



Flight Training to Remain at Southport

Southport Aerospace Centre Inc. was created in 1992 following the closure of Canadian Forces Base Portage la Prairie. Since its inception, Southport has been a location for military flight training under private contract. The most recent contract for training RCAF pilots was awarded to KF Aerospace (then Allied Wings) in 2005, and goes until 2027. The Federal Government and the Department of National Defence have already begun the process of the Future Aircrew Training (FAcT) contract.

With the new contract for military flight training, it was indicated that the location for future flight training has three possible options: continue at the current locations, condense to one of the existing locations or move to a new location.

Military flight training has an economic output of \$70 million and contributes 350 of Southport's 570 total jobs on site (Source: Southport Economic Impact Study, 2016). The loss of flight training at Southport would severely impact the local community and province.

On Friday November 23, Southport received media reports that Southport Aerospace Centre would continue to be a location for military flight training. The

Frequently Asked Questions section on the Public Services and Procurement Canada website regarding this contract has since been updated to reflect that training will continue to be provided at the existing locations.

Southport has many amenities that make it suitable for military flight training, including a Transport Canada approved airport with air traffic control tower; space for classrooms, offices and simulators; three accommodation buildings suitable for short- or long-term stays; indoor recreation including a fitness centre, track, gymnasium, rock climbing and bowling alley; outdoor recreation and greenspaces; rental housing and day care services.

Southport Aerospace Centre Inc is a non-profit, non-share capital corporation, which allows it to continuously reinvest revenue back into the site. Southport is proud to continue the legacy of military flight training now and into the future.

Southport would also like to thank the community members, politicians and other supporters who have advocated for this outcome.

Tenant Feature: Accelerated Christian Education

Accelerated Christian Education (ACE) is a faith-based curriculum, for both private Christian schools and Homeschooling, managed out of Southport. ACE promotes education across the country through individualization, academic excellence, character building, and traditional values. It provides curriculum to thousands of students across Canada.

ACE also provides schooling at Southport for children from Kindergarten to Grade 12. Students compete annually at the International Student Convention, which is a premier event for the approximately 4,000 students who qualify from around the world in their respective regional conventions. They compete in many categories, including music, oratory, art, athletics, academics, and numerous aspects of service. Students will compete in Warrensburg, Missouri at the University of Central Missouri this year.

Graduate ceremonies are held at Southport every spring in their recently renovated gymnasium. They have made extensive renovations to the building throughout the years and continue to make it a better place for kids to learn.

(ACE staff pictured bottom right.)



KF Aerospace Recognized for Community Contributions

KF Aerospace - Defence Programs was recently recognized at the Portage and District Chamber of Commerce Businesses Awards, receiving *Outstanding Contribution to the Community by a Business*.

KF Aerospace not only has a significant economic impact on the Portage la Prairie region but also provides an abundance of support to the community. In 2017-2018, KF Aerospace sponsored and donated more than \$85,000 to local organizations, charities and events.

Some of the highlights include the new heli-pad at the Portage & District Hospital where they generously donated \$25,000 and their expertise in regulations for a helipad. This past summer, KF Aerospace and Southport partnered to host the Manitoba Air Show where both organizations combined donated more than \$30,000 and endless amount of time.

The 350 people that work at KF Aerospace or in the military are dispersed amongst our community and contribute their time and talents to many worthwhile organizations.

Congratulations to KF Aerospace on this well-deserved award.

Portage Rotary and Portage Chamber Joint Lunch

On November 20, Southport attended the Portage Rotary and Portage and District Chamber of Commerce joint lunch event. One of the highlights of the lunch was hearing from Inspector Jarrid St. Pierre of the Portage la Prairie RCMP on how to reduce crime in our community. He also provided tips for business owners to prevent crime.

Southport Attends ATAC with Red River College - Stevenson

On November 13-15, Southport attended the Annual Air Transportation Association of Canada (ATAC) Annual Canadian Aviation Conference and Tradeshow along with Red River College - Stevenson Aviation Campus. Southport and RRC shared a joint booth at the tradeshow portion in order to promote Southport as well as the Aircraft Maintenance Engineer Program available on site.



Local Instructor Receives Award

Congratulations to Gary Van Der Zweep, an instructor in the trade of Aircraft Maintenance Journey person at Red River College - Stevenson Campus Aviation & Aerospace at Southport. Gary was awarded Instructor of the Year at the Apprenticeship Manitoba Awards of Distinction! (Pictured below.)



Champs Corner 2 Open

We are thrilled to announce that the Portage Terriers will be operating the food kiosks in the Central Plains RecPlex and Southport Bowl. Champs Corner 2 will offer food and beverages for all users of the RecPlex and the Southport community. <https://centralplainsrecplex.com/32/champscorner2>

Southport's Holiday Hours

Please note that Southport's office will be closed from December 24 - January 1. Regular hours will resume on January 2. Residential tenants should use the online service requester for maintenance requests or call 204-428-6037 for urgent call outs. [View the After Hours Urgent Call Out Procedures here.](#)

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Our Office:

25 Centenaire Drive,
Southport, MB R0H 1N1

Hours of Operation:

Monday to Friday: 8:30 AM - 4:30 PM

 204.428.6030 or 1.800.558.4680

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December Spotlight: Quadriceps

The upcoming muscle of the month for December is the Quadriceps. This muscle group is made up of the quadriceps femoris, rectus femoris, vastus lateralis, vastus medialis, vastus intermedius. These muscles work together to extend the knee and are crucial for walking, running, jumping and squatting.

More information about the muscle of the month and exercises can be found on the posters in the workout area.



Scrimmage Raises Funds for Central Plains Cancer Services

On November 17, the PLAP City Rollers held the 2nd annual Susan Kushniruk Memorial Scrimmage at the Central Plains RecPlex. The event raised \$1,100.00 and was donated to Central Plains Cancer Services in memory of Susan Kushniruk.



Member of the Month: Greg Fust

Greg has been a member of the Central Plains RecPlex for 1.5 years. His goal is leading a healthy lifestyle because he knows how important it is to stay mobile. Congratulations, Greg!

If you have a nomination for a member of the month, please let us know by email, social media, or in person.

Champs Corner 2 Open at the Central Plains RecPlex

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Hours of Operation

Monday - Friday:	8:00 am - 1:00 pm 5:00 pm - 9:30 pm
Saturday:	1:00 pm - 9:30 pm
Sunday:	12:00 pm - 5:00 pm

Holiday Hours at the Central Plains RecPlex

If you're planning to work out during the holidays, please be aware of our hours and plan ahead to fit your workout in. We will be open with reduced hours on Christmas Eve and New Year's Eve and closed on Christmas Day, Boxing Day and New Year's Day. We wish you a happy holiday season!

Monday, December 24th (Christmas Eve)	6:30 AM - 5:00 PM
Tuesday, December 25th (Christmas Day)	CLOSED
Wednesday, December 26th (Boxing Day)	CLOSED
Monday, December 31st (New Year's Eve)	6:30 AM - 5:00 PM
Tuesday, January 1st (New Year's Day)	CLOSED

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Our Location:

75 Centenaire Drive,
Southport, MB ROH 1N1

Hours of Operation:

Monday to Friday: 5 AM - 10 PM
Saturday: 7 AM - 7 PM
Sunday: 9 AM - 7 PM

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