

**A Quarterly Communiqué from Women in Aerospace Canada - Maritimes**

The year continues to chug along nicely! We've had some interesting events to tell you about, including newsworthy items, and a look ahead at upcoming events.

We want to keep growing the organization. I would like to start assembling a team of volunteers to help with events, communication, and outreach. If you are interested, please contact me at [maritimes@wia-canada.org](mailto:maritimes@wia-canada.org).

In the meantime, please share this newsletter with others you know in the industry and with young women considering careers in the aerospace sector. Doesn't matter their level of employment – from entry level to senior executives, from administrative to technical to engineering roles and everything in between. We want to reach all women in this field.

I look forward to seeing everyone at the upcoming events.  
**Eva Martinez, Vice-President WIA-Canada**

**Objectives of WIA-Canada**

**Women in Aerospace Canada** (WIA-Canada) is a not-for-profit organization dedicated to expanding women's opportunities for leadership and professional development as well as increasing their visibility in the aerospace community by creating a professional network in Canada and across the globe. The objectives of WIA-Canada are to:

Identify, foster and promote the interests and professional development of women working in the aerospace industry and other related sectors.

To be a networking platform for women and men in the aerospace industry and other sector areas related to aerospace.

Advance aerospace education for women in schools, colleges, and universities.

Develop alliances with aerospace associations (provincially, federally and internationally) and other relevant associations across Canada and globally.

**Is WIA-Canada for you?** Members of WIA-Canada represent all levels of employment in aerospace – from entry level to senior executives, from administrative to technical to engineering roles and everything in between. If you're a woman working in the aerospace industry, WIA-Canada is for you!

**Newsworthy**

Eva Martinez has recently started as the Vice-President of In-Service Support for PAL Aerospace. Based out of Halifax, Eva will be responsible for the fulfilment of PAL's contractual obligations to Airbus for the Fixed Wing Search and Rescue (FWSAR) aircraft as well as other in-service support activities around the world.

Barbarie Palmer has replaced Eva Martinez as the Senior Director, Business Development at BlueDrop Training & Simulation Inc.

**Recent Events**

**NSCC Aviation Institute**



On Tuesday April 25, a group gathered for a tour of Nova Scotia Community College (NSCC) Aviation Institute in Dartmouth, NS.

This modern training facility allows students to build aviation skills using the latest technologies. Their full-time programs include Aircraft Maintenance Engineer with specialization in Avionics, Mechanical, or Structures. Here students can develop skills for the repair and maintenance of complex aircraft cockpit instruments, avionics and electrical systems, airframes, engines, and associated power systems, aircraft structures and airframe components.



**Atlantic Canada Aviation Museum – Family Fun Day**

On Saturday June 10, the Atlantic Canada Aviation Museum held its annual Family Fun Day. It was a beautiful day to be outdoors enjoying the ¾ replica of the Spitfire, checking out the fire truck and police cruiser, or indulging in the BBQ. The fun continued indoors with activities for the whole family including face painting, artwork by Len Boyd of Skyze The Limit, and the many aircraft and artifacts in the hangars. My kids had a great time and are already looking forward to next year's event!





## Upcoming Events

### Falck Safety Services Tour

Originally scheduled for Wednesday May 17, the tour at Falck Safety Services in Dartmouth will have to be rescheduled. Stay tuned for details! Falck provides Helicopter Underwater Egress Training for DND as well as fixed wing ditching for Transport Canada. This event will be a great opportunity to view their state-of-the-art simulation theatre complete with wave pool, wind fans, sound effects, and more.



**Falck**

Safety Services

Falck Safety Services  
20 Orion Court  
Dartmouth, NS

### 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Wings n' Wheels

Planes and cars – two huge crowd pleasers! On August 12, come and marvel at the beautiful cars on display, spend some time looking around the museum and then enjoy an outdoor BBQ in our picnic area. (Rain day – August 13, 2017).



### Book Club

Would you be interested in participating in a book club? Take a minute to weigh in on an online survey:

[www.surveymonkey.com/r/MaritimesBookClub](http://www.surveymonkey.com/r/MaritimesBookClub)

### Other Items

### Lady Driver

In today's world, women are travelling more and more for business. Why not consider prearranging your rides to the airport with a female driver from Lady Drive-Her. To arrange a ride with Lady Drive-Her, call 902-452-LADY or email [ladydriveher@gmail.com](mailto:ladydriveher@gmail.com)

## Atlantic Canada Aviation Museum – NOW OPEN!!!



The Atlantic Canada Aviation Museum is now open for the 2017 season. It is Canada's only museum devoted to preserving all aspects of Atlantic Canada's aviation heritage.

The museum is open 7 days a week from 9am to 5pm until September 30, 2017. Admission is free but donations for \$8 per adult are recommended to help with the operation and upkeep of the museum.

While the museum was closed over the winter a lot of work was happening behind the scenes. A team of dedicated volunteers were hard at work updating exhibitions and adding displays such as the Lincoln Sport homebuilt display. Work is underway on the PB5-5A flying boat to restore it back to the Eastern Provincial Airways colours it wore on its final flight.

Virtual tour:

<https://www.facebook.com/ACAMuseum/videos/152394233717/>

Go to [www.acamuseum.ca](http://www.acamuseum.ca) or call them at 902-873-3773 to plan your visit.

### Atlantic Canada International Air Show 2017



Air Show Atlantic 2017 will be taking place August 26-27 in Greenwood, Nova Scotia. The Snowbirds, the CF-18 Demo Team, and the SkyHawks Parachute Demonstration Team are already confirmed to perform. To find out more, visit their website at [www.airshowatlantic.ca](http://www.airshowatlantic.ca)

### Sponsorship and Support

The success of our organization and the quality of the events and programs offered are hugely dependent upon sponsorship from industry, consultants and individuals. Lending your name and financial support to an event will provide exposure to your business.

Help sponsor an event or volunteer your facility for a tour. It's a great opportunity to showcase your business, demonstrate your commitment to diversity initiatives, and support the aerospace and defense community in the region.

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### Check out our Website – [www.wia-canada.org](http://www.wia-canada.org)

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