

# THE PLANE PAPER

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## PRESIDENTS CORNER

Fall is officially upon us, which means that we'll be getting better performance out of our aircraft for the next 9 months of winter. Last month, I gave an impromptu talk on a new hangar that I am building at Quonset. I will be away on travel the next two months, and Beth Tetreault our VP will be filling in. We have two avionics talks coming up the next two months. On Oct 12, David Featherston from NEXAIR Avionics in Mansfield will be giving a talk on the latest in avionics, including Garmin LSA packages. On Nov 9, Tom DiTraglia from iPad4GA will be discussing the iPad/Foreflight configured iPad. Our Christmas party will be once again at Chellos on our regular meeting night Tues Dec 14. Last year we had a great turnout, and Santa even showed up. The FAA will have a Career Day on Oct 6, and Beth Tetreault will be staffing a RIPA booth there. The Fall Harvest Party will be Fri 10/29 at PVD Corp Air (Hangar 1) and is Pot Luck (sorry, not in the medical sense). Is anybody reading this? Say "woof" if you like flying

Bill Weedon



## HANGAR FLYING

### Weekend Flying

Hello again. September has been a rather busy month for me. One major event was the Greenville Sea Plane Fly-in that I managed to attend again this year.

I was there for only two days but had a real nice time with the gang. Most of us stayed at the *Cardon B&B for Wayward Flyers*. Rene is always a gracious host and so willing to help everyone out. The weather on Friday was marginal at best, but Saturday was just perfect for all the events.



Here is some of the RI gang enjoying the activities at the Greenville Seaplane Fly-in.  
pix/FrankO



The following weekend was spent in Reno, Nevada at the National Air Races with Dave C and my side-kick Paul Tocco. Now that's where The Bad Boys of Air Racing really hang-out. This has got to be one of the best events I have ever attended. Now this was the first time for me and speaking for myself, I was in the state of awe most of the time. There is nothing to compare the sounds and speeds of 500 MPH airplanes racing around an 8 mile course between 50 and 250 feet AGL. Stead Airport (RTS) is located in a valley of mountains at 5046' MSL. It is very scenic, if you like the desert, with mountains in the back ground, which is very different than the east coast. The weather was perfect for our entire stay with mild temperatures. Unfortunately, on Sunday the winds picked up to 22 knots gusting to 38, and was crosswind to both runways, so two gold races were canceled for safety reasons which was, some what of a disappointment.

Rear Bear was the people's favorite at the races  
pix/FrankO



The *SFZ Fly to Lunch Bunch* was still active this month so come and join us for food and conversation.

Fly Safe..... Frank Oliveira

## MEETING MINUTES

Dinner Meeting  
September 14, 2010

Bill Weedon, President, called the dinner meeting to order at 7:00 pm at Chelo's in Warwick. After the Pledge of Allegiance we observed a moment of silence. 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 \$1592.84 in the General Fund and \$3858.15 in the Scholarship Fund, The report was accepted.

The planned speaker was postponed until the November meeting.

The NE 99s will be having a Poker Run on September 18<sup>th</sup>.

Nominations for Officers and Airman of the Year are due.

Bill Williams invited members to attend the RI Aviation Hall of Fame induction banquet on October 23<sup>rd</sup>. The theme will be "Centennial of Flight."

Door Prize winners include: Kim Ellin, Frank Sherman, Barbara Nelson, Steve Nelson, Mike Kelly, Fred Crudale, Dot Cardon, Chris Westberg, Tom Magnon, Ann Crudale, and Walter Andraka.

Twenty Week club winners for August: Pete Belinsky, Marianne Lamothe, Bill Williams and Jan Sherman.

For September: Lima Doyle, Frank Brown, Ron Smith and Nick Barone.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:24pm

Respectfully Submitted

Marilyn Biagetti Acting Secretary

## NOTAMS

### FOODBASKET

Next month is Thanksgiving and we will be collecting for our annual food basket. Please bring a nonperishable food to either of the next 2 meeting.

### FROM THE TOWER

On September 30, 2010, the ATC words, "...Taxi in position and hold..." go away ! The new phraseology for the FAA is now, "Line up and wait..." "Line up and wait" is ICAO phraseology used around the world, and the FAA decided to change and conform with ICAO standards. So please expect to hear, "N123PL, Runway 23, line up and wait.". This allows you to taxi into position on the runway and wait for a takeoff clearance. If by accident, the Controller tells you to "taxi into position and hold", it is recommended you verify you have clearance to "line up and wait." Old habits may be hard to break... Nothing else has changed regarding this procedure. You will still be informed of traffic, whether you are waiting in position on the runway or landing.

If you have any questions, please email Tom Lafen, Providence ATCT Operations Manager, at: [Thomas.Lafen@faa.gov](mailto:Thomas.Lafen@faa.gov). Thank you.

### BOARD MEETING

A tentative slate was selected for next year. It includes Steve Nelson, President; Bill Weedon, Vice President; Beth Tetreault, Treasurer; and Marilyn Biagetti, Secretary.

The selection for Airman of the Year will be announced at the meeting

### 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.

## EVENTS

### FAA Career Day

FAA will hold its' Career Day, October 6<sup>th</sup> at PVD. Beth will make arrangements for a RIPA booth. Volunteers will be needed..

### Fall Harvest party

Gary St Germaine has once again offered his hangar at PVD for RIPA's annual Harvest Hangar Party on Friday October 29<sup>th</sup> starting at 6:30.

As usual it will be a pot luck menu. Come and join the fun.

### Rhode Island Aviation Hall of Fame

The latest inductees into the Rhode Island Aviation Hall of Fame: Otto Hermann, John Coonan and Rick Wilson are in addition to Retired Air Force Major General and Apollo 8 Astronaut Bill Anders, one of the first three humans to view the dark side of the moon, who will be the Guest of Honor .

We also to plan to recognize the lifetime contributions of Newport-born George Sullivan to the General Aviation community, and the Naval Aviation career of John Romano from East Greenwich.

Our annual event takes place on Saturday evening, October 23<sup>rd</sup> at the Varnum Armory in East Greenwich. The public is welcome; tickets to the event cost \$50 per person (\$90 per couple). Reception starts at 6PM, with dinner at 7. Reservations can be made by calling 401-398-1000 or by visiting [www.riahof.org](http://www.riahof.org)

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## eMAIL BAG

Mon 10/4/2010 3:59 PM

I just found out this weekend that RIAC is going to adopt Aeronautics Regulations. You can read them at <http://www.pvdairport.com/documents/AeroRegs.pdf> . You should.. I briefly reviewed them and here are some of the thing that stood out.

Paragraph 8.2.1 copies of Federal Registration for aircraft will have to be supplied to RIAC.

Paragraph 9 applies to instructors. I didn't read it. Instructors should.

Paragraph 11.1.2 Requires free and uninterrupted assess to aircraft by RI aeronautical inspectors.

Appendix: New aircraft registration form.

I will have to register yearly to do aerial photography.

I'm sure there are more.

The period for comment is closed.

The notice said that there will be a public hearing on Wednesday, October 14, at 1:30 in the Board Room at Green. Don Pillsbury

In my opinion, what this is really all about is that on an annual basis "... applications must be submitted to the Aeronautics Inspector, with the applicable application FEE ..."

More ways for our growing government to "access and SPEND your MONEY".

Norman Hanson

Blessings to you and the RIPA group, Norman Hanson. I think it would be worthwhile to find out why the RIPA membership was noninvolved in reviewing the new regulations from the time they were first drafted. RIPA must insist that its representatives be at the table for all RI airport initiatives. Cheers..Rol Murrow, Executive Director, Wolf Aviation Fund

To join RIPA'S YAHOO Group go to [www.RIPilots.com/join](http://www.RIPilots.com/join).

## CLASSIFIED ADS

**1/2 Share 1964 Beech Bonanza S-35:** Based at SFZ. 4800 TT, 1300 SMOH, 200 STOH. Scimitar prop, GAMI's, STEC-30, GNS430W, Avidyne EX500, KX155, Shadin, JPI-700, MP3 player, D'Shannon Baffles. Much more. Meticulous maint. Good paint & int. \$42,500. Call Marc (401) 714-1864 or email: [mcatanese@aol.com](mailto:mcatanese@aol.com)

### **Used BRIGHTLINE Flight Bag**

The best flight bag available today. Pictures at: <http://www.ripilots.com/classified/flightbag.pdf>

New \$129 Asking \$40  
Larry 401-714-2220

### **USED CESSNA PARTS FOR SALE:**

Complete **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 \$600

One complete set of McCauley **main wheels** and **brake calipers** from a Cessna 172M. All in good condition. Removed for upgrade with Cleveland wheels. Asking \$150

**Sigtronics Intercom**, SPA-400, w/ installation manual. Asking \$100

ARC **Nav/Com** RT-385A with IN-385 indicator (24V). Asking \$400

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

Cessna 172 **Service Manual**, 1969 - 1976, \$25  
(NEW) Rapco vacuum **instrument filter**: #RA 1J10-1, \$10

Seven Quarts of **Aeroshell W65**, asking \$30.  
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). 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@cox.net](mailto:biagettim@cox.net)

**Approach:**"You need to say your altitude is 2999 feet."

**Cessna:**"But my altitude is 3000." *[radio silence]*

**Approach:**"If you say your altitude is 2999, you won't be in Class B airspace without a clearance. If you say your altitude is 3000, you're in Class B without clearance."

**Cessna:**"Ah. My altitude is 2999."

## RIPA's sponsoring businesses

**Roger Biagetti**  
**Excavating**

401 568 3497



**"AUTO DOCTOR"** Carlos Vares  
1524 Smith St Rt 44 No. Providence  
401 354 4111

**Stanley Granite Co.** Dave Czerwonka  
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91 Pawtucket Ave. Rumford  
434 4064 [www.stanleygranite.co](http://www.stanleygranite.co)

### **The Pilot Shop**

106 Access Road Norwood, MA 02062-5292

**Phone:** 1-800-60-pilot or -1-800-607-4568

<http://thepilotshop.com/>

Several years ago, I was flying my father-in-law back to Portland, Maine. He had been in Connecticut preforming a wedding. We got an early start, and at about 7 a.m., we were overflying the Worster, MA Class Delta.

After making contact with the tower, I commented that it was very quiet on their frequency.

The controller responded that everybody must be asleep or in church.

My father-in-law, the ever-alert minister, pressed the button that was both intercom and transmit PTT and said, "Maybe they are in church *and* asleep!"

**PHL Approach:**"Air Canada 364, PHL airport. 2 o'clock and four miles. Report the field in sight."

**Air Canada 364:**"Yeah, we have the terminal in sight."

**PHL Approach:**"Don't land on the terminal. Cleared the visual 27R, tower on 118.5."

Approaching my home airport with easterly winds, runway 7 is usually available:

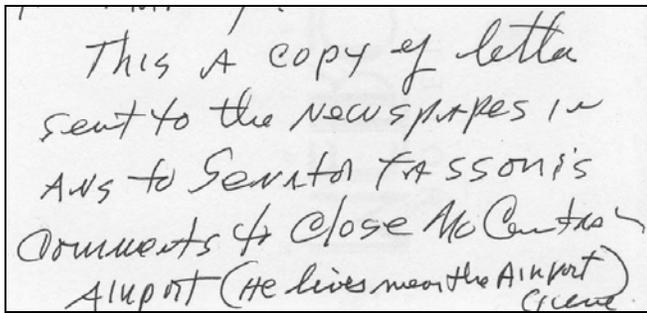
**Me:**"Tower, Cirrus 504PG, 10 miles west. Request 7."

**Tower:**"Cirrus 504PG, report midfield, downwind, 7."

**Me:**"Uhh — Cirrus 504PG is 10 miles **west**, inbound for 7."

**Tower (realizing the mistake):**"Let me turn my monitor around. O.K., Cirrus 504PG, report three-mile final for 7."

## A LETTER TO THE EDITOR



This is a copy of letter sent to the newspapers in AWS to Senator FASSON's comments of Close to Airport (He lives near the Airport) (Cred)

### **IN DEFENSE OF 'NORTH CENTRAL STATE AIRPORT OF RI**

Several years ago I wrote a letter to the editor on the value of airports such as North Central Airport located in Smithfield, Rf. Today I feel obligated to write again, stating pilots in General Aviation are flying more than ever before. General aviation flying is by far the largest segment of civil aviation, having more planes and pilots than all the rest of the world combined. Presently we are involved in the most threatening period in the history of general aviation. This is due almost entirely, to a lack of public understanding of what general aviation is and how it contributes value to the community.

Subtract all the airline and military flying and what is left is titled, "General Aviation". The types of aircraft flown are the single engine, multi-engine, seaplane, sailplane, helicopters, agricultural, turbo-props and jets. These are aircraft owned by various companies, corporations, private owners, flight schools, and government agencies.

In 1930' the U.S. had about 9,818 registered aircraft. In 1969 general aviation itself had registered over 130,800 aircraft, as compared to about 3,000 airline registered aircraft. The fact is 98 per cent of all aircraft flown in the U.S. is by general aviation, compared to 2 per cent by our airlines. The latest data available showed in 2003' that airlines flew 22.7 million miles; general aviation flew 26.7 million miles. Today general aviation has close to 300,000 registered aircraft, close to 580 are registered in RI.

North Central Airport is a good example of how a modern airport contributes to general aviation progress. North Central State was completed and dedicated on December 15th, 1951. In 1954 the first major tenant, North Central Airways, Inc. arrived on the field. It provided flight training, air taxi, sales and service. Since then' it has trained hundreds of pilots for our armed forces through

contracts with Army, Navy and Air Force. Several years later, Skylanes inc. became the 2nd tenant at North Central Airport with similar services.

In 1963' the North Central Industrial Airpark was developed by the Pawtucket-Blackstone Valley Chamber of Commerce in cooperation with the Towns of Lincoln and Smithfield. The Airpark has attracted many industries and has been acclaimed nationally as a successful industrial development. It proved that the combination of general aviation with industrial development can strengthen the economy of the communities in northern Rhode Island. The industrial development has provided jobs for hundreds of people. It has broadened the tax base of both Lincoln and Smithfield. The development of a second phase of the Airpark is projected to provide between \$10 million and \$20 million in additional tax valuation.

The majority of close to 100 aircraft based at North Central Airport are owned by local businessmen. As part of the general aviation complex, every aircraft owner contributes his share of income to the airport—such as federal and state taxes, registration, fuel taxes including outside tie-down and hanger fees.

No Airport in the U.S. is a waste. More people should understand the value of an airport to their community. Information is available through their Department of Aeronautics office. The best way to understand the value of North Central Airport is to visit Land Mark Aviation with their new and updated facilities. They are the fixed based operator (G.B.O.)—fuel and aircraft ground support services at North Central as well as in all the RI. State Airports. The public is welcomed. Tours can be arranged by Land Mark Aviation. You may call Steven Tibbett's General Manager of Land Mark Aviation or Paul Smith Manager at the North Central Airport Land Mark facilities Ph. 401-333-8503.

Eugene Bielecki, Smithfield, RI  
Ph. 401-231-6229  
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Eugene Bielecki is the former Vice President of North Central Airways inc. He retains an office at North Central Airport and specializes teaching instrument flying and other pilot ratings as a Pilot Instructor

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## MEETING NOTICE

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Make your reservations today by calling 568 3497 or via email at [RIPAemail@aol.com](mailto:RIPAemail@aol.com) by October 10, 2010.

Date: Tuesday, October 12, 2010

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 Salmon

Yankee Pot Roast

Garden Vegetable Medley, Baby Carrots,  
Roasted Garlic Mashed Potatoes, Rice Pilaf

Garden Salad w/house dressing

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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**David Featherston** from NEXAIR Avionics in Mansfield will be giving a talk on the latest in avionics, including Garmin LSA packages

November - Tom DiTraglia iPad4GA

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## EVENTS SCHEDULE

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**October 6** - PVD FAA Career Day

**October 12** - Dinner Meeting

October 23 - 8th Annual Rhode Island

Aviation Hall of Fame induction dinner

**October 26**- Board Meeting

**October 29**- Harvest Hangar Party

**November 9** - Thanksgiving Dinner

Meeting Food Basket Donations

**November 23**- Board Meeting

**December 14** – Holiday Gala

Air Man of the Year Award