

2013 Webster Memorial Trophy Competition For The Top Amateur Pilot In Canada Held In Winnipeg Manitoba

The Webster Memorial Trophy Competition sponsored by Air Canada Flight Operations is an annual country-wide competition to determine the top amateur pilot in Canada. There are nine Webster regions based primarily on aviation activity from which nine finalists are selected from flight test reports submitted and assessed.

In the third week of August the national level of the competition is held at a different city each year. This year Winnipeg was the selected city and the competition was hosted by Harv's Air based at the St. Andrews Airport. Harv's Air is one of the best flight training centres in Canada and their professionalism and courtesy towards the competition participants was amply exhibited during the entire week.

The winner of the 2013 Webster competition is Takashi Hirose. Takashi is the Eastern Ontario regional finalist who is currently enrolled in the Algonquin College Aviation programme and flies with the Ottawa Flying Club.

The 2013 runner-up is Stuart Loney. Stuart is the Central Ontario regional finalist and flies out of the Brampton Flight Centre.

For the first time this year there is a new trophy being presented by Nav Canada to the finalist who scored highest on an exam which focused on pilot-controller communications, airspace and aircraft operations near and at airports. The winner of the first Nav Canada/Webster Trophy is Yurey Wu, Western Ontario regional finalist and flying out of Waterloo-Wellington Flight Centre.

Waterloo-Wellington Flight Centre, Kitchener-Waterloo, Ontario will be hosting the 2014 competition, August 19 -23, 2014.