# Control Line Precision Aerobatics Committee Report 2019

From: John McFayden, Control Line Precision Aerobatics Chairman

Committee Members:

Brad LaPointe, Bruce Perry, Robert Lamoureux, Mike Coulombe, Chris Cox, Len Bourel, Chris Brownhill, Doug Moisuk, Larry Maltman, Monty Summach, Alan Resinger, Konstantin Bajaikine, Peter Hanson

Action items for the Board are summarized at the end of this report.

 General Outlook

Control Line Precision Aerobatics classically called “Stunt” remains vibrant in several regions of Canada. In 2019 in Ontario 4 scheduled dates were planned and CLPA flown (details below). Stunt pilots in Ontario are fortunate to have 4 active control line circles available for flying. Niagara Falls Crowland Park and Toronto’s Centennial Park feature a paved flying circle and there are grass circles in Burlington and Dresden. In 2019 a group of a half dozen Stetson Flyers in Ottawa who were former CL pilots started flying control line again and reported that they are having a blast.

* The Toronto and District Championships, June 1-2, (Centennial Park, Toronto)
* 2019 Southern Ontario Control Line Championships, August 10-11, (Dresden)
* Summer Stunt & F2B Team Trials – July 27 (Centennial Park, Toronto)
* Balsa Beavers 62nd Anniversary Event, Sept 21-22 (Centennial Park, Toronto)

Events included standard Profile Stunt, Precision Aerobatics, Old Time Stunt or Limited Stunt. The weather this year was favourable on event days. Results, photos and a full commentary for all of these events are posted on [www.balsabeavers.com](http://www.balsabeavers.com).

There are a couple CL MAAC members in Quebec that are CLPA and making efforts to reignite some control line activity by doing demonstration flights at a variety of RC Fun Fly events.

The Western Canada Stunt Championships featuring a trimming and training session and then 4 PAMPA classes were also successfully flown in Richmond BC (Vancouver Gas Model Club) on August 5th.

In Alberta (Alberta Control Line Club) there were 3 events held.

* The Spring Fling June 1-2
* The Prairie Fire Contest August 16-18
* The Classic Classic Sept 7-8
* Plus a demonstration of control line at the Edmonton Radio Control Society Airshow.

 In Regina (Regina Windy Flyers) Saskatchewan had their Stunt and Fellowship event on September 15th. The focus here is on trimming, coaching and practicing with other fellow enthusiasts. They hold a shop tour and an eat and greet session. There are still plans in the works to lay out a new circle in Saskatoon at the Hub City RC Club Field.

In Manitoba (Perfect Circle Flying Club) in Winnipeg host a club Fun Fly in early September and focus their efforts mainly on Old time designs but some new high-performance F2B designs are being built.

Control Line in General and Control Line Precision Aerobatics in particular continue to enjoy ready availability of laser cut kits, ARFs, ARCs, engines, hardware, lines and handles. Electric power continues to gain ground in the stunt circles around the globe.

LIMITED STUNT

The Balsa Beavers ran again this year a simplified stunt pattern to encourage participation of inexperienced pilots. The program has been a success and the pilots whom otherwise would not enter a Stunt Contest have been very enthusiastic. Two such Limited Stunt Events were successfully run in 2019. The Limited Stunt program will be continued in 2020.

2019 F2B TEAM TRIALS

An F2B Team Trials was conducted July 27th, 2019 in Toronto Ontario. A separate report was filed with Harry Ells (MAAC FAI Chairman) and Frank Klenk (Chair of Chairs). These Trials resulted in the selection of an F2B Team comprised of Konstantin Bajaikine 61045, Peter Hanson 65002 and Patrick Mackenzie 8177L. These fine pilots look forward to competing in Wloclawek Poland in August 2020.

Future Activities, Plans and Goals

* Continue to cultivate participation in Old Time Stunt
* Continue to cultivate participation via Limited Stunt
* Strengthen ties with Control Line Precision Aerobatics groups across the country.
* Maintain current level of Committee Members.
* 3 Control Line Precision Aerobatics events in Ontario
* CLPA Events in Vancouver, Edmonton and Regina are also being scheduled.

Board Action Items:

* There were no recommendations arising from the minutes of the 2019 Annual Zone meetings for the Control Line Precision Aerobatics committee to consider.
* The Control Line Precision Aerobatics Committee encourages the Board to continue to support FAI Travel at 2016 levels or more.
* If re-elected I would be pleased to stand as Control Line Precision Aerobatics Committee Chairman for 2020.

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