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Upcoming Events

March 2nd @ 1830

Board Meeting
 Propeller Aero Services
 2nd Floor Conference Room

March 3rd @ 1800

General Membership Meeting
 Shawn O'Donnel's

March 8th @ 1900

VMC/IMC - WPA Paine Field
 Safety Forum
 Simulation Flight

Remembering Robert (Bob) Roetcisoender

By George Futas

Bob was a long-time member and supporter of our WPA Paine Field chapter and was well known in the aviation community around Paine Field. His wife, Susan, reported that Bob passed away on December 27, 2022.

Bob was born in Seattle, grew up on the family farm in Bothell. He graduated from Bothell High School in 1954, then worked his way through 4 years at Washington State University earning a BA in General Sciences.

He received his commission in the Air Force in June 1958 and had an outstanding 30- year career. He was a Master Navigator with over 3,500 flying hours and 105 combat missions.

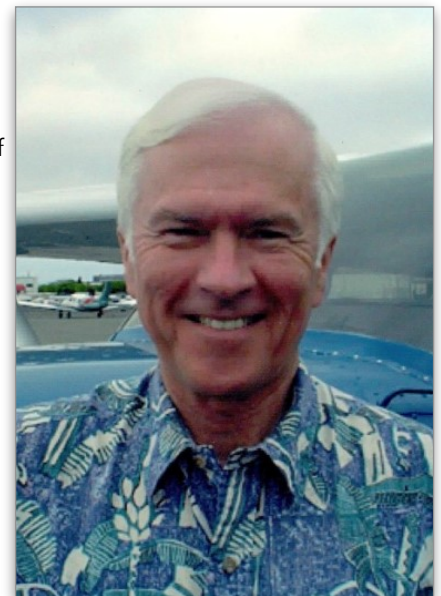
Bob was one of the first navigators to be selected as a Reconnaissance Systems Officer in the SR-71 (Blackbird). He also flew in EC-47s, OV-10s, O-2s, and C-118s.

Bob advanced to become the Vice Commander of the 1st Strategic Aerospace Division, Vandenberg Air Force Base, CA. His final assignment was as the Commander and Professor of Aerospace Studies at the University of Washington. He retired from the Air Force in 1988 as a highly decorated Colonel. His awards and decorations include the Legion of Merit, the Distinguished Flying Cross, and the Bronze Star Medal.

While in the Air Force, Bob earned his FAA commercial pilot and flight instructor certificates. His love of flying evolved into his second career in general aviation with Regal Air at Paine Field. Initially as a flight instructor, he later became Chief Flight Instructor, Chief Pilot, and then Director of Flight Operations - responsible for supervising all flight training, ground training, and charter programs at Regal Air until he retired in 2020. He was also an FAA Designated Pilot Examiner, for private pilot, commercial, ATP and CFI certificates. The FAA presented him with the Wright Brothers "Master Pilot" Award for 50 years of dedicated service in aviation safety.

Bob owned a Cessna Cardinal for 32 years. He enjoyed flying around the western US and Canada to go fishing, wine tasting and visiting with friends and relatives.

Robert Roetcisoender will be remembered in the aviation community as a wise and caring mentor to hundreds of men and women. A celebration of Bob's life will be held on a future date during the summer 2023. 🕊️ GF



Cessnas2Oshkosh 2023 Formation Clinic

*Mark Your Calendars - SAT
MAY 21st*

The 2023 Cessnas2Oshkosh formation mass arrival clinic will be



Cessnas2Oshkosh.com, Frank Hummel, & Stephanie Allen

held 0900 SAT 20 MAY. SAT 3 JUN is the weather back up date. Olympia, WA, Safety In Motion Flight Center KOLM.

Safety In Motion Flight Center KOLM has once again graciously offered to host our clinic, as they have for several years, we are most grateful to them!



If you are new to the C2O mass arrival, or AirVenture itself, I can not think of a better and safer way to participate.

Notes -

- 1) One does not need to register for the C2O mass arrival to attend this clinic. All are welcome.
- 2) Registration is expected to open 1 March.
- 3) Two years ago a YouTube video was made by Martin Pauly onsite at our staging airport KUNU and AirVenture. Although not the first, this YouTube video captures and describes the C2O mass arrival nicely. The link is <https://www.youtube.com/embed/D6JeXzCl4eU>
- 4) Safety Pilots are a critical and essential component of our clinics. Please let me know if any C2O or formation veterans are interested in doing so this year.

As always, I am happy to answer any questions you may have.

More information is available at www.cessnas2oshkosh.com or contact Frank Hummel at frankh909@gmail.com, (206) 499-9384.

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Future Young Eagle Events w/ EAA Chapter 84

“To all who have been involved with EAA Chapter 84 Young Eagle Rallies in recent years”

Richard Morrisson has stepped down as the Young Eagle coordinator for EAA chapter 84 as of the first of this year.

“It has been a privilege to coordinate the YE rallies over the last few years but the time has come to hand over the reins”, said Richard Morrisson, in an email sent mid-February to a combined list of people from past events. “The new YE coordinator is Jon Smith, also of chapter 84 [...]. It would be great if you could all reach out to Jon at [jonsmith@outlook.com] with a sentence or two about your intended or desired involvement in the Young Eagles program this coming year.”

Richard, thanks from the Paine Field WPA chapter for your dedication and commitment to expanding Aviation.





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DATE	LIST OF ACTIVITIES
Every Saturday	Paine Field Chapter Weekly Breakfast Fly-out
Mar. 2	PFC March Board Meeting @ Propeller Aero Services
Mar. 3	PFC March Membership Meeting @ Shawn O'Donnell's
Mar. 28-Apr. 2	Sun 'n Fun Aerospace Expo
Apr. 6	PFC April Board Meeting @ Propeller Aero Services
Apr. 7	PFC April Membership Meeting @ Shawn O'Donnell's
May 4	PFC May Board Meeting @ Propeller Aero Services
May 5	PFC May Membership Meeting @ Snoisle LeBistro
June 1	PFC June Board Meeting @ Propeller Aero Services
June 2	PFC June Membership Meeting Location to be Confirmed
June 10	PFC Chapter Skykomish Work Party
July 6	PFC July Board Meeting @ Propeller Aero Services
July 24-30	EAA Airventure
August 3	PFC August Board Meeting @ Propeller Aero Services
August 11-13	Wings to Walla Walla
August 18-20	Arlington SkyFest
September 7	PFC September Board Meeting @ Propeller Aero Services
September 8	PFC September Hangar Party Location To Be Confirmed

Additional event details can be found at wpaflys.org/events or wpapainfield.org/events. To have your Aviation Event added to the Chapter Newsletter Calendar, send details to newsletter@wpapainfield.org.

WCGARP/EVAC/DART Reach Milestone

210,000 surgical masks airlift to Canada in a day by GA

During the week of February 12th, another first was achieved for the WCGARP/EVAC/DART effort with a cross border lift of 210,000 surgical masks being accomplished in just one day with a joint BC AERO and WCGARP operation of 3 Canadian planes and 4 U.S. planes. There is more description of the details in the below YouTube channel's video of the event but it was another great accomplishment and further steps forward in GA's ability to help when the time comes.

Thank you to all who have supported these efforts over the decades as we're truly paving a better future for all.

Also don't forget, we also have the national WCGARP conference coming up in Eugene Oregon in April. This is truly an amazing time to be a part of GA on the west coast.

Video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=X0qTZ8q4xKM&t=2s>

News Article: https://www.goskagit.com/news/local_news/skagit-regional-airport-hosts-disaster-preparedness-exercise/article_8cb00e8e-ad70-11ed-9fa3-4b3ad4c3475e.html



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Paine Field Buzz!

Snohomish County Reintroduces e-newsletter

Some may have noticed that earlier last year Paine Field reintroduced - after a long hiatus - its e-newsletter to provide subscribers with periodic updates and information about projects and activities at the airport. The Paine Field Flyer is your chapter's newsletter and targets events and details about events involving the chapter and the region but the Paine Field Buzz is a great resource for information about the Paine Field Airport. To read the December edition, or to subscribe to this email, visit <https://bit.ly/2023-feb-snoco-buzz>. Emails are sent out by Airport Staff every 6-8 weeks so it shouldn't fill your inbox with too much unwanted stuff.



VFR/IFR Safety & Education Forum - March 8th

This month we present two scenarios which either VFR or IFR pilots could encounter: (1) XC flight encountering ice and landing options; (2) problem with flight controls and landing options.

These situations are intended to invoke discussion about both preflight planning and "What would you do," if you were in those situations?

We become safer pilots when sharing and absorbing knowledge and experiences with our fellow pilots.

Details were sent to all members last week. Due to unexpected delays in getting the newsletter out again this month, at this time, all seats are reserved according to the FAA Wings Site. Check the next newsletter for April's Forum event.



Newsletter Submissions Needed

Do You Think You Have What It Takes? Is there an Aviation topic or event that you're familiar with that you think other members would be interested in? Do you want to share that awesome photo you took on your last flight? Did you just visit a new on/near airport restaurant and want to share your experience? Are you not sure about any of the above questions?!?! Well, I can help you with that!

The Paine Flyer is always looking for great content. If you would like to have your submission included in the next issue, please send it to newsletter@wpapaine.org by the 15th of the month and I'll work with you to make sure it gets included. No special software or talent needed, just send text or unedited photo files and I'll help you make it shine!



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