Aviation Day Returns June 14th: Free Flights

In 2013, the Pembroke & Area Airport marked its 45th anniversary with an Aviation Day for kids. Hundreds of kids came out to the Airport and took part in free air plane rides and learned about aviation. With much support from the community and the local pilots, the Airport is pleased to hold Aviation Day again in 2014.

About Aviation Day

The highlight of Aviation Day is the COPA Free Flight for Kids. Children are taken for a free ride in aircraft piloted by local pilots. These pilots volunteer their time and their aircraft to make the event happen. The Pembroke & Area Airport Commission contributes the fuel for the event.

As part of Aviation Day, children also participate in a mandatory ground school where they learn about aviation and being safe in aircraft. After ground school, they are ushered out to the apron and escorted to



an aircraft for their free flight. The flight lasts 20-30 minutes. Each participant receives a certificate from the Canadian Owners and Pilots Association for taking part.

Register Early

We encourage people to register early as we had a waiting list at last year's event. In order to register, you must complete a form and have it returned in advance of Aviation Day. The event is also able to accommodate individuals with disabilities.

A Regular Airport Day

Many people are shocked to learn that over 400 aircraft movements per month take place at the Pembroke & Area Airport as the facility supports private,

military and government aircraft. The Airport makes it possible for forest firefighting, Medevac flights, OPP flyovers and other critical components of lifestyles in rural Ontario. The businesses who use the Airport also employ thousands of people in Renfrew County, making the Airport a key driver of economic development.

If you drop by the Airport, there is usually something going on everyday, from military jump exercises to business traffic to educational flights and the bright yellow aircraft belonging to the Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources. Ask all about it when we see you on Aviation Day.

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