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PRESIDENTS CORNER

Presidents Corner – May 2009

At Long Last!! The spring weather has finally arrived!! I hope all our members are enjoying the longer, warmer days. With the nice weather come more opportunities to fly and a reminder to update your training, a short flight review wouldn't hurt if you haven't flown all winter, and give that aircraft a spring cleaning inside and out.

The Board is planning some interesting events for our members starting with the ever popular FAA Tower tour this month. In June we hope to be at Quonset with the air show, August we'll again attempt the beach party at Quonset, and September or October a Sport Plane Expo at North Central. Keep abreast of what's going on by checking the web site.

There is a new web site for planning/finding meet-ups. Check out the Northeast Pilots Group at <http://www.meetup.com/NEPilotsGroup/>. They have some great destinations including Parlin Field, which we checked out a few weekends ago.

Beth



HANGAR FLYING

Weekend Flying

Hi Folks, Welcome back. This month Paul Tocco and myself flew his Cessna Cardinal to Florida to visit the CFO (Cardinal Flyers Online) fly-in at Winter Haven, (GIF) just east of Lakeland and spent a couple of days at Sun-N-Fun. We also got to spend some quality time with Mike and Kathy Kelly at Spruce Creek.

We departed SFZ on April 18th and returned on the 24th. The trip in both directions could not get much better. It was VFR with smooth air and a quartering tail wind both ways. How often does that happen? Every phase of the flight was just perfect except when the Bendix spring on the starter refused to operate after a fuel stop. We got lucky when we were able to get it working with some silicone lube. Fortunately, it held up for the rest of the trip. It's nice to stretch the flying distance once in a while.

On Sunday, April 26th, the "SFZ fly to lunch bunch" met at Jaffery, NH (ASH) to have lunch and ice cream at Kimball's. On this nice warm and sunny day Kimball's was very busy. There are always a lot of nice cars and motorcycles to look at. There were four planes with 9 people on board that made the trip. We had sunny skies, good visibility with light winds and light turbulence. I wish their runway was in better condition, but I have been on worse. The trees at the departure end of 34 have been cleared which helps.

We also have started flying to dinner on Thursday evenings in case anyone would like to join us. Just give me a call. Fly Safe.....Frank Oliveira



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MEETING MINUTES

Dinner Meeting
April 13, 2009

The dinner meeting was called to order at 7:00pm at Chelo's in Warwick by Beth Tetreault, President. After the Pledge of Allegiance we observed a moment of silence for our troops. There were 37 members and friends present. Two new members were present. A dinner recess was called after table introductions.

The Secretary's report was accepted as published in the Plane Paper.

Dan Scanlon, Treasurer, reported that there was \$2692.78 in the General Fund and \$2391.38 in the Scholarship Fund. His report was accepted.

Announcements:

- The new Block Island terminal is open.
- Quonset terminal should be open in 3-4 weeks. This summer Runway 34 at UUU is scheduled for rehab along with taxiways at OQU and PVD.
- The proposed reinstatement of tax on aviation did not pass.
- Rene Cardon, Windsock Chair, has socks available were needed.
- The guest speaker, Dr Lee flew in on a Cherokee 6
- Jim Terry named the Mystery plane in the March newsletter and won Paw Sox's tickets.

Door Prize winners include: Francine McVay, Tony Palumbo, Kim Ellin, Ann Crudale, Howard Rowland, Roger Biagetti, Bud Ellin, Pat Andraka, Mike Falcone, Alan Smiley, John Crouse, Alan Smiley, Jr, and Fred Crudale.

Carlos Vares donated a bottle of wine to the door prizes.

Beth introduced the speaker Frederic Lee (Dr. Lee)

The meeting was adjourned at 9:10pm

Respectfully Submitted
Marilyn Biagetti Acting Secretary



CLASSIFIED ADS

Hanger available at Quonset - it would hold a small twin or smaller airplane. Price depends on size please call Steve at 401-338-9747

Beech BE-55 Baron for sale. 9869 TT, 202 SMOH/760 SNEW. GAMI injectors, Air Wolf remote oil filters, leather seats, 136 gallons fuel, century III AP, KLN-94 GPS, HSI w/slave compass, 70 A alternators, deice boots, Whelan strobes, EZ-heat engine preheaters, NU-lite panel lights, speedslope windscreen, plumbed for oxygen, complete logs, fresh annual, more. Asking \$94,995. Listed with Tsunami Aircraft Sales, Westerly. Contact Bill Weedon 401-474-8082.
(check details at www.RIPilots.com/classified)

USED C172 PARTS FOR SALE:

- Complete original **exhaust system** for a Cessna 172M, (O320 engine) in good condition. This system was removed so as to install a Power Flow Exhaust System. Asking \$800
- Two sets of **McCauley main wheels and brake calipers** from a Cessna 172M. All in good condition. They were replaced with Cleveland wheels. Asking \$125 and \$75 per set.
- Sigtronics **Intercom**, SPA-400, w/ installation manual. Asking \$100
- II Morrow **Loran**, Apollo 618C, with antenna and all manuals. Best Offer
- ARC **Nav/Com** RT-385A with IN-385 indicator and tray. (24V). asking \$500
- ARC **audio panel**, with tray (24V). Asking \$150
- ARC **marker beacon receiver** R-402A (24V). asking \$75
- (NEW)** Rapco **vacuum instrument filter**: #RA 1J10-1, \$10 Call Frank...days 401-787-2338 or evenings 401-727-2580

FOR SALE: Ocean State Oil is offering current members a discount on AEROSHELL(cases & drums). SHELL Flight Jacket, plane care products are now available at 123 Ocean State Dr. No. Kingston, RI 02852 1800 554 4557

Free Classified ads of current members for aviation related items.
Marilyn: 568 3497, Fax:568 5392, email biagettim@cox.net

STAY IN TOUCH Join RIPA'S YAHOO Group. To join go to www.RIPilots.com/join. Remember if you have changed your email address you have to change it at Yahoo Groups, also.

NOTAMS

TOWER TOUR

Reservations are required. Reply by May7 to **568 3497** or etereault@cox.net

To attend you must be a US citizen and show a valid photo ID. These requirements cannot be waived.

The tour will commence at 6:00 at the tower.

Come early.

Directions:

For GPS users 464 Warwick Industrial Dr
From Rt 295, 95 or Rt1 take Rt 113 East (Main Ave) to the first left after passing the end of the runway. From Chelo's you can proceed south to Rt113 East..

To return to Chelo's Rt 113 west and turn north on Rt 1.

After the tour we will meet at Chelo's to conclude the dinner meeting. Come and welcome our Scholarship winners.

Board Meeting

Beth, Dan, Rene, Bill and Marilyn gathered to iron out the particulars of the tower tour. Tom Lafen has gone out of his way to welcome us once more and we hope to provide him with an enthusiastic response.

Because of the ever tightening security we will return to Chelo's for the dinner meeting.

The scholarship winners have been selected and invited to the meeting. At Junes meeting we will be honoring at least one Master Pilot.

SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS

Brian Nash

A senior at Portsmouth High School Brian has been accepted at Daniel Webster College and wants to major in Aviation Operations with a flight option. He wants to become an aeronautical engineer and a Private pilot.

Erika Benkova

A Junior at URI Erika is originally from Slovakia by way of England. She has been taking lessons at Horizon Aviation since the Fall of 2008 and seems to have a "natural ability". By February she had 30+ hours. A fitness trainer /instructor, she will be washing plane to help with the demands of college and flight training.

Erika is looking forward to teaching and acquiring hours for a job as a commercial pilot.

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EVENTS

FOD walk

TF Green FOD walk will take place on May 9th. For those of us that abide at the smaller airports, this stands for Foreign Objects and Debris. TF Green is shut down while the public strolls the runways picking up FOD. There are refreshments, prizes and gloves and ear protection are provided. You must contact Airport Operations 691 2264 by May1st to attend. Meet at the Airport Operation Office 572 Airport Rd by 9:30am.

The Quonset Air Museum is having its annual Fly-in Drive-in May Breakfast Sunday May 24th 8am - 12pm (museum open 8am -3pm). Meet and greet aviators from WWII through Iraqi Freedom. Enjoy the company of fellow air enthusiasts while exploring our many aircraft, missiles, vehicles and aviation artifacts and displays. There will be an all you can eat breakfast of scrambled eggs, pancakes, sausages, bacon and hash browns. Admission for the museum and breakfast is \$10 Adults, \$5 Children 6-12 and Children under 6 free. Proceeds from this event go to the museum and its many aircraft restoration projects.

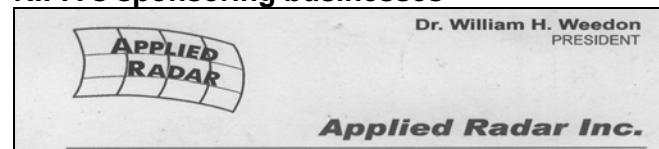
The museum is located at 488 Eccleston Ave, N. Kingstown

For more info and directions contact 401-294-9540 or go to www.theQAM.org

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Beth is collecting members preferred email address so you can go green and receive the newsletter in living color. Send a note to Beth at ETETREULT@cox.net to get on the list.

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MEETING NOTICE

TOWER TOUR reservations required
RSVP by May 7th for the tour
568 3497 or etereault@cox.net

Mandatory: You must be a US citizen and show a valid photo ID.

The tour will commence at 6:00 at the tower.
Please Come Early.

After the tour, members will meet at Chelo's for the dinner and meeting.

Date: Tuesday, April 14, 2009

Time: 6:30pm Cocktails

7:30pm Dinner

8:00pm Meeting and Speaker

Place: Chelo's in Warwick

*Airport exit off Rte.95 to Post Rd south,
500ft on right*

Buffet of:

Baked Chicken Quarters and Baked Haddock
vegetables, potato, Rice Pilaf, Garden Salad,
Fresh Baked Bread
Mixed deserts,
Coffee and Tea.

Price: \$20 per person

\$5 just coffee and dessert

Bring someone special

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 coffee and dessert.

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

GUEST SPEAKERS

The Scholarship winners will be introduced



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EVENTS SCHEDULE

May 9 – FOD walk at TF Green

**May 12–Dinner Meeting Tower Tour
Scholarship Awards.**

May 24 - Quonset Air Museum

Fly-in Drive-in May Breakfast
Sunday 8am – 12pm

May 26– Board Meeting

June 9– Dinner Meeting

Master Pilots Award

**August 28-30th Gadabout Gaddis
Flyin/Campout**

August 25- Board Meeting

September 8- Dinner Meeting

Safety Seminar

December 12 – Holiday Gala