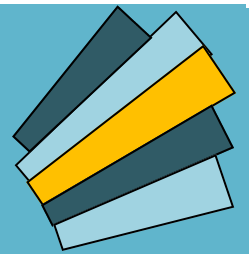


FMFC FLYER

The Fort Myers Flying Club NEWSLETTER



February, 2012

The FORT MYERS FLYING CLUB

President's Message

by Terry Voorhees

Greetings FMFC'ers!

I am very pleased to report that the overhaul and redesign of our website: FortMyersFlyingClub.com is nearly complete. The formal introduction of the new site will be at the February 14 General Member meeting. Subsequently, we should be on-line in another week or so. As the face of our Club to potential members and a useful tool and source of information for members, this could not have happened too soon.

JANUARY STATS	
Aircraft hours:	
3521Q	43.9
944CC	28.8
9490X	27.7
Top Flyers for January:	
Bojan Belovic	17.6
Adam Melton	11.4
David Burns	10.1

If you weren't able to attend let me share that our 20 January dinner with AOPA President Craig Fuller was a terrific event. Craig along with one of his VP's, Woody Cahall, and several other staff members socialized with us before dinner, clearly enjoying this opportunity to meet those of us at the front lines of General Aviation. His remarks after dinner

highlighted the issues facing GA today. On my mind was AOPA's need to recognize flying clubs and play a role in helping us serve our members better. Guess what.....AOPA has launched just such an initiative!

Finally, a note about care of our aircraft. For the fourth time in the past year one our airplanes has been damaged while being returned to its hangar. Unfortunately, the thin aluminum skin is no match for hangar walls and doorframes. Sure the damages are repairable, and the pilots responsible pay for those repairs.

Unfortunately, there is collateral damage in that the aircraft are devalued market-wise. Further, the airplane is out of service and other members wanting to fly a particular aircraft cannot. The Club is harmed. So please be careful.

See ya at the Field.

Terry



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General Meeting

- * General Meeting
Tuesday, February 14th 7:00 PM, BASE OPS at PAGE FIELD
- * Featured Video:
"Aging Gracefully, Flying Safely"
- * Preview the Club's new website!
- * See you there!

It's Poker Run Time! Coming March 10th!

Yes! It's that time of year again folks! The Fort Myers Flying Club's Annual Poker Run will be Saturday, March 10th!

This is one of the most popular Club events of the entire year, so don't miss out! How does it work? Well, you have a few weeks before the event to fly to four local airports, and pick up sealed envelopes of poker cards at the FBO. This



Be sure to checkout the Club website at www.FortMyersFlyingClub.com!

Poker Run March 10th! (Con't from Page 1)

year the airports will be:

Punta Gorda (KPGD), LaBelle (X14), Arcadia (X06), and Venice (KVNC).

You pick up the card envelopes, but don't open them! Bring them to the event, which will be held at the EAA Building at Page Field. (EAA is located off of Metro Parkway, use the entrance for the Foxtrot hangars).

The EAA will be on hand, grilling up their world-famous hamburgers and fixins for \$5, and the food begins at noon. Then the card playing starts at 1:00 PM sharp, officiated by our very own Bob Adamski.

Winners walk with cash! There will also be doorprizes, and other fun contests.

So mark your calendars and come share the fun! See you there!



PREVIOUS POKER RUN WINNERS!

AVIATION SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITY

WINGS OVER PARADISE SCHOLARSHIPS from PARADISE COAST CHAPTER 99'S

(The 99's are an International Organization of Women Pilots)

This year the chapter is offering two scholarships for flight training to a woman residing in Florida. The first is a monetary award of up to \$2000, and the second is a block of simulator and ground instructor training.

The ground instruction and simulator time is a generous donation from Jim Hendricks, owner of Naples Flight Simulator Center. LLC. He will donate up to 20 hours of instructor and simulator flight time to the winner of this portion of the scholarship. The AST 300 simulator can be used for additional ratings, including multiengine, or as an aid in preparing for an air carrier job interview.

Applications will be accepted through the deadline of **March 31, 2012**.

Please see our website www.paradisecoast99s.org for more information and eligibility requirements. If you have any questions, please contact Ellen Herr at (239) 560 8526.

FMFC CALENDAR

UPCOMING CLUB EVENTS

FMFC General Meeting
Tuesday, February 14th, 2011
 RSW Training Center, 7:00 PM

"Coffee In The Hangar"
iPad Follow Up
Saturday, February 18, 2011
 Page Field, Base Ops, 10:00 AM to Noon

Annual Club Poker Run
Saturday, March 10, 2011
 Page Field, EAA Building
 Lunch at Noon, Games at 1:00 PM
 Our most popular Club event of the year!

Club Bus Trip to Sun-N-Fun
Saturday, March 31, 2011
 Departs Page Field at 7:00 AM
 Arrives Lakeland 10:00 AM
 Departs Lakeland 6:00 PM
 Arrives back at Page 9:00 PM
 Cost \$30 per person
 Contact Jim Meyersburg at 272-5424
 Or Dean Martin at 848-2069 for reservations

ANNOUNCEMENTS...

Page Field management has located a porta-potty in the shade hangars just to the west of our Alpha hangars. This is a temporary situation until the Port Authority finalizes a plan for a weather station and bathroom facilities near our location. In the interim, indoor facilities will continue to be available at Club's office location. (Beaver Aviation building)

CLUB WEBSITE GETS OVERHAULED!

Our Club's website is getting a much needed facelift and overhaul! The new website will feature "point and click" navigation, and be much more user friendly. You can see a preview at this Tuesday's meeting, and the new site should be live and online in about another week.



The website address is:

www.FortMyersFlyingClub.com

We encourage everyone to watch for it, and once you see it, go ahead and explore! Any glitches please notify our webmaster, Sherrie Lorenz at (239) 898-2430, or email to Sherrie@FinallyFlorida.com.

FLIGHT INSTRUCTION CLASSES

* Private Pilot Ground School

Tuesday Nights 6-9 PM

Ida S. Baker High School, Cape Coral

1-17-12 through 5-1-12 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

1-19-12 through 4-25-12 Fee \$135 + Text

Contact Ed Fink, CFII at 239-489-0443

* Instrument Rating Ground School

Monday Nights, 6:30-9 PM

Page Field Base Ops Conference Room

1-23-12 through 4-23-12 Fee \$125 + Text

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"Glad You Asked!" Members Forum

MEMBER QUESTION:

"I have guests arriving soon that I have promised to take flying. Unfortunately, I don't know the exact date they will be here. If the airplane I want to fly is not reserved, can I book it for, say, three consecutive days to ensure it is available when my guests arrive?"

ANSWER:

"Sorry, you cannot. The "Up to 72 hours" concept is for trips with destinations. It is not for holding an aircraft in "reserve" pending final arrangements. Additionally, you should know that the Club has a "30 Minute" policy whereby an airplane reserved but not used within 30 minutes of the start time can be taken by another member.

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

Membership

by Steve Hall

Waner Del Rosario:

Waner is a married 24 year old Student Pilot with just 2 hours total time. He is originally from New York City, but finished his schooling in Florida. Waner is a Technology Professional for Collier County. He currently lives with his wife and baby boy 1 NM from Runway 13 at KFMY. He plans to visit his Alma Mater, Florida State University, regularly after he becomes a pilot with the help of the Fort Myers Flying Club.

Maintenance

by Charlie Carroll

3521Q:

Tire

100 Hour

944CC:

Left rear hit hangar-Repairs in progress

50 Hour

9490X:

100 Hour

Please be careful putting planes in the hangars. Line them up on the lines before pushing into the hangars. Remember if you broke it, You Pay For It.

Thank you for all the calls to keep the planes in great shape.

Fly Safely----Charlie

“IN-FLIGHT” PHOTOS

**N9490X over Farmers Cay, Bahamas
Pilot: Bojan Belovic**



**N9490X on approach to Farmers Cay, Bahamas
Pilot: Bojan Belovic**

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 Base Ops Conference Room
 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

