



ARFF FLASH

Third Quarter 2023

Calgary Training

Submitted by DFC Craig Passmore

On Saturday July 11th, A Shift conducted a man down drill that incorporated a Firefighter that required CPR. The shift completed a theory-based lecture prior to moving into the apparatus bay for the practical evolution. Each member had the opportunity to practice each position within the drill to ensure they were comfortable. The drill was to locate, manoeuvre, assist and remove the down firefighter while starting and continuing CPR. A step-by-step procedure is used to complete the task to remove the Firefighters gear including SCBA in a timely and proficient manner. This standardized drill was practiced until the crew was well versed in all positions and conducted the scenario seamlessly and quickly. This is a task that we hope never has to be used but we are ready to use it to save a brother or sister in need.

This drill goes hand in hand with Pro-Tec's first core value, SAFETY "Everyone goes home. No one gets hurt".

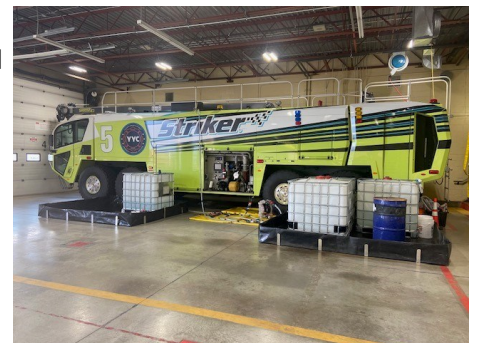


Calgary Airport Authority Leads the Way

Submitted by DFC Craig Passmore

During the month of June and July, Pro-Tec Calgary has been busy with the foam transfer process for all ARFF apparatus. Due to environmental concerns, all foam used must be changed out to an environmentally safe product. This does not come without its challenges, coordination issues, and of course a strong partnership with the Airport Community and the contractor hired to conduct the foam transfer. Each truck had to be emptied, rinsed, and tested to ensure no hazardous residue foam was remaining in the tanks. Each truck took 4 days to complete all 3 rinses then foam testing at the end to complete the evolution. All foam emptied from the truck was captured in drums and disposed of properly under the guidance of YYC Environmental team.

A huge thanks to all parties involved including YYC Environmental, YYC maintenance, Arcadis Environmental and of course the Pro-Tec team for managing and testing of the vehicles. A great team effort was done by all involved. Calgary is the first in Canada to perform a foam transfer like this. Like we always do, we did it with pride and executed the task at hand. We are the leaders of this huge task that other airports in the country will be following our lead.



Great job Calgary!



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Calgary Stair Climb

Submitted by Deputy Fire Chief Craig Passmore

On June 11th, 3 Firefighters from Pro-Tec Calgary rose to the challenge and climbed Calgary's highest tower in support of an amazing cause. Firefighters Shaun Waidson, Jim Paul, and Eric Boti represented Calgary with pride, dedication, and grit. This was an extreme challenge in which they overcame in search for a cure for cancer. All 3 climbed the tower in just over 20 min.

This year, the Stair climb geared up to be our most challenging event yet! The 9th annual Firefighter Stair climb was held in person at Calgary's tallest tower, Brookfield Place. At 57 stories and 1,370 steps, this venue offers firefighters access to the highest stair climb challenge in Canada!



Originally inspired by Kathy Blas, sister of local fallen firefighter Gord Paul, the event supports firefighters and citizens in our community who are fighting cancer, with proceeds going towards Wellspring Alberta. This event is made possible thanks to the generous support and involvement of the Calgary Fire Department, the International Association of Firefighters Local 255, and our event sponsors.

Firefighters from all over the world come together to compete and climb – all while raising money for Wellspring Alberta! Participants climb 1,370 stairs in firefighter gear.

Great job to these fine members of Calgary for the support and representation.

EMPLOYEE of the quarter

Donnie Carlson, from Mobile Regional Airport in Mobile, AL, was selected as Pro-Tec's Employee of 2nd Quarter, 2023!

Donnie is a superb Fire Captain; a true leader amongst his peers and has expertly protected two Mobile airports flawlessly. He is entrusted to step up for Fire Chief in their absence without ever missing a beat—he is a well oiled machine. Donnie holds the Pro-Tec Fire Services banner high; he led airfield inspection program above and beyond the contract, scheduled and conducted all vehicle and equipment testing making sure the department is FAA inspection ready! Donnie recently led the grueling DCMA inspection with zero findings. The impressed inspector remarked “he runs a tight ship”.

Donnie has spearheaded the training/certification for two new firefighter hires in record time that includes a 40-hour ARFF course, live fire training, airfield driving certification, SIDA badging and aircraft familiarization. He is an expert Incident Commander and has led response to multiple Alert in-flight emergencies; he coordinated Mobile Fire Rescue Department response, and ensured the aircraft was safe after landing.

He has led Airport Terminal fire extinguisher inspection program and inspected 271 extinguishers, identifying deficiencies, programming corrective actions and ensured fire safety. Another beyond-contract service.

Captain Carlson was instrumental in the stand up and support of Airbus through our MOU. He ensured all Flight Test operations and green engine runs were covered under IAW DCMA regulations and requirements. Donnie is consistently setting the example for all Firefighters. His vehicle preventative maintenance program is responsible for keeping all of our older ARFF vehicles in-service and in a ready posture. Excellence.

Congratulations Captain Carlson!





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Manchester-Boston Regional Airport Fire Department Recognized for Excellence in Training Management

Submitted by Assistant Chief Jeffrey Sands via LexiPol Silver

Manchester, NH Wednesday, August 16, 2023 – Manchester-Boston Regional Airport Fire Department, a division of Pro-Tec Fire Services, announced today that it has been recognized for excellence in training management in 2022 by [Lexipol](#), the nation's leading provider of policy, training, and wellness support for first responders and public servants.



The Lexipol Connect program tracks Manchester-Boston Regional Airport Fire Department's performance on five metrics proven to measure success in training management. Manchester-Boston Regional Airport Fire Department achieved silver recognition for consistent and effective online training management, which includes training hours assigned and completions tracked, personnel engagement, and external training activities logged.

Manchester-Boston Regional Airport Fire Department established an in-house EMS training program in April 2021 after seeing a need to expand EMS training in the department. Previously, Manchester-Boston Regional Airport Fire Department sent members to an outside training program to obtain the training necessary to recertify their EMS licenses. Spearheaded by Firefighter/Paramedic Nicholas Santy, the department partnered with Lexipol as their content platform. In addition to partnering with Lexipol, Manchester-Boston Regional Airport Fire Department purchased EMS training equipment to practice hands on skills throughout the year. The result is more consistent EMS training completed by all members while on duty.

Manchester-Boston Regional Airport Fire Department's excellence in training management enhances community safety by helping personnel remain up to date with the latest tactics, technologies, and strategies.

"We provide first response for medical emergencies on airport property. Using Lexipol's online training management platform helps us, cost-effectively, manage training for personnel and deliver better service to those travelling through and working at Manchester-Boston Regional Airport," says Firefighter/Paramedic Nicholas Santy. "Utilizing the Lexipol



News at Chicago Rockford Airport Fire Dept.

Submitted by Fire Chief Brad Read

TRAINING: September has been a very busy training month! In the beginning of September, our ARFF members attended their yearly live fire training at Chicago O'Hare Airport.

Some members were also able to attend the ARFF Working Group Conference in Milwaukee, WI at the end of the month. Thank you Pro-Tec for the great opportunity for most of our firefighters to experience a great conference.



During the month of September, ARFF hosted a couple of groups and organizations, including a local Rockford group and a field trip for local home schooled kids.

Rockford has started working under the new EMS system and can already tell this will improve our everyday working. By switching to the new system, this opens up our scope of practice that we can deliver in the field. Staging areas have undergone a complete reconfiguration around the airport, a huge thank you to Rockford Maintenance! **EQUIPMENT:** Bids will be sent out for the new ARFF truck which will replace 2901 and new air packs will be purchased.



happy
workiversary

All the employees pictured below celebrated 5 years of service with Pro-Tec Fire Services during the third quarter.

Our heroes demonstrate their extraordinary talent and skills 24 hours a day, seven days a week, 365 days a year. They bring remarkable skill and compassion to their work at Pro-Tec Fire Services, where they express their commitment to the well-being of the people we serve, their families and our community.

Congratulations on your milestone work anniversary in 2023!



Fire Chief Todd James & Captain Justin Steer
Ardmore Airpark



Fire Chief John Karns & Captain Vince Lockett
Rogue Valley International-Medford Airport



OIC Pete DiVirgilio & Firefighter Charles Episcopo
Summit Aviation



Security Officer James Atcuson
King Aerospace



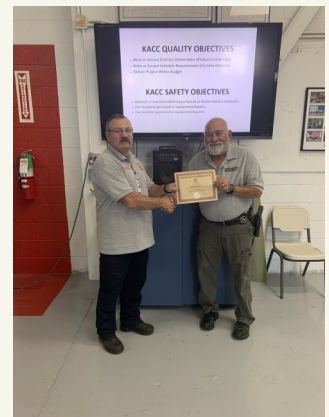
Fire Chief Todd James & Security Officer Paul Schanz
King Aerospace



Captain Lucas Young & Fire Chief Todd James
Ardmore Airpark



Security Officer James VanZant & Fire Chief Todd James
King Aerospace



Fire Chief Todd James & Security Officer Thomas Wiles
King Aerospace

Birthdays & Anniversaries

BIRTHDAYS

OCTOBER

Beau Budge Mojave
James Carrier Manchester
Jean Clearwater Des Moines
Gregory Condreay Moss Point
Jack Cunningham Ardmore
Varian Doolittle Mobile
Brian Dwyre San Antonio
Clayton Frazier OKC
Steven Gervis Summit
Ryan Glover Manchester
William Harper Calgary
Takaaki Hachiya Moss Point
Benjamin Holle Green Bay
Scott Hollingsworth Medford
Larry James Ardmore
Samantha Jecha Rockford
Lane Jones Traverse City
Jeffrey Lueck Green Bay
Sean McLaughlin San Antonio
Gregory Morava OKC
William Nowlin Des Moines
Gaston Pratt San Antonio
Edward Rodriguez San Antonio
Matthew Sampson Ardmore
Dillon Valentine Trenton-Mercer
Gerald Ward Mobile

NOVEMBER

Daniel Burk Trenton-Mercer
Daniel Clark San Antonio
Sean Douglas Tulsa
Rodney Foster OKC
Brett Gerein Calgary
Carl Giese Green Bay
Ryan Grothe Carlsbad
Jeffrey Harris San Antonio
Matthew Hehn Rockford
Dave Holmes Corporate
Dallas Jackson OKC
Paul Martell Mobile
David Miranda San Antonio
Ivan Montes Mojave
Joseph Motes Moss Point
Gabrielyn Ott Appleton
David Robidoux Manchester
Shane Ruppert Des Moines

Timothy Savage Moss Point
Gregory Smith OKC
Paul Stevens Manchester
Robert Steward Mobile
Patricia Thompson OKC
Brett VanZant Summit

DECEMBER

Christopher Abrams Summit
Brett Adams Calgary
Wade Beesley Stennis
Terence Bridges Mobile
Jordan Edwards Stennis
Steven Edwards Tulsa
Andrew Engwer Manchester
Jason Fritz Manchester
Jeremy Glick Rockford
Henry Goff Moss Point
Jennifer Hansbro Appleton
George Hollenbaugh Summit
Kevin Holmes OKC
Jonathan Hyatt Mobile
Todd Meisner Appleton
Terry Merrell Mobile
Brian O'Hear Mobile
Jim Paul Calgary
Michael Prather Mojave
Jana Robinette OKC
Justin Shockley Salisbury
Charles Skidmore Manchester
Todd Vicsek OKC
Felix Villarreal San Antonio
Carter Weiske Carlsbad
Justin Zigenis Medford

ANNIVERSARIES

OCTOBER

Mauricio Acuna OKC
Kyle Baker Kalamazoo
Eric Carranza Ardmore
Gregory Condreay Moss Point
Michael Davis Des Moines
Truston Davis Summit/Salisbury
David Eaker Moss Point
Daniel Flores San Antonio
Henry Goff Moss Point
Brad Hollenback Tulsa
Tyler Jones Tulsa
Alton Lee Moss Point

Bryce McGillis Saskatoon
Brian Montague Moss Point
William Nowlin Des Moines
Mark Palmer Stennis
Tommy Posey Moss Point
Gaston Pratt San Antonio
Bradley Read Rockford
James Rennie OKC
Timothy Savage Moss Point
Kegan Thomas Idaho Falls
Carter Weiske Carlsbad
John Williams Summit

NOVEMBER

Donald Carlson Mobile
James Chavous Trenton-Mercer
Joseph D'Intino Salisbury
Kevin Dennis Salisbury
Ronnie Hayes Ardmore
Dave Holmes Corporate
John Karns Medford
Ryan Laird OKC
Gregory MacWilliams OKC
Paul Martell Mobile
Justin Shockley Salisbury
Dylan Smith Idaho Falls
William White Ardmore
Justin Zigenis Medford

DECEMBER

William Clark Ardmore
Ethan Fiss Calgary
Rodney Foster OKC
Kevin Graham Mojave
Scott Grimes Medford
Shelly Hayes OKC
Alex Hokit OKC
Sean McLaughlin San Antonio
David Pierce Ardmore
Michael Prather Mojave
Jana Robinette OKC
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