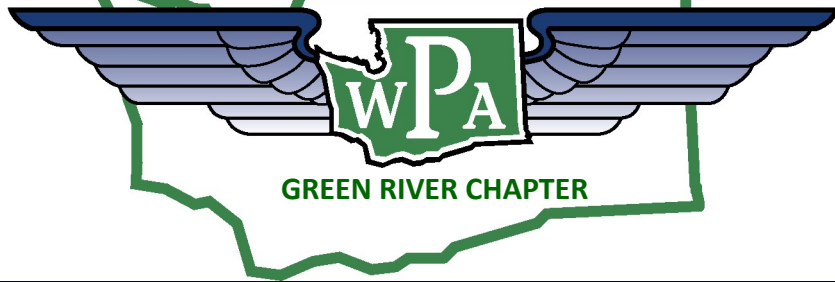


WASHINGTON PILOTS ASSOCIATION

June 2016



NEWSLETTER

Fly-In Co-hosted Picnic Potluck with PSAAC and GRC-WPA

June 5th 11am-5pm

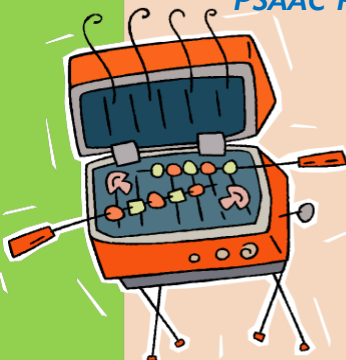
Greetings WPA Green River Chapter Members and PSAAC Members,

You are cordially invited to join us for our co-hosted picnic. This fun social event brings our members and airplanes together at the start of the flying season, weather permitting. We will have steaks, chicken and hotdogs available (you cook your own). Bring a potluck dish to share and your appetite. We hope to see you there and look forward to sharing the day with you!

Regards,

*John Tomlinson
PSAAC President*

*Dave Lawrence
GRC WPA President*



Located at John Smutny and
Laurie Johnson's Hangar
Evergreen Sky Ranch (51WA)
36850 204th Ave SE, Auburn

RSVP to Laurie at
ljnwa1@icloud.com or 253-335-6200

President's Message...

The heat was intense from the inferno coming off the sausage grill at this year's Pancake Breakfast at the Auburn Airport. The seemingly endless supply of sausages kept coming, and coming. I thought to myself how many more years would I be relegated to serving as the sausage man before I am promoted to the griddle. To my left the Griddle Commander (Dick Migas) stood tall and resolute, as wave after wave of starving pilots clamored to receive their pancakes and sausage. Their



eyes were like portals into their empty stomachs. Many had not eaten since the night before, and the effects of hunger were taking its toll. The Griddle Commander cooked pancake after pancake with the intensity equal to the challenge before him. Every pancake was cooked to perfection. Bewildered, I asked the Griddle Commander how he knew when it was time to flip the pancake? With a disappointed look on his face, he responded, "Just listen and the pancake will tell you". Not understanding his answer, and certainly not wanting to rouse his ire I quickly shifted my focus back to cooking the sausages. As pilot after pilot moved down the line it was troubling to see many were defeated by the cold and hard butter which was unyielding to their plastic knives. Grateful however to have their pancake

and sausage, they settled for the butter in Mrs. Butterworth's Original Thick n Rich syrup. Nearing exhaustion from the heat I requested a break from the Griddle Commander, and circulated with the visiting pilots and Green Tails.

It was interesting listening to the conversations as everyone enjoyed the bounty of the Griddle Commander.

At one table there was a discussion regarding a mishap at Stuart Island this winter. Evidently a pilot landed without a runway condition report and did some damage to the runway, as well as to their aircraft. I'm glad I was privy to this conversation as I did not know that **Tom Jensen (360-825-6777)** was our point of contact to reserve the cabin, receive a runway condition report, as well as permission to land. It was also suggested we can reference WPA's web site for additional contact information. First choose the **Membership**, or **Contact tab**, and then select **Stuart Island**.

The conversation was momentarily overridden by the sound of a helicopter passing by. The person across from me expressed his concern over increased number of helicopter operations at the Auburn Airport, and the mixing helicopter and fixed wing aircraft. Having attended the last Auburn Airport board meeting I felt I had something to offer to address his concern. I shared with him that the airport manager has put in place procedures to address a possible conflict between the two types of aircraft. Fixed wing and rotor wing aircraft have been assigned different pattern altitudes. Fixed wing aircraft pattern altitude is flown at 1,000 ft vs. 800 ft for rotorcraft. In addition the rotorcraft aircraft will fly a shorter pattern, so listen up on the radio for traffic. You may turn final and find a helicopter at your 12 o'clock. So far these procedures have proven effective, and there has been no issues.



(CONTINUED...)

So far I have only had one cup of coffee. It was unbelievably good and felt another cup was in order. The coffee maker responsible for this coffee was specially designed for pancake breakfast. I guess I wasn't the only one who thought the coffee was amazing as a large crowd gathered around the coffee table. While waiting in line two people were remarking how much fun they had at the fly-in Tulip festival, organized by Shane and Robyn Mahoney. The weather was great for a pleasant flight to Skagit Bay View Airport. After a great breakfast everyone was given a personal tour of the flight museum, a tour of the tulip fields, followed by an awesome evening in La Conner. One comment I thought was great was how much he enjoyed getting to know members they have seen, but have not had the chance to get to know them. We have wonderful members in our group. When possible take the time to get to know them "better man". (You need to have watched The Muppet's A Christmas Carol to understand).

As the coffee line moved closer to the specially designed coffee maker, I was asked if I would be participating in the up coming trek to Ranger Creek. Absolutely! That is something I look forward to every year. In addition to getting the satisfaction of contributing to the improvement of the airport, everyone is treated to Al Banholzer's "World Famous Chili", which by the way is not sold in stores or restaurants. As it turned out the weather was beautiful, and the turnout was great! We were able to make a lot of improvements thanks to the coordination efforts of Al Banholzer and Marv Olson's coordination with the state manager Paul Wolf.

Many of our members are also members of the Puget Sound Antique Airplane Club (PSAAC). A member asked me if the rumor was true that we were going to have a joint picnic with PSAAC in June. I did confirm that the rumor was true, and added this will be a first joint picnic combining both groups. After a series of high-level discussions earlier this spring between PSAAC and WPA, we were able to identify those opportunities of low hanging fruit and take advantage of synergy created by combining both groups. Members of both groups share a passion for aviation and enjoy spending time with like-minded fun loving people. This will be an opportunity to reconnect with friends you haven't seen for a while, as well as make new life long friends. Many of the PSAAC members are not members of WPA. Our joint picnic will be a great opportunity to plant a seed that may eventually lead them to join WPA. There will be many cool airplanes, grass runway, steaks and chicken (you cook yourself), many side dishes from members, and a variety of refreshments to insure you remain hydrated at all times. It will be an awesome event, mark your calendar for **June 5th!** Everyone is looking forward to seeing you there!

A Cessna 185 passes by on the taxi-way glistening from just being washed by members of Green Tails. Once again the Green tails were there early in the morning helping to set up for the influx of starving pilots. With the food production operating at 100%, they shift their efforts to washing airplanes for those who wanted to take advantage of their services. All proceeds earned from their efforts are directed to assisting them complete their aviation studies at Green River College. We are grateful for their support in helping us make the pancake breakfast a success.

Sincerely,

David Lawrence

Dave Lawrence, President

253-735-1612

davidlawrence@skynetbb.com



*John Smutny's
Treasurer's Report*

May 25, 2016

	<u>3/1/2016</u>	<u>5/25/2016</u>
Savings Account Balance	2,012.97	2,013.17
Checking Account - Operating funds	13,624.16	13,877.24
Checking Account - Aviation Scholarship and Development Fund	3,529.06	3,971.14
Due from State WPA for Dues paid by credit card	348.00	12.00
Due to State WPA for Dues paid to Chapter	-711.00	-112.00
Due to State WPA for PAC paid to Chapter	-10.00	0.00
Due to State WPA for GA News paid to Chapter	-175.00	0.00
<u>Due to Youth Aviation Scholarship Fund</u>	<u>-4,917.00</u>	<u>-4,917.00</u>
Total	\$13,076.16	\$13,777.24
Youth Aviation Scholarship Fund, held by State WPA for distribution by the Green River Chapter	\$ 5,182.00	\$ 5,182.00

*Note: We plan to add this type of information to each newsletter instead of reporting it at each meeting.
Questions or comments should be directed to the Treasurer wpagrc@gmail.com*

RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP

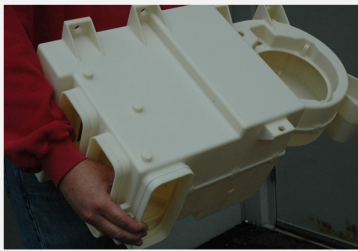
**IF YOU HAVEN'T RENEWED YOUR MEMBERSHIP,
PLEASE DO SO TODAY! COST IS \$40.**

LET'S GIVE OLYMPIA A VOICE!

Highlights of April's General Meeting

By: Robyn Mahoney

Once again we had Boy Scout Troop 401 present the Colors before the meeting. Thanks Boys and to Terri Danz for making the arrangements for them to attend! Steve Kidd was the speaker for the evening and is the CEO of CIMTech, a 3D Printing and aerospace manufacturing company. Mr. Kidd gave a fascinating presentation on 3D Printing and many of us, including myself, had no idea this technology even existed! Thanks, Steve, for an educational experience in a very interesting concept! We had 41 members in attendance at the American Legion in Kent and received many positive reviews from members to possibly have future meetings here. It's centrally located, large for further growth, the only drawback is it costs about \$125 to rent and it's free to have in someone's hangar. Food for thought : D



SPRING FLY-OUT

Skagit Valley Weekend Trip Report, April 9-10, 2016

By: Shane Mahoney



What a wonderful weekend we had! Every now and then you have a weekend in the Pacific Northwest that you treasure the memory of. You treasure it for the people you enjoyed it with, the raw beauty of the environment, and the comfortable weather. I will always remember this trip with the help of some beautiful pictures!

Saturday started with a nice flight to the Skagit Regional Airport. The weather participated like it was ordered for us. There were about 20 of us that had breakfast at the airport before we taxied over to the Heritage Flight Museum. There we saw a collection of airplanes and other items, some of which I have never seen before. It is always interesting to see what each museum's unique items are and this one has plenty. If you have not been there you are missing out. Bill Anders, Apollo Astronaut, is the founder and owner of the Heritage Flight Museum. One of the highlights of the visit was the flight demonstration of Bill Anders' P51 flown by his son Greg Anders who is a retired Lieutenant Colonel from the Idaho Air National Guard. Greg went through a full pre-flight with us and flew a short demonstration right in front of us standing near the taxiway. It put a real vibration into your gut giving meaning to the words 'feel the thunder.'



Some flew home after the museum but 5 couples stayed and toured the tulip fields in full color. It was the last good weekend to see the tulips this year. Many thanks to members Curt and Patricia Scott who drove a van for us that made the logistics of the weekend real easy. After seeing the Tulips we went to our overnight home at the La Conner Channel Lodge. The weather was so nice we sat outside on the deck and consumed some refreshments before going out

to dinner. Dinner was fun with 10 people telling ever increasing and exaggerated lies. They got so funny we started to believe them. The people at the table next to us even bought us a bottle of wine and chimed in. Fun is seriously contagious! I hope this writing fills you with the desire to have fun with us on our next outing!

A good night's rest and breakfast with friends then back to the airport. We all split up at this point as each had plans for the day. Robyn and I flew over the Oso landslide site and on to Dar-

rington. I had never landed there and try to add another airport to our adventures whenever we can. This is a nice place we will return to someday soon. The Oso site was a bit shocking, to see so much soil moved like it was in a sand box. But remembering the lives lost in such a quick yet natural event. It makes you think how blessed we are and to be able to fly over so many incredible things!

I wish you could have all joined us and I hope to plan more outings like this in the future. Stay in touch and keep up on your WPA reading so you don't miss out! Until next time...



2016 CALENDAR OF CHAPTER EVENTS



January 13 ~ BOD Meeting at Mahoney's Home

February 12 at 6pm ~ Annual General Meeting at
Mike & Linda Latta's Hangar

March 7 at 7pm ~ BOD Meeting at Latta's Home

April 8 at 6pm ~ General Meeting at the American Legion in Kent
located at 25406 97th Place South (253) 859-9905

April 9-10 ~ Fly-out/over-night to La Conner ~ Tulip Festival and
Heritage Flight Museum Tour

May 14 from 8am to 11am ~ Spring Pancake Breakfast & Airplane
Wash w/Green Tails

May 7 ~ Ranger Creek Clean-up

May 25 at 7pm ~ BOD Meeting at Dave Lawrence's Home

June 5 Potluck Picnic with PSAAC 11am to 5pm ~ John Smutny &
Laurie Johnson's Hangar, Evergreen Sky Ranch (See front page for more info)

July 12 at 7pm ~ BOD Meeting at Dave Lawrence Home

August 13 from 8am to 11am ~ Auburn AugustFest Pancake Breakfast

August 19-20 ~ AOPA Fly-In ~ Bremerton, WA

October 14 at 6pm ~ General Meeting (TBD)

December 8 ~ Christmas Party and Auction in the Rainier Room at
the Truitt Building in Auburn (looking for volunteers)

Go to <http://www.wpafllys.org> for State sponsored and other special
events.

Ranger Creek Work Party

By: Al Banholzer

A huge thanks to all who helped at our annual Work Party and Chili Feed on May 7th. The weather was very cooperative for this event with a clear blue sky, very light wind, and temperatures in the high seventies by midday. The day started out with the Mahoney's making early coffee for all as they went up Friday night and camped overnight. The coffee went down very well with Esther's Morning Glory Muffins. This got everyone in the working mode. Shane Mahoney led the team cleaning the runway while also serving as the tower operator of Ranger Creek International Airport radio.

Dick Migas took good care of parking aircraft flying in using his orange noodles to direct the traffic. Under the direction of Paul Wolf, the DOT Aviation Division, Manager of State airports, small tree starts along both sides of the runway were pulled up, gravel in the aircraft parking area leveled, and rocks placed around the segmented circles of both windsocks. Washington pilots are really fortunate to have Paul as he is truly dedicated to maintaining and improving our fifteen State Airports. Marv Olsen and his gang of workers helped two members of the U.S. Forest Service assemble ten picnic tables. They also dug ten deep holes, added cement and chains to anchor the tables in various camp sites in the camping area on the east side of the airport. This was a lot of effort and really helped out the USFS. After all the work was completed we all once again emptied a very large pot of Ranger Creek Chili and consumed lots of cornbread along with the usual telling of tall tales.

We had 51 volunteers helping with the work, including 10 Boy Scouts from Auburn Troop 401, along with members of the Recreational Aircraft Association (RAF). This year 17 aircraft flew in, including one that provided a big surprise. In past years it was not unusual to have an aircraft from Canada, but this year we had an aircraft and pilot from Costa Rica fly in. He had read one of our notices of the event and decided to join in the fun. So, this just shows that our Ranger Creek is truly an International Airport. The State has installed fire rings and picnic tables in the aircraft parking area across from the midfield windsock. It is a good spot to pitch a tent and then explore the many interesting trails running through the area. There are no utilities provided so bring in everything you will need and please take out your trash and any other you might find. The winds are usually light before 10:00 and after 17:00 and a standard left-hand pattern landing to the North (33) is suggested if the wind permits. Ranger Creek is now open for the Summer Fly Season so please use and enjoy the best recreational airport in Washington!



Another successful pancake breakfast...

Thank you to all of those who helped with the pancake breakfast, especially, Shane Mahoney, Dick Migas, Dave Lawrence, John Smutny, Jim Flynn, Leo Dondlinger, Al & Sue Reiter, Mark Babcock, Coleman Boettger, GRC Green Tails, Robyn Mahoney, Karen Flynn, Laurie Johnson, and Jim Matthews! A special thank you to **Mike Latta** for giving GRC student Roman a flight instruction in his Interstate Cadet! We had about 15 Green Tail students eager and ready to wash airplanes. Although we had rather inclement weather, that did not deter 3 airplanes from flying out to support our cause! **A SHOUT OUT to Mike Latta, George Clifton & Matt Towers** for flying in for breakfast and participating in the plane wash by the Green Tails! And a big thank you to all 64 people who attended the breakfast and supported our fundraiser!



GRC Green Tail student Roman getting a lesson from pilot Mike Latta in his Interstate Cadet

By: Robyn Mahoney

Awesome
volunteers



Green Tail Students



Mike Latta's Interstate Cadet



Green River Green Tail's hard at work! Thanks, students!



THIS IS OUR NEW CHAPTER LOGO, PRETTY COOL HUH? WHY NOT ORDER A NEW SHIRT OR JACKET? IT'S EASY, PRINT OUT THE ATTACHED ORDER FORMS AND EITHER MAIL A CHECK TO TREASURER JOHN SMUTNY AT THE ADDRESS LOCATED ON THE FORM OR PAY AT THE NEXT MEETING. ORDER FORMS WILL ALSO BE AVAILABLE AT MEETINGS.



The LEGACY jacket:

- * 100% polyester shell
- * 100% polyester mesh upper-body lining, front & sleeve lining
- * Stowaway hood in cadet collar
- * Interior chest pocket
- * Front and back vents for breathability
- * Front zippered pockets
- * Adjustable elastic cuffs with hook and loop closures

COLOR: STONE/NAVY



Men's *Port Authority* - Long or Short Sleeve comfortable wash and wear shirt. Wrinkle resistance makes this shirt a cut above the competition.

- * Long or Short Sleeve
- * 4.5 - ounce 5545 cotton/poly
- * Patch pocket

COLORS: Steel Grey /Stone / Light Stone



Men's T-shirt - * Heavyweight 6.1 ounce Soft Spun Cotton

Color Options:

- * Medium Grey
- * White



Ladies Port Authority Jacket :

Soft shell polyester microfleece interior keeps you comfortable.

- * 100% Polyester woven shell bonded to a water-resistant film insert
- * 100% polyester microfleece lining.
- * Front zippered pockets
- * 1000MM fabric waterproof rating
- * 1000G/M2 fabric breathability rating

COLORS: Marshmallow/Battleship grey
Battleship grey/Charge green



Ladies *PORT AUTHORITY* Henley:

With a fit designed to be comfortable all day long, our incredibly soft v-neck heley has 3/4 sleeves with wide cuff details to give it a modern look.

- * 5.6-ounce, 58/38/4 cotton/modal/spandex
- * Gently contoured silhouette
- * Self-fabric neck taping
- * 3-button placket with dyed-to-match buttons
- * Double-needle hem

COLORS: White or Grey Smoke



Ladies *Port Authority* Vest:

Keep your core warm and protected from the elements in this versatile vest that's easy on the budget.

- * 100% polyester woven shell bonded to a water-resistant film
- * 100% polyester microfleece lining
- * 1000MM fabric waterproof rating
- * 1000G/M2 fabric breathability rating
- * Gently contoured silhouette
- * Reverse coil zippers
- * Front zippered pockets

COLORS: Marshmallow or Battleship Grey



Ladies SPORT-TEK PossiCharge RacerMesh Polo:

Thanks to our ultra-fine flat back RacerMesh, this polo has unparalleled breathability for superior cooling.

- * 3.8-ounce, 100% polyester flat back mesh with PosiCharge technology.
- * Gently contoured silhouette
- * Tag-free label
- * Self-fabric collar
- * Open placket
- * Set-in, open hem sleeves.

COLORS: Silver or White



PORT & COMPANY Ladies denim button up shirt.

- * 6.5 - ounce 100% cotton
 - * Traditional, relaxed look
- Color:** Faded Blue

**WPA EMBROIDERED APPAREL
ORDER FORM**



Payment is required in advance to John Smutny, GRC Treasurer at:

36850 204th Ave. SE Auburn, WA 98092
Checks need to be made out to WPA.

Item#	Description	Qty	Size	Color	Cost of each item	Item Total
J764	Men's Jacket Port Authority Legacy (Sizes: Small, M, L, XL)				\$ 48.00	
J764	Men's Jacket Port Authority Legacy (Sizes: 2XL, 3XL,4XL)				\$ 50.00	
PC61	Men's T-shirt Port & Company Essential (Sizes: Small, M, L, XL)				\$ 14.00	
PC61	Men's T-shirt Port & Company Essential (Sizes: 2XL, 3XL,4XL)				\$ 15.00	
S508	Men's Port Authority Short Sleeve button up shirt (Sizes: Small, M, L, XL)				\$ 27.00	
S508	Men's Port Authority Short Sleeve button up shirt (Sizes: 2XL, 3XL,4XL)				\$ 29.00	
S608	Men's Port Authority Long Sleeve button up shirt (Sizes: Small, M, L, XL)				\$ 27.00	
S608	Men's Port Authority Long Sleeve button up shirt (Sizes: 2XL, 3XL,4XL)				\$ 29.00	
L318	Ladies Jacket Port Authority Color block Soft Shell (Sizes: Small, M, L, XL)				\$ 50.00	
L318	Ladies Jacket Port Authority Color block Soft Shell (Sizes: 2XL, 3XL,4XL)				\$ 52.00	
L325	Ladies Vest Port Authority Soft Shell (Sizes: Small, M, L, XL)				\$ 40.00	
L325	Ladies Vest Port Authority Soft Shell (Sizes: 2XL, 3XL,4XL)				\$ 42.00	
LSP10	Ladies Port & Company Long Sleeve Denim button up shirt (Sizes: Small, M,L, XL)				\$ 25.00	
LSP10	Ladies Port & Company Long Sleeve Denim button up shirt (Sizes: 2XL, 3XL, 4XL)				\$ 26.00	
LM1007	Ladies Henley Port Authority 3/4 Sleeve Scoop neck (Sizes: Small, M, L, XL)				\$ 24.00	
LM1007	Ladies Henley Port Authority 3/4 Sleeve Scoop neck (Sizes: 2XL, 3XL,4XL)				\$ 26.00	
LST640	Ladies Polo Sport-Tek PosiCharge Racer Mesh (Sizes: Small, M, L, XL)				\$ 19.00	
LST640	Ladies Polo Sport-Tek PosiCharge Racer Mesh (Sizes: 2XL, 3XL,4XL)				\$ 21.00	
TOTAL						\$

COMPLETE ORDER FORM ALONG WITH YOUR INFORMATION AND MAIL TO JOHN SMUTNY, TREASURER AT 36850 204th AVE, AUBURN, WA 98092 OR BRING TO OUR NEXT MEETING. MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO GRC WPA.

Name

Address

Phone

Email

the Green River Chapter of the
Washington Pilots Association

invites you to attend another



Pancake *breakfast fly-in*

During **Auburns AugustFest** located at
the Auburn Airport (S50) in front of the 506 Bldg.

Saturday, August 13, 2016

8:00am — 11:00am



*PROFITS GO TO THE AVIATION SCHOLARSHIP AND DEVELOPMENT FUND. WE ARE
LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS!!! COME JOIN THE FUN :)

AOPA FLY-IN

BREMERTON NATIONAL AIRPORT (KPWT)

AUG 19-20 BREMERTON, WA

<http://www.aopa.org/Community-and-Events/AOPA-Fly-In/2016/Bremerton-Fly-In>

Help Make It Happen

VOLUNTEER

If you would like to volunteer, please register on the AOPA website listed above.

The 2016 AOPA Fly-In will be at Bremerton National Airport this year. Please join your fellow Chapter members in the work party and fun! Our Chapter has blocked out 10 rooms for Friday and Saturday night, August 19th and 20th, at the

Comfort Inn On the Bay
1121 Bay Street
Port Orchard, WA 98366
(360) 895-2666
(360) 895-8088
GM.WA167@choicehotels.com

Group Rates
Room Type
NK - 1 King Bed,
Non-Smoking
\$98.99

Group Name: GREEN RIVER CHAPTER
Arrival Date: Friday, August 19, 2016
Departure Date: Sunday, August 21, 2016
Fixed Cut Off Date: Thursday, June 30, 2016

Thank you and I hope to see many of you there!

Shane Mahoney
GRC—WPA Board Member
425-269-8740



GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

February 12, 2016

Mike and Linda Latta's Hangar – Auburn, Washington

CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by President Shane Mahoney. The flag ceremony was conducted by a Boy Scout Color Guard to open the meeting.

Board MEMBERS PRESENT:

Shane Mahoney President
John Smutny – Treasurer
Mike Latta - Director
Curt Scott - Director
Robyn Mahoney – Newsletter Coordinator
Linda Latta - Secretary
Tom Jensen – Sr. Board Advisor

Guests:

Boy Scout Color Guard: Hunter Danz, Terry Danz and Rick Danz

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes from previous held general meeting were published in the newsletter and were approved.

TREASURER'S REPORT – John Smutny

Treasurer's report is as published in newsletter. John pointed out the success of the Christmas Auction, where \$6,000 was raised for aviation scholarship funds.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Announcements:

Gateway Concert Band is having a concert on March 20 & 21 at the Enumclaw High School. Everyone is encouraged to attend.

99's has a Flying Companion Seminar scheduled for next week during the aviation conference. If interested check website for more information.

Clint Cawley announced there will be no fly-in at South Prairie this Mother's Day. It will be reinstated at a later date.

2. **Upcoming Events:**
Shane provided a calendar of upcoming events.
May 21 – Auburn Pancake Breakfast (Corrected to May 14, 2016)
May 7 – Ranger Creek
June 10, General Meeting.
3. **Scholarship Awards:** The Board discussed possibly offering to pay for an individual whose career plan is to become a pilot, to pay for FAA testing fees which currently costs \$400. A motion was put to a vote, all in favor. Further discussion was made that the logistics would be worked out at a later date. Curt will check with someone on test fees.
4. **Logo Wear:** Samples of new logo wear are available at sign in table for purchase.
5. **AOPA Regional Fly-In, Bremerton:** Shane reserved a block of 10 rooms at Comfort Inn in Port Orchard for Friday August 19th and Saturday August 20th. They need volunteers to help with set-up on Thursday the 18th and Friday the 19th with take down help on Sunday. Saturday is the event with a large amount of airplanes and pilots in attendance. There will be a Barnstormer's dinner on Friday night. Also we are looking into a dinner Saturday night with open attendance.
6. **Spring Fly-out: La Conner, Tulip Festival and Heritage Flight Museum Tour**
Dates: April 9-10, 2016
Shane reserved 10 rooms at Channel Lodge in La Conner. Larry reserved the museum tour. The plan is to fly (or drive if weather is bad) to Skagit Airport and meet at the restaurant on Saturday, April 9th, at 11:00 am for lunch. Taxi airplane to Heritage Flight Museum for a tour and overnight parking. At around 2:30 pm, load onto a bus or vans to tour the tulip fields. Shane offered to work on ground transportation and would collect money from everyone to split costs. The Board discussed other transportation options: 1) Renting a couple of vans from Enterprise. 2) Curt Scott said his daughter has an 8 passenger van that we might be able to borrow. 3) Someone said a neighbor has a large van that maybe we could borrow. After tulip tour, shuttle to hotel check-in about 5:30 pm. Walk somewhere to dinner at about 6:30 pm. In the morning the hotel includes a gourmet continental breakfast. Depart for home at check-out time. Transportation will be provided to and from airport.

NEW BUSINESS:

Elections: New slate of officers presented.

President: Dave Lawrence
Vice President – Dick Migas
Director – Coleman Boettger

Continuing in positions:

Secretary – Linda Latta
Newsletter Coordinator – Robyn Mahoney
Treasurer – John Smutny
Director – Mike Latta
Director – Michael Sealfon
Director – Curt Scott

The slate of officers was elected for 2016.

New Board's First Meeting: March 7, 2016 7 pm Mike and Linda Latta's

NEXT MEETING:

General Meeting: April 8, 2016 Location TBD

ADJOURNEMENT:

The meeting adjourned at 9:00 pm by President Shane Mahoney.

Respectfully Submitted by;

Linda Latta

Secretary



BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S MEETING MINUTES
March 7, 2016
Home of Mike and Linda Latta – Auburn, Washington

CALL TO ORDER:

The Board of Directors meeting was called to order at 7:10 pm by President Dave Lawrence.

MEMBERS:

Dave Lawrence - President
Shane Mahoney - Past President
Dick Migas – Vice President
John Smutny – Treasurer
Mike Latta - Director
Michael Sealfon - Director
Linda Latta - Secretary
Curt Scott - Director (absent)
Coleman Boettger Director (absent)
Robyn Mahoney – Newsletter Coordinator

Guests:

Laurie Johnson

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes from the January 2016 meeting were not reviewed. Minutes from past two board meetings will be distributed to board members for review and approved at the next board meeting.

TREASURER'S REPORT – John Smutny

Chapter account balances are published in the Newsletter after each Board Meeting and will contain the official numbers. To recap February meeting, we had 56 attendees. 5 individuals renewed memberships and 1 new member joined. In total we have a \$7,875.66 in checking and \$2,012.97 in savings, plus \$4,000.00 held by the State WPA for the Youth Aviation Scholarship Fund that we raised and will distribute. Full Treasurer's report will be in the next newsletter.

OLD BUSINESS:

Auburn Airport Advisory Board: Mike Latta reported attending the last meeting. The meeting will be held every other month going forward. The next meeting is March 16. Mike Latta and Dick Migas will attend to represent Green River WPA. Mike reported that he was pleased with the leadership of the airport. They are making a strong effort to have the best prices on fuel in the area. All hangars are full, and based on a planned reduction in hangar space at Renton and Boeing Field, the airport management is discussing the possibility of building more hangars at Auburn.

New Membership Drive: Some ideas were discussed regarding promoting new memberships; however, discussion was tabled until after John has more opportunity to discuss ideas and plans with Brandon, the state WPA New Member Director.

Information on New Board Members: Robyn requested a President's Report, Pilot Profile and photo from new Board President, Dave Lawrence. Additionally pilot profiles and photos are needed from Coleman Boettger and Dick Migas. Items need to be to Robyn by March 24 for publication in the next newsletter.

Planned Events for 2016: Pancake Breakfast date given at last General Meeting was incorrect. The date for the Auburn pancake breakfast and Airplane Wash is May 14. Green Tails will be washing airplanes and giving proceeds to the chapter. Mike Latta will be present to give rides to Green Tails in his Interstate Cadet. Shane Mahoney volunteered to chair a committee to plan the pancake breakfast and plane wash. He will be asking for volunteers for this committee. Dick Migas volunteered to participate.

Green Tails Integration: Nothing to report. Coleman Boettger will be invited to upcoming meetings to continue the work of Curt Scott in Green Tails integration.

Scholarship Awards: Previously the Board discussed possibly offering to pay for an individual whose career plan is to become a pilot, to pay for FAA testing fees which currently costs \$400. After further discussion, no suitable methodology was agreed upon to determine how to administer funds in this way. The Board reconsidered its previous decision and voted to continue with scholarship awards to candidates identified by schools. Plans for 2016 will be to award three \$1000 scholarships, one to an Aviation High school recipient, one to a Green River Aviation Program candidate, and one to a Clover Park Aviation Program candidate. The scholarship to Clover Park will be contingent on their willingness to use the same process to identify candidates as is done by Green River.

Action Item: John Smutny agreed to contact both Green River and Clover Park to confirm their willingness to participate. The Scholarship award process will be that the schools select one or more candidates for the Board's consideration, the Board selects their recommended recipient, and the school makes the final decision.

Logo Wear: The Board discussed logo wear. Several items had been ordered and were delivered by Laurie Johnson. The order form will be given to Robyn to include in the newsletter so that members can order as they wish. Board members who had purchased logo wear are encouraged to wear it to the next meeting to show others what is available.

Action Item: Dave Lawrence to put logo wear purchase options on the agenda for the next general meeting.

AOPA Regional Fly-In, Bremerton: Shane reserved a block of 10 rooms at Comfort Inn in Port Orchard for Friday August 19th and Saturday August 20th. APOA needs volunteers to help with set-up on Thursday the 18th and Friday the 19th with take down help on Sunday. Saturday is the event with a large amount of airplanes and pilots in attendance. Volunteers must register on the APOA website to volunteer and sign up for the Barnstormer Party on Friday night.

NEW BUSINESS:

Newsletter publication:

State WPA Board Meeting: The meeting is in Chelan on March 19 and 20. John Smutney will be attending and taking a number of items to the group for discussion.

Spring Fly-out: La Conner, Tulip Festival and Heritage Flight Museum Tour

Dates: April 9-10, 2016

Shane reserved 10 rooms at Channel Lodge in La Conner. Larry reserved the museum tour. The plan is to fly (or drive if weather is bad) to Skagit Airport and meet at the restaurant on Saturday, April 9th, at 11:00 am for lunch. Taxi airplane to Heritage Flight Museum for a tour and overnight parking. At around 2:30 pm, load onto a bus or vans to tour the tulip fields. After tulip tour, shuttle to hotel check-in about 5:30 pm. Dinner reservations have been made for that evening. In the morning the hotel includes a gourmet continental breakfast. Depart for home at check-out time. Transportation will be provided to and from airport.

Phone Tree: Calls need to be made on April 6 or 7. John, Shane, Dave, and Michael volunteered to make the calls. Dave will mail everyone instructions just prior to the needed calls. Callers are to let Dave know number of attendees planned and Dave will notify Dick so that the caterer can be notified.

NEXT MEETING:

Dick Migas will be planning general meetings and speakers for 2016.

Next General Meeting

Date: April 8, 2016

Program: To be planned by Dick Migas

Meeting Location: Suggested location, American Legion Hall in Kent. Michael Sealfon will check with venue to see if it is available for next meeting. No fee is charged if we use their No Host bar, which the board agreed to try for the next meeting. Dick Migas and Dave Lawrence plan to go by venue to make sure it will work for the next meeting. Dick will look at options for caterer and determine who to use to cater the next meeting's dinner.

ADJOURNEMENT:

The meeting adjourned at 9:00 pm by President Dave Lawrence.

Respectfully Submitted by;

Linda Latta

Secretary



GENERAL MEETING MINUTES
April 8, 2016
American Legion in Kent, Washington

FLAG CEREMONY:

A few Boy Scouts from Troop 401 presented the Colors and led the members in the Pledge of Allegiance.

CALL TO ORDER:

The General Meeting was called to order by President Dave Lawrence at 7:45 pm. Dave welcomed everyone and asked all of the former and new Board Members to please stand. Dave thanked them for volunteering. Dave introduced the new Board Members.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

No Minutes were approved.

VICE-PRESIDENT REPORT – Dick Migas

Dick asked for comments from the members about the food this evening and new meeting location at American Legion. Discussion was made about the difficulty in finding a centrally located meeting place and the costs therein. There is a fee to rent this room at the American Legion. He announced a possible picnic for our June meeting. He would like feedback so please email him.

TREASURER'S REPORT – John Smutny

The last Treasurer's Report was published in the April Newsletter. See John Smutny if you have any questions or comments. The Board approved \$1,000 Scholarships to be awarded to aviation students attending: Green River College, Aviation High School and Clover Park, respectively.

Auction ideas from Curt:

Silent auctions are very successful and we should try them at our next Christmas Party and Auction. Now is the time to approach businesses and ask them for donations. Start now!

OLD BUSINESS:

Auburn Airport Advisory Board: Mark Babcock reported on popular helicopter use at Auburn Airport and to expect to see lots more in the future. Auburn also has very cheap fuel with cash discount. "The more you fly. The more you save."

NEW BUSINESS:

State WPA Board Meeting:

Dave Lawrence attended the State Board Meeting last month. The New State President is Jim Posner.

George Steed is the V.P. West Side. Dave challenged everyone to contact 1 fellow aviation friend and convince him/her to become a member for only \$40. He did! Every pilot should be a Washington Pilots Association Member.

Spring Fly-out: Shane announced that the fly-out is tomorrow (Sat.) and encouraged everyone to join in the fun and meet for breakfast at Skagit Airport at 11 am followed by a tour of the Heritage Flight Museum.

Ranger Creek Clean-up:

Date: May 7th. Al Banholzer announced the he expected a big group of folks since Cawley is not having their fly-in which is usually on the same day as the clean-up. He suggests people to fly in (122.9) about 9:30 or 10:00 am (driving up there is easy too). He and Esther will have pastries in the morning and chili available after the clean-up.

Pancake Breakfast/Airplane Wash:

Shane announced that the next Pancake Breakfast will be on May 14. Many of the same members have volunteered in the past and really enjoyed flipping flapjacks. We need more volunteers again this year.

Alaska Airlines Aviation Days: May 21, pre-register required.

Melanie Jordan introduced our speaker for the evening, Mr. Steve Kidd, CIMtech.

ADJOURNEMENT:

The meeting adjourned at 8:12 pm by President Dave Lawrence.

Respectfully Submitted by;

Robyn Mahoney

Robyn Mahoney (filling in for Linda Latta)

Washington Pilots Association

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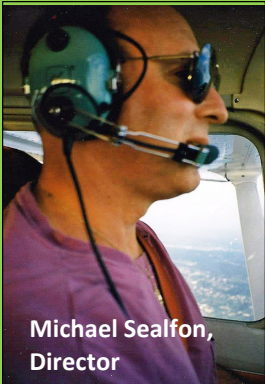
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