



# Springbank Airport Business and Pilots Association

## *NEWSLETTER – FALL 2008*

### **SABPA HOSTS SUMMER BBQ**



A great time was had by all who attended the August BBQ hosted by SABPA at YBW. There were a number of aircraft on display, including a vintage T-28, a Harmon Rocket, and a working Piper Navajo. The Springbank Lions Club put on a terrific meal, and several members of SABPA contributed generously to ensure everyone had a chance to socialize and meet their YBW neighbors.

### **SABPA OPPOSES the HARMONY DEVELOPMENT**

On October 7<sup>th</sup>, 2008, three members of the Board of Directors represented SABPA at the Council Chambers of the District of RockyView, opposing the Harmony residential development that is to be built next to the Springbank Airport. Citing noise and safety concerns, SABPA's position is that residential development immediately adjacent to the airport, underneath the circuit pattern, is inappropriate use of the land.

### **SABPA CONTINUES its OPPOSITION TO LIGHT JET RESTRICTIONS AT YBW**



SABPA continues to oppose the operating restrictions placed on light jet operators at YBW and is actively lobbying the Calgary Airport Authority to have this restriction removed. SABPA's position is that light jets are in fact quieter than numerous other aircraft that currently operate unrestricted, and that there have not been any significant complaints to date about jet operations. The removal of this restriction would facilitate further economic growth and development at the airport.



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### **SABPA VIGOUROUSLY OPPOSES THE USE OF YBW LAND FOR ANY USE OTHER THAN AIRPORT DEVELOPMENT**

The Board of Directors is of the opinion that any proposed use of YBW land for a purpose outside of aviation related infrastructure development is incorrect. The Board continues to monitor and will strongly oppose any such occurrence. It is SABPA's position that all of the land within the current borders of CYBW is to be reserved for aviation and aviation related development.

### **SABPA CONTINUES TO LOBBY FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A PARALELL RUNWAY**



SABPA will continue to work with the CAA and NAV CANADA to ensure the funds for a parallel runway are committed. Given the current capacity, as well as the continued and anticipated growth at YBW we feel this issue must be moved to the forefront.

*SABPA welcomes your input and your continued support. If you have any comments or would like any additional information on our organization, our community, our objectives or these ongoing issues, please contact any member of the Board of Directors.*