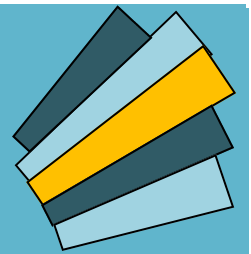


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The Fort Myers Flying Club NEWSLETTER



June, 2011

The FORT MYERS FLYING CLUB

President's Message by Eric Graham

Greetings Club Members!

Well, here we are at the half-way point of 2011. Hard to believe it's June already!

Looking back over the past 6 months, the Club has had some great events and activities, such as the Poker Run, Social gatherings at the hangar, and most recently, the Bahams Flyout.

MAY STATS	
Aircraft hours:	
3521Q	53.1
944CC	24.8
9490X	13.0
Top Flyers for May:	
Robert Willaford	15.3
Randall Henderson	7.9
Terry Voorhees	7.3

Looking forward from now through the end of the year, rest assured that your Board of Directors is diligently planning out more events and exciting aviation-based activities. One main event on the horizon for this coming fall is Page Field's Aviation Day, an annual event that gets bigger and better every year, and is definitely one of the Club's favorites. It's all about airplanes and flying things, and with admission being free, it's a wonderfully enjoyable day for the whole family.

In other news, our planes are in great shape, and are waiting to be flown. So get out there and enjoy the clear blue Florida skies. And here's a way to beat the summer heat... remember, it's much cooler at 7,000 feet!

Sincerely,
Your President

Eric



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General Meeting

- * **General Meeting**
Tuesday, June 14th
7:00 PM, RSW Training Center
WEATHER TIME!
Our Guest: Jim Reif,
Chief Meteorologist!
- * **6:15 Refreshments**
courtesy of Switlik Aviation!
- * **Open to ALL Pilots!**

Bahamas Trip

by Terry Voorhees

Bahamas Fly-Out
Freeport MYGF
Memorial Day Weekend
2011

Seven aircraft – including our own N9490X and the venerable N944CC – from Page Field and nearby airports participated in this Bahamian Tourism Bureau-sponsored fly-out. This trip was well organized by Mark Steinberg, the



Bahamas Trip! (con't. from page 1)

local rep for the Bahamas organization, and we received nothing less than VIP treatment!



BAHAMAS COASTLINE

The flight out was pretty routine and went as planned with about 2 hours on the Hobbs. On landing at Freeport we were given a special reception including personal guidance through customs. Nice.

The resort, Viva Fortuna, was terrific. That is if you like all inclusive food, drink, sailing, snorkeling, swimming, sunning, evening entertainment, etc., etc. And a for-real trapeze system for the really adventurous (young). A Junkanoo band Saturday evening was amazing.

The flights back to Customs at West Palm Beach (PBI) were easy, with Freeport Departure and Miami Center

doing a good job of coordinating our flight plans. The Customs people at PBI were very courteous and helpful.

The islands of the Bahamas are a wonderful destination. As pilots located in south Florida with proximity to the islands, we have the opportunity to fly internationally and enjoy flight experiences that 99% of GA pilots will never have. Just do it!



FLIGHT INSTRUCTION CLASSES

* *Private Pilot Ground School*



Cypress Lake High School, Thursday Nights 6-9PM
8-25-11 through 12-8-11 Fee \$135 + Text
Contact Ed Fink, CFII at 239-489-0443

* *Instrument Rating Ground School*



Cypress Lake High School, Tues Nights, 6:30-9:30PM
9-6-11 through 12-7-11 Fee \$126 + Text
* Contact Ed Fink, CFII at 239-489-0443

* *Private Pilot Ground School*

Cape Coral High School, Wednesday Nights 6-9PM
8-24-11 through 12-7-11 Fee \$135 + Text
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CUB CLUB CALENDAR

UPCOMING CLUB EVENTS

Cub Club General Meeting

Tuesday, May 10th, 2011

RSW Training Center, 7:00 PM

WEATHER MEETING!

Featuring Chief Meteorologist Jim Reif

OPEN TO ALL PILOTS!

**Refreshments provided by Switlik Aviation,
beginning at 6:15 PM!**

ANNOUNCEMENTS...

A "Hearty & Healthy" CONGRATULATIONS to Ed Fink, who just regained his 3rd Class Medical after 11 months of wrestling with the FAA. Well Done Ed! His secret to success? "Never Give Up!"

"Glad You Asked!"

Members Forum

MEMBER QUESTION: "I resigned from the Club about a year ago. I now plan to resume flying soon and want to rejoin the Club. What is the process, and do I have to pay another initiation fee?"

ANSWER: "Anyone who has resigned within a two year period can be reinstated to ACTIVE membership status at reduced rates. The process is one of petitioning the Board of Directors for reinstatement. The Board will bring the petition before the General Membership for approval."

Regarding rates, the fees are as follows: If the resignation has been in effect for one year or less, 1/3 of the entrance (Initiation) fee is applicable at the time of reinstatement. For more than 1 year and less than two years, 2/3 of the fee is applicable. After two years full fees are applicable.

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

New Aviation Terminal at Page Field!

"Excitement is building at Page Field as a new general aviation terminal enters the final stages of construction. Scheduled to open in August 2011, the 23,000 square-foot terminal and surrounding campus will be reminiscent of the airport's World War II heritage, while providing modern amenities for the local aviation community.

The new terminal is located in the airport's west quadrant and is supported by a spacious new ramp, with plentiful tie-downs and parking for larger aircraft. New parallel taxiways will provide easy access from either runway.

We have changed the name of the new terminal operation from the Aviation Center to Base Ops at Page Field, again, to capture the heritage of the airport's military history. While the location and name will change, the friendly welcome and great service will continue at Base Ops with the same experienced staff with a fresh, new look.

Please make it a point to enjoy the comfortable pilot lounge, recreation room, quiet room, and modern flight planning facility. Passengers with a few minutes to spare may wish to relax in the lobby, browse in the Base Ops Exchange gift shop, or take in the vintage aircraft displays.

While changes are happening on the west side of Page Field, we have not forgotten our many hangar and tie-down customers, who will continue to operate at the airport as they have for many years.

While there may be some disruption of services during the transition period, we are committed to providing a south side facility which will continue to meet your needs. You can expect a flight planning area, restrooms, and a place to get out of the weather or perhaps, enjoy a cup of coffee before departure.

We would like to thank you for your patronage and support of Page Field. It is all of our based customers, businesses, visitors, neighbors, and friends that make Page Field such a great aviation community. We have achieved great things together, and the future is even brighter!"



Maintenance

by Charlie Carroll

Ronald Horne:

Ron is a 60 year old Flight Instructor/Air Transport Pilot 2050 hours total time, over 1400 hrs in C-172's and C152's. He is currently retired, and was an Instructor Pilot at SIMCOM Incorporated in Vero Beach, and was US Navy Reserve & Active Duty from 1982 thru 1999. Ron has not flown much in the last couple years, and would like to be more active and teach a little. Ron is Married, a Florida native and resident of Fort Myers.

Guy Azar:

Guy is a 63 year old Pilot with over 1900 hours total time, with 1400 hrs. in PA-28's, and 300 hrs. in C-172's. He is a Florida cracker born in Sarasota, and currently lives in Fort Myers. Guy retired in 1991 from GTE and the Florida National Guard, and currently owns Lake Ecology Inc. of South-west Florida, which is an environmental consulting and maintenance business. He has been flying off and on most of his life (earned his private in 1967), and was lucky enough to take a 10 day air trip around the county last year in a C172G, and made it to Oshkosh for the air show. Part of his bucket list. Guy has taken interest in the Club due to flexibility and availability of our aircraft, and that our planes are so well maintained.

Maintenance

by Charlie Carroll

3521Q:

50 Hour oil change
I.F.R. Certification

944CC:

50 Hour
Yoke lubricated
Caliper, pins & plates

9490X:

Both pilot radio plugs replaced

Thank you again for all the squawks. The planes are in good shape, please go fly them.

Charlie

"IN-FLIGHT" PHOTOS

Archer 944CC on final into Freeport,
Bahamas (MYGF)



944CC Short final into PBI,
Runway 10-R
Pilot: Terry Voorhees

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

