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PRESIDENTS CORNER

The Flying Mitchell Brothers had another successful Oshkosh. I know some of you had a chance to go and others have it on there list of

places to go. I always try to get out to the seaplane base in my plane and take along someone new to introduce to seaplane flying. This year I managed to get six people out on the water while they were at Oshkosh.

It's amazing the people you meet as you fly around to different places. They always make the visit more interesting, but it's the planes that are the star of the show at Oshkosh.



I ended up flying to the seaplane base for Garmin with some of their new VIRB cameras strapped to the plane. With three cameras on the plane I've got so

much video that I'll have problems narrowing it down to some short videos but I'll try and get that done.

For those of you who haven't sent in your 20 week club tickets (and money) we're really off our game this year. Even though we have

some money for scholarships, it's not from the 20 week club tickets but from donations in memory of past members. We may have to consider reducing some of our prizes in order to come out on the positive side at the end of the year. So, if you haven't sent them in, get off your duff and do it - and if you can't find your tickets you can get them at any meeting or email us and we'll send you some in the mail.



At the last meeting I asked for nominations for airman of the year and for officers for next year. Since I'll be moving, I won't be President next year – Michael will step up but we will still need someone to fill the VP slot. Think about it and step forward to help continue RIPA.

We'll see you at the meeting. Myron



HANGAR FLYING

The Wings of Freedom Tour

For those of you that missed the WWII aircraft that visited North Central Airport on September 28th through the 30th lost out on seeing four flying museum pieces. The Collins Foundation brought their B17 Flying Fortress; B25 Mitchell; B24 Liberator and P51C dual seat Mustang. They were terrific to look at and better to see them fly. What a wonderful piece of history to show off. Aircraft like these and the men that flew in them gave freedom to our country. I was extremely lucky to bring my dad to this event as he is a WWII veteran that flew as a radio navigator, mostly in C46 Commando's, moving cargo. For about a year and a half of his tour he was stationed in India flying cargo to China over the Himalayan Mountains, known as "The Hump". Just think of flying all over the world without all the navigational toys we have today! Pretty remarkable!

Fly Safe.....Frank Oliveira



Frank Sr. with the North American B-25 Mitchell



North American B-25 Mitchell North American TP-51C Mustang



Boeing B-17G Flying Fortress Pix/Frank O

MEETING MINUTES

Dinner Meeting
September 9, 2015

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 Rick Jacks. There were 45 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, reported \$3097.90 in the General Fund and \$7907.30 in the Scholarship Fund. Money for the Scholarship was received from friends of Rene Cardin (\$850) and George Bentley (\$2100). Our thanks to all who donated and the families of the lost members. All bills are paid,

Announcements:

- Nominees for officers of the association are open. Please contact the executive committee if you would participate or know someone interested.

- Airman of the Year nominations are open.

- GAAG meeting is the last Wednesday of the month.

Operations have increased

Trying to change the lease to 99 years.

20 Week Club winners: KatieMcGluin, Scott Terry, CarolAmadeo, Ted Fuller.

Dinner winner: Jack Crouse

Door prize winners: Roger Biagetti, Maryanne Lamothe, Jeff McGuire, Ann Crudale, Dave Lachapelle, Hoffer, Marilyn Biagetti, Dave Stukis, Al Lamothe, Diane Whipple.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:40pm.

Marilyn Biagetti, Acting Recording Secretary

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Plane Share available South County Flying club has several openings. We operate a 1974 Grumman AA5 Traveler w/a 160 HP engine, IFR certified w/dual com. radios, dual nav. radios w/glide slope. The aircraft is very well maintained and hangared. We are based at Quonset State (KOQU); our flying rate is 65.00 per hr. wet. For more information call Jerry at 401-828-5092

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Call Frank...days 401-787-8668

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Free Classified ads of current members for aviation related items.

Marilyn: 568 3497, email biagettim@aol.com

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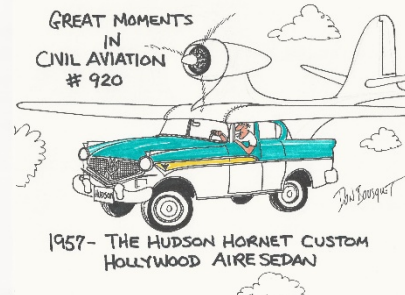
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NOTAMS

He will be missed

Richard H. Jacks, 65, of North Smithfield RI, died peacefully on Thursday, October 1, 2015. He leaves behind his beloved wife Shirley (Oberzol) Jacks. He enjoyed water skiing and scuba diving, but his passion was flying. He was a natural born pilot and soloed at the age of 16. He enjoyed spending time at N. Central Airport with fellow pilots or preparing his plane for flight. He was a member of the Rhode Island Pilot Association and The Quiet Birdmen.



Third Class Medical

If you had contacted Senator Whitehouse regarding this in the past - you were probably disappointed by his response that he didn't support eliminating the third class medical. But it appears that in the last few days he has signed up to co-sponsor the PBOR2 and so the reform.

As AOPA say in their release covering the matter - It's important for our allies in Congress to know that we appreciate their support as we continue working to get this legislation signed into law. That's why I encourage you to send a note to Senator Whitehouse and thank him for becoming a cosponsor.

Below is a link you can use to contact Senator Whitehouse directly, and let him know how much you appreciate his support for this bill.

To contact Senator Whitehouse
<http://app3.vocusgr.com/Tracking.aspx?Data=HHL%3d93%3b%2f%3c%26JDG%3c%3a1%3f!OHL%3d8%2b62&RE=IN&RI=18329487&Preview=False&DistributionActionID=17987&Action=Follow+Link>

From the local FSDO –

Don't know who to tell about this one, but my IFR student caught a mistake on the Rutland ILS 19 approach plate today. Very good of him, I was quite surprised. When he ID'd the Lebanon VOR the morse code did not match what was displayed on the FAA approach plate. He noted it to me, and I listened and sure enough he was right. Then I went to the Low Enroute Chart and found that the morse code was correctly shown on that chart. So the Approach plate has it listed wrong. Anyway, I checked both the ILS 19 Y and the ILS 19 Z and they are both wrong.

Board Meeting

Fred, Frank, Marilyn and Mike met at Myron's home, and got down to business after some refreshments.

Fred noted the escalating bank charges and will either negotiate with Bank of America or find other bank.

The QB's sent along a complaint about the supplies we borrowed for the pre-airshow cookout. We apologize and will look into the matter.

Renewals should be ready by the end of October.

We are still looking for an airman of the year. The present officers have agreed to stay on except Myron who will be leaving for N. Carolina as soon as his house is sold. We still need a VP and Secretary.

EVENTS

The 13th annual Rhode Island Aviation Hall of Fame dinner and award ceremony is on November 21 at the Scottish Rite building at the Rhodes on the Pawtuxet. Martha McSally is one of the inductees. She is an A-10 "Warhog" pilot, first female to fly in combat, and is now a U.S. Representative for Arizona. For tickets please contact Michael Spieth at 401-487-6087 or mdspieth@yahoo.com.

SAFETY SEMINARS

The first Saturday of the month at SFZ. To find other seminars go to - <http://faasafety.gov/>

RIPA Mystery Fly-Out for brunch. Destination varies with weather. Plan to depart from North Central State Airport (SFZ) at 10 AM on Saturday or Sunday. Anyone is welcome to join us.

Thursday Night Dinner Flyouts

VFR Fly-outs to dinner at local airports. Aiming for 18:00 at the restaurant and time to fly home before it is dark. To be added to the notification list email graeme@graemejwsmith.com. Or check for details on the KUUU and KSZ Facebook pages. <https://www.facebook.com/groups/kuuupilots/>
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/617195708355154/>

Every Saturday Morning - KUUU Pilot's Breakfast

Tickets Bar and Restaurant, Middletown 08:15. If you fly in - check at the maintenance hangar for a ride no later than 08:00

EAA Breakfast at Cranland (28M)

Chapter 279 holds a pancake breakfast the third Sunday of each month from April to October. Included is scrambled eggs, pancakes, sausage, coffee and orange juice. Where are you going to get all that for \$6.00?

eMAIL BAG

From Graeme J W Smith graeme@atlantitechgroup.com

A new airport manager has been appointed by the Town of Edgartown at 1B2 - Katama. Talking to him about new landing fees he explained that a previous relationship between the restaurant and airport now no longer exists and he is simply not in a position to offer "No landing fee" if you come in just to eat. His overheads include Lease, Insurance and Grass Cutting. The town does not expect to subsidize the airport to bring in a very limited amount of business - they do far better from the ferries. Hence the new \$5 fee to land if you are eating at the restaurant. Fees for beach parking and overnight remain unchanged. He is planning on offering fuel full time (though it would be wise to check) – though he recognizes it is expensive – it has to be transported to the island (requires an exclusive ferry run with only fuel on the ferry). His margin on the fuel? 10c a gallon.

Landing fees always seem to be such a contentious point with pilots. Personally - \$5 to help keep the grass cut. Well as you can't park a car in downtown Newport for less than \$10 before going to a restaurant – and have you tried the cost of a marina slip for a boat for the afternoon? I really don't have a problem with \$5 for such a great little airport in such a lovely setting.

Land of Contrasts

Flying over large tracts of America at 80 knots, low enough to see what is going on is always interesting.

Last night I landed in a small town in Oklahoma. I'll not name it - the people I met are proud and in no way do I mean this in a disrespectful way - I'm just pointing out the contrast with where I live. It certainly brought me up short.

They happen to have the cheapest aviation fuel in the area. \$3.90 a gallon. I fill up with 13 galls - their profit on AvGas is probably about 20c per gallon. The airport just made \$2.60 out of me.

It is out of hours but most of these out of the way airports usually have a door code that will let you in to use the facilities when they are closed. It's an honor system. Don't trash the place. There is usually a small note that says something like the frequency of a local navigation aid or similar. Pilots will know the answer and you can let themselves in. Often there is a couch you can wait out the weather or grab a couple of hours sleep. At this airport and by the coffee pot there is a car key. It doesn't take much to figure that it is for a courtesy car outside the door so you can get to town for a few minutes. Usually an old retired beat up police Crown Vic or similar. But here it is a tidy enough sedan - and the upholstery is clean and complete. Putting a couple of gallons of gas in the car in return for the loan is a polite thank you.

The town is desperately hard scrabble poor. People are dressed in worn out bib jeans and frayed shirts. If I told you it looked a little like the Grapes of Wrath - I would be close. Housing is slumped and peeling trailers. People buying food at the Dollar Store were buying no more than \$2 of food from freezers or fridges where everything seemed to have a minimum fat content around 80%. The "fresh food" fridge I bought something out of - it was vacuum packed and barely edible. I struggled to find anything vaguely healthy to eat and ended up spending \$10. In the line at the checkout it raised eyebrows. \$10! I didn't feel threatened in any way - but when everyone else is counting out pennies and dimes and nickels to pay their \$1-2 for that night's dinner - it certainly makes you think.

The clothing aisle in the store was just junk. I was trying to figure what a massive bowl like object was and I realized it was a bra. The awful diet has everyone rolls of fat enormous or starvation thin. I could not have found anything to fit me if I tried.

Vehicles are wrecks. It's a one horse town. The EMS helicopter pilot told me the depressed oil prices means no one is working as at \$42 a barrel it is too expensive to pump right now and make money on - so it stays in the ground and no one is working

On a state road in to town - a bridge was half washed out and crumbled away. Just one plastic red cone to warn you there is a big bite out the side of the road and a river below. I was told it had been like that for months.

Back at the airport there is a coffee pot and fixings. Help yourself. There is usually a jar next to it with a note that anything you can put in the jar as a contribution would be appreciated. \$1 bill is the usual contribution.

But in this town -

- The car has almost no gas in it.
- The coffee jar has pennies, nickels and dimes. No folding stuff.

HEY YOU MEAN SPIRITED PILOTS - That's a disgrace and an insult to the generous people of this town. They have almost nothing - but in their way they are laying out a red carpet.

Get with the program!Graeme

a mission from Garmin

I was on a mission from Garmin to get some footage for their you tube site with their new VIRB cameras. Here's their take on it. <https://youtu.be/TZ01VqB93BA> It took me awhile to get the video that was taken from the three cameras and I worked it into this, which is

a little longer than the Garmin version. -

https://youtu.be/vIF3gr_7Df8Myron

Discussion of Flight Training has been ongoing for years and many agree training is not good. Flight Instructors deficiency was in their previous training. They don't really know basic flight control. The past few years studying this problem, I have finally written my findings into e-book book form that I am giving away to any pilot that wants it. (send to: bob@safe-flight.net, subject e-book) I have sent the FAA this information several times. They publish the fact they take ten years to make a change. For this reason, I am going directly to all Pilots to whom I find an email address, offering a complimentary e-copy of this book. Pilots really do not understand flight control until having learned to fly from engine start to landing roundout without touching the control wheel. Students introduced to their first flight with hands-off the control wheel and with idle-power approaches typically could be ready to solo in five hours and complete PPL requirements in thirty hours! You are welcome to share this with any and all of your Students and Pilot friends. Robert Reser bob@safe-flight.net <http://safe-flight.net> *I found this interesting because I took instruction with Sabbie who insisted I do a hands off start to finish flight. EDITOR*

Short final

This past week I watched the Wings Over Wine Country Air Show practice from my hangar at KSTS. I was listening to the tower on my handheld. While I was listening, three different pilots wandered into the TFR, causing the rehearsals to be delayed. The fourth time it happened was when the Canadian Snowbirds had just started their routine. The tower notified them they would have to stop until the offender left the zone.

One of the Snowbirds then asked the tower:

"What's with all these pilots busting the TFR?"

The tower responded:

"Welcome to Sonoma County. They drive like that, too

Scott Peterson

When I was a controller in south Texas, a Piper Tripacer called me in the tower asking to transition through the airspace. ... Me: "Piper 123, squawk 4352." ... Tripacer: "What's that, tower?" ... Me: "Piper 123, squawk 4352." ... Tripacer: "Tower, I don't understand you." ... Me: "Piper 123, your transponder code: 4352. Do you have a transponder on board?" ... Tripacer: "No, just me and the wife." ... Me: "Piper 123, transition approved." -- Grant Shinn

MEETING NOTICE



104 East Ironstone Road
Harrisville, RI02830

Please make your reservations today by calling 401 568 3497 (leave a message) or via email at RIPAemail@aol.com by October 11, 2015

Date: Tuesday October 13, 2015
Time: 6:30pm Cocktails
7:00pm Dinner
Place: **Chelo's** in Warwick
Airport exit off Rte.95 to Post Rd south,
500 ft on right

Buffet of: Grilled Steak Tips



Baked Salmon
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w/house dressing

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\$5 just coffee and dessert

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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.

SPEAKER

October- Joe Herard will be the speaker.
Topic: Aircraft Maintenance

Stay posted, check our website at Rlpilots.com.

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EVENTS SCHEDULE

October 13-Dinner Meeting

October -18EAA Breakfast at Cranland (28M)

October 27-Board Meeting

November 7-Safety Seminar SFZ

November 10-Dinner Meeting

November 21-Rhode Island Aviation Hall of Fame
dinner and award ceremony

November 24-Board Meeting

December 5-Safety Seminar SFZ

December 8-Holiday Gala

December 29-Board Meeting