

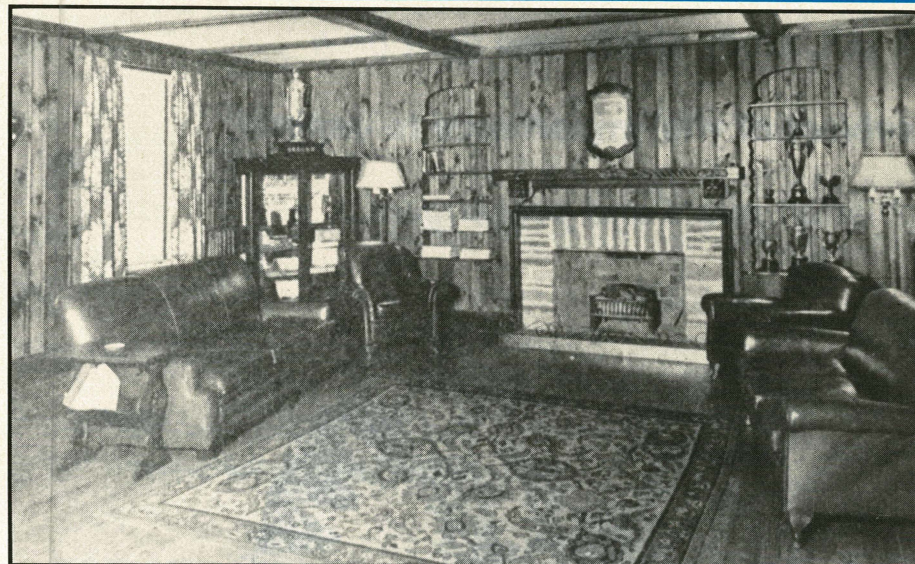
goal was to teach people to fly; now it was to provide an extension of flying training through group participation.

Soon there were exchange flights with other clubs at Brantford, Oshawa and Kitchener; group flights to Gray Rocks Inn, Oshkosh and the Washington National Aeronautics and Space Museum. Current meetings include speakers on technical and historical subjects, educational videos and occasional social events.

The TFC is still in possession of the superb collection of aviation trophies which, thanks to the tireless efforts of Dr. Johnson, have been refurbished to their former elegance. Each has considerable historic significance and plans are underway to reinstate their use for future flying events. Twelve of these old trophies are presently on display at Central Airways.

Although times have changed dramatically since the 1930s, the pleasures of recreational flying remain the same. The new Toronto Flying Club assists pilots in coping with the current climate of high operating costs. It encourages the members to fly together, sharing trip expenses as well as the benefits of group participation.

Recent TFC trips to Ottawa and Dayton, Ohio gave many pilots with fresh licences the opportunity to accompany more experienced members and make those first cross-country jaunts less traumatic. A list of all planned flights is posted on the club bulletin board (or circulated in the monthly news-



letter) so that interested pilots can sign up for destinations that interest them. The excursion becomes a group project with each member taking an active part.

A New Development

Early in 1987, Central Airways came to the TFC with a proposal that should prove to be of benefit to both organizations.

Highly aware of the attrition rate among ab-initio pilots, Central was anxious to provide an incentive for new pilots to continue flying. It made sense for the school to support the TFC in return for the social services

available within a club environment. This environment will soon be enhanced by Central's recently completed lounge and restaurant facilities.

The basic agreement now in effect is that all new trainees and rental pilots will automatically become TFC members and will have access to all club activities. Central, in return, will provide funding to the TFC on a per capita basis. It is the hope of all concerned that this arrangement will provide more flying enjoyment for the recreational pilot and help to perpetuate a great Toronto tradition in aviation. 🍁



**CAPT. EARL
McNABB HAND**
1929 - 1930



**AIR COMMODORE
A. H. K. RUSSELL**
1931, 1945 - 1946



CAPT. W. A. CURTIS
1932-1934



ERNEST O. HOUGHTON
1935 - 1936



SYDNEY B. CLEVERLEY
1937, 1947



**CAPT. WILLIAM M.
ALEXANDER**
1938



T. R. LOUDON
1938 - 1940



MAJOR C. E. FRENCH
1940 - 1944