

## **April 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2019**

### **MEDIA RELEASE**

### **FLIGHT SERVICE BETWEEN**

# DOWNTOWN TORONTO AND WIARTON KEPPEL INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT

FLYGTA and the Township of Georgian Bluffs are pleased to announce scheduled air service between Billy Bishop Toronto City Airport to the Wiarton Keppel International Airport (Grey Bruce Region including the Bruce Peninsula & Tobermory). The 2019 flight service will commence on May 24<sup>th</sup>, with a guarantee to continue to October 28<sup>th</sup>, and possibly through the winter season.

### Highlight:

- Flights on Fridays, Saturdays, Sundays, and Mondays, and will have an approximate air time of 40 minutes.
- Approvals from both municipalities have been confirmed and the new service will be May 24<sup>th</sup>
- Flights are available for booking to the public starting Tuesday April 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2019 through <a href="https://www.flygta.com">www.flygta.com</a>.
- FLYGTA's departures have no wait times, and are served from private flight lounges. True Air Taxi solutions are now available.

"FLYGTA's vision and mandate is to support the concept of the Southern Ontario Airport Network. We pride ourselves as leaders in connectivity, and create options for the future needs of air traffic in our province. The start of this service is another step toward this ideology and will enhance tourism opportunities between our regions. Through the next several weeks, we will announce and execute several initiatives which will advance the next generation of tourism and travel in Ontario. Get ready for change!"

----- Chris Nowrouzi, CEO, FLYGTA Airlines





"The Township of Georgian Bluffs is excited about having FLYGTA provide regularly scheduled flights between Wiarton and Billy Bishop Toronto City Airport. This opens up huge opportunities for business, leisure and tourism for the Grey Bruce Region. This 40 minute flight allows Grey Bruce Region to be connected to the world and its opportunities while allowing businesses and residents the opportunity to live and operate in the most beautiful, safe and cleanest region Ontario offers."

----- Mayor Dwight Burley, Township of Georgian Bluffs

"The Town of Saugeen Shores is the fastest growing community in the region and ranked as one of the best places to live in Canada. Our business community knows what it means to be innovative and knows how to move with market changes and customer expectations. Direct flights between Wiarton and Toronto opens a door for the tourism industry in the region, and provides easier access to the GTA for our business community. The scheduled flights will give local businesses access to training opportunities available in the GTA, will encourage our companies to tap into new markets and to remain current in the ever changing economy. Congratulations to Georgian Bluffs on this exciting initiative!"

----- Mayor Luke Charbonneau, Town of Saugeen Shores

"Regularly scheduled flights from the Wiarton International Airport is going to be a huge boost to our regional economy as residents, businesses and visitors can now travel directly to and from downtown Toronto.

The bonus is they will have an outstanding sightseeing tour of what makes the Grey Bruce Region a great place to live and visit."

----- Steve Furness, Senior Economic Development Officer, Grey County





#### About FLYGTA:

FLYGTA is a Canadian Air Operator serving the interests of Southern Ontario. The airline operates from it's HQ at Billy Bishop Toronto City Airport, with departures from the Stolport private flight lounge and convenient access to downtown Toronto. Using it's fleet of 8 passenger twin engined aircraft, FLYGTA serves several routes in Southern Ontario including flights between Toronto and Niagara District Airport, Region of Waterloo International Airport, Lake Simcoe Regional Airport, Muskoka Airport, and now Wiarton-Keppel International Airport. FLYGTA is also the leading provider of Air Tours & Flight Excursions in Toronto, and provides air charter services with it's turbo-prop and private jets with short and long range abilities.

About Wiarton-Keppel International Airport:

The Wiarton Keppel International Airport is the only airport certified by Transport Canada in the Grey Bruce region. The airport is owned exclusively by the Township of Georgian Bluffs who has invested in the facility to ensure that it becomes the region's aviation hub offering exceptional service to leisure, corporate, business and recreational travellers as well as offers enhanced economic prosperity.

Please review the Media Room at <a href="www.flygta.com">www.flygta.com</a> for the official press release and stock photos.

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