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PRESIDENTS CORNER

What's in your flight bag? No one will dispute that flying in New England is very scenic regardless of the time of year. However, the seasonal challenges to surviving in our geographic area in the event of an accident require a periodic review.

Because of the population density in our local flying area, we're fairly confident in our ability to glide to a location that will put us within walking distance of a highway, town, farmhouse or local pub. Unfortunately, Murphy's Law reigns supreme when it comes to survival and failure to properly prepare could be catastrophic. Minimal walking distances become monumental when compounded by an injury. The smallest things and knowing how to use them can make all the difference in the world.

I would like to start with the essentials. Dress appropriately and remember if you have to get out in a hurry, if you're not wearing it or if it's not co-located with your egress location, it will probably stay with the aircraft. Does everyone on board know how to operate the doors and emergency exits? Do they know the location of the fire extinguisher(s) and first aid kits? Rafts and Life preservers for over water flights?

For personal items I like to carry a handheld transceiver (Aviation), handheld GPS and extra batteries, Personal Locator Beacon (PLB), Multiple signaling devices, i.e. Flashlight, whistle, strobe, small boat horn. I have candles that will burn for eight hours. One candle in a properly constructed shelter will actually provide enough heat to keep you from freezing. All of this fits into a very small bag and weighs less than two pounds.

You'll always enjoy your flight more if you know that you're properly prepared for contingencies.

Fly Safe, Tom Magnan



HANGAR FLYING

Weekend Flying

Hello weekend flyers. As you know, so far, winter has been unkind to us all in southern New England...unless you like snow. I have little to report this month besides dealing with all the white stuff that's been piling up every week, I started out this month going through an annual inspection. I only managed to get air bourn once in January and that was mostly a test flight to make sure everything still worked correctly after the reassembly. We all know how that can go! Why is it that we can bring a perfectly good airplane into an inspection only to find out that it is not as trustworthy when it's leaving? This is the reason for the test flight. Right? Don't get me wrong, I'm all for preventative maintenance, but, these inspections can be rather invasive to the aircraft. Well, my test flight turned out just fine and I'm good for another year.....anyway....Let's hope for better weather. Throw another log on the fire. We are half way to spring. Stay out of the ice and fly Safe....Frank Oliveira



RIPA's new officers Marilyn Biagetti, Secretary; Beth Tetreault, Treasurer; Dan Scanlon, Vice President and Tom Magnon, President.

MEETING MINUTES

Dinner Meeting
January 11, 2010

Bill Weedon, President, called the dinner meeting to order at 7:00 pm at Chelo's in Warwick. There were 36 members and friends present at the meeting. A dinner recess was called after table introductions.

The Secretary's Report was accepted as written in the Plane Paper.

Dan Scanlon, Treasurer, Reported that there was \$3157.76 in the General Fund and \$2679.20 in the Scholarship Fund. The report was accepted.

It was explained that the cost of the dinners had not gone up significantly but Chelo's would be much stricter about the count. Charging more for attendees over the initial count. We ask members to call in or ask to be put on a permanent list were they will call if they are not attending.

Incoming officers, President: Thomas Magnan; Vice President – Dan Scanlon, Treasurer- Beth Tetreault, and Corresponding Secretary- Marilyn Biagetti. Acting Secretary, were sworn in by past President, Al Lamothe.

Door prize winners were Paul Tocco, Roger Biagetti, Fred Crudale, Jim Terry, Beth Tetreault, Dan Scanlon, Jr, Randy Gee, Bill Weedon, Frank Sherman, Barry Miller and Steve Dumas.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30pm
Respectfully Submitted
Marilyn Biagetti Acting Secretary

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Cessna 172 **Service Manual**, 1969 - 1976, \$25

(NEW) Rapco vacuum **instrument filter**: #RA 1J10-1, \$10

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Call Frank...days 401-787-2338 or evenings 401-727-2580

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Free Classified ads of current members for aviation related items.

Marilyn: 568 3497, Fax: 568 5392, email biagettim@cox.net

NOTAMS

SAFETY SEMINAR

Title: Plane Sense; Is it Airworthy?

Topic: What to Expect From Your Aircraft Maintenance Technician

Date and Time: Saturday, February 26, 2011 , starting at 9:00 am

Speaker(s): Steve Grota, Joe Herard, Mike Bernier

Brief Description: Who's responsible for the airworthiness of your aircraft? What should mechanics be doing to your aircraft during an annual/condition inspection? Get the real answers to these and other questions concerning the safety of your aircraft and YOU!

Location of Seminar: Landmark Aviation Hangar 300 Jenckes Hill Road Smithfield, RI 02917

Please **pre-register** to ensure you receive your WINGS Credit!

Contact Information: STEPHEN W. GROTA Phone: (781) 357-4935 stephen.grota@faa.gov

Sponsored by Landmark Aviation; John H. Sulyma Insurance Agency; & New England Aviation, Inc.

This presentation was designed with the general aviation pilot/owner/operator in mind that may have no idea as to what they should expect from their mechanic. Some pilots think that airworthiness issues are their mechanics' problem and believe they are not responsible for anything airworthy concerning their aircraft. Some owner/operators also have a misconception that mechanics are all created equal no matter what they charge for services. The fact is that some mechanics, whether knowingly or not, cut corners to save a buck even to the extent of being criminal. This presentation contains some tips for owner/operators to look at and ask about when choosing a new mechanic or re-evaluating their present mechanic.

BOARD MEETING

Tom, Dan and Marilyn were the only members to make this meeting but we did get things in order, attending to the normal business. Beth, our new Treasurer, will be meeting with Dan to do the final transfer of information. Furnishing windsocks for the ends of the airport runways was discussed. We would like to get back onto the Safety Seminar schedule and will check into that. Members responded to the dinner meeting problem , but we must work to tighten the number attending to the count given.

Condolences for another member of Rhode Island's aviation community

GEORGE L SUTCLIFFE, 87, of Greenville, died January 20. He was well known by many of our members.

NOTAMS

RIPA JACKETS

Jackets with the RIPA emblem are available from Rene Cardon. He can take your orders for the jacket or another article of clothing that can have the association emblem applied.

To join the Fly to Lunch Bunch, contact Rene Cardon (651-3528) or appear at Landmark at SFZ around 9:30 on Saturday and/or Sunday. They would be happy to have you.

To join RIPA'S YAHOO Group go to www.RIPilots.com/join.

eMAIL BAG

Tough love, pilot style

Most people nowadays think it improper to discipline children, so I have tried other methods to control my kids when they have had one of 'those moments.' Since I'm a pilot, one that I have found very effective is for me to just take the child for a flight during which I say nothing and give the child the opportunity to reflect on his or her behavior.

I don't know whether it's the steady vibration from the engines, or just the time away from any distractions such as TV, video games, computer, iPod, etc. Either way, my kids usually calm down and stop misbehaving after our flight together. I believe that eye to eye contact during these sessions is an important element in achieving the desired results.

I've included a photo below of one of my sessions with my son, in case you would like to use the technique...
SHOULD WORK WITH GRANDKIDS ALSO.



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MEETING NOTICE

Make your reservations today by calling 568 3497 or via email at RIPAemail@aol.com by February 6, 2011

Date: Tuesday, February 8, 2011

Time: 6:30pm Cocktails
7:00pm Dinner

Place: Chelo's in Warwick
Airport exit off Rte.95 to Post Rd south,
500ft on right

Buffet of:

Baked Chicken Quarters
Baked Fish
Meatballs & Penne Marinara
Garden Salad w/assorted dressings
Garden Vegetables
Roasted Garlic Mashed Potatoes
Rice Pilaf
Fresh Bread
Assorted Cake Slices
Coffee and Tea.

Price: \$25 per person
\$45 per couple
\$5 just coffee and dessert

PLEASE CALL TODAY!!!!!!

Feel free to join us by 8:00pm if you wish to attend just the meeting. There is a \$5.00 charge if you would like just coffee and dessert.

Members wishing to fly into PVD can call any Board Member to arrange transportation to and from the meeting.



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GUEST SPEAKER

Bill Williams - Medivac Operation

EVENTS SCHEDULE

February 8- Dinner Meeting
February 22- Board Meeting
February 26, Safety Seminar at SFZ,
at 9:00 am Saturday
March 8- Dinner Meeting
March - St Patrick's Day Brunch BID
March 22- Board Meeting
April 12 - Dinner Meeting
April 26- Board Meeting
May 10- Dinner Meeting
Scholarship Award
May 24- Board Meeting
June 14- Dinner Meeting
Master Pilots Award
December – Holiday Gala
Air Man of the Year Award