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EVENTS

August 31st — 6:30 pm Fulton County Airport

Fall Poker Run—Details to follow

President's Hangar

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What's happening?

I hope some of you were able to enjoy the Piseco flyin on Saturday. It turned out to be a great day. Keep an eye out as Ray will be posting pictures in the next few days.

It has been nice to see the posts on the Yahoo group and hearing folks are getting out to fly. Please keep posting....

Looking forward to seeing you all on Tuesday and hearing about all the aviation news.



Vice-President ~ Darryl White



Finally can report that I got some flying in! No pancake breakfasts yet (looking forward to Klinekill on 9/11) but managed to get 3 planes down to Duanesburg and a nice breakfast at the diner across the street. Ed Z in the Zenith, Marty in the champ, and Kelly and I in the CGS Hawk. Field condition was good and breakfast was great! As usual I was the last to arrive (I'll blame it on my slow plane) but when I am flying I'm enjoying it too much to be in a hurry. On the way home we did swing by Sharon Springs and discovered that you can't tell mown grass from waist high grass from 3000ft! It looked good from altitude but direct report found that it is a hay field.

July's meeting we had Tim and Ellen Devine as a special guests and he reported that the flying we have up here is much better than down at his new home, maybe we can coax him to come back up to this neighborhood! In any event it was great to see both of them and those always friendly golden retrievers.

I am still planning to put together a impromptu poker run this fall at some fields around our local area and hopefully finish up at 1F2 with burgers and dogs, stay tuned. See you at the meeting!

THE YELLOW FLOATPLANE AT NYO

If you have seen and wondered about the odd-looking plane parked at the Fulton County Airport, it is a UC-1 Twin Bee. In 1960 engineer Joseph W. Gigante (1916-2012) designed the twin-engine conversion of the Republic Sea Bee, which was built between 1946 and 1948 with over 1000 of them being sold. Twenty-three Seabees were converted to the twin-engine variant by fitting two wing-mounted IO-360 Lycoming engines after removing the single 215 horsepower Franklin pusher engine. The added thrust greatly enhanced the plane's speed, acceleration and capacity. The aircraft has STOL takeoff and landing ability. Takeoff is short, three hundred and seventy-five feet on land; eleven seconds off the water. Twenty-three production examples were delivered between 1965 and 1987. In addition to the engine modification, two and a half feet was added to each wingtip and a four-foot section was spliced into the fuselage just aft of the cockpit. Some were fitted with a fifth seat. The pilot and copilot doors open to the rear. An open door cannot only swing back and slam into the fuselage, but it will also swing into the propeller arc.



It is reported that only eight still fly today. Seeing one is a rare sight. The owner of N9512U at NY0 is in the capital district area and the pilot who flew it to NY0 and maintains it is local to NY0. N9512U, serial number 18 manufactured by STOL Aircraft Corporation in 1976, was formerly HB-LSK and was returned to the United States from Switzerland in 2016.

During flight in 2000 from Como SPB, Italy, back to home base Reichenbach, Switzerland, the Twin Bee suffered fuel starvation and engines stopped. On emergency landing in a field near the town Wilderswil/Greichen BE, Switzerland, ca. 0.6 of a mile SE of the military airport at Interlaken, the aircraft crashed into a tree. Three of the four occupants suffered injuries. The pilot was uninjured. Restoration of the aircraft was completed in 2005.

Performance

Maximum speed: 147 mph (238 km/h, 128 kn) Cruise speed: 131 mph (210 km/h, 114 kn) Stall speed: 38 mph (61 km/h, 33 kn by Range: 900 mi (1,448 km, 780 nmi) Service ceiling: 19,000 ft (5,791 m) **Chapter Officers**

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