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## PRESIDENTS CORNER

Since Frik and Frak screwed up the last speaker assignment I'm back on track and the topic for our May 14<sup>th</sup> meeting will be the Pilots Bill of Rights. Chris Poreda is in charge of the Regional Councils Office for the New England region of the FAA and is going to be our speaker.

Marilyn and I are still waiting for those articles about your trip to Sun N Fun. Please send us a quick note and outline of what you did/saw and we'll share it with the group.

Although Phoenix and the Arizona desert doesn't seem like much of a seaplane destination I was surprised to find out it is the wintering destination for a couple of Cessna Grand Caravan's on amphib floats that normally make their living in Alaska. Since we were going to be in Phoenix on vacation I just had to check them out.

One thing lead to another and the four of us (my brother and his wife met us there from Montana to escape their snow) ended up heading out to Roosevelt Lake for some sightseeing along the way and a splash down for a break on the lake. 93 degrees and bumpy flying out of Scottsdale, up the canyons that make up the chain of lakes that feed the Phoenix area its water and you can see desert and cliffs meeting the water. Luckily no one succumbed to the hot, bumpy ride and we all saw some sights few get to see. Next time you are in Phoenix take a ride with Desert Splash Adventures or just check out their website for some cool video.

<http://www.desertsplashadventures.com>

I have set up a meeting in early June with the new President & CEO of RIAC, Kelly Fredericks to discuss the RI airports, so if you have any questions or concerns please let me know what that are.

Myron Mitchell



## HANGAR FLYING

This year's annual Nantucket Daffodil Festival fell on the last weekend of April. That Saturday turned out to be a fabulous day for flying or any outdoor activities for that matter. Jan and I have been attending this festival for as long as I can remember. We always hope for good weather but this year was exceptionally good. It was a clear day with light winds for flying and the temperature was light jacket warm. It doesn't get much better than that in April. The car show and parade is held on Saturday, which is my favorite part of the Festival.

There is always about eighty classic, restored, customized and unique cars and trucks that fill Main Street, all decorated with daffodils or at least a Daffodil theme. At high noon they all line up for a parade and most end up on the road to Sconset for an elaborate road-side picnic. After the parade, we traditionally enjoy lunch in town then we walk about for a while to enjoy the scenery. Our return flight was routine to end another nice day.

Just to let you know, ACK has reestablished a landing fee and I was told that fuel, a restaurant visit or a time limit will not waive the fee.

Fly Safe.....Frank Oliveira



Pixs/Franko



## MEETING MINUTES

Dinner Meeting  
April 9, 2013

Myron Mitchell, President, called the dinner meeting to order at 7:05 pm at Chelo's in Warwick. After the Pledge of Allegiance a moment of silence was observed for deceased members of RIPA. There were 42 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, Fred Crudale, \$4086.86 general Fund and \$5063.55 in Scholarship Fund. Report accepted.

Announcements:

- To get a text message about the Fly to Lunch Bunch destination and time, see Rene Cardon to be included on the list.
- Emailed editions of the Plane Paper will be longer than mailed editions because of postal rates.
- Myron would like suggestions for upcoming speakers

-Upcoming events

- 6/8 cookout at SFZ
- 8/9-11Flyin Campout at Gadabout Gaddis
- 4/30 Board meeting call Myron if you would like something on the agenda.
- 5/4 Safety Seminar at SFZ
- 9/5-8 Greenville Seaplane Flyin

Door prize winners: Fred Crudale, Buz Sawyer, Al Paiva, Barry Miller, Jim Terry, Mr. Pellegrino, Kim Ellin, John Martinelli, Jan Crouse, Ann Crudale, Tony Palumbo, Lee Sproul and Jack Crouse.

Guest Speaker, The scheduled speaker did not appear. Tyler Pellegrino, presented the results of the survey that members were asked to participate in. on alternate fuels for aviation. This was a No. Kingstown High School Project.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:00pm.

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## CLASSIFIED ADS

**Plane Share wanted-** Responsible, Flexible, 3000 plus hour pilot looking to lease/share/purchase a 4 or 6 place. Have hangar, if you have a plane that isn't flying enough give me a call maybe we can work something out. Joe Crocker 401 603 7309

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**For sale** Exxon 20-50 W oil for sale. \$6 per quart. Have 18-20 quarts of oil due to the changing the type of oil. Call Phil at 524-1697.

**Based at SFZ: 1969 Piper Arrow PA 28-200R**, Factory Reman Lycoming, New Hartzell Prop, IFR with Dual Narco Digital Radios & Glideslope CDI's, Panel Mounted GPS, Auto Pilot, Nice Cross Country Aircraft \$13,500 for 1/3 share or \$20,000 for 1/2 share Call Al for details 401-578-4494

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\*ARC **marker beacon receiver R-402A (24V)**. Asking \$75.

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

Cessna 172 **parts manual**, 1963 thru 1974, \$25

(NEW) **Rapco vacuum instrument filter: #RA 1J10-1**, \$10. Call Frank...days 401-787-2338

**FOR SALE:** Ocean State Oil is offering current members a discount on AEROSHELL(cases & drums). 123 Ocean State Dr. North Kingstown, RI 02852 1800 554 4557

Free Classified ads of current members for aviation related items.

**Marilyn: 568 3497, Fax: 568 5392, email biagettim@aol.com**

To join RIPA'S YAHOO Group go to  
[ripa-subscribe@yahoogroups.com](mailto:ripa-subscribe@yahoogroups.com)

## NOTAMS

### BOARD MEETING

Myron Mitchell, Mike Spieth, Dan Scanlon, Fred Crudale and Marilyn Biagetti met at Myron's office for the 6:30 meeting. After grabbing a slice of pizza and a drink we got down to business.

- Rene sent along a message that there will be a BBQ at SFZ on June 8<sup>th</sup>
- The scholarship winners will be invited to the next dinner meeting.
- Mike's work on the 5013c is progressing. Financials and Scholarship info needs to be gathered.
- The upcoming guest speakers had to be revamped. We are in need of at least one more speaker to close out this year. Members will be asked for suggestions.
- The board is asked to review the website and check with Frank O about any changes / upgrades.
- Mike informed us that EAA is setting up workshops in metalworking and fabric.

On the lighter side Dan Scanlon, Jr has acquired an aircraft and Dan, Sr. is now the proud owner of a Dakota.

### *Letter to the editor and members*

Time to Kick some Butts!

What happened to the AOPA and EAA promised efforts to have the FAA ("Ditch the 3rd Class Medical?").

In 2009, A proposed Rulemaking was sent to the U.S. Department of Transportation to amend FAA's 3<sup>rd</sup> Class medical to the following: A valid driver's license is required to pilot any aircraft, and A 3<sup>rd</sup> Class Medical is only required for operation of aircraft heavier than (an automobile) 6000lbs max gross weight).

The FAA has already recognized a Basic Drivers License for meeting the medical requirements for operating Light Sport Aircraft - (LSA)...

There are rumors that some groups are in collusion that the medical exemption to fly the LSA is an exclusive benefit to create an unfair, unnecessary market concession for LSA Manufacturers to force thousands of older pilots to sell their certified 172s, 150s, Piper Warrior etc. and Make them buy a new LSA (over \$100,000) or QUIT Flying! It is a known fact that if a pilot is safe to drive an automobile (A drivers License is already required for all pilots). then the pilot is probably safe to fly a small airplane.

Most pilots would live by this requirement: No Medical Required To the following conditions:

- A. Must a valid driver's license plus the following limits:
- B. Single Engine Airplane 6000 Lbs. gross limit

OR

Even if they added.....

1. limit up to 200 hp
2. limit 4 passenger plane
3. limit one passenger
4. VFR only
5. 10,000 ft. limit

About a year ago the Presidents of the EAA and AOPA stood together on a podium and stated that they would pursue efforts to have the FAA drop the 3<sup>rd</sup> class medical after the presidential elections. Well the elections are OVER?????

It can only be concluded, that the AOPA and EAA with their limited effort to help the FAA ditch the 3<sup>rd</sup> class medical are dropping the BALL BIG TIME .

AOPA is always echoing ways to get new pilots, giving free rides etc. but they still don't get it and that is: what the ramifications would be, by getting rid of the 3<sup>rd</sup> class medical. I am asking all the Readers of this letter to write, call, or e-mail the AOPA, EAA and the FAA to act on the proposed rulemaking to dismiss the 3<sup>rd</sup> class medical .

Many thanks... Eugene Bielecki

## EVENTS

### Safety Seminars in Rhode Island

There will be a seminar June 18<sup>th</sup> 9:00am at AIR Ventures Flying School SFZ. Joe Herard will speak on Engines and Jake Hoffman will explain the WINGS program on the Web.

### SAFETY SEMINAR

#### "EAA 1310 Breakfast, Fly-In & Cookout"

Topic: Human Error & Preventing Loss of Control  
Date & Time: Saturday, May 18, 2013 at 9:45 AM Location: Skylark Airpark, 54 Wells Road, Broad Brook, CT  
Description: Meet your fellow aviators at the EAA 1310 Breakfast, Fly-In & Cookout! Attend this dynamic, interactive program devoted to local safety issues, loss of control, and human error. Don't miss this opportunity to hear from local flying experts, participate in dynamic discussions, and gain practical insights on how you can learn more from accident reports and reduce errors in your own flying. Be a part of the safety community. Breakfast at 09:00 and a cookout to follow the seminar. Reserve your seat TODAY!

### Summer Pancake Breakfast , WST June 30, 8:00am-

1:00pm at Dooney Aviation, Blueberry, strawberry, or plain pancakes (with real maple syrup, flown in from Vermont!) bacon, sausage, coffee, juice. Gluten-free pancakes on request! Adults \$7, children under 12: \$4

**ACONE Day at Martha's Vineyard-2013** Sat Jul 13, 10:30  
Join fellow Aero Club members and guests at Katama Airpark 1B2, on Martha's Vineyard. Fly to Katama or take the ferry, bus, taxi or bike. Wander among the warbirds, classics, homebuilts or new. Brunch starts at 10:30 at The Right Fork Diner. Walk to South Beach or take the shuttle bus to Edgartown. Make it a weekend and stay for dinner Saturday night. View the full event listing for reservation info and more details. See you there

### 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. Don't forget, if you want to get a text message about where and when the **Fly to Lunch Bunch** will be going, email your cell phone number to [RCARDON182@aol.com](mailto:RCARDON182@aol.com). They would be happy to have you join them.

### RIPA's businesses

**AIR Ventures Flying School LLC North Central State Airport (KSFZ)** 300 Jenckes Hill Road, Smithfield, RI 02917 [www.airventuresri.com](http://www.airventuresri.com)

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## MEETING NOTICE

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**Make your reservations** today by calling 401 568 3497 or via email at [RIPAemail@aol.com](mailto:RIPAemail@aol.com) by March 12, 2013

Date: Tuesday May 14, 2013

Time: 6:30pm Cocktails

7:00pm Dinner

Place: Place: **Chelo's** in Warwick

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

Buffet of: Oven Baked Chicken Quarters

Baked Scrod

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

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May – **Chris Poreda**, Regional Counsel for the FAA's New England Region

June – **Kelly Fredericks**, President & CEO of RIAC,

September – John Stavers Restoring a Lake Skimmer



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## EVENTS SCHEDULE

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**May 14 - Dinner Meeting**

May 18 - EAA Breakfast, Fly-In & Cookout

**May 28 - Board Meeting**

**June 8- Cookout at SFZ 10-1**

**June 11- Dinner Meeting**

June 18- Safety Seminar SFZ 9:00am

June 30 - Summer Pancake Breakfast, WST

Jul 13 - ACONE Day at Martha's Vineyard 1B2

August 9/11 - Campout at Gadabout Gaddis

**August 27- Board Meeting**

**September 5/8 - Greenville Seaplane Flyin**

September 7 - Wings Over Westerly, WST

**September 10- Dinner Meeting**

**December 10 – Holiday Gala**