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Aviation in Canada 2012/13 Update

"Aviation in Canada" soon will total five exclusive volumes in which any true fan of Canadian aviation history will revel. Vol. 1 *Pioneer Decades* covers from the 19th Century to Canada in the air war 1914-19. Vol. 2 *Formative Years* moves to the birth of commercial aviation in Canada – HS-2L to Bellanca, Fairchild, Junkers, etc. Vols. 3 & 4 *Evolution of an Air Force* and *Bombing and Coastal Operations Overseas* cover the CAF/RCAF 1920-45. If you've been letting your aviation library slide, treat yourself to these four beauties, and ignore the nincompoops who shout "It's all on the Internet." They actually think we're morons, but we know where it's at – actual books!

Changes ... Vol. 5 will not, after all, be RCAF day and night fighters, etc. Things happened in the last 15 months or so. I spent a year working full-tilt on the history of CAE, so fighters waned, but will be back. Suddenly, I got my life back, but where to recommence? The answer was to finish a project that was a germ in my mind 40 years ago. Can you believe that no general book has ever been done about Canada's greatest bushplane story? It's true ... no overall history of the Norseman, first flown 77 years ago! So ...

through 2012 I've been re-assembling all my material, going back to the day I photographed Norseman CF-FOX in 1959.

In 4-6 months CANAV will publish this history – another of its unique all-Canadian projects. Watch for this spectacular release – you'll love it. Coverage from Robert Noorduyn's early years to his arrival in Montreal in 1934, then everything that's transpired since with 900+ Norsemans that influenced aviation history on every continent. Some are still out there doing just was Bob Noorduyn had intended. Ol' CF-FOX itself is still operating in Northern Ontario!

Otherwise, look over the booklist – lots of great reading for those who are a bit more cerebral than your pitiful average internet junky. Besides the Norseman book, there's a fabulous new title – *Yukon Wings*. And a lot of CANAV's older titles remain at excellent prices. You snooze you lose, right, so better have a look at what's on offer (check the <u>free book</u> offer on p. 4). And never forget ... "The web's for kids"! If you want the *real* story, read a book.

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