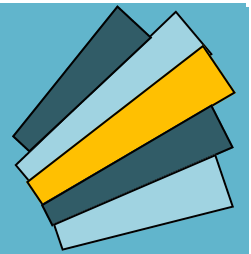


FMFC FLYER

The Fort Myers Flying Club

NEWSLETTER



March, 2011

The FORT MYERS FLYING CLUB

President's Message by Eric Graham

Hello all!

2011 is off to a good start. Our last general meeting was very good we are looking forward to another great meeting Tuesday March 8, 2011 at the RSW Training center. Please plan to attend as we will have a 50-50 drawing at the event, and Bob Adamski is providing snacks and refreshments at 6:30.

The meeting program will be the joys and perks of volunteering for the annual Sun & Fun EAA show in Lakeland. Gary Furdell will be the presenter of the program.

The Poker Run is a week from today, it's our most popular Club event of the year, so put it on your calendar and be sure to get those cards from Punta Gorda, Venice, Arcadia, Labelle and the last one at Fort Myers on the day of the event. The planes are available, so make the commitment and "giter done." Any of you students can take a cross country flight

and get lots of landings and takeoffs while getting the cards.

I would like to thank everyone in the club in advance for attending these events and bringing our membership together socially. It is always good to come out and rub elbows and share information. We have a great bunch of members and we're getting more all the time. Steve Hall is doing a great job with our new members and we all welcome them as they bring new blood and new ideas for us. We have two applications to consider this Tuesday, so be there to meet and greet them.

Do not forget the Sun & Fun bus ride on the 1st of April. Hopefully we will have enough to book the bus. Remember that leaving at 7:00am and returning 9:00pm, and being delivered directly to the gates eliminates parking hassles and allows everyone to enjoy a pleasant trip, so you and your fellow pilots can tour the exhibits and watch the show stress-free.

One last thing, please do not hesitate to share ideas for events and express your thoughts as we go forward. Your Board of Directors is open anytime for your ideas and thoughts, just drop us an email. We welcome feedback.

Sincerely,
Eric

FEBRUARY STATS	
Aircraft hours:	
3521Q	48.7
944CC	28.6
9490X	15.5
Top Flyers for February:	
Lisa Taylor	9.8
Robert Willaford	7.2
Edward Hemsath	6.6



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General Meeting

- * **General Meeting Tuesday, March 8th 7:00 PM, RSW Training Center**
- * **Refreshments and Snacks at 6:30 PM!**
- * **Hghlighting Sun-N-Fun in Lakeland**
- * **See you There!**

Annual Poker Run Saturday March 12th!

It's that time of year again! Time for the most popular Club event of the year... Our Annual Poker Run!

The event will be held at the EAA Building at Page Field, over by the Foxtrot hangars, on Saturday March 12th. See the Official Flyer inside this issue for all the details on how to play.



The airports this year are Punta Gorda (KPGD), Venice (KVNC), Arcadia (X06), LaBelle (X14), and lastly, Page Field on Saturday.

Poker Run This Saturday: 3/12 (con't. from page 1)

The EAA will be grilling up their famous and delicious hamburgers with all the fixins for \$5 per person.



In addition to the poker hands, there will be a 50/50 drawing, door prizes, and a very fun pre-flight contest that will challenge your powers of observation and inspection.



The poker playing will be officiated by our very own Bob Adamski, who always does a masterful job. There will be some very happy people walking away with some big handfuls of cash!

Again, check out the Official Event Flyer on the next page for all the details. This is such a fun event, and it gets better every year!

So mark your calendars, and don't miss out! See you there!

**CHECK OUT ALL OF LAST
YEAR'S WINNERS!!!**



Club Trip to Sun-N-Fun

A Group Trip To Sun-N-Fun!

We pilots living in SW Florida are lucky to have Sun-N-Fun in our back yard. People come from all over the country for this event, and it's an hour flight or a few hours drive for us.

We all know that Oshkosh is the Mecca of our hobby. I call this "Mini Oshkosh" because it is a similar experience, just smaller. For pilots, the Experimental Aviation Association has always shown us what the future of private flying is. Many of the planes we fly and products we use come directly from these people. All the newest designs are there, and they have world class air show every day.

The Fort Myers Flying Club is arranging a bus on Friday April 1st to take us to and from the show. We leave at 7:00 AM, we should be home at 10:00 PM. We need at least 30 people to sign up to reserve the bus, so, if you can go, sign up soon. The price is only \$35 per person.

Call Jim Meyersburg (239) 272-5494 or email:

JimMeyersburg@msn.com.

FLIGHT INSTRUCTION CLASSES

* *Private Pilot Ground School*

Cypress Lake High School, Thursday Nights 6-9PM

1-13-11 through 4-21-11 Fee \$135 + Text

Contact Ed Fink, CFII at 239-489-0443



* *Private Pilot Ground School*

Cape Coral High School, Wednesday Nights 6-9PM

1-12-11 through 4-20-11 Fee \$135 + Text

Contact Ed Fink, CFII at 239-489-0443



* *Instrument Rating Ground School*

Page Field Av Center, Monday Nights, 6:30-9:30PM

1-17-11 through 4-18-11 Fee \$125 + Text

* Contact Ed Fink, CFII at 239-489-0443

Flying Poker Run

2011 – 9th Annual Fun Filled Event

Come one and all! All can play!

Sponsored by the

Fort Myers Flying Club

(formerly The Cub Club)

In cooperation with Page Field EAA

Saturday - March 12, 2010

Rain date March 19 only in event of a no fly day on March 12.

Additional fun: Spot Landing and Airplane Inspection contests.

Gaming and lunch happens at the EAA Building at Page Field.

Lunch at noon, gaming at 1 p.m.

Great lunch for only \$5 provided by EAA.

Exciting entertainment. Win big bucks and prizes.

A Flying Poker Run? What is it?

**Five Airports: Page Field, Punta Gorda, Venice, Arcadia and LaBelle
Fly to each airport (except FMY) and pick up your cards in sealed envelopes at the FBO. Pick up one card at each airport for each hand you play.**

A hand consists of cards in five different coded sealed envelopes to be opened only when the hand is played. Cards at FMY will be distributed when you arrive to play your hands. Pay for your hands when you arrive at Page Field before playing. Play multiple hands at \$10 each. Visit the five airports any time from February 28 to Poker Run day. Pick up cards at the primary FBO at each airport (except Page Field). Buy hands at the event if you can not fly.

Questions? Call Bob at 239-281-0273

CUB CLUB CALENDAR

UPCOMING CLUB EVENTS

Cub Club General Meeting

Tuesday, February 8th, 2011

RSW Training Center, 7:00 PM
Refreshments and snacks at 6:30!

FMFC Annual Poker Run

Saturday March 12, 2011

One of the most popular Club events of the year!
EAA Building at Page Field
Preflight Contest and Door Prizes

OTHER EVENTS

Sun-N-Fun

March 29 through April 3, 2011

Lakeland, FL

Aircraft, Exhibits, Vendors, Airshows,
Something for Everyone!
Club Bus Trip Planned for April 1st!

"Glad You Asked!"

Members Forum

Member Question: "I have an upcoming flight scheduled in a Club plane, but I see that the aircraft is in for service. I want to know the status. What should I do?"

Answer: "You should contact the Club Maintenance Officer first, which is currently Charlie Carroll. Please do NOT contact the service facility directly. Charlie will check on the status for you and let you know."

**** Thanks, and We're Glad You Asked! ***

Announcements...



ORDER YOUR FMFC SHIRTS!

Orders will be taken at the General Meeting for Club shirts bearing our new Logo and Name!

The golf shirts are \$35 and feature rapid-dry fabric, sizes range from S to

3XL. Colors available are White, Red, Stone Beige, Light Blue, Sea Foam Green and Black. Tee Shirts are \$10 and feature a small Club Logo on the Front and a Large Logo on the back. You can have your name embroidered on the shirts for an additional \$4. We hope to have some samples at the General Meeting Tuesday, so place your order!

Board Meeting Synopsis

by Bill Schulte

The officers and board of directors met on February 16, 2011 at 6:40 PM in conference room at the Page Field Aviation Center.

Below is a synopsis of the business discussed at that meeting:

Kirchner presented Treasurers report. Flight hours were 91.8 in January, representing an increase in hours flown. Noted that Lee McComb has been a Club member for 45 years. Aircraft maintenance was reviewed. President Eric Graham will send out a blanket email to all members outlining the important need to never over-lean the airplanes. Hall presented Membership report with 2 new club member candidates. Discussed including Board Member bios in newsletter, and incorporating new photos on the website and the newsletter. Meyersburg outlined activities: upcoming Poker Run on March 12th, with potential rain date of March 19th, and Sun-N-Bus Bus trip planned for April 1st. The social hour being done prior to the Tuesday meetings as well as the hangar gatherings are successful and should be continued. Motion was made and carried to hold the hangar gatherings on the 1st Saturday after the monthly meeting, and seek sponsors for the refreshments. Trip to the Bahamas is being explored, Voorhees will contact Greg Rolle and Mark Steinberg for guidance.

Wheel pants for 944CC were discussed. Decision was made to repair them but not to reinstall them at this time. Charlie Carroll to see if he can get shirt samples for Tuesday's meeting. Possibility of discounting rate for 9490X was discussed, but decided that it was not financially feasible at this time. Motion was made and carried to refurbish the yoke(s) in 944CC. Voorhees will handle the task.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:32 pm.

The board meeting will be held on March 16, 2010 at 6:30PM. Any club member having concerns or questions about club operations should contact any board member.

Membership

by Steve Hall

Joe Hallman:

Joe is a 36 year old Flight Instructor with 838 hours total time, 400 hrs in C-172's, and 300 hrs in PA-28's. Joe earned his Private in 2000, and his Instructors Certificate in 2001. All of his Ratings and Certificates were completed at Beaver Aviation. Joe and his family just moved back to Cape Coral four months ago from Pennsylvania, where he and his wife spent seven years working and completing their Bachelors and Masters Degree. Joe is ready to get back into flying again, and was referred to the Club by Skip Bentley.

James Grimm:

Jim is a 60 year old Commercial Pilot with 550 hours total time, 270 hrs in PA-28's, and 33 hrs. in C-172's. In 2003, Jim retired from the FAA with 26 years as an Air Traffic Controller. He is currently a Real Estate Broker, and owns a Property Management Company. After Jim retired, he and his wife moved to Cape Coral from Virginia in 2003.

In his spare time, Jim is into Boating. Jim is looking forward to tapping into the Club's camaraderie and activities.

Maintenance

by Charlie Carroll

3521Q:

Regulator

New Switch for strobes

50 Hour On 3/7/11

944CC:

On 3/7/11 will get 50 hour

Tire

Arm rest repaired

9490X:

Engine disconnected from mounts

New starter assembly adaptor installed

New #1 Cylinder intake gasket

I'm happy to see some of you are taking advantage of the weather and flying.

Remember to fly the Poker Run and if not able to fly, come out and play a hand of cards for \$10.00 on the 12th at the EAA building.

Safe flying--Charlie.

"IN-FLIGHT" PHOTOS

Skyhawk 21Q on final approach in the Florida Keys



944CC Flying in a previous Poker Run, near Arcadia (X06)

Got an in-air photo from one of our Club planes that you want to share with other members? Send it in!

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Meetings
 Board Meetings: 3rd Wednesday, 6:30PM @
 Page Field Aviation Center
 General Meetings: 2nd Tuesday, 7:00PM @
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*** OUR AIRCRAFT ***

Cessna Skyhawk 172 N3521Q
 \$ 65 per hour + 10 gal fuel per hour



Piper Archer 181 N944CC
 \$ 65 per hour + 10 gal fuel per hour



Cessna Skylane 182 N9490X
 \$100 per hour + 13 gal fuel per hour

