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PRESIDENTS CORNER

To the Rhode Island Pilots Association:

As difficult as it is to dissolve a long standing part of RIPA history I think it's time that we start looking for a place to relocate the archives and terminate our lease with RIAC. I estimate that we will require approximately 100 square feet. If we can't find a home for the history of RIPA then it would be my recommendation that we dispose of the records. The records would have to be gone thru to identify documents containing sensitive information. Those documents would have to be shredded. If there is anyone that has space available to accommodate our archives please contact Tom Magnan.

With the proposed demolition of Hangar One looming, it's difficult to justify the expense of the lease and the insurance we pay to maintain an office that has in effect become a mail drop. The terms of the lease agreement are not very accommodating and prohibit us from using the space to the benefit of the organization. In fact we are only authorized to use it for monthly board meetings. It is my intension to file a change of address for RIPA with the post office. I will be glad to forward all incoming mail to my residence for the remainder of my tenure and then pass it on to my replacement or other member of the board at the end of this year. These two items will be up for discussion at the April meeting. Please give it consideration and I look forward to your comments and recommendations.

Tom Magnan



HANGAR FLYING

Sun and Fun 2012

The Hound and his faithful companion Franko went to Sun & Fun in Lakeland Florida last week. What a terrific trip we had. Easy travel on Southwest to Tampa, rental car and a seedy flea bitten room. What more could we have asked for? Well, the weather was outstanding, no tornadoes this year. We walked for several miles a day looking at airplanes, the latest and greatest electronic gadgets, flying destinations and food. Lots of food. I found the smell of barbecue mixed with Jet A rather arousing. Actually, the trip was a typical ho hum event. I spent more time sleeping under airplanes on the ramp than in my hotel room. Franko got a few pictures of that I am sure. He really enjoys the airshow the most. Of course it might be because he has acrobatic flying experience and can more appreciate the skills being demonstrated. To me it just looks like a bunch of North Central pirates entering the pattern. I think my Girlie Girl would not like that type of flying.

One evening we went to South Lakeland Airport at the invite of the owner, a nice fellow named Jay. His airport is a beautiful grass strip with a few hangars, lots of stuff to look at and a lot of locals enjoying a Carbon Cub demo ride. He makes his strip available to some of the manufacturers to show case their planes away from the hustle and bustle of the big show up the street. Franko was in line to get a ride. I found beer and pizza more interesting. What else would the hound do? I don't think Franko ever got his ride but I know he found the pizza.

So the most interesting part of the trip turned out to be at Tampa on the day of our return. Yup, the Hound got into it with TSA. I had one carry on. At the screening area I was putting my clothes back on when I noticed the TSA troll with my carry on by the radar machine. Ok. What is the problem? She looked at me and asked if I was carrying an explosive or weapons in my bag. I said no. I had a new radio in the box, sunglasses, a pen and a Florida orange. She looked me straight faced and said "I think the orange is the issue." I nearly gagged. Really? Oh my. They searched my bag with rubber gloves on. Took out everything and then came the orange. She held it gently in her fingers like it was a set of family jewels. Yup, it is an orange all right. The next thing she did caught me totally off guard. She asked for the other TSA mole to SWAB IT FOR EXPLOSIVE RESIDUE! I wanted to laugh out loud but just bit my lip and looked away. They swabbed it and fed the litmus paper into the computer. Eureka, it is an orange. I could not make this story up. I just wish I had put the sunglasses on the orange and put a suicide note with it. Darn orange could have been a martyr for the juice cause. Maybe it was going to wrap itself with the wire from the radio and squeeze itself to death. Or maybe holds its breathe and turn blue to pass itself off as a big blue berry. Whatever, I am just thankful that I did not lift a grapefruit from the breakfast bar. Who knows what a Ruby Red might do to an airliner. I do know it would not run out of the cockpit screaming about the other fruits!

The Hound

MEETING MINUTES

Dinner Meeting
March 13, 2012

Tom Magnan, President, called the dinner meeting to order at 7:00 pm at Chelo's in Warwick. After the Pledge of Allegiance a moment of prayer was observed for our troops overseas. There were 41 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.

Treasurer, Beth Tetreault, reports \$2269.69 in the general fund and \$5771.56 in the Scholarship Fund. The report was accepted.

Announcements:

- RIAC 's dispute with Warwick has been resolved and construction will begin.
- ILS runway 5 will be shut down at the end of April.
- The 99's has asked if RIPA could help with their Conference to be held 7/12-7/15. Marilyn will ask how we can help.
- Ryan Farley is in Kuwait

Door prize winners: Beth Tetreault, Don Pillsbury, Maryanne Lamothe, Dee Scanlon, Mike Kelly, Jack Crouse, Walter Anacko, Paul Tocco Jim Terry, Bill Williams, Paul Diette, George Bentley.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30pm.

Respectfully Submitted
Marilyn Biagetti Acting Secretary

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Stay posted - check our website at Ripilots.com.

NOTAMS

SAFETY SEMINARS

"Saturday Morning with Bob Adelizzi !"

Topic: Improving Pilot / Controller Communications & Avoiding TFR's

On Saturday, April 7, 2012 at 9:00 AM

Location: Main Terminal Building 300 Jenckes Hill Road
Smithfield, RI 02917

Description:

Join former Boston TRACON Controller Bob Adelizzi and FAASTeam Program Manager Steve Grota as they address pilot /controller communication responsibilities and Temporary Flight Restriction (TFR) avoidance. They will provide an in-depth look into proper communications and error prevention. Learn how to improve your communication techniques and get a better understanding of TFR's, and the consequences of poor preflight planning.

First Saturday of the month at SFZ

Go to the FAA website for the topic of the month and to register or contact Steve Grota,
<https://faasafety.gov/SPANS/events/EventList.aspx>

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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.

EMAIL BAG

This took me sometime to put together but I finally got it online. It's the PM mag story about my grandfather. Hope you enjoy! It brought back memories! :-) Greg

A video of QB Sabbie Ludovici (Gone West / 4 October 2001)... produced by his grandson Greg Ludovici for "PM Magazine". Sabbie operated the ONLY FAA-approved 'Acrobatic School' in the United States... a daunting accomplishment under the best of circumstances. He also taught 'acrobatics' to military-pilots in WWII. Always the true gentleman & a remarkable Rhode Island legend, he was an inspiration to us all.

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Q9BJ4sCw6PU>

-That is a fantastic video. It brought back tons of good memories. Thanks for sharing that.

-Wow Larry, you made my day.....thanks Joe

I will be in the hospital till the first of May.... See you in May some time. Best Regards Rene C.



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MEETING NOTICE

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Date: Tuesday April 10, 2012

Time: 6:30pm Cocktails

7:00pm Dinner

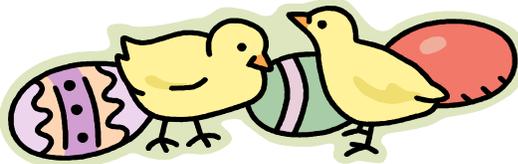
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Assorted Cake Slices
Coffee and Tea.

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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Harrisville, RI 02830

GUEST SPEAKER

BG Charles Petrarca who has just returned from a one-year tour of duty in Afghanistan. He'll be talking about detainee and other operations in Afghanistan.

EVENTS SCHEDULE

April 7- Safety Seminar SFZ

April 10 - Dinner Meeting

April 24 –Board Meeting

May 5- Safety Seminar SFZ

May 8- Dinner Meeting

May 29–Board Meeting

June 2- Safety Seminar SFZ

June 12 - Dinner Meeting

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