



SPOKANE FLYER

JULY 2012

Big sizzling burgers and buns are waiting for you at Chapter annual picnic

The July WPA meeting will be the annual "EllerPark" picnic at the home of Judy and Duane Cocking located at 8322 N. Glenarvon Lane near Newman Lake on Wednesday, July 18th.

The program will consist of intellectually stimulating conversation among those attending this special event.

Burgers and hot dogs will be served at about 6:00 p.m. Bring a special side dish, dessert, or salad of your choice to share with your fellow pilots and their families. The burgers and brats will be provided. Feel free to bring the refreshing beverage of your choice.

Feel free to fly in but please call Duane, at 509-226-2385 to get specific instructions on flying in, parking, etc.

How do you get there by car?...Go north on Starr Road from Trent Avenue (SR 290), Turn right on Lincoln Drive, then left on Glenarvon. Follow the sweet smell of the barbeque to Duane and Judy's house on the right.



Master chef Dave Lucke will be flipping the burgers and dogs at the 2012 picnic.



Feel free to join in and bring a side dish.



Everyone loves Dave's cooking!

Local pilot receives Wright Brothers Master Pilot Award from FAA



Congratulations to our very own Inland Northwest flyer, Charlie Stoudt of Seven Bays, WA, for receiving the Wright Brother's Master Pilot Award. The award was presented in Davenport WA on June 16th 2012. Minard Thompson, FAA Safety Team Manager for the Northwest, also with a long list of aviation accomplishments, presented the award. Charlie soloed on September 7, 1937 at BFI, you can see a list of his adventures at: www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZISXvCICEFI&feature=youtu.be

Charlie has some impressive credentials, flying for the Royal Air Force in World War II, TWA, Royal Saudi Airlines, Air Jordan, Middle East Airlines, and of course, Air America in Southeast Asia.

Stoudt is also an accomplished sketch artist. See page 3 for some of his aviation drawings.

Congrats Charlie! Very nice award and well deserved!



Charles Stoudt and Skippe

The FAA Wright Brothers Master Pilot Award recognizes pilots who have demonstrated professionalism, skill and aviation expertise by maintaining safe operations for 50 or more years.

UPCOMING CHAPTER MEETINGS & ACTIVITIES:

Annual Chapter Picnic

Wednesday, July 18, 2012-6pm
 Judy and Duane Cockings Hangar
 Ellerpark Airport (WN54)
 8233 N. Glenarvon Rd., Newman Lake, WA



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President's Message: Terry Newcomb

We have our annual BBQ at the Cocking's hanger on Ellerport July 18th, with Dave Lucke as Master Chef. It's a Wednesday night, so please drive or fly over and join us for dinner and a good time. Only requirement is you have to like aviation, or know



someone that likes aviation, to be there. I expect there will be a lot of hanger talk going on. We will be flying the Hutton Settlement children in August and if you are willing to help, just call one of the board members and let us know.

In the fall try to keep your third Wednesday available each month because we have the Fairchild Survival School Leaders speaking to us about surviving a crash in the back country. The Spokane International Air Traffic Control and TRACON will speak in October about the activities at GEG. We hope to have wings credit available for these programs. You are welcome to join us for all these great activities. Check out our website at www.wpaflys.org Spokane Chapter.

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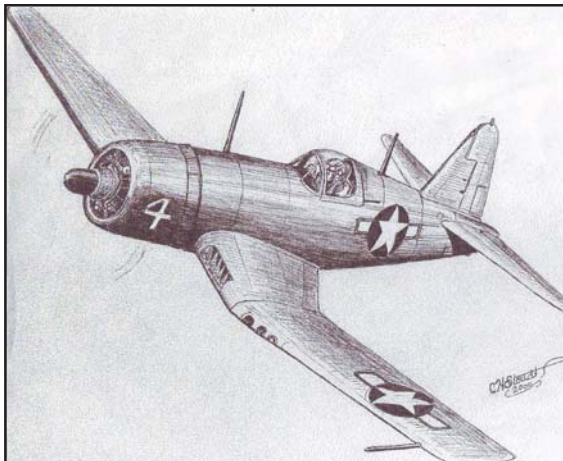
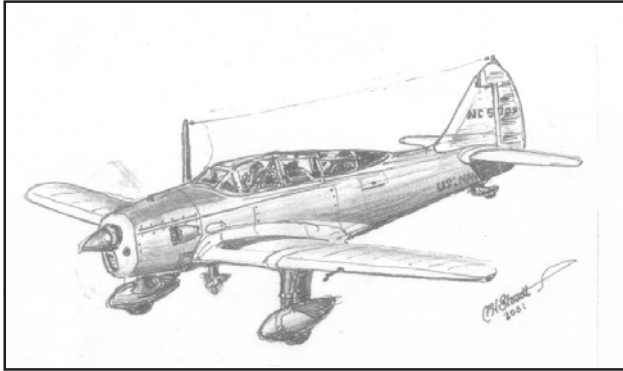
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The aviation sketches of Charlie Stoudt



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Eastside VP Report by Tom Morris

As WPA/VP of the Eastside, I have been attending eastside chapter meetings to meet the members and learn what the chapter priorities are. Early in June I attended the Yakima dinner meeting. It was fun to see old friends and meet the members of the chapter. Yakima is a very active group with frequent Saturday fly-outs, poker runs and other activities. The Yakima Chapter is currently involved with an advisory committee in place to help give input and ideas to the Yakima Airport officials to consider for future airport planning. They had just learned that the FAA was not planning to support the maintenance to keep runway 4-22 open, and there was a possibility of adding a sod runway to the airport. These are some of the reasons we need to stay involved with our airports and future planning.

My wife and I just recently returned from the Okanogan WPA meeting held in Tonasket. Our Northern Washington group is also very active with fly-ins, open houses and rides. They are working on stopping a possible sewer lagoon being located too close to the Omak Airport. I'm very impressed to learn of honest interests both of these Chapters have taken to help shape their Airports future. I still have a number of Eastside Chapters meetings to attend. I plan to get to them in the next few months. Earlier in the year I went to a Wings event on crossing the border into Canada held by the Deer Park and Colville Chapters, it too was very well attended. It is nice to see we are making a difference.



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Felts Field Fuel and Field News

from Western Aviation

We have recently been reminded by the airport that there is to be no in-hangar fueling.

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To stay in compliance with current fire code regulation NFPA-407, if you request into-plane fueling and your aircraft is inside a hangar, it will need to be pulled out to the ramp to receive fuel. If you wish, we are happy to assist you with that process. We realize this may be an inconvenience for some of you and are ready and willing to help minimize any challenges this may cause.

Additionally, it seems as if summer construction season has begun, and not just on area roads! Portions of Felts Field will soon be under construction. Workers will be repaving and improving surface areas. Please be prepared for potential congestion around the fueling island and in general once the construction project has begun.

Also, if you are interested in any alternative fuels, please let us know what they are and how many gallons you would estimate using in a year's time. This will help us explore future possibilities and is one of the ways we are working to better serve you.

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