

# **Columbus Area Aviators**

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### **October Meeting**

The October meeting will be held Thursday evening 6:30 PM, October 19<sup>th</sup> at the Atterbury-Bakalar Air Museum. We will have a presentation by Jim Stark on his experiences as a naval aviator as well as oceanic sailing, and other adventures.



Jim is the author of a book about his military career titled "Two Turning, Two Burning!" Jim currently splits his time between Bloomington, IN and Florida but he used to live in Columbus and was a member of the Aviation Unlimited flying club in the 70's and 80's.

### **September Meeting**

The September meeting was a Weight and Balance clinic following a special "Old Eagle" event that was a high school student's Senior Project.

We weighed the following aircraft:

Cessna 150-K Mooney M20J Bonanza A36 Swift GC-1B Pietenpol Air Camper Nanchang CJ-6

### Notes from the President's Desk

Chapter 729 Members:

Fall is here and colors are a changing! We've experienced a good number of days for being outside or flying - but for good reasons - conversations have been centered around hurricanes. Seemingly, a very active hurricane season, we're grateful for the little impact on Midwest! Thoughts and prayers to those who have been affected, for a safe and speedy recovery. A number of U.S. General Aviation aircraft, pilots and community members have stepped forward in support.....bravo and thank you!

October promises to be an exciting and entertaining membership meeting with guest speaker Jim Stark (<a href="http://jimstarknavy.com">http://jimstarknavy.com</a>). An adventurous individual, Jim has reached a number of goals, one which is being a Naval Aviator. He will be speaking of his time in the Navy and book written on this experience. Some members may know of Jim's book "Two Turning, Two Burning!" and his other adventures in life - sailing, motorcycling, trail running, etc.

The meeting will be held at the Atterbury-Bakalar Air Museum on **Thursday, October 19** @ **6:30 PM**. You are encouraged to <u>bring family, guest and neighbors</u> along with you.....hope you do! Expecting a good turnout, we are planning on having hors d'oeuvres and drinks available (no cost). Make plans now!

But before our membership meeting, the Red Bull Air Race "Championship" is coming to town!! Being held Saturday October

14 & Sunday October 15 at Indianapolis Motor Speedway (IMS), tickets are available by contacting (<a href="mailto:blstinebring@comcast.net">blstinebring@comcast.net</a>). You may see multiple emails on this, but they are the same source.

As we close in on the end-of-year, November membership meeting is planned for a visit to a commercial operation (Indianapolis) and dinner. Keep your calendar open for Thursday, November 16.

And in December, we'll wrap up the year with annual Christmas Party.

I want to close with a statement on efforts to privatize the U.S. Air Traffic Control (ATC). Virtually every one of us (if not all) began our aviation interest and careers at a local airport, such as Columbus Municipal. Many have utilized General Aviation to build their careers, their businesses, and personal transportation through the best aviation system in the world! Don't allow the freedom and cost effective means, we all experience, to be side tracked.

Please read attached document and consider contacting your representative/s with your opinion. Modernize, not Privatize!

Safe travels,

Brad

### **ATC Privatization!**

As most of you know, there is a push to "privatize" ATC by turning management of the airspace system to an independent board heavily influenced by the airline industry. One of the sponsors of HR 2997 is Rep. Luke Messer from Indiana. I will be sending via a separate email the talking points prepared by a group of over 200 General Aviation organizations who are opposed to this bill.

### **The 2017 Chapter Meetings/Events**

The 2017 meeting and event schedule is tabulated below:

Nov 16 Membership Mtg. Dec 9 (Sat.) Christmas Party

Chapter meetings are a good way to meet others in the local area that share your interest in aviation – homebuilding, restoration, aviation history, military aviation, hangar flying, etc. It is also a way to become involved in activities such as Young Eagle events, visits to member projects, "fly-outs", etc.

### **Newsletter Input**

The newsletter editor is always looking for input. If you have input please contact Mike by the second Friday of each month at:

michael.foushee@yahoo.com

### **Calendar of Events**

Oct 14 Seymour Aviation Day Freeman Field (SER)

Oct 14-15 Red Bull Air Races Ind. Motor Speedway

### **Aviation/Member News**

#### Officers For 2017

President Brad Stinebring Vice President Dave Lynch Secretary Bill Batten Treasurer Larry Morlock Director **Bob Graves** Director **Bob Butterfield** Y.E. Coord. Larry Morlock Chief Photographer Nick Firestone Newsletter Mike Foushee Tech Counselor Mike Foushee

# **Bakalar Flying Club**

Bakalar Flying Club has recently been formed as a way to share the cost of personal flying. They are in the final steps of acquiring an IFR Cessna 172 (180 HP conversion with long range tanks) and are seeking additional members.

For information on the club see their website: <a href="https://www.FlyBAK.org">www.FlyBAK.org</a>

or contact Brad Moore at club@flybak.org.

# **Interesting Websites**

http://www.boldmethod.com/blog/2014/04/wolf e-air-reel/

http://vimeo.com/26086480

http://www.liveleak.com/view?i=043\_13943883

http://www.stclairphoto-imaging.com/360/P51-Mustang/P51\_swf.html

http://xa.yimg.com/kq/groups/15654030/16048 19366/name/bomber\_plant.wmv

http://www.vintageflying.com/

# **Items For Sale or Needed**

As long as space is available, I'll list items either wanted or for sale that are AVIATION related. If you will provide me with a brief description and contact information, I will include your items.

### Aircraft Hangar – KBAK



50' wide x 70' deep hangar
4 entry doors - both sides and rear
garage door at rear of one side
full width main door on front side
with automatic end latches
bathroom with shower, toilet and basin
elevated enclosed office
heated and air conditioned
\$80,000

Contact: Tony Patterson 812-371-8238

#### 1966 Beech Debonair



Total Time: 3,345 hrs. SMOH: 1,260 hrs. IO-470-K engine (225 HP)

KX-155 with Glideslope MK-12D with Glideslope

Northstar GPS KR-87 ADF

AT-150 with Encoder Standby Vacuum System

\$62,500 Contact:

:: Steve Fushelberger

317-407-5227 812-379-4255

### **Aviation Humor**

#### **Pilot Wisdom**

Fuel in the tanks is limited, Gravity is forever

You can land anywhere once.

Basic Flying Rules: Try to stay in the middle of the air. Do not go near the edges of it. The edges of the air can be recognized by the appearance of ground, buildings, sea, trees and interstellar space. It is much more difficult to fly there.

In the ongoing battle between objects made of aluminum going hundreds of mile per hour and the ground going zero miles per hour, the ground has yet to lose.

A checkride ought to be like a skirt, short enough to be interesting but still be long enough to cover everything.

If flying were the language of man, soaring would be its poetry.

If something hasn't broken on your helicopter, Good judgment comes from experience and it's about to. experience comes from bad judgment. Learn from the mistakes of others. You won't If God wanted Man to fly, He would have given him much more money. live long enough to make all of them yourself. ~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~ Flying is throwing yourself at the ground...and Ability to pay does not equal ability to pilot. Experience is the sum of the times you have Speed is life; altitude is life insurance scared vourself It takes about 45 hours to learn how to fly an When making prolonged climbs, occasionally aircraft. It takes a lifetime to learn when to fly dip the nose or perform gentle S-turns; a midair collision seriously erodes climb performance an aircraft. Truly superior pilots are those who use their An emergency landing is done to protect the superior judgment to avoid those situations passengers and the plane is expendable. where they might have to use their superior Never fly the 'A' model of anything. skills. Mankind has a perfect record in aviation; we If an airplane is still in one piece, don't cheat never left one up there! on it: Ride the bastard down. There is absolutely no justification for flying The ultimate responsibility of the pilot is to fulfill through a thunderstorm in peacetime. the dreams of the countless millions of earthbound ancestors who could only stare "When a crash is inevitable, aim for the softest, skyward and wish. least expensive thing in your vicinity, at the slowest speed possible." Helicopters are really a bunch of parts flying in relatively close formation; all rotating around a different axis. Things work well until one of the As one gets wiser, the guieter one becomes. parts breaks formation. If your flight is going remarkably well, something was forgotten. Lady, you want me to answer you if this old airplane is safe to fly? Just how in the world do Never fly in the same cockpit with someone you think it got to be this old? braver than you. The only thing that scares me about flying is the drive to the airport Never be afraid to be an hour or a day or two late to your destination, it is always better than being many many years early. Flying is the perfect vocation for a man who wants to feel like a boy, but not for one who still Stav away from the shiny spinning things. Don't forget to keep the blue side up. Regarding engine power: Lots is good, more is better, and too much is just enough. The most dangerous time to fly an aircraft is right after it has been serviced or repaired. The Experience is a hard teacher. First comes the one who is trying to kill you may be the one test, then the lesson. who serviced the aircraft.