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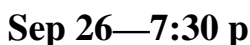
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President's Column

Well the summer flying season (such as it was) is finally turning into the fall flying season! We still get a few days of VFR weather and it is rarely on the weekends. I was able to sneak in a round trip to southern Idaho over the Labor day weekend. I left before the clouds came and came back just as they cleared - Arlington was below IFR minimums but Crest was just breaking up. I looked at a new (yes new) airpark between Boise and Mountain Home. It seems that there are new airports being created somewhere in the US! It was out on the desert and is just in the early stages, think I'll wait until the growing pains are over to leap, but it would be an idea for a long term option.

An interesting data point on gas prices - southern Idaho Premium unleaded car gas was more expensive than 100LL (I paid \$3.12 / gallon in Nampa)! The refill cycle on avgas seems to be about 4 to 6 weeks, but the car gas is on about a 4 to 6 day cycle so the reaction time and the psychological panic is on a much shorter feedback loop for car gas. By the time the next delivery of 100LL occurs maybe the short term panic will be resolved (yeah and I have some swamp land in Florida for sale...)

It seems that the flying activity is diminished here at Crest, but that might be the normal seasonal cycle - hope that gas \$ is not hampering us too much. I am getting more questions and queries about the "new" Light Sport Aircraft (the rules have been out a year now) so maybe that is the direction we need to look at. It seems that we are slowly getting to look more like Europe as time goes on. The latest battle brewing in the festering hole we call the District of Columbia is the re-emerging "concept" of user fees. Somewhere along the way it seems that our "representatives" have forgotten that most of the rules are not for the pilot/owner but to protect the unsuspecting and under-educated public. If the public is the beneficiary of this largess, then they should pay for it! Keep watching the aviation press and help where possible as this battle will not go away.

So as the flying season slowly winds down (hopefully there will be a few blue holes left), please remember, as always, to Fly safe!

Instructor's Corner

From EAA's Hotline:

FAA Website Provides Special Use Airspace Real-Time Information. The FAA recently announced a new website to provide real-time information about special use airspace including restricted areas, and Military Operations Areas. It is easy to use and a valuable information source for any pilot.

To access the site, visit <http://sua.faa.gov/atcaaSplash.jsp>

—Brian P. Lee

The Program

Author W. Dean Hunter “For Love of Life and Country.”

The book covers air adventure stories from three wars, 27 yrs of service as an Air Force pilot, including five years as a fighter pilot in Southeast Asia.

He currently lives in Lakewood, has published many articles, and holds a bachelor degree in sociology, a master's degree in counseling, and a doctorate in educational leadership. Dean was associate professor of aerospace studies at the Univ. of Puget Sound, a high school teacher and principal, and later varsity ski coach for the Univ. of Puget Sound. Dean was selected as one of the Most Outstanding Vocational Teachers in Wash, and as Most Outstanding Chapter Advisor in the nation for the Sigma Chi fraternity, later inducted into their highest honor of Constantine Chapter.

He served as a member of the First Air commando Squadron, and at that time was listed as one of the highest-decorated young officers for heroism in the US Air Force. His decorations include the Silver Star, Distinguished Flying Cross, Bronze Star/"V" device, 14 Air Medals, plus 49 other medals and awards, some from foreign nations.

Renowned as a motivational and entertaining speaker:
Don't miss this!

Chapter Meeting Minutes

President Jim Huber called the meeting to order at 7:35 PM.

- For Sale / Wanted items: None

Program was a show and tell of summer events, pictures of Oshkosh and Arlington events.

The meeting was adjourned afterwards for hanger talk and coffee.

Our esteemed Secretary was absent, so please forgive the lack of usual detail in last month's meeting notes.

Vote for the Winner of this Fighter Pilot Jacket!

Who has done the
most for this club?
We're treating it as
a Lifetime or
Special

Achievement Award, or a warm way of rewarding someone in the club for their efforts. We will vote either by ballot during the September meeting or by deferring to the board to decide.



Dallas ATC: "Tower to Saudi Air 09. You are cleared to land on runway 18R."

Saudi Air: "Thank you, Dallas ATC. Acknowledge cleared to land on runway 18R. Allah be Praised!"

Dallas ATC: "Tower to Egypt Air 1102. You are cleared to land on runway 36L."

Egypt Air: "Thank you, Dallas ATC. We are cleared to land on runway 36L. God is Great."

Pause: Static...

Saudi Air: "DALLAS ATC! DALLAS ATC!!!"

Dallas ATC: "Go ahead Saudi?"

Saudi Air: "YOU HAVE CLEARED BOTH OUR AIRCRAFT TO LAND IN OPPOSITE DIRECTIONS ON THE SAME RUNWAY!!! INSTRUCTIONS PLEASE!!!

Dallas ATC: Y'all be careful now, .hear?"

A Sultan Style...



FANTASTIC!!!

The Sultan of Brunei's Private Plane!

This is for all you pilots, active and retired out there.

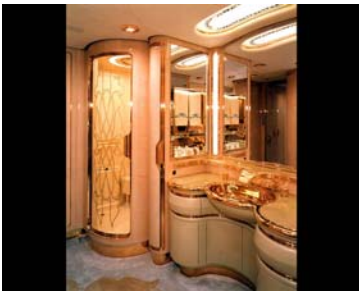
Bet you never had anything like this to drive around.

This aircraft was "remodeled" in Waco. Yes, the sinks are solid



gold and one

of them is Lalique crystal. The Sultan bought the aircraft for roughly \$100M; had it flown to Waco, brand-new, had the interior completely removed; and had the folks at E-Systems (now Raytheon) install \$120M worth of improvements inside and outside.



I've gained entrance to nuclear weapons storage areas much easier than gaining entrance to see this airplane.

While there it struck

me: maybe the rich really are different than the rest of us!

Cecil Hendricks



Tools, Tools...

DRILL PRESS: A tall upright machine useful for suddenly snatching flat metal bar stock out of your hands so that it smacks you in the chest and flings your beer across the room, splattering it against that freshly painted part you were drying.

WIRE WHEEL: Cleans paint off bolts and then throws them somewhere under the workbench with the speed of light. Also removes fingerprint whorls and hard-earned guitar calluses in about the time it takes you to say, "Ouch...."

ELECTRIC HAND DRILL: Normally used for spinning pop rivets in their holes until you die of old age.

PLIERS: Used to round off bolt heads.

HACKSAW: One of a family of cutting tools built on the Ouija board principle. It transforms human energy into a crooked, unpredictable motion, and the more you attempt to influence its course, the more dismal your future becomes.

WISE-GRIPS: Used to round off bolt heads. If nothing else is available, they can also be used to transfer intense welding heat to the palm of your hand.

OXYACETYLENE TORCH: Used almost entirely for lighting various flammable objects in your shop on fire. Also handy for igniting the grease inside a wheel hub you're trying to get the bearing race out of.

WHITWORTH SOCKETS: Once used for working on older British cars and motorcycles, they are now used mainly for impersonating that 9/16 or 1/2 socket you've been searching for the last 15 minutes.

HYDRAULIC FLOOR JACK: Used for lowering an automobile to the ground after you have installed your new disk brake pads, trapping the jack handle firmly under the bumper.

EIGHT-FOOT LONG DOUGLAS FIR 2X4: Used for levering an automobile upward off a hydraulic jack handle.

TWEEZERS: A tool for removing wood splinters.

PHONE: Tool for calling your neighbor to see if he has another hydraulic floor jack.

SNAP-ON GASKET SCRAPER: Theoretically useful as a sandwich tool

More Tools (Cont'd)

for spreading mayonnaise; used mainly for getting dog-do off your boot.

E-Z OUT BOLT AND STUD EXTRACTOR: A tool that snaps off in bolt holes and is ten times harder than any known drill bit.

TWO-TON HYDRAULIC ENGINE HOIST: A handy tool for testing the tensile strength of bolts and fuel lines you may have forgotten to disconnect.

CRAFTSMAN 1/2 x 16-INCH SCREWDRIVER: A large motor mount prying tool that inexplicably has an accurately machined screwdriver tip on the end without the handle.

AVIATION METAL SNIPS: See hacksaw.

TROUBLE LIGHT: The home builder's own tanning booth. Sometimes called drop light, it is a good source of vitamin D, "the sunshine vitamin," which is not otherwise found under cars at night. Health benefits aside, it's main purpose is to consume 40-watt light bulbs at about the same rate that 105-mm howitzer shells might be used during, say, the first few hours of the Battle of the Bulge. More often dark than light, its name is somewhat misleading.

PHILLIPS SCREWDRIVER: Normally used to stab the lids of old-style paper-and-tin oil cans and splash oil on your shirt; can also be used, as the name implies, to round off Phillips screw heads.

AIR COMPRESSOR: A machine that takes energy produced in a coal-burning power plant 200 miles away and transforms it into compressed air that travels by hose to a Chicago Pneumatic impact wrench that grips rusty bolts last tightened 70 years ago by someone at Ford, and rounds them off.

PRY BAR: A tool used to crumple the metal surrounding that clip or bracket you needed to remove in order to replace a 50 cent part.

HOSE CUTTER: A tool used to cut hoses 1/2 inch too short.

HAMMER: Originally employed as a weapon of war, the hammer nowadays is used as a kind of divining rod to locate expensive parts not far from the object we are trying to hit.

MECHANIC'S KNIFE: Used to open and slice through the contents of cardboard cartons delivered to your front door; works particularly well on boxes containing seats, chrome and plastic parts.

Crider and Crest in the News

Hope you kept your copy, if not, Steve might bring a copy to the meeting... The article covers a few lucky pilots who use their planes to commute to work, above the traffic jams on the local highways. Dave Nason was mentioned, too, since he has flown his daughter to the aviation high school a few times using a similar route to Boeing field.

Dwayne's BD4 moves to Kansas

Dwayne Grindstaff's particular BD4 has a little history. It was formerly owned by John Dornbus who was diagnosed with cancer. Roger Mellema organized work parties so that John could fly it before he died. Dwayne took over ownership after John died, but Dwayne's instructor didn't have enough experience in this type plane, and damage from a major mishap has yet to be repaired. New owners Kevin Pullum and his parents Dick and Linda Pullum from Goddard, Kansas, are experienced with BD4s (Dick has restored 3 already), and so they say it will fly again in about 6 months if all goes well. They may even fly it back here sometime!



A little help from neighbors Jim Huber and Neil Bryant, equipped with tools to load it with some engineering expertise.

Dwayne's dog Druszach helped keep up morale during the move onto the trailer.



Upcoming Events

Sep 24, Oct 1, 8 & 15: Sat Breakfast Club 7a-10a Kennewick
Clearwater McDonald's, Prosser Chapter 391
Sep 24—Ontario Airfaire, Oregon (ONO) ontarioairfaire.org
Sep 24-25 College Place, WA—Martin Field Open House
Oct 1-2—East Wenatchee: Wings & Wheels Festival, Pangborn
Oct 8—Fly-In, Pancake Breakfast, Young Eagles, Truckee-Tahoe
Oct 6-9 Casa Grande, AZ COPPERSTATE Regional EAA Fly-In
Nov 1-Oktoberfest Splash-In. Renton, WA. Meet at Will Rogers-
Wiley Post Memorial Seaplane Base - North end Renton Airport.

Upcoming Programs

October: Peggy Phillips' experiences flying the C17 to the South pole

November: Jake Schultz, recently appeared on "Monster Garage" who appeared as a consultant for the conversion of an Esperante sports convertible into a flying car in five days. **And elections!** Open positions are President, Vice Pres., or Secretary.

December: Holiday Party/potluck

Need a Tech Counselor?

Chapter 441 is fortunate to have two tech counselors. Feel free to call Jim (253) 630-1689 or Brian (253) 369-0489 any time. You don't need to wait for some significant milestone in your project. Remember, this is not an "inspection". The shop doesn't need to be cleaned for a visit. Both are quite used to looking at pieces, parts, and assorted bits, and will be happy to answer questions, offer advice, and generally talk about projects, building, flying, or whatever.

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