

All that floats and flies



Dianne Tkalych, left, pilot Kevin Elwood, Charlie Hawes and Jim Tkalych prepare for a flight aboard a Viking Air Turbo-beaver during the fly-in on Saturday morning.

FLY-IN Feature

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Dozens of pontoon-sporting planes descended on Yellowknife Bay over the weekend.

The rumble of engines resounded around Old Town during the 21st Anniversary Midnight Sun Fly In, held at the Wardair Dock on Back Bay. Hundreds turned out to get a glimpse as aircraft

touched down on the surface of Great Slave Lake.

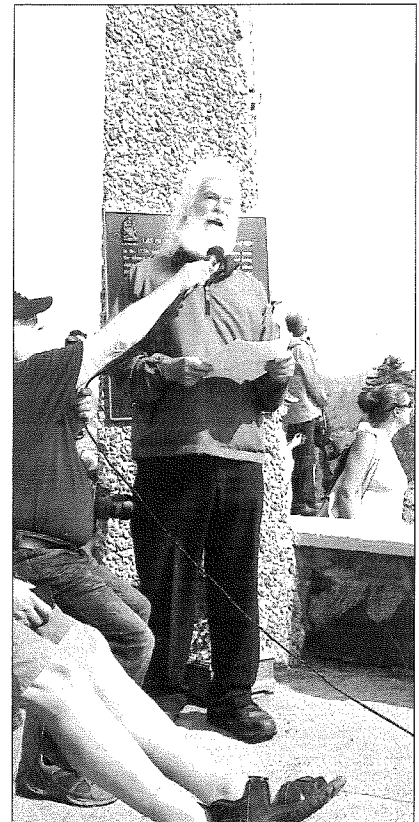
Those gathered slaked their thirst on ice cappuccinos and ice cream while demonstrations – including a remote-control float plane demonstration from Roy Williams – entertained. At 10:30 a.m. on Sunday people congregated around Pilot's Monument for a fly-past.



Lukka Nolting, 2, drops her jaw as she, Myles Calvin, one-year-old Cane Calvin and everyone else on Pilot's Monument on Sunday morning are buzzed by a low-flying Summit Air Twin Otter.



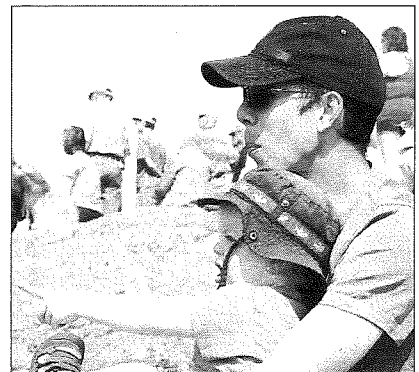
Roy Williams, of Roy's Audio/Video, brought a radio-controlled float plane and demonstrated aerobatics during the fly-in on Saturday.



Dave Lovell reads out the names of Northern aviation-pioneers before a fly-past of Pilot's Monument on Sunday morning.



The pipe band takes a break as engines begin to thunder in the distance from Pilot's Monument on Sunday morning.



One-year-old Andrew Kerr points out an incoming float plane to Josh Kerr during the fly-past of Pilot's Monument on Sunday.