

CLALLAM COUNTY PILOTS ASSN/ WPA

NEWSLETTER

CCPA meets on the third Thursday of the month, 7PM, Rite Bros, KCLM

**Our Last Function This Month Is a Safety Breakfast in Port Angeles
PRISCILLA'S CRUISE IN CAFÉ, 2341 E HWY 101, 7:30AM, DECEMBER 26**

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**DID YOU HAVE A GOOD TIME AT THE
EAA CHRISTMASTIME CELEBRATION
ON DECEMBER 6th AT THE CEDARS, DUNGENESS?**



At The November 20th CCPA meeting

. Gary Johnson reviewed how aircraft design changed during the course of WWI. At first most military minds did not feel there was a place for planes during combat. That changed almost immediately as soon as it was discovered that it was easier to shoot down balloons than it was to shoot down aircraft. So aircraft quickly replaced balloons for reconnaissance. Even though aircraft were no way as stable as balloons for good photography, aircraft could get closer to areas needing viewing and then out of range more quickly.

There was not much time lapse between the time that aircraft were used as reconnaissance platforms and the time that aircraft were equipped with rifles, machineguns, and cannons meant to destroy reconnaissance aircraft. At first two place aircraft were equipped with a rear gunner. However, rear gunners turned out to be incredibly inaccurate, even when trying to shoot down reconnaissance balloons.

Obviously, it was going to be more fruitful to have the pilot control gunnery with guns pointed forward. If the gun was placed behind the motor, some sort of interrupting device had to be invented to avoid firing bullets into the propeller.

It seemed that most of the time it was the Germans who would improve the design of the airplane first. By the time the war was nearing an end, the Germans had better aircraft. However, the allies could out manufacture the Germans. So with a good design, and an increase in the number of aircraft built, the balance of air-power tipped in the direction of the allies.

WWI was the driving force in developing stable and fast airfoils. It was also during this period that monoplanes were tried out but not mass produced. And of course engine design improved. Engines were made more powerful and lighter improving the horsepower to weight ratio. However, by the time WWII was upon us, the Germans, Italians, and Japanese had again outflanked the allies in aircraft design.



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CCPA/WPA dues?**

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At the January 22nd CCPA Meeting. . . .

Please note that January 22nd is the fourth Thursday in the month rather than the third Thursday. Since a number of financial deadlines are scheduled for January, your executive board decided that we should take advantage of the fact that January has five Thursdays. This action gives those folks involved more time to do their financial planning.

The program for January 22nd will be concerned with satellites that will be placed in orbit at the L1Lagrange Point.

And looking even further ahead

The Northwest Aviation Conference and Trade Show will be held on February 21st and 22nd. Would you be willing to staff the Port's booth on one of those two days?

Minutes of CCPA Executive Committee Board Meeting December 3, 2014

The Executive Board Meeting minutes for November 5, 2014 were approved as sent out. The Treasurer reports that we have \$3,647.37 in our checking account.

Tentative programs for upcoming General Membership meetings are anticipated to be:

December 6 th	EAA Holiday Dinner/Meeting	
January 22 nd	L-1 Lagrange Point Satellites	Gene Rimov
February 21 st	Road Trip to Puyallup for NW Aviation Conference	

Gene will put a reminder in the Newsletter to request members to renew dues for 2015; preferably online.

The February 21st meeting of CCPA will be a road trip to the NW Aviation Conference in Puyallup. We are not sure if the Port is still planning to have a booth at the Conference. If they are, CCPA will offer to help man the booth. Jerry N. will contact Jerry Ludke at the Port to see what they are planning.

There have been 3 work party sessions by the Clallam Count Road Department Volunteer Crew to help open and maintain the trail on the North side of the KCLM Airport. They have made significant progress. Gene showed pictures of their work to date. Another work party is scheduled for this week.

The FAA is still planning to do the environmental impact statement on the trees at Lincoln Park. They are also willing to pay to have the existing trees removed. We may have to contact the Port and City to keep discussions on track before FAA drops the funding.

The last Safety Breakfast was held at Pricilla's Cruise-in Café. The menu was good, the food was great and at a good price. We will plan to have future Safety Breakfasts there until further notice.

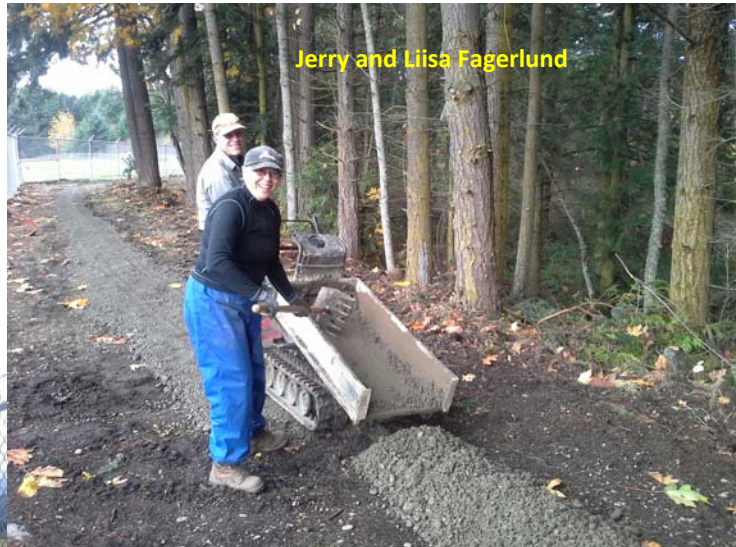
There is no real news on the road congestion caused by logging trucks on the entrance to KCLM. Jerry will call Jerry Ludke to see what he has learned.

Safety Breakfasts

December 12th and 26th
January 9th and 30th

Board Meetings

January 7th
February 4th



Jerry and Liisa Fagerlund



Jeff Ralston

Jan Holmquist

Here are some of the County's volunteer crew working on the NW corner of the Pilot's Loop.

70 Lunches at \$6.00/lunch means \$420.00 has been spent on Lunches for these hard workers. These folks deserve recognition from the Pilots for the outstanding job they have already done.

January 2015

Safety Breakfasts are held on the 2nd and last Friday of the Month.

Dec 12 and 26
Jan 9 and 30
Feb 13 and 27

At Priscilla's Cruise In Café. 2341 E Hwy 101, Port Angeles

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PROGRAMS: January 22, Satellites at the L1Lagrange Point: Orbiting Carbon Observatory –2. Launched on July 2, 2014 See NASA-news.

Satellite to be launched in 2015:DSCOVER, or Triana, or GORSAT for NOAA See Air And Space, August 2014, put out by Smithsonian.

**Don't forget Safety Breakfast at Priscilla's on the day after Christmas, December 26th
It's our last function of 2014!**

February 2015

Executive Board meetings are held at Coldwell Banker, in Port Angeles at 1115 E Front Steet @ 7pm on the first Wednesday of the month.

January 7
February 3

All members of CCPA are welcome to attend.

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