

CLALLAM COUNTY PILOTS ASSOCIATION

March, 2006

AT OUR NEXT MEETING . . .

March 16th, Rite Bros. 7PM

A lot is going to happen, especially because of events since our last meeting, so hold on to your hats:

- 1. Jerry Nichols will be receiving the WPA **Right Stuff Award.** An article about Jerry's accomplishments is in this month's newsletter. After reading this article, I'm sure that you will agree that Jerry has the "Right Stuff." Come to the meeting so that you can not only see Jerry receive his award, but also welcome Jerry back from his recent illness.
- 2. Dennis Lee is going to give us a bit more on disaster preparedness/emergency management. The key to participating is to have local organizations know that CCPA exists. Dennis will inform us on how to do this.
- 3. Mel Rudin has an excellent program on **Mountain Flying.** I think of this subject every time I hike up to Lake Angeles, and pass the latest 2005 crash site. This will be an important safety program, especially for around here.
- Gene will appraise you on the status of our Safety Breakfasts. Our next safety breakfast is at the Airport Coffee Company on Friday, March 31 at 7:30 AM. However, there is much more than a 50% chance that we will return to Fairmont Restaurant or some other restaurant for the two safety breakfasts in April.
- 5. Please place the CCPA meeting this coming Thursday on your calendar. We don't want to miss you.

Please come to our meeting Thursday March 16th, 2006. We could use your support.

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

President – Gene Rimov	452-2806
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At Large Officer – David O'Donnell	417-4741
Newsletter Editor – Steve Hoffman	452-6601



Clallam County Chapter

Jerry Nichols Recognized at WPA Annual Meeting

Jerry Nichols received the WPA "Right Stuff" award on February 25 at the WPA annual meeting in Puyallup. Since Jerry was still unable to expose himself to large crowds, Gene accepted the award in his place. Here is part of the letter Gene sent to WPA's President, Jim Smith.

"If God had wanted man to fly, he would have given him more money.

Beginning pilots now find that flying won't pay the bills. So Jerry has encouraged pilots who wish to begin flying professionally or to pay for their flying activities to work at Coldwell Banker. Beginning professional pilots never know when they will be called, so Jerry has allowed pilots to work at his real estate office when they aren't flying.

Jerry Nichols, a very active member of our community during the last 5 years.

Jerry has voluntarily served locally in many ways:

Constitutional Committee for: a newly chartered Clallam County Pilots Association (WPA/CCPA) **Board member and Treasurer:** Clallam County Pilots Association

Organizer, Steering Committee and volunteer worker:

KCLM Airport Days and safety seminars 2003 Aviation Safety Awareness Day 2004 Aviation Safety Awareness Day with Scott Gardner 2005

Discussion Leader at: CCPA aviation safety breakfasts
Founding Board Member and first President: Olympic Crime Stoppers (Port Angeles)
Board Member: Kiwanis Club of Port Angeles
Member and Financial Advisor: Peninsula Flying Club
Founding Board Member: Kiwanis Camp for Children with special needs (North Olympic Peninsula)
President: Administrative Board, Methodist Church (Port Angeles)
Volunteer Driver: Wings of Freedom comes to Port Angeles, 2003, 2004, 2005
Chief Organizer: Saturday Morning Breakfast, Holy Trinity Lutheran Church
President and Board Member: Port Angeles Chamber of Commerce
Fund Raising Chairman for Port Angeles: United Way of Clallam County
Board Member: Peninsula College Foundation Board of Governors

Jerry Nichols, just a few of his many civic activities before coming to Port Angeles

Founding Board Member and First President: Lions Club of Barajas Spain which specializes in Seeing Eye dogs for the blind
Board Member: International Chamber of Commerce, Paris, France
Board Member: USASR, Paris (U.S. Aero Space Representatives)
Board Member: Chamber of Commerce, Kansas City, MO
Member: Young Company Presidents Club, New York City

Whether General Aviation is concerned or civic need is demonstrated, **Jerry Nichols** does not like to sit around when action is needed. After 30 years of inaction William Fairchild International Airport in now becoming a more viable General Aviation airport. Much of this has happened because **Jerry Nichols** has taken action. It's obvious to the members of Clallam County Chapter (WPA / CCPA) that **Jerry Nichols has the Right Stuff.**"

It also should be noticed that Roger Hines was the first person to take the plunge and build hangars with private money at William Fairchild. CCPA thanks both Jerry and Roger for helping General Aviation in this way.

Presidents Corner

Could You Be a First Responder In an Emergency?

At our last meeting on February 15, Bill Benedict spoke to us about freight hauling to and from William Fairchild International. Evidentally, Bill has kept up on information about disaster relief and said that if the emergency appears to be too big to handle, Homeland Security will wave the rules. This is even more likely to happen after Katrina. Evidentally, other groups complained long and loud that Homeland Security had gotten in the way of relief efforts during that catastrophe.

Another equally important piece of information has come to light. Soon after 9/11 occurred Angel Flights were authorized to aid in the emergency response in order to rush in blood and medical equipment, emergency personnel, police and search dogs, and official personell that had to be transported to and from New York. With General Aviation aircraft being the only ones available or able to land at some of the airports that were desparately needed, private pilots were called to fill in the gaps. So let's repeat that even though the skies were closed to General Aviation aircraft in general, Angel Flight pilots were authorized to fly.

And here is one last point. Homeland Security Air Transportation System (HSEATS) wants their Angel Fight pilots to keep in contact with local emergency responders so that when disaster strikes, local responders know who can do what. This also means that pilots in both CCPA and EAA need to keep in contact with local responders so that they know what we are capable of providing.

President, Gene Rimov

WPA Protects Your Right to Fly

Thank you's go to Mel Rudin, Dennis Lee, Alan Barnard, and Gene Rimov for attending the Northwest Aviation Conference and Trade Show. Most of us went to the WPA annual meeting to hear our president, Jim Smith and WSDOT CEO, John Siebold speak about the threats to General Aviation both nationally and in Washington State. Large cuts in FAA and state funding of airports are in the works. It is only because WPA has responded forcfully 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 February 16, 2006

There was a notice in the Daily News of a Safety Breakfast on Tuesday. It was not correct. All Safety Breakfasts are on Fridays.

Minutes of previous meeting were approved as sent.

Since the minutes of the Executive Board were not included in the Newsletter, the proceedings of the Board included two topic:

- Nominating Jerry Nichols for the WPA *Right Stuff Award.* Jerry exemplifies the spirit of the *Right Stuff Award* by his dedication to CCPA, WPA and his community-minded actions.
- Reviewing constitutional changes for WPA.

Gene is looking for people to attend the WPA Annual Meeting in Puyallup on February 25, 2006. Contact Gene if you need a ride (452-2806).

Program for March 16th meeting will be Mel Rudin presenting a program on Mountain Flying.

The program for this meeting was Bill Benedict of Mountain High Aviation, who discussed their freight and passenger flight operations and safety related issues at KCLM.

Clallam County Pilot's Association Executive Board Meeting Don McKelvey's home Wednesday, Mar 1, 2006

1. **Present:** Gene Rimov, Don McKelvey, Jerry Nichols

2. Incorrect Announcement in Daily News: David O'Donnell agreed to take care of this item over the phone

3. Distribution of Wings newspaper

Don agreed to make labels for 20 complementary copies. About 10 will be distributed at Rite Bros. We need a few delivered at Sequim Valley and Jefferson County. Gene will find a way to give out a few at EAA meeting.

4. Program:

Don came out with an event sheet and was given a couple ideas for future programs. The idea of having pilots from Olympia, Jefferson County, and Bremerton at our annual barbecue in July (or whenever we hold it) to encourage the formation of other WPA chapters was discussed. Gene will take this idea to WPA executive board retreat on March 18 to see if WPA can lend support.

5. Safety Breakfasts:

Jan wants \$50 per breakfast at Airport Coffee Company. Gene will send out email listing options to membership.

Jerry came up with a list of topics including the triennial registration update for the breakfasts 6. **WPA awards:**

Jerry received the Right Stuff award. Formal presentation will be at general membership meeting on March 16. We hope to get Jerry's picture in the Daily News along with an article. Gene received Most Colorful President award. (Continued)

7. Airport Intersection:

Jerry noted that the city hadn't done what they said they would do. We need to follow up on the city's November letter. We need to encourage Jeff Robb to take action on the airport side.

8. Next Executive Board Meeting: Coldwell Banker on April 5

FOR SALE: CONTINENTAL ENGINE & Cassutt Kit

Model # C-85-12. Serial # 2118-6-12. 85 HP, dry weight 168.6, max RPM 2575, Displacement 188, Compression Ratio 6.3:1, oil pressure 30-35. total time 745:40. Comes with 3 log books starting July 1955, last FHA certified top overhaul in 1975. It has been unused and in climate-controlled storage since then. Estimated market value \$4-5K. Also available: Cassutt racing plane assembly kit with completed, certified welded frame, wing, some instruments & misc. parts included. Lovingly assembled by engineer dad. His passing away means time to let someone else take this on. Make offer on engine or whole project. Located in Birch Bay, Washington. Visitation and photos available.

Contact Julie Carpenter 360 647-1215 or juliecarpenter@remax.net

IFR Ground School

I wanted to let everyone know that I am in the process of putting together a complete IFR class. Jerry told me that I could use the Coldwell Banker office for the class. I am looking at doing this on either a Mon/Thurs or a Tues/Thurs routine for about 8 weeks. Or, once a week (not Wednesdays) for as long as it takes!

This of course will be routed around my schedule when I am gone and I may have other teachers that are qualified to do it in my place. The class will involve a lot of power point presentations, handouts, and in-depth review of procedures on the drawing board. The student will be able to sit for the exam with confidence!

The cost will be \$125.00 per person. This will include my time, a huge notebook containing all of the course materials and numerous supplemental materials.

The student will have to purchase a Jeppesen IFR book from Kristy at Rite Bros. (if she can still get them). I already have approximately 8 people that have indicated they would like to be in the class. Please let me know what you think! Thanks.

Tim Riley 417-2783

CCPA Calendar: March / April 2006

March 1, CCPA Executive Board, 7PM Coldwell Banker, Jerry 452-5403

March 10, 7:30 AM CCPA Safety Breakfast, Airport Coffee Co. – Steve 452-6601

March 11, CCPA, Newsletter Deadline

March 16, 7:00 PM **CCPA Membership Meeting**, At Rite Bros. 452-6226

March 31, 7:30 AM CCPA Safety Breakfast, Airport Coffee Co. – Steve 452-6601

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

April 10, CCPA, Newsletter Deadline

April 14, 7:30 AM CCPA Safety Breakfast, Airport Coffee Co. – Steve 452-6601

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

April 28, 7:30 AM CCPA Safety Breakfast, Airport Coffee Co. – Steve 452-6601

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