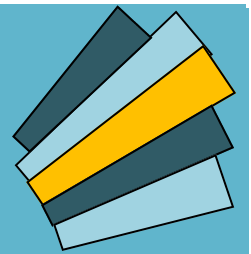


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The Fort Myers Flying Club NEWSLETTER



April, 2012

The FORT MYERS FLYING CLUB

President's Message

by Terry Voorhees

Hello again everyone!

I attend Sun-N-Fun (SnF) each year and typically follow the same track – vendor buildings, new aircraft, war birds, the museum, etc. We added some other things this year. First, we spent some time on the LSA flightline. It was fun and there was lots of flying going on.

MARCH STATS

Aircraft hours:

3521Q	55.9
944CC	24.1
9490X	25.4

Top Flyers for March:

David Burns	17.4
John Petrikas	9.6
Waner Del Roasri	6.9

FMFC member Gary Furdell is the Air Boss and he got me on a two seater trike flight. Wow, what fun! Let me say a visit to Gary's operation is worth your time. Second, we attended both air shows. One in the afternoon and the other that night. I had not seen an air show performed after dark. It was spectacular with formation flying, special lighting and pyrotechnics.

wi-fi, Bluetooth connectivity were all the rage. Things are changing fast!

On a related note, member feedback suggested the Club should again book a bus to SnF. Unfortunately, the number of reservations fell far short of the number required and the trip was scrubbed. *At a financial loss to the Club.* Similarly, member participation at the recent Poker Run was disappointing. Attendance at the iPad and GPS seminars was just OK. A lot of work and personal time by volunteers goes into organizing and coordinating these events. We need to do a better job of committing to and supporting Club activities.

Finally, Lee McComb, pilot and loyal Club member for many, many years, is being made an Honorary Member at next Tuesday's General Member meeting. Be there when we show our thanks to a real gentleman who served the Club in so many ways.

See ya around the Field.

Terry



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General Meeting

- * General Meeting
Tuesday, April 10th
@ 7:00 PM, RSW
Training Center
- * Come share and chat
with your fellow
member pilots!
- * Always informative
and fun for everyone!
- * See you there!

In the vendor area the sweetheart of the show was "technology". iPhones, iPads,

Another Fun Poker Run!

The Fort Myers Flying Club's Annual Poker Run was held Saturday, March 10th at the EAA Building at Page Field.

This is one of our most fun Club events of the entire year, and 2012 was no exception! Crystal clear skies, and sunny warm Florida weather. The EAA barbeque was fired up and the delicious burgers were grilled to perfection with all the fixin's. Yum!

This year the airports were:



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

Poker Run 2012! (Con't from Page 1)

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

There was a preflight contest on the Club's Piper Archer N944CC, the object was to find 10 intentionally placed problems. Prizes for the winners included kneeboards, electronic accessories and gift certificates. Fun stuff! Then the main event, the poker hands were played under the expert supervision of our own Bob Adamski. Lots of happy folks left with fistfuls of cash!



THIS YEAR'S POKER RUN WINNERS!



Awesome Dinner with AOPA President Craig Fuller



On January 20th of this year, The Fort Myers Flying Club had the privilege of organizing an exclusive dinner event with Mr. Craig Fuller, the President of the Aircraft Owners and Pilots Association (AOPA). It was a wonderful occasion filled with aviation chatter among all the attendees, and Mr. Fuller then spoke to the group and shared some of his vast knowledge regarding the present and future of General Aviation as a whole. The evening was topped off with a flurry of photo opportunities.

This was a rare opportunity to spend time with someone so very influential in the aviation field!



FMFC CALENDAR

UPCOMING CLUB EVENTS

FMFC General Meeting
Tuesday, April 10th, 2012
 RSW Training Center, 7:00 PM

OTHER AVIATION EVENTS

Flying, Family & Fun
Friday, April 13th 6 PM-9 PM
Saturday, April 14th 11 AM-3 PM

Witham Field, Stuart, FL (KSUA)

Come see a variety of static displays, aviation booths, Cessna's complete line of new aircraft, EAA, airplane rides, raffles, music, food, and fun. Located on the Stuart Jet Center Ramp and at Treasure Coast Flight Training. Free admission and fun for the whole family!!

Gator Fly-In & Car Show
Saturday, April 28th 9 AM-4 PM

Gainesville Airport, Gainesville, FL (KGNV)

Flight enthusiasts, pilots and the general public are invited to enjoy static displays of personal and military aircraft plus a classic car show. People will have the opportunity to speak with pilots, take a closer look at military aircraft such as the C-130, or step inside the World War II Mustang hangar and sign up for a Discovery Flight over Gainesville. There will also be food vendors, a children's activity area including a moonwalk and door prizes for attendees. Admission is free.



ANNOUNCEMENTS...

CLUB WEBSITE GETS OVERHAULED!

Our Club's newly redesigned website is now live!

The new website features our updated colors and Club logo, and utilizes "point and click" navigation, and should prove to be much more user friendly for everyone. New additions and postings are being made all the time!



The website address is:

www.FortMyersFlyingClub.com

We encourage everyone to 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:

"What is an Honorary Member and how does one achieve that status?"

ANSWER:

"An Honorary Member, who is appointed by the Board of Directors, is one who has actively served the Club as an officer, a director, a committee chair, often several times, over the span of many years. Honorary is classified as inactive, non-voting membership. Typically, but not always, Honorary status is conferred after the members flying career has ended.

The definition speaks to how one is considered for Honorary status.

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

Maintenance

by Charlie Carroll

3521Q:

Auto Pilot tuned
50 Hour
Left hand door
Flat right main on runway
Flat left main

944CC:

Back window on co-pilot side cracked
Transponder re-aligned

9490X:

Audio panel
#2 radio repaired
Prop removed and sent out to be re-conditioned

Thanks for all the reports. With your help we are keeping these planes in great shape. Let's get out and fly them—
Charlie

P.S. Remember, when landing, to keep your heels on the floor and your toes off the brakes. Apply the brakes after landing when all the wheels are on the runway. YOU own the runway until YOU feel Comfortable turning off.
–Fly safely, Charlie

"IN-FLIGHT" PHOTOS

**N9490X over one of the Bahamas Islands
Pilot: Bojan Belovic**



N9490X approaching West Palm Beach Airport

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

