Website Patch Notes

Contains high-level patch notes and changes made to the Canada Air Virtual website that are relevant to users.

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2025-04-13 - Screenshot Contest Winners Archive

- We are now keeping an archive of our monthly screenshot contest winners since June, 2024 at a new page in the Operations Center:

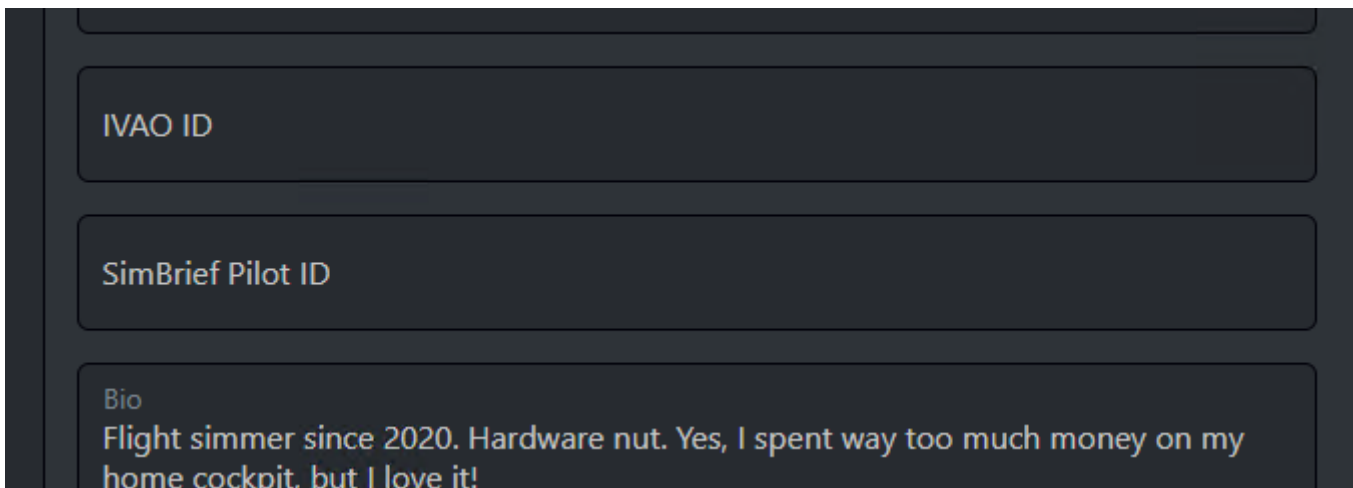 https://www.canadaairvirtual.ca/pilot/screenshots.php

2025-03-02 - NOTAMs

- Added a NOTAMs page under the Operations Centre dropdown that lists all NOTAMs ever posted.

2025-02-18 - Import SimBrief Flight Plan via Website

For those that like to plan their flights in SimBrief, you can now easily import your latest generated SimBrief flight plan via our website.

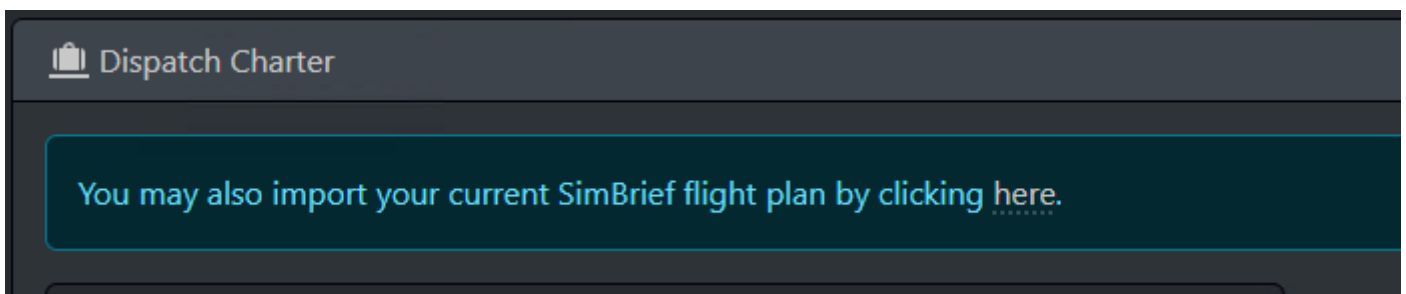To do so, make sure you have filled in your Pilot ID in your **profile**:

Your SimBrief Pilot ID is a numeric ID found on your **SimBrief Account page** in the **Your SimBrief Data** section in the **Pilot ID** field.

Once done, you can go to the **Dispatch Charter page** and see a new notice at the top.

Click the link and your SimBrief flight plan will be imported and dispatched as a Charter flight.

Import from Simbrief

Successfully dispatched charter flight **UAE514 from OMDB to VIDP**!

You can now find it in the Flight Center in smartCARS 3 or on the My Dispatches page.

Happy landings!

2025-02-07 - New social fields on Profile and Join page

This update adds Bluesky to the social links and adds all social fields to the Join page.

General

- Bluesky field added to profiles
- Bluesky, Facebook, YouTube, and Discord connection functionality added to Join page

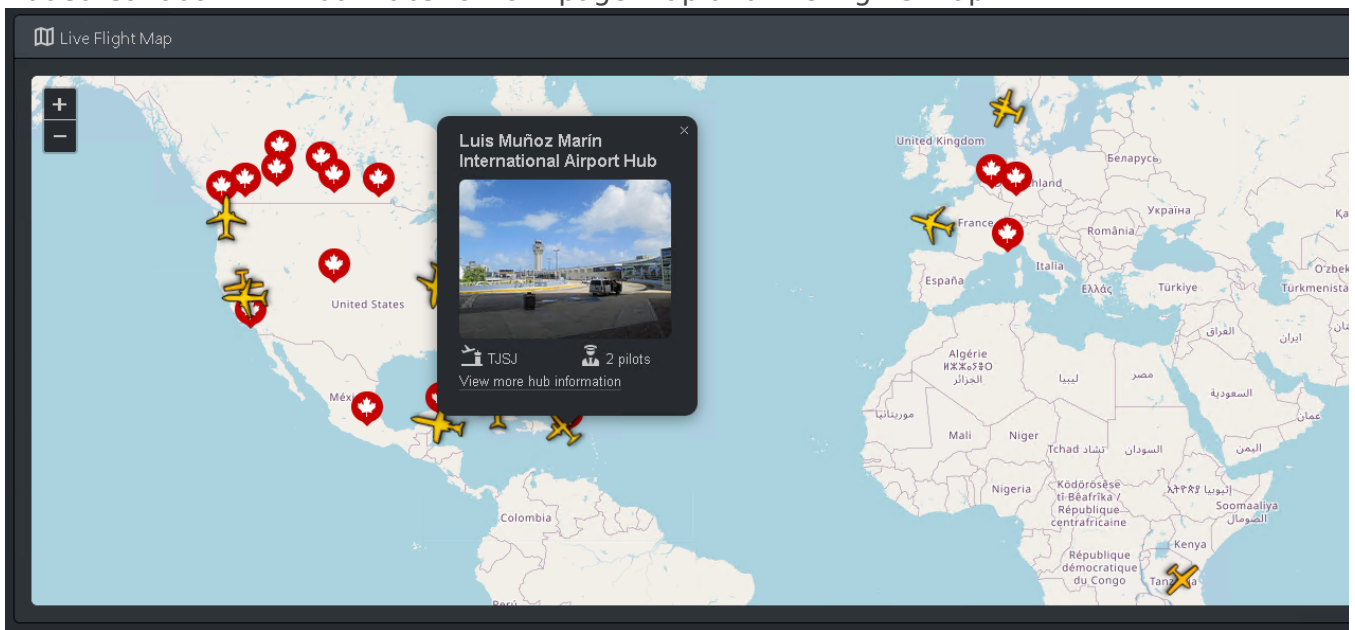# 2025-01-23 - More Map Features

This update adds a couple of small, but hopefully useful, map features.

Pilot Logbook

- Added an Arrivals Map that marks all locations a pilot has landed at during their time with Canada Air Virtual.

Hubs

- Added Canada Air Virtual hubs to front page map and live flights map.

General

- Live flights tables sorted by distance remaining by default.

2025-01-19 - Initial V2 Release

This update is a major update to the website that fundamentally changes all systems away from the VaBase foundation and onto a fully custom-built solution.

Users can expect to notice the following changes, fixes, and improvements:

General

- Significantly faster page loads due to local data instead of remote data
- Improved alignment of data tables
- Harmonized icons for pilots, aircraft, countries for ICAO codes, airlines, etc
- Longer session timeouts to limit having to re-login as often
- Times will be displayed in your local timezone (this is best-effort and relies on your computer's timezone being set properly)
- Live Flights listing displays if a flight is related to a schedule, tour leg, event, or a charter. This persists throughout the site, in your logbook, dispatched flights, etc.
- Hubs pages updated with more stats about the pilots and the airport itself
- Airports databases with over 80,000 airports pulling data from OpenAIP and OurAirports
- Removed performance score, XP, and money from system
- Stylized routes across site
- Flight using smarCARS 3 can now be paused without causing any trouble for the pilot or staff. Duration will be measured appropriately.

Tours

- Tours can be sorted by group and alphabetical, by popularity, and by rating
- Introduced the ability for pilots to rate tours once they have completed 20% of the tour
- Pilots can provide feedback to staff for tours, once completed
- Tours can be filtered by In Progress, Completed, or Not Started
- Tour legs can be dispatched from the tour page if eligible
- Tour legs listing highlights completed legs more distinctly
- Tour map displays completed legs in green colour vs red/grey

Events

- New Events calendar displaying all events
- Events are grouped by category
- Event flights can only be dispatched between the start and end date of the event

- Flightplan download

Awards

- Awards now have an associated rarity based on how many pilots have been granted the award

Dispatches

- Pilots may dispatch as many flights as they like at any time
- Dispatched flights not started within 48 hours are removed
- New My Dispatches page that aligns with what's visible in smartCARS 3
- Allow dispatching via website or smartCARS 3
- Allows deleting of dispatched flights

Charters

- Simpler charter flight creation via website or smartCARS 3. Functionality is identical between the two.

Pilot Profile

- Added flight activity chart of recent flights

Pilot Logbook

- Added tour progress section