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WHAT WE DO DURING THE OFF SEASON?

One major project in the off season is inspecting our aircraft along with various maintenance items required. This is a very intensive inspection to ensure top mechanical conditions of the aircraft.

PILOT FLIGHT TRAINING AND PRACTICE

The off season gives us the opportunity to accomplish our required flight training so once the spray season arrives, we are able to jump into our planes with the confidence of piloting these aircraft safely and efficiently in your fields.

ATTEND CONFERENCES

We attend conferences for the professional organizations we are members of:

- Alberta Aerial Applicator's Association (AAAA)
www.albertaaerialapplicators.com
- Canadian Aerial Applicator's Association (CAAA)
www.canadianaerialapplicators.com
- Western Aircraft Maintenance Engineer's Association (WAMEA)
www.wamea.com

These conferences allow us to attend a number of continuing education courses and seminars required to keep our various certifications, gives us the opportunity to meet with representatives from Transport Canada (TC), Health Canada Pest Management Regulatory Agency (PMRA), Alberta Environment to talk about concerns and provide input on decision making of the various Regulations or changes to them. It is also an avenue to discuss crop protection products be it registering new products or saving products from label cancellations.

We also enjoy attending the Potato Growers of Alberta (PGA) annual conference to network with growers, and learn about new initiatives and programs in this agricultural sector.

DID YOU KNOW...



The Canadian Aerial
Applicator's Association
(CAAA) has recently updated
its website, have a visit
for information on our ever
changing industry !



Quikway is now on facebook.
Visit and like us to stay
updated on what we are up to!



Coffee is always
on, stop on by!



AIR TRACTOR 502XP



WE ARE VERY PLEASED TO ANNOUNCE

Quikway Air Services replaced our AT 502B with a brand new AT-502 XP complete with the latest technology in the engine and propeller performance along with a higher efficiency in operations and safety. The one thing you will notice about this aircraft as it works your fields is that the noise factor is greatly reduced.

RE-ENTRY, PRE-HARVEST, PPE & DELIVERY

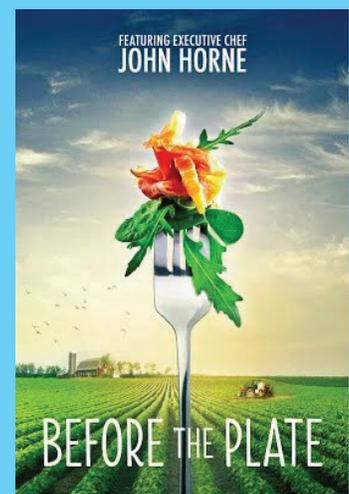
Please ensure you know when its safe to enter your field after any application. Read the product labels for Re-entry interval, Pre-harvest intervals, what Personal Protection Equipment (PPE) and other important safety information.

All of the agriculture retailers of crop protection products in our area will deliver to our hangars. This is a very useful service which saves time for our growers. Thank you to our Ag Retailers for this valuable service!

CLOSING THE GAP BETWEEN URBAN CONSUMERS AND THE FARMER BEFORE THE PLATE

The documentary, which premiered in the summer of 2018 in Toronto, is one of the most balanced food and farming films we've ever watched. It follows the journey of a chef, John Horne, as he explores the source of 10 ingredients for an appetizing dish served in his restaurant. From indoor to outdoor farming, genetically engineered seeds and organic production, Before the Plate is a diverse view into what modern farming is all about.

WATCH IT ON  YouTube



AIRCRAFT CALIBRATIONS



ANNUALLY WE HAVE OUR AIRCRAFT CALIBRATIONS

completed to ensure our aerial application equipment is working properly and providing the best in environmental professionalism. Recently, Chad and Garry Moffat of Specialized Spray Systems, Lethbridge, AB travelled to our hangars to conduct the calibrations.

Our nozzles are calibrated for optimum droplet size and spray pattern conducive to aerial spraying. Specialized Spray Systems ensure our nozzles and settings are to the best standards! We look forward to working with Chad and Garry each year !

MAKING A PASS OVER THE WATER SENSITIVE CALIBRATION CARDS !



GARRY WORKING ON THE BOOMS AND NOZZLES !

Once your pesticide containers are emptied here at Quikway, they are triple rinsed and then taken to the Regional Landfill for recycling by Cleanfarms. For more information on how to better manage on-farm waste, including agriculture plastics visit www.cleanfarms.ca

WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW ABOUT . .



DRONES

- ◆ Currently Drones are not legal to use for aerial application and spraying
- ◆ There are no products registered for spraying with drones in Canada
- ◆ Field mapping and crop scouting within line of sight are allowed with drones
- ◆ It is very important to avoid aircraft traffic when flying any drones
- ◆ Registration, Licencing and training is required by Transport Canada for drone operators
- ◆ ADS-B in and out technology for drones and aircraft will probably be mandated in the future. It allows for enhanced traffic avoidance and situational awareness.

See Transport Canada Website - Flying Your Drone Safely & Legally

WHAT IS ADS-B?

ADS-B stands for Automatic Dependent Surveillance – Broadcast. The system is “automatic” in that it requires no pilot or external input, or interrogation from an ATC (Air Traffic Control) radar to send information; is “dependent” because it depends on data from the aircraft’s navigation system; and “broadcasts” because it transmits the information available to anyone with the appropriate receiving equipment. ADS-B systems are able to track objects equipped with the same technology and come in two forms for aircraft: ADS-B Out and ADS-B In.

ADS-B Out automatically transmits critical position information once per second. Transmitted information includes aircraft direction, altitude and velocity to air traffic controllers (via a terrestrial-based network of ground stations) and other nearby aircraft (via air to air transmission). The “Out” solely transmits data to air traffic control and aircraft but doesn’t allow the pilot to observe other aircraft.

ADS-B In provides traffic information, known as Traffic Information Service – Broadcast(TIS-B), as well as weather, TFR and other information known as Flight Information Service – Broadcast(FIS-B), ADS-B”In” allows the pilot to view the same data ATC can see.

This technology will allow a greater level of safety and greatly help prevent mid air collisions.

SCENIC FLIGHTS

Due to the recent COVID 19 pandemic and restrictions put in place, we are not flying any scenic flights, but gift certificates are still available for future use. We are optimistic that we may be able to provide the scenic flights later on this summer and fall !

DID YOU KNOW:

- ◆ Quikway accepts payments by Cheque, Cash, E – Transfer and Electronic Funds (EFT) direct to our account.
- ◆ If you would like your invoices emailed direct to you, instead of mailed through Canada Post, please contact:
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or by email at quikwayair@xplornet.com