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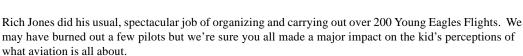
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From your General Aviation Day 2008 Co-Chairmen

So another GA day has been pulled off. From our perspective it was a roaring success! Only through the hard and dedicated work of members of the Paine Chapter of the WPA and the Paine Field personnel is such a complex event possible. You all pretty much know who the individuals are

that contribute so much of their time and resources but now we will mention just a few.



Les Smith, we're just sure, had his usual good time exploring the possibilities for advertising and promoting the event through the Mukilteo School System and the media. Over 2000 people attended largely as a result of his efforts.

Jim Faustina with his helpers made it look easy shuffling the static display airplanes, the war birds and John Sessions beautiful P51, Tiger Cat and T6.

Greg Bell and Chuck Jung with his CAP troops maintained security with no problems that we could see. Greg's wife Lori did a great job organizing and carrying out the Key Bank sponsored Face Painting activity. Stephanie Allen managed to coral the Taste of Mukilteo vendors as well as the non-profit organizations located in the new big tent. She did a great job of handling a complex task.

We decided this year to have the WPA tent as an entry and welcome area. That worked just fine with Jim Morgan's management and it provided a good location for Robert Hamilton's great PA announcements and show music.

Speaking of tents, John Dobson as always competently oversaw the acquisition and installation of the needed variety of tents. And, this year nothing blew away, even when the winds got over 20 knots toward the end of the day.

Thank you Russ Keyes, for collecting all those donations from the airport businesses.

Finally, Dave Waggoner and his staff of Airport people made it all possible. Dave is a master at providing support while letting us develop our own ideas of how things should go.

Next year let's see a whole new bunch of WPA members step up and take on some of these jobs. We have found it to be an exciting and challenging task and have enjoyed getting to know all you folk.

Jim and Marilyn Fries

The Taste of Mukilteo took in \$2514 for the Scholarship fund (which after minor expenses gives us about \$2200 total for the fund). The Chamber believes there were over 250 people who visited the Taste tent — all our 10 vendors ran out of food by 1:30!!! It was a great event and we were very pleased! Thank you for all your hard work and organization! Sincerely, Shannon McCarty Events Coordinator Mukilteo Chamber of Commerce



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Dinner Reservations due date May 30th **RSVP**@ www. wpa-paine.org or call 425-388-5125 ext 6

New Benefits for members now in place. See Pg 2 & Check them out @ www.WPAFlys.org

Next Newsletter deadline: June 16th newsletter@wpa-paine.org submission specs available on our web site



June 6th Program Challenge Air is a not for profit

organization that provides more than an airplane ride to a kid. It is aimed at kids with disabilities to show them that nothing is impossible. In demonstrating this, the kid actually flies the plane on a flight lasting about 20 minutes. The parent and/or sibling may be in the back seat for the ride.

See: http://www.challengeair.com/aboutus/history.php for more information



Sheet Metal Seminar June 7th

8 am at EVCC at PAE Limited to 25 attendees, please bring safety glasses.

Coffee and donuts available to get you started

Membership Benefits Program is Taking Off

Since our introduction of the Membership Benefits Program at the Pacific Northwest Aviation Conference, we have had resounding responses from many businesses around the Pacific Northwest. After the conference, we sent out an email to 25 businesses that were at the show, after having talked to them already. Everybody we talk to has expressed resounding support of our program. The next time you fly; please give these partners "the business".

The following businesses have already signed up:

McCormick Air Center, Theresa Hart KYKM, 25 cents per gallon discount on fuel, 10% Discount on VFR/IFR Certification, 10% Discount on I-COM and Garmin Handheld Radio and GPS

McAllister Museum, Roberta Dela Houssaye, 509-457-4933, Call to arrange, KYKM 10 cents per gallon discount on fuel

AC Propeller Service, Mike Worden, KBFI, 10% discount on Propeller and Governor overhauls, repairs, and sales

Northwest Aviation Center, Dave Wheeler, KPAE,\$75.00 (regularly \$90.00) discounted price towards a Flight Review; one hour instructor flight time and one hour ground time.

Tsuniah Lake Lodge, Eric Brebner, <u>Brebner@shaw.ca</u>, British Columbia, Canada, 10% discount on lodging

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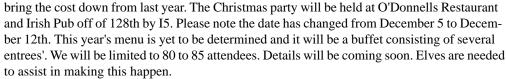
May Program Review: New EA18 Growlers of NAS Whidbey

Bob Papadakis was a Naval Flight officer with 14 years experience in the A6 and 3 years in the E A6-B. The EA 18G, "A New Dog in the Flight" will be replacing the E A6-B. The Growler is a 2 person cockpit as opposed to the 4 person cockpit in the E A6-B. The Growler program is a quick paced program that started in 2004 with the authority to start. There will be 85 aircraft with 5 per squadron. The aircraft will have a service life into 2031. In June of 2008 (very soon) the first Growlers will come to NAS Whidbey.



2008 WPA Christmas Party

No one has stepped up to chair this year's Christmas Party. Not wanting to disappoint anyone, your PAE WPA Board has jointly taken on this task for this year. It was decided to keep it simple and

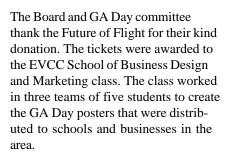


Sincerely, Your Executive Board

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Membership

by Dick Kinnier

Hard to believe it's June and the year is already half over, and this without any spring to speak of. Of course I prefer to think of it as only having 4 months before starting the 2009 renewal process (just joking.) As a lot of you already may know

our new Sec'y, Steve Waterman, felt that Sec'y and membership would be a very complimentary activity and volunteered to assume the

membership role as well. I'm grateful to Steve after having done this job for more years than I can remember. It'll be great to have some youthful exuberance and new ideas for the growth of the chapter. Steve and I will co-chair the effort for the next few months with the intent of Steve assuming full responsibility effective Oct. 1, 2008 or earlier if possible.



Now that June is here and hangar doors are opening for the flying season (they sure didn't open in the March through mid-May period), it's time to get out there and get acquainted or reacquainted with your neighbors. Find out if they are members of the PAE field chapter, and if not, urge them to join us. If you don't find "sales" an easy task but think you may know of a possible new member, send his or her phone number and email address to me. Steve or I will do the proselytizing for you. With over 400 based aircraft on the field, it shouldn't be too difficult to find some new folks who would enjoy our company AND be in a position make great contributions to the chapter. As of today, May 15, 2008, we have 189 paid members for this year, about the same as the number at the END of last year. If each of us makes a small effort at recruiting, I think 250 would be a reasonable expectation for our membership, don't you?? The best sales tool is often word of mouth.

See you all at the next meeting!!!



General Aviation Day 2008

"Folks – had a great time at the event on Saturday! The kids loved it. Thanks for putting it on."



A couple from Woodinville with 2 kids, as the kids departed on Young Eagle flight: "This is a great event. We didn't know that the pilots were volunteeering their time and the fuel - more should be said about that. We really appreciate that nearly everything except the food is free and even that is very reasonable."

Grandmother of an 8 year old just after her YE flight, to the YE pilot: "My grandaughter says that this is the best day of her life!"

People came from near and far: Deutschland, Malaysia and next door

I noticed some gentlemen just having too much fun at NW Aviation Center talking about Light Sport and then on the ramp admiring the display aircraft. I approached and asked "how did you hear about this?" One gentleman told me the story. He was aware of the event, since he worked at Boeing, and the evening before was visiting the Space Needle. There was a private event at the needle and he and some others could not go up. He started a conversation with the other gentleman and found out they were visiting Michigan State engineering students. One student's home was Malaysia the others Germany. Since they were interested in aviation, they were touring Seattle and on Saturday were headed to the Future of Flight. The Boeing Engineer said "if you going to the FOF on Saturday you have to go to General Aviation Day as well". Now it turns out they had no personal transportation to get to all of these events, so the Boeing Engineer says "no problem, I will just come pick you up". Their smiles told me everything else, need I say more?

Stephanie











Tyee Sport Club

17 cars plus a few others that
just had to join them



Comments from the Crowd

From the Local Neighborhood: Liked static displays, sitting in helicopters and air-

Liked being up close and personal to airplanes. Awesome event.

Loved the fly bys and airplanes flying in formation.

Liked being close to the airplanes on the ground.

Like that the event is free.

Liked the pancake breakfast best.

Would have liked more of an air show.

From Everett:

Liked to look inside airplanes, got into helicopter and float plane Liked fly bys coming in

Liked United Airlines history

Would have liked to see the inside of the jet engine that was on display

Would have liked to see real bombs on the bomber or something that shows their size

Loved the number of airplanes on the ground and the fly bys

Liked the variety of aircraft and being welcomed to sit in them

Liked the friendly casual environment

Liked Static displays and kids were able to get into the airplanes

Taste of Mukilteo was too short

From Lynnwood:

Liked getting up close to airplanes

Liked the kids sitting in airplanes

Would have liked something for the kids to take home such as a sticker or a toy (evidently missed seeing my airplane N78797 with handouts of stickers, wood gliders and coloring books)

I interviewed a diverse mix of people. A lot more people attended this year than last year so kudos on the promotion this year. Everyone loved being able to get up close to the helicopters and airplanes. Many people were hungry and thirsty and were under served in this area

by Janis Chastain





88 degrees staying

cool in the shade

Airplane Camping by Alan Negrin

Part one of a 2 part story

Five years ago I purchased a used, flying Glasair 1 RG. At the time, that airplane fulfilled my mission for going fast and doing some light aerobatics. However, as much as my wife supported me in the pursuit and purchase of such an airplane, she never really liked to fly in it.

So for the fours years that I owned it, quite often I would suggest going somewhere on a getaway over a weekend or just a little day trip and she would say,



"I want to go camping" or go to the mountains to hike or have some other reason not to want to go with flying with me in the little speedster. I would then give in and we would load up the car and go camping. We would head out to one of the crowded campgrounds in the area and attempt to find a place to bed down for a couple of nights.

Then, in 2004 I came to work for Glasair Aviation and was introduced to the Sportsman, the big brother to the now famous GlaStar that was first introduced in 1994. It took a while, but after having the opportunity to fly the Sportsman around the country and give many, many demo flights, I began to really like it. More importantly, so did my wife.

The company introduced a program in late 2004 to help people build a new Sportsman, here at the factory with factory help, by late 2005 I had sold the Glasair and in September of last year, I built a new Sportsman in the Two Weeks to Taxi program. I spent the rest of the year doing test flying and then sent it to the paint shop in January.

By May we were really ready to take N2CQ on her first camping trip to the Idaho back country. We started planning and reorganizing all of our camping gear to transition from car camping to airplane camping. We decided to go over the Memorial Holiday weekend, the official beginning to the summer season, right? Well not so much in the Pacific Northwest, but more about that later.

We pored over charts and the "Fly Idaho" book. We called the Idaho department of aviation; we talked to other pilots with local knowledge and finally decided to make our first trip to Magee (S77). If you search Airnav.com, you will see Coeur d'Alene as the city associated with Magee. The airstrip is actually 23 nautical miles east of the city but the terrain rises sharply to an average of 3500 feet. The airstrip is in a river basin (we think it is the Coeur d'Alene River Basin) that meanders through the foothills the preferred approach is to fly in from the northeast up the river drainage. We just came over the top on a direct to GPS heading and when we found the airport directly beneath, we just descended into the valley and lined up for a landing to the south.



We touched down on a beautifully manicured and freshly mowed runway about lunchtime on Saturday. It was like landing on a golf course fairway. The weather was absolutely beautiful; sunny and low 60's.

We met two volunteers from the Idaho Pilot's association that were there on a work party. One was mowing the runway while the other man was weed whacking around the campsites. N2CQ was the only airplane there. As a matter of fact, it was the only one for the entire weekend.

We thought we were in heaven. We were on our first airplane camping trip. I had just "Killed Two <u>Stones</u> With One <u>Bird</u>". That's right. I got my wife to go flying and she got me to go camping. The three of us were bliss (her, me and N2CQ).

To be continued.

Next Meeting June 6th Sno-Isle Vocational Skill Center 9001 Airport Road

Everett, WA 98201

Catered dinner (\$10 per person) at 7 P.M., Meeting at 7:45 P.M.,

Program at 8:00 P.M.

June 6th Gen Mtg , program "Challenge Air"
June 7th Sheet Metal Seminar 8 am @EVCC
June 12th Chapter Board Mtg
July 10th Chapter Board Mtg
July 12th (to be confirmed) NAS Whidbey Tour
August 1st General Mtg, Movie Night
August 7th Chapter Board Meeting
September 5th Hangar Party
December 12th Christmas Party

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