



SPEED'S NEWS



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CHAPTER 54 MEETING: MONDAY, JANUARY 12, 1987 7:30 p.m. SANBORN AVIATION

Dear Chapter 54 Members and Friends:

HOW ABOUT THAT VOYAGER FLIGHT!!! Congratulations to Dick Rutan and Jeana Yeager on their successful journey. They and we can be proud of this world record flight. Dick, Jeana, and Burt, with the entire Voyager team including those of us who have contributed to the success financially have shown the world what dedicated individual aviation enthusiasts can accomplish.

The Department of Transportation, through the FAA, has published an ANPRM on the Control of Drug and Alcohol Use for Personnel Engaged in Commercial and General Aviation Activities. Unfortunately comments must be received by the FAA on or before January 23, 1987. Our Chapter President will receive a copy of the proposals, a brief summary of the key points and EAA's initial reaction. All members should respond in writing to the FAA. THIS WILL BE DISCUSSED AT THE MEETING.

I mentioned Dr. Frank Austin in last month's newsletter. While you're writing the FAA about the ANPRM, make your comments known. Paul said in a public statement: "EAA fully supports the policies of the Federal Air Surgeon. He has made FAA's Office of Aviation Medicine responsive to the needs of the aviation community while maintaining the highest standards of safety, quality and integrity. We fully support him, his staff, qualified medical consultants and their combined efforts to make aviation accessible -- while maintaining safety -- to all those who wish to participate. Make your views known to the: Federal Aviation Administrator, 800 Independence Ave. S Washington, D.C. 20591, as well as to your congressmen and senators.

Don't forget to get your reservations in to Rosemary for the Annual Chapter Banquet on February 14th. This has become a traditional time to hold it, and since Valentine's Day comes on a Saturday this year, treat your honey to Chapter 54's own brand of fun and fellowship!

Eleanor

P.S. Calendars have arrived and can be picked up at the meeting. See you there!



MSAA

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LINDBERGH TROPHY WINNER



Scott Sektan of Eagan, MN was presented the Lindbergh Trophy for 1985.

The Lindbergh award is made each year by the Minnesota Sport Aviation Association. The traveling trophy reads: "To the outstanding young aviator, who before the age of 26, has demonstrated their ability as an aviator in Minnesota and who displays enthusiasm and promise of the future, and has made contributions of great value to the progress of aviation."

Scott Sektan learned to fly at the age of 16. Initial training was at Beech Aero, Flying Cloud Field in Minneapolis, and he completed courses in aviation administration at the University of North Dakota. He was an instructor at UND for a while, then a charter pilot in the Twin Cities area, and most recently flew a Queen Air for Bemidji Aviation. He was just assigned as co-pilot for Suburban Air, a subsidiary of USAir, at Allentown, PA, flying Short 330's. Scott has about 2100 hours flight time in his log book.

Scott gained a lot of his interest in aviation from his father, Donald, who is in the Minnesota Air National Guard and learned to fly two years ago. Scott's brother, Steve, won the same award two years ago, and is now flying for Republic/Northwest Airlines.

SPEED HOLMAN AWARD WINNER



Darryl LeMire holds the Speed Holman Award.

MAX CONRAD TROPHY WINNER



Sheila Davis and the Max Conrad Trophy.

Sheila Davis of Mahtomedi, Minnesota knows more about airports in the state than anyone. She ought to, she has landed at every airport (about 151) in Minnesota.

For that extraordinary accomplishment she was awarded the Max Conrad Trophy by the Minnesota Sport Aviation Association (MSAA).

The tour of the airports took about 18 months, and was made in a trim Citabria, radio equipped, but otherwise nothing special. The aircraft is based at the Benson (real grass roots) airport in White Bear Lake. Pilot Davis selected the sections of the state in a well organized plan, then also selected the weather to make the flights. A dozen or more airports in one day was not unusual. Sixty four hours were logged on the tour.

"I remember a couple airports especially," Sheila told the FLYER. "Bowstring was tricky, wind spilling over the trees, and the Twin Cities International Airport, that made me nervous. I had called the tower and told them what I was doing, and they were great. I was glad to get off again, it's not like Benson International Airport."

Sheila, who got her license in 1984, probably holds another distinction - she soloed a J-3 on SKIS in 1982. Husband, Joe, is the owner of a Great Lakes Trainer, one of the few in the country.

As far as anyone knows, Mrs. Davis is the only person ever to land at every airport in Minnesota. Congratulations, Sheila.

The traveling trophy for "Achievement in Aviation" was presented to the Benson Airport for continuing efforts in promoting flying safety. Darryl is an instructor at Benson, and has been very active in the Minnesota Sport Aviation Association, and is president of that organization. He is also a member of the MN/DOT Division of Aeronautics Advisory Council.

LeMire learned to fly at the Benson (International) Airport in 1962, and flying is a family affair. His wife, Sandy holds a private license, and son Pat, 17, gets the ticket any day now. Congratulations, Darryl.