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21 Singapore Youth Flying Club Trainees Attain Private Pilot Licence (Released on 27 May 2023)

1. The Singapore Youth Flying Club (SYFC) held its Private Pilot Licence (PPL) Wings and Aviation Awards Ceremony on 27 May 2023. 21 Junior College and Polytechnic students graduated from the SYFC PPL course after undergoing a year of rigorous flight training.¹ Gracing the ceremony was Senior Minister of State for Defence and Manpower, Mr Zaqy Mohamad.

2. In his speech, Mr Zaqy congratulated the 21 young graduates for their achievement, noting that they managed their time well between schoolwork and flight training. Mr Zaqy also acknowledged SYFC's effort in grooming Singapore's next generation of young aviators, and expressed his hope that SYFC's programmes would continue to inspire and nurture Singaporean youths to join the Republic of Singapore Air Force (RSAF).

3. During the ceremony, Mr Zaqy presented the Best-in-Flying and Best-in-Ground school awards to Caderic Yeo and Choong Dzeroun respectively for their outstanding performance during the course. Mr Zaqy also presented the ST Engineering Excellence Awards together with Mr Harold Cheng, Executive Vice President and General Manager, ST Engineering Defence Aviation Services Pte Ltd, to the top three performing graduates in the flying and ground academics categories.

4. Apart from the flying courses, SYFC also collaborates with the Ministry of Education (MOE) to implement a CCA programme for Secondary School students. The SYFC CCA programme aims to promote interest in aviation among students through activities such as aeromodelling, flying radio-controlled models, as well as flight simulators.

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¹ SYFC conducts flying courses for Junior College and Polytechnic students, leading to the PPL issued by the Civil Aviation Authority of Singapore (CAAS). The SYFC PPL Wings signify that the graduates are now newly minted pilots, after having attained their PPL.