



CLALLAM COUNTY PILOTS ASSOCIATION

October, 2006

AT OUR NEXT MEETING . . .

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 – David O'Donnell	417-4741
At Large Officer – Vacant	
Newsletter Editor – Steve Hoffman	452-6601

On Thursday, October 19th, @ Rite Bros. Aviation

Greg McCormick will discuss how pilots are supposed to fly over marine sanctuaries. Greg has a number of handouts including a map of where these sanctuaries are. Since there is some conflict over what our sectional says and what the law says we are supposed to do, this could turn out to be a very special meeting.

So let's turn out at Rite Bros at 7:00 PM on Thursday, October 19th. 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.

Presidents Corner

Your executive board has tried to deal with the possible closure of the Blaine airport which is operated by the city of Blaine. WPA has asked for you to support the airport by writing to members of the Blaine city council urging them to approve the airport master plan.

At our September 13th executive board meeting, it was pointed out that there are a few problems with the Blaine airfield. Because of development, landing at Blaine has become a bit more dangerous. Because of nearby airfields, the elimination of Blaine airport would not be critical. In order to land from the north, one must enter Canadian air space. For the good of all concerned, Blaine airport could be best used for a very large truck stop and screening area for trucks that need to enter Canada. The thinking of the board at that meeting was that if an alternate spot could be found near Blaine then the old airport could be used by the trucking industry without Blaine losing its airport.

However, at our September 21st general meeting it was pointed out by Jeff Well that his charter flight business is helped out by the Blaine airfield. It is easier and faster to walk into or out of Canada because the Blaine airport is within easy walking distance of the border than it is to drive across the border. So not only is Jeff's air charter business helped by the Blaine airport, but so are other charter businesses too. Also, it is sometimes easier to fly over to Blaine and walk across the border than it is to fly into Canada. With Homeland Security in place, Blaine field has become an important access point to Canada not only for pilots and their passengers, but possibly for truckers as well.

So at our last executive board meeting (October 4) CCPA took the position that we will oppose any decommissioning of any GA public airport especially if WPA takes that position too. However, if you would like to discuss the board's position further, then come to the general membership meeting on October 19th

Thanks for listening,

President, *Gene Rimov*

Clallam County Pilot's Association
General Meeting
September 21, 2006

Introductions:

New visitor was Dava McNutt

Minutes or Aug 17 meeting approved

Camping and Picnic site will be taken down for the season after the Friday safety breakfast

Gene is to ask Jim Smith how and when notices for renewal of WPA dues will be sent to chapters.

It was announced that Gary Johnson and Mike Kitz are our nominating committee for 2007-8 officers

Program:

Richard Gardiner gave a review of the flying club activities at NAS Whidbey. Most of us were very impressed at how well run and well organized this flying club is. It was a very excellent presentation worthy of being presented to other pilots.

Clallam County Pilot's Association
Executive Board Meeting
Coldwell Banker
October 4, 2006

Minutes: September 13th minutes approved as written in the newsletter

Membership drive:

1. WPA has yet to give CCPA the information as to when and how to begin the membership drive.
2. Jerry already has received two membership renewals
3. CCPA already has its own policy of renewing memberships beginning in October.

Program:

1. Jeff Robb will speak on November 16 – "GA Site Development and Obstruction Identification Project"
2. Better use of ASOS @ a safety breakfast possibly on October 13th– Jerry Nichols and David O'Donnell
3. We now have programs for the rest of year, but the details of the Christmastime celebration have yet to be reported. Keep December 9th reserved for this event.
4. David O'Donnell would like to take pictures of the WPA site at Stuart Island in the San Juan Islands, perhaps for a future program.

Status of Blaine Field:

WPA wants its members to write to the city council requesting that they approve the airport master plan so that the future of Blaine Field is assured. Blaine field is unique in that it is within walking distance of the Canadian border. CCPA policy is to resist the decommissioning of any public GA airport.

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...MORE NEWS FROM CLALLAM COUNTY PILOTS ASSOCIATION

Candidates for CCPA office:

Mike Kitz and Gary Johnson seem to be developing a strategy for attracting potential officers. Since November elections are fast approaching, this issue will be discussed at the next safety breakfast on October 13th.

CCPA project for 2007:

We have not had a CCPA project in 2006 of the scope of the last two statewide safety seminars that we held in 2004 and 2005. The board decided that we should look for such a project for 2007. The suggested project was for members to donate time at Arlington Fly-in, 2007. This proposed project will be discussed at the safety breakfast on October 13th.

Officer reports:

Treasurer Jerry Nichols reported that we have \$1,192.71 in the bank.

Next executive board meeting: November 1 at Coldwell Banker.



Clallam County Pilots Association Calendar of Events.....

CCPA Calendar:

October / November 2006

October 4, CCPA Executive Board, 7PM
Coldwell Banker, ~ Jerry 452-5403

October 10, CCPA, **Newsletter Deadline**

October 13, 7:30 AM CCPA Safety
Breakfast, Fairmont Restaurant ~ Steve
452-6601

October 19, 7:00 PM **CCPA Membership Meeting**, At Rite Bros. 452-6226

October 27, 7:30 AM CCPA Safety
Breakfast, Fairmont Restaurant. ~ Steve
452-6601

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

November 10, 7:30 AM CCPA Safety
Breakfast, Fairmont Restaurant ~ Steve
452-6601

November 11, CCPA, **Newsletter Deadline**

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

November 24, 7:30 AM CCPA Safety
Breakfast, Fairmont Restaurant. ~ Steve
452-6601

Upcoming Programs and Events

October 19, Greg McCormick on
Flying Over Marine Sanctuaries

November 16 Jeff Robb on KCLM
Airport Development

October 2006

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4 Executive Board Meeting	5	6	7
8	9	10 Newsletter Deadline	11	12	13 Safety Breakfast	14
15	16	17	18	19 CCPA Membership Meeting	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27 Safety Breakfast	28
29	30	31				

November 2006

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26	27	28	29	30		