



CLALLAM COUNTY PILOTS ASSOCIATION

April, 2006

AT OUR NEXT MEETING . . .

April 20th, Rite Bros. 7PM

Meetings are held on the 3rd Thursday of the month, 7:00 PM at Rite Bros. Aviation.

President – Gene Rimov	452-2806
Vice President – Gary Johnson	452-2340
Secretary – Mike Kitz	457-3035
Treasurer – Jerry Nichols	452-5403
At Large Officer – Don McKelvey	681-2147
At Large Officer – David O'Donnell	417-4741
Newsletter Editor – Steve Hoffman	452-6601

How would you like to take off at Elma, WA, fly to Mexico, tour a part of the country, and return to Washington all in a C-150? Dennis Toepke is going to tell us about this on Thursday, April 20th and Rite Bros @ 7PM.

This will turn out to be a fun meeting, so come on over. We don't want to miss you.



Clallam County Chapter



WPA Mission Statement–

To advance the interests of General Aviation in Washington State through advocacy, outreach, education, and social activities.

CCPA on the Web

That's right gang! CCPA has a web page on the WPA web site. If you want a direct link, then look at: www.wpaflys.org/Chapters/Clallam_County/Clallam_County.html and see what our page looks like.

Clallam County Pilots in Daily News

How many of you saw in the Peninsula Daily News the photo of Jerry Nichols receiving the **WPA/ RIGHT STUFF AWARD**?

This photo appeared in the March 26th edition. When the award was first presented, President Gene received the award in Jerry's place at the NW Aviation Conference in Puyallup on February 25th. Finally, Jerry received this award at our last regular meeting at Rite Bros on March 16th.

Nice Job Jerry!



Presidents Corner

Membership Drive:

We now have 29 paid CCPA members, but could use a lot more. Could we make it a goal of at least 35 members? Our next meeting ought to attract a few new folks. Why not invite the guy or gal in the hangar next to yours. *Tell them* how WPA has put out a lot of effort in 2005 to keep Blaine, Harvey, Anacortes, and Boeing fields viable for General Aviation. *Tell them* how some local units are keeping both state fields and back country fields maintained so that we have plenty of interesting places to fly to in Washington. *Tell them* how AOPA is relying more and more on State and Local pilots' organizations to protect our flying privileges. *Tell them* how CCPA holds safety breakfasts on the 2nd and last Fridays of the month. *Tell them* how CCPA is willing and able to serve as advisors to the airport manager when critical issues arise. *Tell them* how members of CCPA have personally aided our airport by investing in new hangars so that everyone who wants to have a hangar at William Fairchild can get a place to park his aircraft. *Tell them* about our latest project at William Fairchild, the portable picnic site. *Tell them* how both WPA and CCPA put out newsletters so that local pilots can know the latest issues. *Tell them* that their concerns are our concerns and that if they want to be heard they need to attend our meetings. If we can get the message out, then we could easily surpass our goal of 35 members.

Why not shoot for 40?

President, *Gene Rimov*

WPA Protects Your Right to Fly

Large cuts in FAA and state funding of airports are in the works. It is only because WPA has responded forcefully that Washington has been as successful as it has. It is important that pilots realize that any airport could be lost if we are not on our toes.

Essentially, WPA has been extremely instrumental in countering threats to GA airports at Blaine, Boeing Field, Anacortes, Harvey, and Bremerton. All this has taken a lot of time from the pilots of WPA. To keep our effectiveness up, we need local chapters formed or local pilots groups to join WPA at Port Townsend, Bremerton and Olympia. WPA has also decided to ask all members at large to pay the full \$31 dues so that they are encouraged to either join a chapter or help form a chapter.

We also need more members to join CCPA, so if that guy or gal in the hangar next to you does not belong, tell them about CCPA/WPA. On the national level, it simply is not enough for AOPA to defend our rights. They need support from state organizations too.

Clallam County Pilot's Association
General Meeting
March 16th, 2006

The next Safety Breakfast (March 31, 2006) will be held at the Airport Coffee Company. Gene will look into going back to the Fairmont Restaurant.

No action has been taken by the City of Port Angeles regarding the Lauridsen Boulevard/Airport intersection. Gene will draft a letter to the City to try and get them to do what they said they would do in their last letter.

Emergency Management – Dennis Lee

- Dennis is looking into the Emergency Volunteer Air Core. Typically they work with local agencies. As a minimum we would have to individually register with the State DOT to be able to fly in an emergency.
- Dennis will also meet with Bob Martin (Emergency Management Coordinator for Clallam County) to see if CCPA can be of assistance in an emergency situation.

Program Report – Don McKelvey

- Next month's program will be Dennis Toepke discussing a flight from Elma, WA to Mexico in a Cessna 150.

Membership/Treasury Report – Jerry Nichols

- We have two more new members.
- We have approximately \$1,050 in our account.

Gene will be attending the WPA retreat in Wenatchee this coming weekend.

Gene presented WPA Right Stuff Award to Jerry Nichols. WPA awarded the Right Stuff award to Jerry for his dedication to CCPA, WPA and his community-minded spirit.

Mel Rudin presented a great program on "MOUNTAIN FLYING".

Clallam County Pilot's Association
Executive Board Meeting
Coldwell Banker
April 5, 2006

1. Present: Gene, Nick, Gary, Don, and visitor Bill Birney
2. We now have 29 paid members. Approximately 11 were members last year, but have not paid for this year. Gene will send out an email or letters to those who have not yet re-upped. Thanks, Nick, for the updated membership lists.
3. Program: We have good programs through June. Gene will try to contact David Gluth on Seashore flight impacts for our July meeting. Don will try to combine two proposed programs into one. Buzz Thompson will be contacted about his Experimental Rat Hole aircraft. (Continued)

...MORE NEWS FROM CLALLAM COUNTY PILOTS ASSOCIATION

4. Safety Breakfasts April 14 and April 28 at Fairmount
5. The board discussed the WPA/AOPA connection with the idea of trying to get the JEFCA pilots to join WPA.
6. The "intersection" draft letter was presented and will be sent out to Mahlum, Mark Masden, and Tom Reipe
7. The treasury now has \$1,133.36
8. The picnic site will be reactivated at the next Safety Breakfast.
9. Next board meeting will be held at Coldwell Banker, 7PM, May 3rd.

Dennis Lee Gets Award

As you know Dennis has been trying to see how pilots can fit into emergency management. At our last meeting Dennis went over several ways of hooking up with ham operators and other local entities.

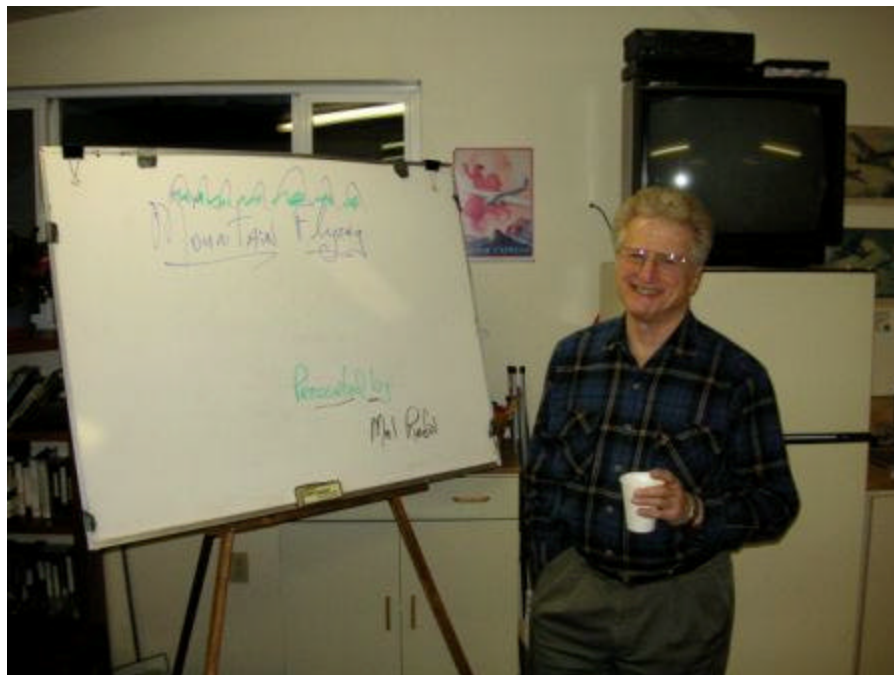


Here's the Message That:

Dennis Lee passed on to us at our last regular meeting on March 16th. Just visit the following website: www.evac.org. To my way of thinking it is just as important to understand the role these guys might play in emergency management, including a radio station at the airport if and when disaster strikes. Gene...

Mel Rudin on Mountain Flying

At our last meeting Mel gave us a synopsis of what he felt should be our primary concerns on mountain flying. This year it looks like WPA might be putting on a mountain flying seminar in Wenatchee on September 23rd. Let's see if it really materializes



Weather Here...Weather There...Weather Everywhere

Spring is approaching and the weather is a crap-shoot! Regardless what is forecasted on-line or reported by the news, we can have two or three types of weather conditions throughout the Puget Sound region...all at the same time. Although it is said in jest, there is much to the quip "Don't like the weather around here? Just wait a few minutes."

However, the serious side is that flight into marginal weather can be hazardous to your health. Whenever you fly into questionable conditions (if you insist on it), always have an "out"...which should include staying put on the ground. And if you have a parachute on your plane, please remember that it was for spin instability...NOT a way out of poor decision making. (Please don't flame me Cirrus owners!) The main thing is that we want everyone to fly safe and want Search and Rescue to become like the Maytag Repair Man (if you don't get that, ask someone older to explain it to you).

Reprinted Message from WPA President Jim Smith..

April 2006

**CCPA Calendar:
April / May 2006**

April 5, CCPA Executive Board, 7PM
Coldwell Banker, ~ Jerry 452-5403

April 10, CCPA, **Newsletter Deadline**

April 14, 7:30 AM CCPA Safety
Breakfast, Fairmont Restuarant ~ Steve 452-
6601

April 20, 7:00 PM **CCPA Membership
Meeting**, At Rite Bros. 452-6226

April 28, 7:30 AM CCPA Safety
Breakfast, Fairmont Restuarant. ~ Steve
452-6601

May 3, CCPA Executive Board, 7PM
Coldwell Banker, ~ Jerry 452-5403

May 10, CCPA, **Newsletter Deadline**

May 12, 7:30 AM CCPA Safety Breakfast,
Fairmont Restuarant ~ Steve 452-6601

May 18, 7:00 PM **CCPA Membership
Meeting**, At Rite Bros. 452-6226

May 26, 7:30 AM CCPA Safety Breakfast,
Fairmont Restuarant. ~ Steve 452-6601

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May 2006

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