

CLALLAM COUNTY PILOTS ASSN/ WPA

NEWSLETTER

CCPA meets on the third Thursday of the month, 7PM, Coldwell Banker, Port Angeles

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Membership Meeting, Thursday, April 20th
Situational Awareness for Pilots (Continued)
Presenter: Bob Hicks

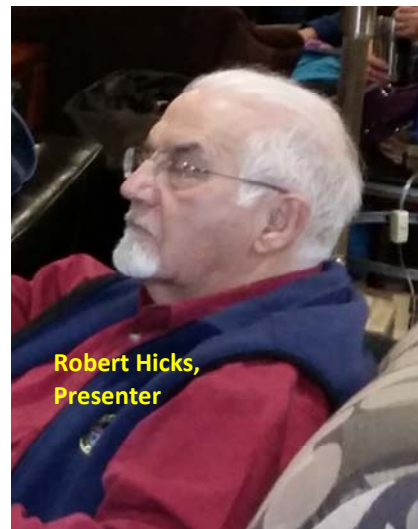
AT OUR LAST MEETING (MARCH 23)

Bob Hicks presented only half of the John and Martha King program entitled "Situational Awareness for Pilots". On April 20th we will receive the second half.

The program begins with "How to manage risks". Since 85% of private pilot aviation accidents are due to pilot error, we need some mental tools to learn how to avoid accidents. Apparently, many pilots feel that flying is a very safe form of getting from one place to another. But if we look at fatal accident rates, it turns out that only commercial aviation is relatively safe. Driving an automobile is not as safe as using a commercial aircraft. And driving a motorcycle is not as safe as driving an automobile. So where does flying a private aircraft fall on the fatal accident continuum? John and Martha King feel that flying in a small private aircraft is about as safe as riding a motorcycle. So let's ask our fellow pilots, "How many funerals or memorial services have you attended for pilots?" Then ask the same question about your friends who have been riding motorcycles. Perhaps, flying an aircraft is even more dangerous than riding a motorcycle. How do we manage the risks?

John and Martha King feel that pilots need to become proactive rather than reactive. In flying, experience can be a poor teacher. We have to anticipate what can go wrong so that we can take action before a "bad" event happens. For instance, don't rely on memory, use your check lists. Don't be so goal oriented. "Getthereitis" can cause a pilot to look towards the end of a flight rather than the challenges during the flight. Because pilots have met all the challenges during the process of obtaining a pilot's license, they think they are better than they really are. This attitude makes it difficult to look at the danger points during their flight. Also: Speak up! Don't be "risk tolerant" of other pilots' mistakes.

Robert will present the 2nd half of this discussion at our next meeting on Thursday, April 20 @ Coldwell Banker.



**Robert Hicks,
Presenter**

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Bad Things Continue to Happen...

By John Dobson, WPA Government Affairs Director

Everyone knows the Story of the Blaine Airport? The City had a developer knocking on the door promising the world. At the same time the FAA was offering \$14 million to realign and lengthen the runway. The city voted NO to the FAA and closed the airport in 2009. The developer filed bankruptcy 90 days later. The city expedited building a road across the runway.

In 2013 we lost Vista Field. Again a developer is in the wings promising the world. As of this writing; no development!

If you think this can't happen to your airport . . . or you believe we everything is just fine with your airport . . . think again! Allow me to take you on a tour of our airports in jeopardy...

John Dobson then continues his discussion about other airports in the state of Washington.

- Vancouver,
- Pasco,
- Eatonville,
- Cle Elum,
- Hoquiam/Bowerman Field,
- Cashmere/Cashmere-Dryden
- Shelton,
- Oroville,

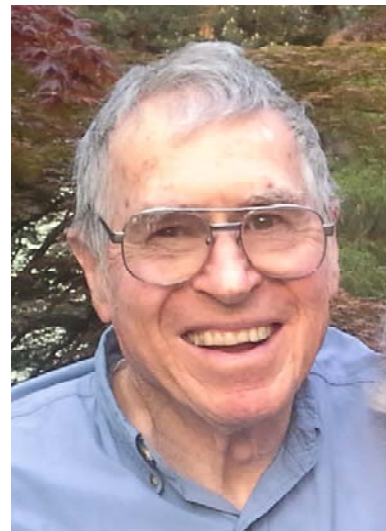
And what does he say about Port Angeles . . .??

Port Angeles / William R. Fairchild International / (KCLM) It has been ten years since we first asked the City of Port Angeles to remove those trees to the approach end of Runway 26 . . . note the displaced threshold. (Note the ball fields and water ponds). Commercial service ended several years ago. Because of the City's reluctance to take action the FAA has had time to reevaluate the need for the full 6,347 foot runway. Now they are only willing to pave 3,850 . . . all because of a City not willing to do the right thing to protect this airport.

Do You Know This Guy?



What About Him?



Jerry and Gene have been in their present CCPA board positions for over 10 years. Of course Jerry is your president and Gene is your newsletter editor. Both of them say that they will not be able to serve CCPA as officers after 2017. This is their last year! So someone else needs to step up to the plate. During the past ten years, no one else has accepted a nomination for president nor has anyone been willing to be a new newsletter editor. Let's hope we can find replacements. Is there anyone out there interested? The sooner we know, the better.

Suppose we can't find replacements. It is a possibility that because no one would be able to represent the pilots, the Port could close Fairchild International (KCLM). Did you read the article on this page in the red frame? Please read it again. We have jets coming into this airport and yet although the City and the Port have agreed to take trees down that are growing into the glide slope, it hasn't been done. If CCPA loses its leadership, who is going to represent the pilots? Let's speak up! Let's get some new leadership. Let's have an organization that can actively represent the Pilots and actively communicate with the Port.

Do you remember this? The Colling Foundation is coming to PA.



Normally the Collings Foundation comes on a Tuesday and leaves on a Thursday. So the dates that the Foundation will be here are June 20, 21, & 22. Since we will need all the CCPA members we can get, please don't hesitate to sign up for crowd control and direction.

Arrival Date June 20 (Tuesday)
11 a.m. _____ 7 p.m.

Full Day June 21 (Wednesday)
9 a.m. _____ 2 p.m. and 2 p.m. _____ 7 p.m.

Departure Date June 22 (Thursday)
9 a.m. _____ 12 noon (or until they leave)

Since Jerry won't be here during that week, Alan has indicated that he will try to pick up the slack. And this year we will have a veterans event involving motorcycles. This all means more and better crowd control by officially designated members of CCPA is needed. So please mark your calendars and be ready to sign up when our sign-up sheets appear.

The Port and OVAL on the Pilots Loop:

On Friday, April 10 OVAL and the Port met to discuss environmental concerns. Wet areas are not to use over 100 yards of gravel. George Zinc and the Port signed an agreement over use of Port Property adjacent to his Salvage Yard. That agreement now has to be interpreted. Security issues were discussed and at least one more gate using a padlock needs to be installed. Jesse Waknitz and Jerry Ludke will let OVAL know if a proposal can be brought before the Port Commission.



PROGRAMS:

April 20 Practical Risk Management May 18 Either the Doolittle Raid or NJROTC

SAFETY BREAKFASTS are held on the second and last Friday of the month at Priscilla's Cruise In Café 2341 E Hwy 101, Port Angeles, @ 7:30 AM.

April 14 and 28 May 12 and 26

EXECUTIVE BOARD Meets on the first Wednesday of the month @ Coldwell Banker, 1115 E Front St. Port Angeles

April 5 May 3

All CCPA members are welcome to attend. If you wish to present a program, please talk to Jerry Nichols 452-5403

April 2017

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DO YOU USE GPS?

FAA Advisory Notice: GPS signal is being degraded between April 6 and May 6. Before you fly check the NOTAMS.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

. . . Is under the County's Sherriff's department. In a wide-spread emergency pilots will be needed both on the ground and in the air. Look for announcements; make yourself available.

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