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# Hangar Talk

Official Newsletter of the North Sound Chapter of the Washington Pilot's Association

## On Final, the President's Corner

FROM THE The PRESIDENT'S HANGAR DECEMBER 2009

As I write this, I'm already thinking of the ways that I will continue to contribute as a member, now that I will no longer be your president and will hopefully have more time. As you probably already know, the end of the president's responsibilities doesn't stop with the end of the term. Our By-Laws state that the immediate past president automatically becomes a board member and also the new elections committee chair. So I assure you that I look forward to working with our new president, the board and the members of the North Sound Chapter in carrying out these duties and our association's mission statement.



aviation award.

As you may already know, Jerry Ward, former President of the EAA 404 chapter has been elected as your new President. Jerry is also AOPA's ASN (Airport Support Network) volunteer for the Bellingham Airport.

Jerry brings valuable attributes to the NSC presidency, including leadership, perseverance, organizational and planning skills and enthusiasm.

As president, Jerry says "I feel that it is the duty of the President to attempt to keep everyone aware of new things in aviation that effect their piloting skills and knowledge".

Jerry lives in Ferndale with his wife Penny. He owns an Ercoupe and is currently in the process of building a Glasair I FT. Jerry is also the Young Eagles Coordinator and he has given flights to 50 young people this past year.

This year we will once again be combining our Christmas meeting and dinner with the EAA Chapter in Lynden on Dec, 11<sup>th</sup> starting at 6:30pm at Syros restaurant. At that time I will be handing over the reins to Jerry and hope that you can all join me in welcoming him as our new president.

Happy Holidays Chip LaPlante President North Sound Chapter Washington Pilot's Association

# Editor's Notes-December and the Holidays

Winter! The time when you hardly want to open the hangar during pre-flight and your fingers hurt in the cold. On the other hand the night flying can be spectacular with the full moon lighting the water and Orion pointing the way. Of course sunset is well before 5 PM so it is dark very early.

This month's newsletter is short, it is the end of our quarter at WWU and I have a book due by the end of the year. Sometimes work is work. Without flying I would go a little crazy.

Chip LaPlante is finishing another term as President of the North Sound Chapter of WPA and I want to say thanks again. Chip does a great job of getting everyone on the same page and our membership always seems to go up during his two tenures. I get to read his letters to the membership each month before anyone else—and that is kind of fun. Thanks again for





Jerry Ward is our incoming President and will have some big shoes to fill, and I am sure that he will.

I also want to thank Paul Zosel for his work as Treasurer all these years. I have really enjoyed working with Paul when I was President and now as Newsletter Editor. I have a current mailing list because Paul keeps me up to date. Now he can retire to being a member and flying his Cessna 210 to lunch. Dave Grant takes over duties as the Treasurer after the installation this December. Paul is the new owner of a Cardinal so he obviously has great taste in airplanes.

See everyone on Friday December 11<sup>th</sup> for Dinner.

Have a great flight—Wayne Landis

#### **Local Fuel Costs December 2009**

The information is from Airnav (http://www.airnav.com/fuel/local. html) to get local prices in the area on December 6, 2009. Prices on avgas have gone up only slightly since last month.

100LL Avgas prices within 50 miles of KBLI



### November Speaker--- Rick Luke Aviation Safety Seminar



Rick Luke, a Master CFI and FAA Designated Examiner gave one of his interesting and informative seminars on flight safety. As usual each night was well attended. These have always been great events.

https://www.faasafety.gov/WINGS/pppinfo/default.aspx.

On Wednesday November 11 David Hale from Nav Canada provided a review of the upcoming TFR for the Olympics and Special Olympics in the Vancouver and Whistler areas. This is a critical meeting for everyone who is interested in flying along the border starting in February.

http://www.faa.gov/air traffic/publications/notices/2009-.08-27/SN09000.cfm.

# December Holiday-Christmas Dinner with the Bellingham Chapter of EAA.

This year we will once again be combining our Christmas meeting and dinner with the EAA Chapter in Lynden on Dec, 11<sup>th</sup> starting at 6:30pm at Syros restaurant. There should be more than enough room so just come and have a great time.

There will be the installation of new NSCWPA officers at the dinner, and away we go for another year!

# Washington Pilots Association Aviation Activities for December 2009 from the WPA Website.

#### December

3	WPA - Yakima Valley Chapter Meeting WPA - Paine Field Chapter	YKM	Yakima	les@lesflue.com
4	Christmas Party	PAE	Sno-Isle	
5	WPA - Owner Maintenance Seminar	PAE		
5	WPA - Flyers Club Breakfast	S50	Auburn	grcnewsletter@gmail.com
10	WPA - North Sound Chapter Meeting WPA - Harvey Field Chapter	BLI	Bellingham	kidkomet@comcast.net charles.h.hower@boeing.co
12	Meeting WPA - Olympia South Sound	S43	Snohomish	m
16	Chapter Meeting WPA - Okanogan & Ferry County	OLM	Olympia	rmeenk@hotmail.com
17	Chapter Meeting WPA - Clallam County Chapter		Tonasket	haywire@amerion.com
17	Meeting	CLM	Port Angeles	
18	<b>WPA</b> - Green River Christmas Party		Kent	grcnewsletter@gmail.com



Here are Bellingham and Mt. Baker on one of our overcast days. What a great place to fly.



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