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PRESIDENTS CORNER

Thanks for letting me be your president. As most of you know, when I sell my house I am moving to North Carolina to live on an airstrip with a hangar next to my house and a runway just a few yards away. I want you to know that RIPA is in great shape and is a great asset to the pilots of Rhode Island. Through the years your organization has done a lot to benefit all of the pilots of this state and we are positioned to take on any new challenge that will present itself. Please stay involved – even if that only means paying your dues – because it will be important to all of us when the time comes to represent our interests as pilots.

Mike is ready to step up and take over, so step up and show him your support.

Stop on by. 6NC8 is half way to wherever you are headed in your airplane. We'll have plenty of room – cheap gas is nearby – and we'd love to have you stop in and spend the night and rest up for the rest of your journey.



Come to the Christmas Meeting and we'll put you in the Christmas Spirit.

James Burns will talk about his many and varied flying experiences.

Myron



HANGAR FLYING

HOLIDAY GALA

Our Holiday Gala has been held on the regular Tuesday meeting night. This has been very popular.

The biggest problem is getting a fairly (within +/- 10) accurate count. Please let me know if you will be attending. We are very grateful to Chelo's for their patience, and we would like to have a count that is at least close to what is submitted.

If you have a little gift (book, candle, gag, serious etc.) that we could include as a door prize, it would be welcome.

The final drawings for the 20 Week Club will take place at the Gala. Tickets will be available at the door until the final drawing. Remember, Mike Spieth will match your ticket purchase. Thank you for your support of our Scholarship Fund.

Old and new friends enjoy this get-together so mark your calendar and join us, it's a good time to be had by all

THE YEAR SURE FLEW BY.

This is the final Plane Paper for 2015 and I want to thank our members for their contributions to this Paper, especially Frank Oliveira who has been my proof reader, article writer and picture contributor.

**Have a safe holiday
and we hope to hear
from you next year...**



EDITOR Marilyn

MEETING MINUTES

Dinner Meeting
November 10, 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. There were 38 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 \$1814.38 in the General Fund and \$6391.53 in the Scholarship Fund. Fred gave an accounting on the 20 Week club and Scholarship Fund.

Announcements:

- Block Island Landing + facility fee is in dispute.
- Doug Auclair invited members to the Chili Cook-off 11/14 at SFZ.
- RI Hall of Fame Banquet- November 21st
- Business cards were passed out for FAA medical examiner Dr Ross.
- Member were asked to post RIPA flyers at their FBO.
- A letter from Carol Amedeo was read
- Vice President and Recording Secretary positions are still open. Contact the executive committee if you would participate or know someone interested.
- Please join us at the next dinner meeting to celebrate our annual Holiday Gala.

20 Week Club winners: Ted Fuller, Howard McVay, B Nowak and Steve Hebla.

Door prize winners: Dave Stukus, John Kearns, Mike Gendreau, Frank Oliveira, Mike Mitchell, Fred Crudale, Jim Burns, John Ferro, Doug Auclair, Roger Biagetti Jan Crouse, Kim Ellin, and Ann Crudale,

The meeting was adjourned at 8:40pm.
Marilyn Biagetti, Acting Recording Secretary

RIPA's businesses

AIR Ventures Flying School LLC

North Central State Airport (KSFZ)

300 Jenckes Hill Road, Smithfield, RI 02917

www.airventuresri.com Office: 401-216-9359

Email: Fly@airventuresri.com



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FOR SALE: 2 cases of Phillips XC Oil, 1 case of XC 20W-50 and 1 case of XC 20W-50 Mineral. \$100 for the whole lot. Call Sal, 401-952-3598.

FOR SALE: Slidedown Aircraft tiedowns - Contact Sal Corio at. 401-737-5800 Email. info@slidedown.com <http://www.slidedown.com/>

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

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

Based at SFZ: 1969 Piper Arrow PA 28-200R, Factory Reman Lycoming, New Hartzell Prop, \$20,000 for 1/2 share Call AI for details 401-578-4494

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

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

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

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

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

Call Frank...days 401-787-8668

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, email biagettim@aol.com

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40+ years ago, on a busy busy day in the Schenectady County Airport traffic pattern. An older WWII-era pilot owned a Stinson L5 that he used for a little instructing and light aerobatics. In the pattern on downwind, this exchange occurred.

**Tower:"Stinson N1234, do a 360 for spacing."
N1234:"Vertical or horizontal?"**

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NOTAMS

RIPA thanks Mr. & Mrs. Kevin Andersen for their generous contribution to the Scholarship Fund.

SFZ TENANT MEETING

Please join us to discuss these topics and give your input. We look forward to seeing everyone and welcome the opportunity to discuss these important issues. North Central Airport Tenant Meeting

T-Hangar Development, Airport ID's, Gate Access Control, Winter Operations, Open floor for questions.

General Manager, Jeremy Nielson

AIRPORT TERMINAL

300 Jenckes Hill Rd. Smithfield R.I.02917

psmith@avportsri.com

Wednesday, December 9th @ 1800

T-HANGAR DEVELOPMENT PROPOSAL for SFZ UUU

Over the past several months, the Rhode Island Airport Corporation (RIAC) and AvPORTS has welcomed feedback from numerous airport users regarding the lack of hangar space within the State of Rhode Island. In response, RIAC is considering a building campaign which would provide the initial funds to construct up to five (5) T-hangars at both North Central (SFZ) and Newport (UUU) State Airports.

The units currently under consideration for installation would be constructed of 26 gauge galvanized steel and would easily accommodate most single and light twin aircraft. Dimensions would be approximately 42' wide, 34' deep, with a height of 11'. Use of a counter balanced / spring loaded main door, accompanied by two vertical bi-folding wing box doors, eliminates the need for electrical power. Insulation and skylights would be included.

Lease rates would be in the range of \$400 per month. Further details regarding this proposed project will be presented at an upcoming Airport Tenant Meeting at each location. Prior to this event, all interested parties are requested to email AvPORTS General Manager, Jeremy Nielson (jnielson@avportsri.com), on or before Friday, November 27th, to provide initial feedback. Thank you in advance!

FEE LIFTED AT BLOCK ISLAND AIRPORT

(RIAC) has suspended a \$20 daily "facility fee" at Block Island following complaints from pilots and AOPA. The fee, which applied to out-of-state aircraft weighing less than 5,000 pounds for peak season operations from **May through October**, was imposed last month without any public input.

the fee was suspended Nov. 2, following a stakeholder meeting at which AOPA Airport Support Network volunteer Henry DuPont demonstrated the negative impact the fee would have on the airport and the community. DuPont and others also mobilized area pilots to write to RIAC opposing the fee, and [AOPA wrote a letter](#) warning that the combination of landing and facility fees would have a chilling effect on airport activity, sending pilots to other airports with lower fees.

"Combined landing and facility fees of \$35 with a recurring charge of \$20 per calendar day on light, transient aircraft from May through October will discourage pilots from utilizing Block Island State Airport," wrote Adam Williams

State Rep. Blake Filippi spoke at the meeting, criticizing the process by which the fees were set.

I point out that this is a suspension, not an elimination...
EDITOR

BOARD MEETING

Fred, Mike and Marilyn met once again at Myron's home for our monthly Board meeting. As usual the pizza was delicious.

-Myron announced that badges will be required at all RI airports.

-Paul Tocco has sorted through stuff he stored for us when we moved out of our office. He has 2 filing cabinets left and has asked to have them removed,

-A comment from an original RIPA member made us evaluate our current activities. RIPA was founded as a voice for General aviation in RI

- Mike's offer to match 20 Week Club ticket sales collected until December has not had the response he hoped He seems to want our members to put a dent in his Xmas budget. You can purchase tickets by calling 401-787-8668 or via e-mail.

<mailto:franko177@verizon.net> or via snailmail -Frank Oliveira
RIPA Scholarship Fund Chairman 53 Brookdale Blvd.,
Pawtucket, RI 02861

EVENTS

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 Flyouts to dinner at local airports. To be added to the notification list email graeme@graemejwsmith.com. Or check for details on the KUUU and KSFZ 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

eMAIL BAG

Deborah Babcock Michael posted in Pilots Of SFZ. November 6 at 10:49am

Fee lifted at Block Island airport November 5, 2015

http://www.aopa.org/News-and-Video/All-News/2015/November/05/Fee-lifted-at-Block-Island-airport?WT.mc_id=151106epilot&WT.mc_sect=adv#.VjyrpEpmAYQ.facebook

Check out the comments at this website *EDITOR*

Tanner- Hiller Airport 8B5

THE TIME HAS COME FOR ALL PILOTS TO STEP UP AND SAVE TANNER-HILLER AIRPORT. The Tanners have put the airport up for SALE. It would be a shame to see this Historic Airport turned into a Solar Farm or Housing. I have reached the time were I have to move on after managing the airport for over 20 years. I have encouraged our local pilots to band together and start a group to purchase the airport.

If You or anyone you know are able to join us for a meeting- please contact me ASAP - Burchardaviation@aol.com.
Bob Burchard - office phone 508-867-3585

MEETING NOTICE



Please make your reservations today by calling 401 568 3497 or via email at RIPAemail@aol.com by **December 6, 2015**

Date: Tuesday December 8, 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
Penne with meatballs
Garden Salad w/house dressing
Garden Vegetables, Baby Carrots
Rice Pilaf
Roasted Garlic Mashed Potatoes
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.

SPEAKER

December – James Burns-----

Pilot for the state of RI, flew for Fram, Eastern and CVS.and instructed at SFZ.

Stay posted, check our website at Ripilots.com.



104 East Ironstone Road
Harrisville, RI02830

EVENTS SCHEDULE

December 5- Safety Seminar SFZ

December 8- *RIPA's Holiday Gala*
Call for reservations

December 9- SFZ tenant meeting 6:pm

December 29-Board Meeting

January 12 –Dinner Meeting

January 26-Board Meeting

February 9 Dinner Meeting

February 23-Board Meeting

March 8 Dinner Meeting

March 29-Board Meeting