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PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Hello Everyone!

Well, flying season is finally here. I cant wait to get my plane inspected and get into the air! Dont forget to check your aircraft over well before taking to the sky. It may not be a bad idea to ask a friend to take a look at your plane. Four eyes are surely better than two! This month we need to start planning for this seasons fly-in. We really need to have as many members present as possible. We had a great fly-in last year and it would be nice to have a repeat performance!!

Hope to see you all at the meeting.

Fly safe

Mike

CHIP'S TECH TALK

Dear Members,

Are you thinking about doing some welding on your aircraft? Most steel tube aircraft structures are made from 4130 steel alloy. Maybe it is ok to use coat hangers as welding wire? I think NOT. Welding rod for 4130 steel is number seven or 32CMS. Anything else is not suitable and will produce non-airworthy results. If you have any questions about this, remember to consult your copy of AC43.13-1B/2A.

Fly Safe,
Chip

CHAPTER MEETING

May18 @ 7:30

Plymouth Airport

Plymouth Airport Community
Room

April's Secretary Report

President Mike Butts called the Monday April 20th UL 62 meeting to order at 7:38 PM.

Fourteen (14) members were present and one (1) guest.

President Mike Butts began the meeting by noting the absence of the Club Secretary, Alan Pugh, due to the fact he was away at Sun-n-Fun via a bus trip to Bangor, Maine and a low cost flight from there to Florida.

Secretarys report:

Approved as published in the Club Newsletter.

Treasurers report:

Report as presented by Treasurer Bill Shippee was accepted by the members present.

Old Business:

President, Mike Butts commented on the necessity of everyone keeping their Club dues paid up so that we can continue to maintain our good financial status. Mike commented that the projector purchased with Club funds has been put to good use during the past few meeting and will certainly enhance many future meetings with the ability to project videos and Power Point slide shows on subjects of interest to the membership.

Mike introduced our guest attendee, Ms. April Tracey, Vice President of the Atlantic Aviators, Women in Aviation, International. This organization promotes aviation education and awareness. Ms. Tracey came to our meeting to inform us of the Women in Aviation event being held on the 15th of May at the New Bedford Airport (KEWB). Rain date is the 16th of May. Ms. Tracey described the event as a type of fun aviation day open to the public and invited any of our interested members to fly their airplanes and/or Ultralights to KEWB for static display at the event. This will be the third consecutive year of this annual event. Mike Butts inquired whether or not the Club could set up an EAA/UL 62 information table at the event and Ms. Tracey responded in the affirmative. The membership thanked Ms. Tracey for informing us of the event and for extending the invitation to fly in.

New Business:

Fred Parris asked about the status of the upcoming calendar of events for this flying season. Mike Butts asked for input from everyone on events around the area that members would be interested in so it can be put into the newsletter.

Mike Butts mentioned that Marty Himmelfarb has generously committed to taking the leadership role of managing the Club fly-in again this year but that Marty will be looking for members to step forward to help out with the various tasks to make a successful event. Marty is away at this time but expected to be present at the next meeting to organize the fly-in team.

Jeff Mandeville reported that he sold his Kitfox and has purchased an RV-8 from a person in the Seattle, WA area. A friend of Jeffs is to fly it across the U.S.A. and deliver it to him. Jeff said he got a great deal and was lucky to have picked up on the for sale ad on the day it was placed.

At the urging of the members, Mike Butts recounted his recent surgical experience and the events leading up to his having heart valve replacement surgery. Mike said it has been a life-changing event for him to have been so close to possible death over the past years and not to have known about it. His collapsing at work and subsequent diagnosis which brought to light his heart condition was in a way a stroke of good luck which precipitated corrective surgery. Mike said he is feeling great but that it will require a few months of cardiac rehabilitation to get his heart and new valve to the point where he can feel comfortable to fly again. Everyone expressed their relief that he is well glad to see him back at the helm of the Club as our president.

Mike announced that after the meeting is adjourned there would be a video or two shown from a collection of DVD loaned to us by Chris Prada , President of the EAA Chapter at the Quansett Point.

Motion to adjourn was made, seconded and passed without objection at 8:20 PM

Respectfully submitted Acting Secretary **Mike Brennan**

Classified Ads

ads run for 90 days free to members and must notify the editor to renew

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Third Sunday of the month Chapter 279 Pancake
Breakfast @ Cranland Airport

Saturday June 6: FAA Safety Seminar. 9:30-12:30. Qualifies for WINGS credit. Topics: Current Safety issues by FAA Safety Team Manager Jim Adams, Charlie Falke CAP and EAA member discusses ELT Replacement-It's more than discontinuing monitoring by satellite. Featured speaker Naji Malek Asst. VP USAIG on Accident Investigations from an insurance perspective. Cookout by EAA Chapter 1310 follows the event.

Saturday August 15: Corn Roast & Cookout - Plus Ride the Trolleys 1/2 Price. 11:30 - 2:00. Enjoy the freshest corn available. Picked the morning of the event. Hamburgers & hot dogs on the grill too. 1/2 price admission for our guests to the Connecticut Trolley Museum adjacent to the airport.

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