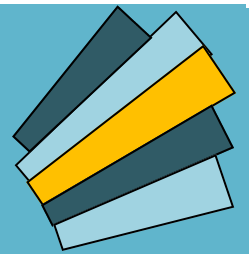


FMFC FLYER

The Fort Myers Flying Club NEWSLETTER



July, 2011

The FORT MYERS FLYING CLUB

President's Message by Eric Graham

Greetings Club Members!

Even if you don't have a specific destination, take a trip or two 'around the patch', and sharpen up on your basic piloting or tune up your communication skills. A good pilot is always learning... So why not take advantage of the lazy, hazy days of summer and go poke a few holes in the sky? The Club's planes are all in great shape, and are just waiting to be flown. So go have some fun!

Well, it's getting to be that time of year again. When the weather gets hot quickly and the storm clouds start building in the afternoon like clockwork. You can just about set your watch by them.

JUNE STATS

Aircraft hours:

3521Q	61.3
944CC	16.0
9490X	7.5

Top Flyers for June:

Robert Willaford	19.5
Dennis Leiva	16.5
John Patrikas	9.0

But that doesn't mean you can't fly. The best time is certainly early in the morning, before the weather starts to turn ugly. There are a lot of airports within a fairly short flying distance from Page that have restaurants on the field, and breakfast flights are always enjoyable. And remember, it's quite a bit cooler at 5,000 feet!

And as always, your Board of Directors are working diligently to plan some enjoyable events for the rest of the year, and we always welcome any input from the members. Feel free to contact myself, or any Board member with your thoughts or ideas.

Sincerely,

Eric S. Graham

Club President

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General Meeting

- * **General Meeting**
Tuesday, July 12th
7:00 PM, RSW Training Center
- * **Informative and fun for everyone!**
- * **Chat with your fellow pilots and catch up on the latest!**
- * **See you there!**

Ocala: Horse Country! by Sherrie Lorenz

On a flight into Ocala Regional Airport (KOCF), it doesn't take long to realize that you're in horse country! From the air, it's easy to see all the oval tracks that dot the myriads of breeder's farms down on the lush green landscape.

Even the airport itself pays homage to the various breeders, as there are two rows of jockey figures right outside the front door that are painted in the specific colors of the breeder's racing silks.



Ocala: Horse Country! (con't. from page 1)



The ATC folks in the Tower were professional and very accommodating, and the line staff outside guided us into the ramp with a smile.

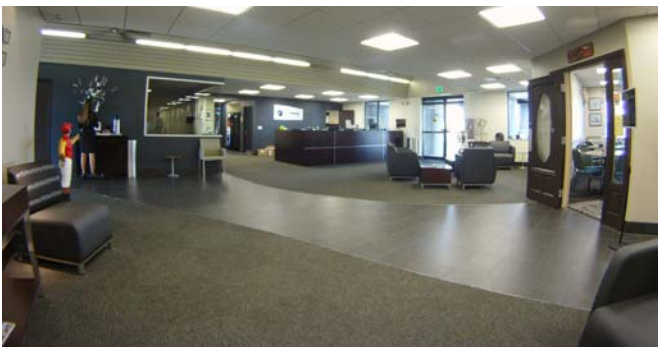
The horse theme continues inside the FBO too, in the form of statues and accessories. They have just finished a complete interior renovation, and it looks fantastic! The staff are all charming and friendly, and gave us a very warm welcome.

Adorning the walls, visitors can enjoy (or even purchase) some impressive paintings done by local artist Sharon Crute, who is known as horse racing's most dynamic painter. The artwork is so vivid, you can almost hear the thundering hooves!

If you're hungry, the Tailwinds Café is conveniently located right inside the FBO. They have a wonderful menu that will satisfy any appetite, and features their World Famous Bomber Burger! And you also have a view of the runway, so you can enjoy watching all the aircraft traffic while you eat. The café is open 7 days a week from 8 AM to 2 PM, but stays open later on Fridays until 6 PM.



Ocala is 160 nautical miles on an almost straight North heading from Page, and the flight time is roughly about an hour and a half, at a comfortable cruise speed.



Ocala
*** KOCF ***



So if you're looking for a fresh place to go for a flight, head to horse country!

The nice folks at Ocala Regional Airport will be waiting for you!

CUB CLUB CALENDAR

UPCOMING CLUB EVENTS

Cub Club General Meeting
Tuesday, July 12th, 2011
 RSW Training Center, 7:00 PM

DON'T FORGET!

The Fort Myers Flying Club meets on the 2nd Tuesday of every month, 7PM, at the RSW Training Center

ANNOUNCEMENTS...

The Fort Myers Flying Club Board of Directors has recently made a change to the Club's bylaws. This change will no longer require new Club members to have to wait for General Membership approval at the next General Meeting. In short: Once a new member is approved by the Board, that new member may immediately get checked out and begin flying club aircraft. No other changes were made to the existing membership procedures.

"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! **



FLIGHT INSTRUCTION CLASSES

* Private Pilot Ground School

Tuesday Nights 6-9 PM

Ida S. Baker High School, Cape Coral

8-23-11 through 12-6-11 Fee \$135 + Text

Contact Ed Fink, CFII at 239-489-0443



* Private Pilot Ground School

Thursday Nights 6-9 PM

Cypress Lake High School, Fort Myers

8-25-11 through 12-8-11 Fee \$135 + Text

Contact Ed Fink, CFII at 239-489-0443

* Instrument Rating Ground School

Monday Nights, 6:30-9 PM

New Page Field Aviation Center

9-12-11 through 12-12-11 Fee \$125 + Text

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



Membership

by Steve Hall

Fausto Trujillo:

Fausto is 51 year old a married student Pilot. He is originally from Ecuador, and came to the U.S. in 1992, and moved to Cape Coral in 1994. Fausto is a Merchandiser/ Driver for Coca Cola, and wants to join the flying club to fulfilling a lifelong dream of becoming a Pilot.

Maintenance

by Charlie Carroll

There has been a significant problem with fowled plugs and bad Mag checks.

PROCEDURES TO BE FOLLOWED FOR LEANING CUB CLUB AIRCRAFT :

1. When taxiing lean the engine way back, without having an RPM drop.
2. If there is a problem with a mag check follow the below procedure TO THE LETTER:

- A. BRING THE RPM UP TO 2000.
- B. LEAN ALL THE WAY BACK UNTIL YOU SEE A RPM DROP AND THEN MOVE THE MIXTURE TO EVEN OUT THE RPM AT 2000.
- C. ONCE THIS IS DONE- KEEP THE MIXTURE LEAN FOR 1 FULL MINUTE . USE A TIMER IF NECESSARY.
- D. REDUCE RPM TO IDLE AND THEN PROCEED WITH ANOTHER MAG CHECK. IF EVERYTHING IS SMOOTH, YOU ARE DONE.
- E. IF THERE IS STILL A PROBLEM WITH A MAG- REPEAT THE ABOVE PROCEDURE ONE MORE TIME.

IF THIS DOESN'T CLEAR IT – CALL CHARLIE IMMEDIATELY 239-281-3710

“IN-FLIGHT” PHOTOS

Archer 944CC descending through the clouds en route to Ocala (KOCF)

Pilot: Sherrie Lorenz



944CC at 7,000 feet near Lakeland, en route to Page

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 @
 RSW Training Center

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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

