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**Dinner Reservations
due date April 25th
RSVP @
www.wpa-paine.org
or call 425-388-5125 ext 6**

**New Benefits
for members
now in place.
Check them out @
www.WPAFlies.org**

**Next Newsletter deadline:
May 19th
newsletter@wpa-paine.org
submission specs available on
our web site**

President's Message

by Greg Bell

Greetings fellow aviators. The April general meeting almost never happened due to a slight miscue with the Sno-Isle facility. They were on Spring Break! I want to thank everyone involved in getting our meeting switched over to the Museum of Flight Restoration Center at the last minute. It actually turned out to be serendipitous since we got to see the Comet up close and personal. Thanks to Jim Goodall for a great presentation and thanks to all at the MOF for letting us use their facility on short notice. I will always have a much deeper appreciation now when I look at an old plane in a museum and realize how many thousands of man hours of labor have gone into the restoration. I saw the Comet about a year ago and I think the progress is amazing.



I recently got a free simulator ride at Flight Safety International near Sea-Tac. The simulated aircraft was the Q400. I had never flown anything with more than 235HP and this thing had about 5,000 a side. It was a full motion simulator. I got to shoot approaches and "land" at several high traffic airports including JFK, SFO, SEA, etc., in all kinds of weather conditions. I got to experience a single engine failure which was quite interesting since I am not multi-engine rated. Thank goodness for rudder trim. Even with the instructor's advice not to land nose up like in most GA airplanes that we fly, I had a tail strike which I could feel and see via confirmation of some annunciators on the panel. By the end of the "flight" I was sweating. The going rate for this particular simulator was about \$800 per hour so I feel very fortunate to have gotten some free time in it.

General Aviation Day (May 17th) is fast approaching. We can never have too many volunteers. Please contact Jim or Marilyn Fries (see pg 3) if you would like to help out. This is a great opportunity for us to get visibility and interact with the community. Being around air shows and events like this when I was a kid definitely influenced me to become a pilot. Get involved!

Hope to see you around the airport.

The Pres

General Aviation Day and Taste of Mukilteo

Saturday, May 17th show starts at 10 am

**Pancake breakfast starts at 8 am for volunteers
and opens at 9 am to the public**

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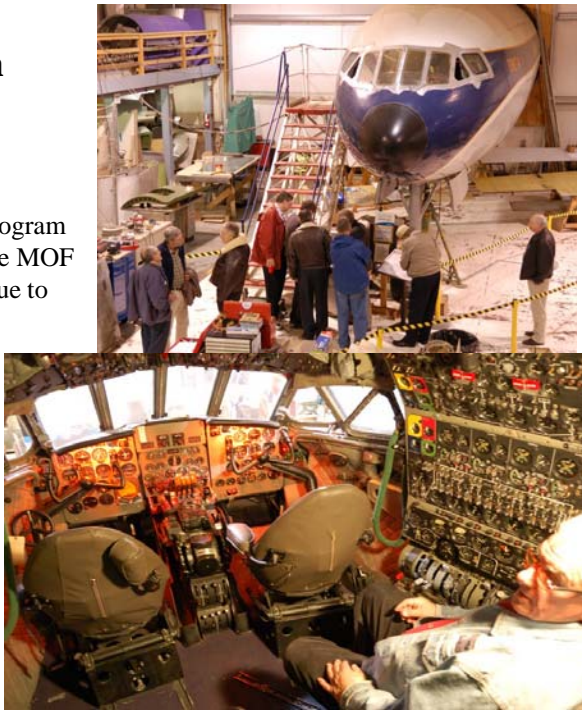


May Program: New EA18 Growlers of NAS Whidbey

Bob Papadakis is currently employed by the Boeing Company as EA-18G NAS Whidbey Integration Lead. He is retired from the Navy and was the former squadron leader for the Prowlers at Whidbey, and is currently the military liaison to Boeing for the EA-18 Growlers.

April Program Review: The Comet

April's meeting and program had to be moved to the MOF Restoration Facility due to Spring Break at Sno Isle. Jim Goodall entertained us again with an interesting history of the Comet and his journey of restoration. The program was followed with a tour of the facility. Dinner was catered by Chelsey's Place.



A Follow Up on the RAF



Bill Loomis at EVCC requested that I give a taste of what General Aviation is in the US to visitors from the Royal Air Force Museum in Cosford, UK. Tim Wallis, the mentor from RAF Museum, was delighted with the short flight I provided, which took them over small airports and an airpark in our surrounding area. Tim indicated

that this was just about an impossibility in England with the cost of fuel and user fees. On researching the cost in England, I came up with fuel costs of \$8 to \$12 a gallon, landing fees of \$19 to \$64, Skyhawk rentals through flying clubs at \$270 per hour. I did not research any of the other fees. One of our past members, from England, told me that flying small aircraft does exist and most people are not aware that it does. Flights take place out of private grass strips, no transponders, no one talks to anyone, flights are short, avoiding airways and controlled airspace. The pilot still pays the owner of the strip for these privileges. Does this stimulate you to fight against user fees?

by Stephanie Allen

A clarification to April's Newsletter, the article titled News with an international flair was written by Bill Loomis of EVCC

Did you know that WPA has a storage hangar?

It is located on Central Ramp at PAE by Gate N2. Last Sunday the hangar was cleaned and organized by Steve Waterman, Les Smith, Jim Morgan, Susan Kennedy, Rich Jones and Stephanie Allen. What is in the hangar? A lending library, State WPA records, PAE Chapter records, Aviation Academy supplies, General Aviation Day records and supplies, coffee service and dinner service supplies (cups, utensils, plates etc.).

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Saturday Morning Fly-outs

We meet around 10:00 AM at Regal Air, Paine Field, nearly every Saturday morning (consult our calendar on the web for special events).

All are welcome (Non-pilots as well as non-members of WPA).

No "charge" - Just please help your pilot with fuel!

And Now for Something Completely Different!

Saturday, May 24, we will be going to Sekiu (11S) for their Sekiu Memorial Day Weekend Fly-in Brunch. That's weather (and winds) permitting, of course. The cost for food is \$8 for "normal" adults - but \$7 for seniors! And that's most of the "regulars" at our Saturday flyouts. They will be serving at 10:00 thru noon, so I would like us to be at Regal early that day as I hope to have us mobilized by 9:30. Hope to see some new folks with us that weekend.

General Aviation Day and Taste of Mukilteo

Saturday, May 17th, Show time 10 am to 3 pm



Wanted Static Display Airplanes

Display your aircraft in our static display area along with the Cascade Warbirds, Historic Aircraft Foundation, Museum of Flight and the Flying Heritage Collection, and more.



Registration forms available at the General Meeting or JRFries@comcast.net.

Display ramp opens at 10 am
Pilot lounge located at YE Tent and in the Airport Conference room

Wanted Volunteers : Airplane Marshals, Gate Security, Setup assistance, WPA Booth, Young Eagles Office help, closing and cleanup



E-mail your interest to JRFries@comcast.net and/or Come to our Volunteer Dinner at the MOF Restoration facility Thursday, May 15th at 6:30.



Wanted Walkie Talkies to borrow for the day
contact Greg Bell 206-715-0005
president@wpa-paine.org



Wanted Young Eagles Pilots

Must be an EAA Member and have 1 million in insurance.
Contact Rich @425-349-9802 or Richard.P.Jones@Boeing.com



Don't forget the Pancake Breakfast opens @ 8 am for volunteers and @ 9 am for the public.
The Taste of Mukilteo runs from 11:30 until the food runs out.

WPA State Board Retreat

In light of the Long-term Air Transportation Study, John Sibold, WSDOT Aviation Division Director, presented an overview of the Independent Assessment for the 17 State Managed Airports. He discussed the related Aviation Goals and Inventory Benchmarks as well how we place value to each. That in turn led to the discussion of funding and how to prioritize limited resources. The true value of Mr Sibold's presentation led the Board to look at one of our primary objectives – Advocacy – and analyze what the WPA should focus on in order to preserve airports.

In addition to understanding that “all politics is local” (requiring our “local” involvement), we came away with 5 recommendations to be addressed at the State level and two specific items within WSDOT . . . all for consideration by the LATS Commission. Understand that there will be a position paper for each of the following items and that paper will require extensive research. To save our remaining 139 statewide airports we need to do the following:

At the State Level . . .

1. Strengthen the Noise and Safety Overlay Compliance . . . from recommendation to requirement
2. Essential Public Facilities and Land Use Compatibility . . . tie these two together
3. Height Restrictions . . . hold property owners responsible for growing or building into our airspace

At the State Level in terms of Education and Safety

1. Aviation Education . . . look at ways to encourage young adults to enter aviation
2. Liability Insurance . . . specifically research tort reform for mechanics

For WSDOT

1. Encourage WSDOT to update their economic studies . . . financial impact . . . include outside the fence
2. Strengthen the WSDOT Grant Assurance program . . . Airports receiving funds must maintain properties as airports.

I also appointed two committees. The first will assist me and the board to deal with the technical aspects of Airspace (including TFRs) and Approaches. The second committee will act as a sounding board for all things political. This new Political Committee will be made up of Jerry Nichols, Colleen Turner and Les Flue. Our Technical Committee will be chaired by Dave Wheeler with assistance from Tom Jensen, Jack Krause and Dave Miller.

by State President John Dobson

Volunteer Opportunities : A call to the membership. Contact bod@wpa-paine.org

Secretary and Membership Chair positions have been filled. Still want to Help? All committees always can use more volunteers.

Aviation Academy Director - The annual Aviation Academy session gives us the chance to share our love of aviation with youth ages 13-18, and possibly introduce tomorrow's pilots and aviation enthusiasts to a new world of career opportunities today. The Aviation Academy director is responsible for assembling volunteer instructors, compiling materials, and scheduling sessions for the four week course. Existing curriculum, volunteer instructors, organizations for the donation of educational materials, and the tremendous support of the Paine Field staff are all in place to make the job of the director very easy. A new director also has the chance to add his or her unique touches to the program if they so wish. There is always room to improve and grow the program! For information about the program and director responsibilities and resources, please contact Kevin Kelly at aviator2000@verizon.net or 425-418-3568.

Christmas Party Chairman: Like to party, then this is for you. Training and assistance will be provided. This position needs to be filled now. Research on potential facilities is in progress. Please do not wait to volunteer for this position.



General Aviation Day Co-Chair: To work with Chairpersons Jim and Marilyn Fries (pictured) to obtain hands on training for running the event. The goal is to obtain the experience necessary to Chair the 2009 event.

Legislative Chairman: To work with State WPA Legislative Chairman on land use planning issues and technical issues regarding airspace and other issues affecting members at Paine Field.

Steve Waterman: PAE Chapter Secretary and new co-chair of membership committee

by *Freddy Flyboy*

(1)How and when did you get interested in or into aviation?

I have been fascinated with airplanes since I was a little boy. My grandfather started flying in 1929 and I have his log books. He was a CFI in world war two and owned a biplane. I was in the Navy and stationed on an aircraft carrier. I got to trap in an S-3 Viking, which was the most exciting flight of my life. When I turned 50 I decided that flying was something that I had to do for myself.



(2)What aircraft have you owned and if you own one now what model? What non-owned aircraft have you flown?

My first half hour was in a Piper Super Cub on floats. My instruction was in a 172. I got my complex in a Mooney M20C, and I have flown 152's also. I do not own an aircraft but would like to build an RV some day.

(3)Are you involved or have ever been involved as a volunteer in any other aviation related organization?

Just the USNavy aboard the USS Constellation.

(4)What is/was your career?

I'm a family dentist and owner of Town Center Family Dentistry in the new Mill Creek Town Center.

(5)What inspires you about aviation?

What's not to like?! I love it that not just anyone can do it. I have found the pilot community to be made up of interesting and intelligent people. I love the machines and I love all of the gadgets and gizmos. I love being part of something that has shaped history and created legendary characters. I love the mental challenge of flight. I love the rush of leaving the earth and the breath taking view of the Puget sound from above. It's just cool to take off from Paine Field to fly to Friday Harbor and be eating lunch by the water in less than an hour!

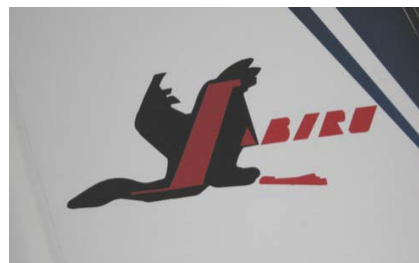
(6)Why are you a member of PAE WPA?

To be around other pilots and to contribute to the advancement of general aviation in our community

There is a new kid on the block, and its a Sport Plane

Jabiru is a town in the [Northern Territory](#) of [Australia](#) or in this case a light sport aircraft. Gary Hill, PAE WPA Director, is the proud owner of this brand new aircraft. Come see it at General Aviation Day.

Specs: Wing Span 30 ft, Length 21 ft 5 in, height 7 ft 10 in, fuel consumption @ cruise 5 gph, take off distance 720 ft, cruise @ 75% 120 kt, gross weight 1320 lbs, usable load 540 lbs.



Next Meeting
May 2nd
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.

The Paine Flyer
Snohomish County Airport Paine Field
3220 100th Street SW
Everett, WA 98204
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- May 8th Chapter Board Mtg 7 pm Airport Conf. Rm
- May 17th General Aviation Day
- May 24th Fly-out Sekiu Pancake Breakfast
- June 6th Gen Mtg , program "Challenge Air"
- June 7th (to be confirmed) Skykomish Workparty
- 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

CLASSIFIED ADS free to WPA members
 adds will run for 2 months unless otherwise requested

1996 Bonanza A36-1/2 Share Partnership
 Why pay 100% of ownership expenses when you can only fly a small percentage of the time. A beautiful A36, hangered at KPAE. Garmin 430, King KAP140 autopilot, Fuel Totalizer & More... 1100 lbs usefull load
 Erik 206-498-5608 \$140K

Aircraft for Sale
 1964 C-172. Full IFR. 500 SMOH Excellent paint and interior \$47,500

Avionics for Sale
 King KR87 ADF \$1500

BFR Your Plane \$100: Must be current.
Contact: Jim Smith, CFI CFII
Phone: 425-218-2150
E-Mail: JimSmithCFI@msn.com

Nose wheel fairings
 C172 (needs repair)



& C182 (good shape) C182 has hardware
 Rich 425-349-9802



FOR SALE - Hot Air Balloon
Totally turnkey - includes trailer, fan, dual blowers basket and bag.
Call Northwest Aviation Center - 425-438-0596

Wanted: IFR Pilot owner to buy in on 20% share in 1981 Mooney 231.
 New factory overhauled engine and turbo installed September 2007. Paint is 9/10. Interior 7/10. Avionics include full IFR panel with KNS81 and autopilot that will fly coupled approaches. Cruise 231 mph on 13 GPH! Range 1000 miles with IFR reserves. Plane is hangered at PAE in Everett, WA. Must have over 250 hours in complex singles and be IFR rated.
 Cost \$34,000 for 1/5 share.
 Contact Michael Moore : N97119@lsutigers.org
 or Angus Walker: angusw@rockisland.com

WPA STORE

Name Badges \$6.00
 See our web page for a selection of logo shirts
 e-mail: store@wpa-paine.org

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