

August 2021 News Round Up

September 2 – Why is the Martin Mars water bomber not fighting fires this year?

<https://warbirdsnews.com/warbirds-news/why-is-the-iconic-martin-mars-not-fighting-fires.html>

September 2 – Opportunity to get your cool aircraft photo o-line

<https://generalaviationnews.com/2021/09/02/picture-of-the-day-seaplane-at-lake-pau-quebec-canada/>

September 1 – Canadian born RNZAF veteran dies just short of his 110 birthday.

<https://www.odt.co.nz/star-news/star-christchurch/nzs-oldest-person-christchurch-man-ron-hermanns-dies-aged-109>

September 1 – Run the Runway fundraiser

https://www.dnronline.com/news/local/run-the-runway-5k-supports-explore-more-museum/article_ad49676f-17c5-5516-a4a0-29817a30abd3.html

September 1 – Remembering 9/11

https://www.fauquier.com/lifestyles/remembering-9-11-the-day-the-world-changed/article_7759584c-0a92-11ec-b1ad-3b943ff0a072.html

September 1 – Limited edition 1/48 Sopwith Camel kit includes marking for Cat. Roy Browns aircraft

<https://aerodynamicmedia.com/eduard-sopwith-camel-kit/>

September 1 – Remembering the Italian ‘Constellation’

<https://ingeniumcanada.org/channel/articles/il-constellation-italiano-an-unrecognised-star-in-italys-aeronautical-firmament>

August 31 – New Aviation Museum in Wisconsin features light aircraft from between the wars.

<https://www.channel3000.com/in-the-608-kelch-aviation-museum-to-open-to-the-public-friday/>
<https://www.aviationmuseum.eu/Blogvorm/kelch-aviation-museum/>

August 31 – Aviation based Charter School in Alabama (not new in the USA, but interesting for Canada)

<https://www.bizjournals.com/birmingham/news/2021/08/31/new-aviation-charter-school-coming-to-bessemer.html>

August 30 – Simulating the Moon in Labrador

<https://globalnews.ca/news/8152383/western-university-space-simulation-labrador/>
<https://news.westernu.ca/2021/08/astonaut-training/>

August 29 – A look at a life fascinated with Space

<https://ingeniumcanada.org/channel/articles/space-the-final-frontier-towards-which-travels-our-planet-the-earth-this-is-the>

August 27 – Air Canada also requiring vaccination for employees

<https://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/calgary/air-canada-employee-vaccine-policy-1.6156271>

August 27 – A review of the Canadian Museum of Flight in Langley (the reporter got the details of the Hampden wrong).

<https://www.vancouverisawesome.com/events-and-entertainment/learn-about-the-history-of-flight-in-canada-at-this-hidden-gem-museum-in-metro-vancouver-photo-4260953>

August 26 – News on the Bushplane Museum’s Fairchild KR-34 restoration (the water bombing note is a reference to the use of waterproof paper sacks that the OPAS first used on spot fires, literally ‘bombing’ fires).

<https://www.sootoday.com/videos/news/video-bob-parr-shows-us-his-passion-for-rebuilding-the-past-4240504>

Dropping containers of water on fires has made a comeback, BTW

<https://fireaviation.com/2021/08/18/boxes-of-water-dropped-on-a-fire-in-israel/>

August 26 – Storing Radium instruments at Ingenium

<https://ingeniumcanada.org/channel/articles/inside-ingeniums-smallest-collections-storage-room>

August 25 – Delta Airlines planning to charge unvaccinated employees health surcharge

<https://www.cbc.ca/news/business/delta-air-lines-1.6152602>

August 25 – Glenn Martin Museum (future home for one of the Mars water bombers?)

<https://www.wmar2news.com/news/local-news/hidden-gems-glenn-l-martin-aviation-museum>

August 25 – 32 flight records in 16 minutes!

<https://www.fai.org/news/aerocene-solar-balloon-gains-32-world-records-16-minutes>

August 24 – Woman assaulted in Aviation Museum parking area, a security warning for us all

<https://www.readingchronicle.co.uk/news/19534410.museum-berkshire-aviation-assault-investigation-ongoing/>

August 23 – Canada starts tracking icebergs in the high arctic

<https://www.rcinet.ca/eye-on-the-arctic/2021/08/23/canadian-ice-service-tracking-icebergs-in-western-arctic-for-1st-time/>

<https://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/north/iceberg-tracking-western-arctic-1.6149417>

August 23 – Jenny project for sale, note includes plans for a Canuck

<https://aerodynamicmedia.com/curtiss-jenny-project-for-sale/>

August 23 – Update on restoration work on Lancasters NX611 and KB976

<https://warbirdsnews.com/warbird-restorations/lancaster-nx611-just-jane-restoration-update-149.html>

August 23 – Top 10 Human Powered Aircraft

<https://hushkit.net/2021/08/23/top-ten-human-powered-aircraft/>

August 23 – Development of the L.1049 Super Constellation

<https://simpleflying.com/5150-miles-of-range-the-story-of-the-lockheed-l-1049-super-constellation/>

August 22 – Alberta International Airshow draws large crowds

<https://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/edmonton/alberta-international-airshow-organizers-huge-crowds-1.6149204>

August 21 – Review of the Canadair Sabre by a pilot still flying them

<https://www.aerotechnews.com/blog/2021/08/21/hansens-f-86-sabres-aviation-history-at-mojave-air-and-space-port/>

August 20 – Poppies and plaques stolen from Edmonton Legion. Similar to last years theft of a plaque at the Alberta Aviation Museum, and a warning to those facilities with similar monuments.

<https://edmonton.ctvnews.ca/a-big-hit-10-000-poppies-stolen-from-edmonton-legion-building-cenotaph-vandalized-1.5555993>

August 20 – A video tour of the Castle AFB Museum

<https://www.kron4.com/destination-california/destination-california-80-years-of-aviation-heritage-at-castle-air-museum/>

August 19 – Problems at the Rockcliffe Flying Club. Pandemic and other things. The comments reveal a lot of misconceptions about Flying Clubs from the public, which is sad.

<https://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/ottawa/rockcliffe-flying-club-faces-financial-challenges-due-to-pandemic-1.6144962>

<https://ottawa.ctvnews.ca/rockcliffe-flying-club-at-risk-of-closing-after-60-years-1.5549467>

August 19 – Hushkit film on 10 Cancelled US bombers

<https://hushkit.net/2021/08/19/brand-new-hush-kit-film-on-the-sexiest-worst-and-most-fascinating-cancelled-us-bombers/>

August 19 – The progenitors of the Concorde

<https://simpleflying.com/bristol-223-supersonic-predecessor/>

<https://simpleflying.com/the-super-caravelle-concordes-forgotten-predecessor/>

August 18 – Achieving her Dreams to become a Commerical Pilot

<https://globalnews.ca/news/8123438/agnes-niyondezi-zimbabwe-pilot/>

August 18 – Niche market, but a new book on advanced Japanese fighter designs of the Second World War

<https://aerodynamicmedia.com/fighters-of-the-dying-sun/>

August 18 – New Airfix 1/48 Mosquito B.XVI model

<https://aerodynamicmedia.com/airfix-dh-mosquito-b-mk-xvi-released/>

<https://aerodynamicmedia.com/airfix-mosquito-sample-builds/>

August 17 – Russian airpower in Syria

<https://hushkit.net/2021/08/17/successes-and-failures-of-russian-air-power-in-syria/>

August 17 – Why should trump have all the fake news fun, Hushkit starts Aviation Alt-News reports

<https://hushkit.net/2021/08/17/downwash-our-new-aviation-news-summary/>

August 17 – Bird Dog Aero Commander crashed at Thunder Bay, pilot killed.

<https://fireaviation.com/2021/08/17/bird-dog-crash-kills-one-at-thunder-bay-ontario/>

August 16 – How do you scrap a Jumbo Jet?
<https://www.bbc.com/news/business-57983174>

August 15 – Vietnam's Drone War
<https://hushkit.net/2021/08/15/drone-war-vietnam/>

August 15 – Air Tanker crash in NB, pilot safe
<https://fireaviation.com/2021/08/15/pilot-walks-away-from-air-tanker-crash-in-new-brunswick/>

August 14 – Eastchurch Aviation Museum part of Heritage Trail in England
<https://www.kentonline.co.uk/sheerness/news/kent-aviation-museum-part-of-new-heritage-trail-252337/>

August 14 – Be-200 air tanker crashes in Turkey
<https://fireaviation.com/2021/08/14/be-200-air-tanker-crashes-in-turkey>

August 13 – The last year round hovercraft service in Enland ending (I think the date in the first paragraph is a typo for Oct 1, 2021).
<https://kvia.com/entertainment/cnn-style/2021/08/13/the-hovercraft-that-kept-on-going/>

August 12 – A story on the recovery effort of the Halifax off Sweden for the Bomber Command Museum
<https://calgary.ctvnews.ca/canadian-history-being-recovered-off-the-coast-of-sweden-1.5545032>

August 12 – Canadian company bids on Lebanese Hawker Hunters
<https://www.defensenews.com/industry/2021/08/12/canadian-firm-begins-negotiations-to-buy-lebanese-hawker-hunters-jets/>

August 12 – New 1/32 Albatros C.III model
<https://aerodynamicmedia.com/lukgraph-albatros-c-iii-announced/>

August 12 – Vintage RN Red Devils Aerobatic display (in clouds!)
<https://hushkit.net/2021/08/12/my-favourite-display-team-in-action/>

August 12 – For wine lovers, Napa Valley county hires its own helicopter to fight fires in the vineyards
<https://fireaviation.com/2021/08/12/a-california-wine-country-county-hires-a-firefighting-helicopter/>

August 11 – First look inside the new Royal Aviation Museum building in Winnipeg
<https://winnipeg.ctvnews.ca/the-first-look-inside-the-new-home-of-the-royal-aviation-museum-of-western-canada-1.5543440>

August 10 – Comparing the Cancelled, He-100 and MB-3
<https://hushkit.net/2021/08/10/clash-of-the-cancelled-round-3-world-war-ii-fighter-aircraft-heinkel-he-100-versus-martin-baker-mb-3/>

August 9 – New Memorial to LT(A) Hamilton Gray VC
<https://www.saanichnews.com/news/memorial-dedicated-to-victoria-cross-recipient-at-aviation-museum-in-north-saanich/>

August 9 – New book on Hurricane

<https://aerodynamicmedia.com/hurricane-the-plane-that-saved-britain/>

August 9 – Video tour of the USAF Museum storage facility in Dayton

<https://aerodynamicmedia.com/usaf-museum-storage-video/>

August 6 – Largest Space Rocket briefly assembled for testing.

<https://www.bbc.com/news/science-environment-58120874>

August 6 – Air Canada resumes flights to Eire

<https://www.travelweek.ca/news/ireland-welcomes-back-air-canadas-nonstop-toronto-dublin-flights/>

August 6 – The worlds most adorable aircraft

<https://hushkit.net/2021/08/06/an-utterly-adorable-guide-to-the-worlds-cutest-aircraft/>

August 5 – Hamilton Gray VC Memorial (as noted previously the last Canadian Airman lost in combat in the Second World War was Lt. Gray's wingman, Lt(A) G.A. Anderson RCNVR, who was hit and badly wounded, but hit the ramp attempting to land back on *HMS Formidable*)

<https://www.timescolonist.com/news/local/jack-knox-76-years-later-a-monument-to-victoria-cross-winner-killed-in-last-week-of-war-1.24348737>

August 4 – Another view of aircraft in the North.

<https://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/north/yellowknife-plane-residential-school-1.6127160>

<https://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/north/nwt-residential-school-aviation-industry-1.6132603>

August 4 – Did the UK government use British Airways to insert Special Forces into Kuwait in 1990, and risked the passengers and crews lives?

<https://www.bbc.com/news/uk-58087520>

August 4 – Airline cabin staff assaulted by passenger, on paid leave for investigation after duct taping him to his seat.

<https://www.businessinsider.com/frontier-airlines-supports-crew-that-restrained-passenger-2021-8>

<https://www.wowktv.com/news/u-s-world/faa-shares-disturbing-audio-from-actual-in-flight-incidents-to-highlight-uptick-in-unruly-behavior/>

This trend is even being noticed by cartoonists. Here is one proposed solution



August 4 – Airfix re-tooled 1/72 Vulcan kit (is the one in Goose Bay still there?)
<https://aerodynamicmedia.com/airfix-vulcan-b-2-released/>

August 4 – Relaunching Competitive Ballooning in Canada
<https://www.fai.org/news/canada-collaborative-spirit-ballooning>

August 4 – Viking proposes Twin Otter water bomber (not the first time this has been proposed).
<https://fireaviation.com/2021/08/04/plans-underway-to-convert-twin-otter-to-air-tanker/>

August 4 – Latest from CANAV Books
<https://canavbooks.wordpress.com/>

August 3 – Good interview with author of Soviet Second World War aviation book.
<https://hushkit.net/2021/08/03/everything-you-always-wanted-to-know-about-soviet-world-war-ii-combat-aircraft-but-were-afraid-to-ask-with-author-edward-ward/>

August 3 – Bell folding tilt rotor VTOL analysed
<https://hushkit.net/2021/08/03/bell-reveals-high-speed-vtol-concept-based-on-a-folding-tilt-rotor-our-analysis-from-helicopter-expert-dr-ron-smith/>

August 2 – QANTAS lays off staff due to COVID in Australia
<https://www.bbc.com/news/world-australia-58066390>

August 2 – Glenbow Museum in Calgary closing for at least 3 years
<https://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/calgary/glenbow-museum-closed-renovations-1.6126873>

August 2 – Remembering Harriet Quimby, first woman pilot in USA
<https://www.fai.org/news/harriet-quimby-america-first-female-pilot-licence>

August 2 – Cancelled Projects Compared: M-50 Bounder and B-70 Valkyrie
<https://hushkit.net/2021/08/02/clash-of-the-cancelled-round-3-myasishchev-m-50-bounder-versus-north-american-b-70-valkyrie/>

August 1 – Background to Avro Anson production in Canada
<https://ingeniumcanada.org/channel/articles/not-everyone-knows-that-aircraft-manufacturing-can-be-a-contact-sport-clarence>
<https://ingeniumcanada.org/channel/articles/not-everyone-knows-that-aircraft-manufacturing-can-be-a-contact-sport-clarence-0>

July 25 – Who is Wally Funk, Oldest person in Space
<https://simpleflying.com/who-is-wally-funk-the-oldest-person-ever-in-space/>
