

MJ-52

Moose Jaw Flying Club fonds. – [textual record]. – 1928-1947. – 3.20 cm of textual records. Boxes V-49, V-191, OS-26

### **Administrative history**

The Moose Jaw Flying Club was founded and incorporated in 1928 by Howard Ingram, A. W. Macpherson and Richard W. (Dick) Ryan. The first president of the organization was T. J. Emerson K.C. The Government of Canada gave the club two D. H. Moth planes in 1928 as well as a grant of one hundred dollars per qualified student, who was physically fit and of British descent. In 1929, Ingram was appointed Inspector of Civil Aviation and Ryan Club Instructor. From 1928 to 1930, seven commercial pilots and eleven private pilots graduated from the course provided by the club. In 1930, George M. Ross was president and Walter F. Thorn was Chair of the Board of Directors. They operated from the Municipal Aerodrome (also known as the Rosedale Airport) on the corner of 12<sup>th</sup> Ave NW and Montgomery St. In 1930, the club sponsored a large flying meet with participants competing in a variety of speed and skill events, as well as a number of demonstrations. In 1935, the directors of the flying club formed Prairie Airways which operated a flying service operating Beech 18D aircraft and manufactured twin engine Cessnas during World War II. Prairie Airways was later bought by Canadian Pacific.

The Moose Jaw Flying Club has taken many shapes over the years, closing and reopening many times. Currently, the non-profit club works out of the Moose Jaw Municipal Airport. They operate a Cessna 150 aircraft available for flying members. Club meetings are held on the second Wednesday of every month at 7:00 pm.

### **Fonds level scope and content**

This fonds consists of three series: Moose Jaw Air Show in 1930, Memorabilia and Correspondence. It includes air show souvenir programmes, air regulation examination, newspaper clippings, and correspondence to and from the club as well as records relating to the July 5, 1930 air show.

### **Note of immediate source of acquisition**

Accession 52.BA was donated to the archives by Ray Crone.

The second accrual was donated to the Moose Jaw Public Library Archives Department by Moose Jaw City Hall in 1974 via Dr. A. F. Muirhead, Chairman, Moose Jaw Public Library Board.

Accession 25.2018 was donated to the archives by Bill and Ann Heselton on October 3, 2016.

### **Conservation note**

This fonds was re-boxed and foldered in 2004 and 2012.

### **Accruals**

No further accruals expected.

### **Series level scope and content**

**MJ-52/1 Moose Jaw Air Shows. – [textual record, graphic material]. – 1930; 1947. – ca. 120 p. of textual records. – 1 print: poster.**

#### **Boxes V-49, OS-26**

This series contains records pertaining to the Moose Jaw Air Show held by the Flying Club on July 5, 1930. It contains competitor lists, correspondence, press clippings and press scripts for the meet. It also includes a poster announcing the event and two air show souvenir programmes, one from 1930 and one from 1947.

**MJ-52/2 Memorabilia. – [textual records]. – 1928; 1940. – 8 p. of textual records.**

#### **Box V-49**

This series contains a summary of light aeroplane clubs in Canada. It also includes an air regulation examination, and a newspaper clipping about pilots passing a test.

**MJ-52/3 Correspondence. – [textual records]. – 1930. – ca. 40 p. of textual records.**

#### **Box V-49**

This series contains correspondence between the flying club and various individuals associated with aviation.

### **Finding aids**

See file list.

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#### File List

MJ-52/1 Moose Jaw Air Shows. – [textual record, graphic material]. – 1928-1947. – ca. 120 p. of textual records. – 1 print: poster.

#### **Box V-49**

001 – Air Meet Competitors Lists and Results. – 1930. – 2 p.

002 – Correspondence re: flying meet. – 1930. – 7 p.

003 – Press clippings re: flying meet from various newspapers. – 1930. – 7 p.

004 – Scripts for radio items re: flying meet. – 1930. – 10 p.

005 – Photocopies - primarily of items from files 001 to 005. – [Photocopied 19-- (originally created 1930)]. – ca. 20 p.

**Box OS-26**

006 – Moose Jaw First Annual Flying Meet Poster. – 1930. – 1 print: poster.

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007 – Air Show Souvenir Programmes. – 1930, 1947. – ca. 40 p.

008 – Air Show 1930 Souvenir Programme. – [Photocopied 201-? (originally created 1930)]. – ca. 30 p.

MJ-52/2 Memorabilia. – [textual records]. – 1928-1940. – 8 p. of textual records.

**Box V-49**

001 – Summary of light aeroplane clubs in Canada [Photocopies]. – [Photocopied 19-- (originally created 1928)]. – 2 p.

002 – Air Regulation Examination. – [193-?]. – 4 p.

003 – Newspaper Clipping about Pilots Passing Test. – 1940. – 2 p.

MJ-52/3 Correspondence. – [textual records]. – 1930. – ca. 40 p. of textual records.

**Box V-49**

001 – Correspondence. – 1930. – ca. 40 p.