

Spring 2016 Newsletter



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Welcome to season 2016 and to the challenges it may bring. Here at Quikway's base we have aircraft certified and ready to fly. The pilots are in recurrent ground school training and will be flying soon spraying water as part of the flight training and also calibrating the spray system of the aircraft.

We look forward to working with you during the coming season.

Coffee is always on, stop on by!

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Unmanned Aerial Vehicles (UAV's)

The past couple of years there has been a great interest in the use of Unmanned Aerial Vehicles (UAV's). Crop-sensing and aerial imaging stands at the top of many lists of the most popular uses of civilian UAVs. The fervor among farmers chomping at the bit to purchase their own UAV to use for crop monitoring and other purposes has been well documented. What gets lost amid all the rosy projections for UAVs' commercial uses is the safety concerns of pilots, and in particular the concerns of aerial applicators and other pilots operating near ground and the lower reaches of the airspace. Pilots are not able to see an UAV from the cockpit with the earth as a background. A collision with even the smallest UAV can have dire consequences for the pilot and aircraft. There has been some near misses and a couple of collisions with UAV's and aircraft in North America. If you are operating an UAV and you hear or see a spray plane, or any low flying aircraft nearby, we ask you to please land the UAV until it has left the area.

Spray Drift/ Crop Surroundings



All aerial applicators are concerned with spray drift and are always wary of our surroundings when spraying. This is why we ask a lot of questions when a grower calls in an order to us. Unless we are very familiar with a particular field, we will ask for information on type of crops next door in all directions, yards and where they are situated to the field. Animals such as cattle, horses, sheep need to be known to the pilot before flying out. Pollinating bees or honey bees in the area also need to be known. This

gives us a chance to plan a successful job outcome. Once the load has been mixed and loaded on the aircraft, it needs to be sprayed out on the field it was intended for.

BeeConnected App



Bees and pesticides are integral and complementary components of

sustainable agriculture. Bees pollinate many important crops while pesticides protect those crops from pest damage and help protect against disease in hives. We recently received information about an app called BeeConnected for iPhones and Android devices which allows users to indicate planned agricultural activities or to specify bee hive locations.

You can visit their website www.beeconnected.ca to see more information about the app.

E-Billing

Quikway Air Services shall continue to implement an E-Billing Option for our customers. You now can have all of your invoices and statements emailed directly to you instead of being mailed through Canada Post. If you are interested, please go to our website www.quikwayair.ca, Click on CONTACT US and send us a secure message via the online form or email our office directly at quikwayair@explornet.com



If you want to check your fields by air, you may do so with Terry in our Cessna 182

SCENIC TOUR GIFT CERTIFICATES

Are you looking for the perfect gift for that hard to buy for person we have just the item for you.

Quikway Air Services offers unique scenic flight certificates. Flights are for up to three persons and available in 1/2 hour or 1 hour durations.

IF YOU WANT TO SEE A DINOSAUR BEST TO BE A BIRD

To appreciate something so big the best view is from the air. Like the majestic landscape and magnificent man-made creations in the Badlands

Dinosaur Provincial Park Tour

A UNESCO World Heritage Site. The only way to take in the virtually undisturbed landscape of exceptional natural beauty inaccessible by ground. The park is situated in the valley of the Red Deer River, which is noted for its striking badland topography. **Flight time: 35 min.**
Cost: \$162.50*
Occupancy: 3



Aqueduct Tour

The Brooks Aqueduct is a National Historic Site and was awarded the title "One of Ten Engineering Milestones in Alberta", by the Engineering Centennial. As well as the Aqueduct you will get a birds eye view of Dinosaur Provincial Park, Red Deer River, and Lake Newell one of Alberta's largest man made reservoirs **Flight time: 50 min.**
Cost: \$325.50*
Occupancy: 3



We accept cash or cheque only.
*All prices include GST

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UNIQUE SCENIC TOUR GIFT CERTIFICATES AVAILABLE

Popular tours include Dinosaur Provincial Park, Aqueduct Tour and Lake Newell, the Red Deer and Bow Rivers and Bassano Dam.