



SPOKANE FLYER

JULY 2010

Summer sizzles with hot burgers and hot dogs at annual Spokane Chapter BBQ

Wednesday, July 14th will be the annual "Eller Park" Spokane Chapter WPA picnic at the home of Duane and Judy Cocking, 8233 N Glenarvon Ln near Newman Lake. To get there, just go east or west on Trent (State Route 290) and turn north on Starr Road, right on Lincoln Rd., then left on Glenarvon.



Feel free to fly in but please call Duane, at 509-226-2385 to get your specific instructions on flying in, parking, etc. Bring the family (but leave the dog at home).

Master Chef Dave Lucke will be searing the mammal flesh on the grill, (burgers, Longhorn dogs and BallPark franks). There will be all the "fixens" for your burgers and dogs. If you can, bring your favorite side dish to round out the menu. Things like coleslaw, chips, baked beans, potato salad, or macaroni salad are welcome. The Chapter will provide water and soft drinks. Feel free to bring your own adult refreshment.

Be prepared for an exceptional exchange of intellectual conversation. We should start serving about 6:30 or so.

NEXT CHAPTER MEETING

ANNUAL CHAPTER BBQ

WEDNESDAY
July 14, 2010

6:00 P.M.

Duane & Judy Cockings
8233 N. Glenarvon Lane
Newman Lake

FCC trumps FAA by banning 121.5 ELT's

The Federal Communications Commission took the general aviation world by surprise when it said in a recent report it will prohibit the sale or use of 121.5 MHz emergency locator transmitters, effective in August, 2010.



The 121.5 ELTs are allowed under FAA rules. The FCC said its rules have been amended to prohibit further certification, manufacture, importation, sale or use of 121.5 MHz ELTs. The FCC says that if the 121.5 units are no longer available, aircraft owners and operators will "migrate" to the newer 406.0-406.1 MHz ELTs, which are monitored by satellite, while the 121.5 frequency is not." The FCC said that, "Were we to permit continued marketing and use of 121.5 MHz ELT's, it would engender the risk that aircraft owners and operators would mistakenly rely on those ELTs for the relay of distress alerts." The Aircraft Owners and Pilots Association (AOPA) said it is opposed to the rule change.

"The FCC is making a regulatory change that would impose an extra cost on GA operators, without properly communicating with the industry or understanding the implications of its action," said AOPA Vice President of Regulatory Affairs Rob Hackman. "There is no FAA requirement to replace 121.5 MHz units with 406 MHz technology."



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President's Message: Duane Lukan

David Folsom Port Director for U.S. Customs and Border Protection at Spokane gave a presentation at our general meeting on June 16th for pilots crossing the international border.

Here is a short recap especially for members who didn't get to attend. Internet notification of each border crossing is mandatory. The first step is to get registered with eAPIS in advance.



Registration could take anywhere from a day to a week. Then you need to report each crossing flight using that system at least an hour before departure. You could make that report as much as several weeks before departure if you know your itinerary. Outbound and inbound flights can be entered at the same time. On inbound flights in addition to eAPIS you still need to call CBP with an ETA at least an hour before landing and make your appointment with Customs.

I was pleased to learn that we are not restricted entirely to regular business hours. Dave and his crew will make themselves available at any hour they can. You do need to make the call for an inspection appointment during regular hours if at all possible. Otherwise you will probably be leaving a message on a machine and face the uncertainty of waiting for a call back. When you make the call be sure to talk directly with a customs inspector. Leaving a message, either voicemail, with a third party or ADCUS on the flight plan will not guarantee compliance or that a Customs officer received the message and will be present when you arrive. Failure to comply could result in a \$5000 dollar fine for the first and double that for subsequent offences, so better not take chances.

On the "Wilderness Within Reach" flight to Cavanaugh Bay for the Hutton Settlement kids we are now looking at August 21 instead of August 7. The new date is more favorable for water activities at the lake. The people at Hutton are doing a final check on their activity schedule.

There is a rule change for clearance to taxi for take-off. Effective June 30, 2010, air traffic controllers will no longer use "taxi to" when authorizing aircraft to taxi to a runway for takeoff. They will clear pilots to cross any runways individually along the route. Check out FAA Order N JO 7110.528 for details.

The FCC announced 121.5 MHz ELTs to be banned in August. I expect AOPA will weigh in and have some influence on that proposal.

I hope to see you all at the July 14th barbeque. I really value the opportunity to rub elbows, talk about things we can do and nurture friendships.

CHICKEN WINGS

BY MICHAEL AND STEFAN STRASSER



Through special arrangements with Michael and Stefan Strasser, we are pleased to have the Chicken Wings comic strip in *Spokane Flyer*. For more strips, products, and offers, check out their website at: www.chickenwingscomics.com



Spokane Chapter Puzzle

It's back! Our famous word puzzle. Since we're having our BBQ this month, it's only fitting that we use a picnic theme. This is a perfect way to pass the time while you're waiting for Dave Lucke to cook your burder.

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Upcoming event

Lower Granite Fly-In planning underway

by Tom Morris

The responses for a date for the first Boyer Park Fly-in and BBQ points toward Saturday September 25th. Most of the summer events will be behind us and heat in the canyon should be more comfortable to fly and play in.



This is the first time for this event, so there will be a lot of planning to do. The overall idea is to have a Fly-in, social event open for all clubs and groups who wish to participate. Fly or drive it-doesn't matter how you get there. Be sure to mark your calendar for this year's Boyer Park BBQ. It will be held on a Saturday for those who may want come early, or stay another day. Motor home hookups and tent camping are available as well as several motel rooms at the Boyer Park Store. Activities will include a day use area for swimming, biking, hiking, Frisbee skills fishing or whatever you can dream up.

I would anticipate arriving between 9-10am, with the BBQ starting between noon and 1pm. It will be a potluck event for side dishes and desserts. More info is forth coming as the planning committee closes in on the plan for the event.

The afternoon would provide time for everyone to do as they wish, from visiting with other individuals to getting involved in an activity you are interested in. There are horseshoe pits; volleyball might be an option, or just taking a walk, checking out the park area and facilities. For those who have not toured Lower Granite Dam and Locks, we may be able to setup travel to and from the fish ladder viewing room at the Dam. There will be more info coming, but for now, mark your calendar and plan to join us at the Boyer Park Fly-in and BBQ. For addition info: email me at tzmorris@comcast.net or call 509-939-4459.

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Baker, Oregon is the place to be in late July

by Mel Cross

I would like to invite everyone to the 8th annual “Wings Over Baker” steak feed, huckleberry pancake breakfast and airshow, on July 23-24.

Friday night features a traditional steak feed that has been going on for over sixty years. Saturday morning starts out with a fresh picked huckleberry pancake breakfast, Bagpipes & Drums music and demonstration by the Eastern Oregon Celtic Society. Then into “Just In Time” skydivers from California and the airshow. If you have been here, you must come back for this.

Check our website at: www.wingsoverbaker.com . or call 541-519-6018.

Crossing the border-The Sequel by Dave Lucke

Here is some additional info as a follow up to the June WPA Spokane Chapter meeting:

Special thanks to Officer David Folsom from the U.S. Department of Homeland Security for giving us an update on flying across the border. In summary, all pilots need to get their aircraft and crew approved by eAPIS prior to crossing the US border. eAPIS is a Web-based application designed to assist you in providing electronic traveler manifest information to Customs and Border Protection (CBP) for travel both into and out of the United States. eAPIS collects and passes the electronic manifest data to the Advance Passenger Information System.

So first you need to set up an eAPIS account. Go to <https://eapis.cbp.dhs.gov>, select private aviation and proceed to set up your account for you as the pilot, (crew), and your aircraft. You will need your passport number. In a few weeks you will get an email with the information to complete the setup of your eAPIS account.

After you get the eAPIS account set up, you will be able to fly out of or into the US as long as you have an eAPIS clearance number. At least one hour prior to departure, access your eAPIS account on the web and submit your passenger manifest complete with passport numbers, etc. If everything is OK, in about an hour you will be issued an eAPIS clearance number. You can do this hours or even days before departure, (check the rules). You can get your outbound clearance AND you inbound clearance at the same time, if you want. You must have an eAPIS clearance number to exit AND enter the US.

You still need to file a flight plan just like in the past. In many cases, you can fly to Canada, call customs and tell them you have arrived. On returning to the US you must fly to an “Airport of Entry” as your first point of landing. It is highly recommended that you leave your handguns at home. AOPA has a really good eAPIS tutorial on their website.



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