propeller overhaul, and fuel reimbursements to pilots.
2. The rental rate to pilots during the period was \$170/flight hour.
3. Club operation expenses include all costs associated with running the club that cannot be directly attached to the aircraft operations. They include hanger rental, property taxes, building maintenance and services, club web page, board of directors' insurance and the costs associated with running the student's fly day.
4. While the club expenses total slightly less than \$3,000, many hours of volunteer time go into the upkeep and maintenance of the club office, hanger, and property.
5. Normally there is a club expense for the annual student fly day event, which is normally scheduled for late Spring of each year. For several reasons, the Spring 2024 date had to be cancelled and was rescheduled for September 8, 2024. Consequently, there is no "cost" line for "Special Events" within the fiscal year.
6. There is a positive cash flow for the current fiscal year of \$2128.34. There was a negative cash flow for last year of \$7134.83. We were forced to fund this loss out of cash reserves (cash held back each year to pay for an engine replacement). Our current year allowed for some recovery which we must continue into future years to rebuild our reserve.