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CONGRATULATIONS!

New Members

Augustin Derea	Class I	Both
Joseph Elliott	Class II	PAE
Todd Johnson	Class I	RNT
James Polivka	Class III	Both

New Solos!

Date	Instructor
Ann Galbraith	4/25 Demco

CALENDAR

Monthly

Aircraft Maintenance Team: Meets every Thursday from 4-8 pm at the Renton Office. Contact Ray Pedrizetti for more information.

May 2016

Board of Directors Meeting, 4pm 5/20 at Renton Office

Paine Field General Aviation Day, 10:00am-5:00pm 5/21 at Paine Field. *Volunteers needed for BEFA's booth!* Please see VP Bob Bumpous' article inside!

From Your President

By Steve Beardslee

We had very good attendance at our Annual Meeting and Crab Feed. Frank Marshall received the Walt Cameron Member of the Year Award for outstanding volunteer support of many BEFA activities, and Don Shorter received the Jim Derdick Award for his outstanding contributions to aviation. I want to thank all of the volunteers who helped, and especially - Bob Bumpous for doing a great job of planning and managing this event.

The "Lease Committee" has evolved to what we are now calling the "Building Committee". We examined viable options, and conclude we should now focus on defining our requirements for replacing the office building that we've occupied since moving from Boeing Field to the Renton airport in 1987. We are working with an architect to develop preliminary concepts and drawings; we expect to review these concepts and drawings in early May. The Building Committee will recommend an approach to the Board, and – if agreeable, present them to the Airport Manager for review. It's possible the City of Renton may have some suggested changes, and we'll use this input to further refine our requirements and understand funding. We plan to work with the City to negotiate a new 35-year lease for our current location on the Renton airport.

We expect to meet with Regal Aviation in May to explore office space for BEFA at Everett – Our plan is to define requirements and funding needed to build a presence at Everett.

We're looking for volunteers to help BEFA and BEFACT get involved in Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM) training for our next generation of aviators. If interested, please contact Wes or any Board member.

During April, we met with a representative from the Arizona Chapter of the Commemorative Air Force, and the Airport Manager. They propose to bring a B-25 "Mitchell" bomber to Renton in early August for public ground display and flights (see <http://www.azcaf.org/aircraft/displays/north-american-b-25j-mitchell/>) We think that's a great opportunity to showcase Renton, work with other airport tenants, and perhaps also have a BEFA Open House.

FLY SAFE!

Steve

Aircraft Rates

May-2016	
Aircraft	Hourly Rate
PCATD-M	\$ 15.00
PCATD-NM	\$ 20.00
Redbird FMX (member)	\$ 50.00
Redbird FMX (non-member)	\$ 85.00
C150	\$ 92.26
C172	\$ 110.05
C172SP	\$ 125.37
Citabria	\$ 127.31
R172K XP Float	\$ 150.11
C182Q	\$ 152.70
SR20 (HOBBS)	\$ 160.68
C182RG (68T)	\$ 163.48
C182RG (65C)	\$ 204.07
CT210	\$ 242.74

("M" and "NM" refer to members and non-members, respectively.)

- Mark Gaponoff, who picked up our cakes and greens.
- Ken W. Heinle and his wife Debbie who picked up our coffee and last minute supplies
- and to Eric Schutten who acted as "Crab Master" during the dinner.
- Also a big thanks to the folks who came in early to set up of tables and food including: Ray Pedrizetti, Harlan Zentner, Ken & Debbie Heinle, Andrew Boike, Tim Friedlander & Kristin, and Debbie Brown for helping with the General Membership set up.
- Post cleanup: All the good folks who helped clean up after the meeting. We did not get everyone's name, but please know that your help was very much appreciated!

Paine Field Aviation Day is almost upon us! Volunteers Needed!

By Bob Bumpous, BEFA Vice President

This year the annual Paine Field Aviation Day event will be held on May 21st from 1000-1700 with demonstration flights from 12-1330. If we are to participate, we need volunteer to serve as BEFA's coordinator for the event. Steve Baier, who has organized BEFA's portion of this event for the past five years, as well as the Boeing Everett Family Day event, is unavailable right now because of 777X work and travel commitments.

The event will include

- Static Aircraft Display.
- Young Eagles Flights.
- Demonstration Flights.

Also needed are Event Volunteers. Even if you don't want to serve as a coordinator, you can still participate as a Paine Field volunteer. Volunteer shifts typically run from three to four hours allowing time for all volunteers to enjoy the event before or after their shift. For more information, please contact Frank Hummell at frank909@gmail.com

Free admission with lunch voucher and t-shirt will be provided to all volunteers.

Please consider volunteering for either of these volunteer positions, as the event is part of BEFA's outreach to the aviation community.

Thank You for Annual Crab Feed and Meeting Volunteers!

By Bob Bumpous, BEFA Vice President

The annual meeting and crab feed went well this year thanks to the many folks who volunteered to help. Special thanks to Diana, who managed the signup lists and who helped fill in the holes, took attendance, and kept everything on track. Also thanks to Debbie Brown and Pattie Guy for their help in preparation for the meal and in cleanup.

Special thanks to Wes for managing the annual pre-meeting hangar cleaning and for moving airplanes before and after the hangar cleaning and annual meeting, and to the intrepid Hangar cleaning team including Ray Pedrizetti, Ernst Langhout, Evan Futran, (all the way from PAE!), Joe Minor, Julia Bitzes, Greg Edwards, and Bob Bumpous for the good work on cleaning the hangar.

In direct support of the Annual Meeting and Crab Feed, particular thanks go to:

- Glenn Dalby and his predecessors for the generic plan for the Annual Meeting. Planning dinner for 100 people is not a trivial task and it would have been much harder without their generic plan to work from.
- Joe Kranak, who picked up the crabs.
- Bob Ingersoll, who picked up the barbeque.

Safety and Operations Briefing

By Wes McKechnie, BEFA Operations Manager

FSP VERSION 4,

Flight Schedule Pro as you've noticed, has changed over to version 4. Please see the office Staff for any help, though we're a bit behind ourselves as at the time of this posting, FSP has not updated the tutorials from V3 to V4.

Grievances:

- 435SP ring gear damaged from improper starter operation
- We've noticed that covers have not been going on the planes lately

Notes From The Office 'Attaboys' For Our Volunteers

Your fellow members continue to pitch in to keep us running smoothly, often saving money in the process. This month we thank:

- James Walker, for mowing the BEFA lawns.
- Kevin Cheney for cutting the ivy and other yard work.
- Joe Minor for taxiing planes and general support.
- Brent Miller for rescuing us on our office plumbing issue!
- Ray Pedrizetti, Ernst Langhout, Evan Futran, (all the way from PAE!), Joe Minor, Julia Bitzes, Greg Edwards, and Bob Bumpous for the good work on cleaning the hangar.
- Ray Pedrizetti, Harlan Zentner, Ken & Debbie Heinle, Andrew Boike, Tim Friedlander & Kristin, and Debbie Brown for helping with the General Membership set up.
- All the good folks who helped clean up after the meeting. We did not get all of your names, but the Heinles, the Pipkins and particularly Debbie, did a lot of cleanup

Volunteer Help is STILL Needed

BEFA has a regular need for volunteer help. Unfortunately, Boeing work demands are making it increasingly difficult to provide community service. BEFA has many needs and cannot satisfy them without member help. If you can contribute, please call the

office to volunteer. Below is the BEFA updated volunteer project list for your generous consideration:

- Someone with experience writing press releases, to write one for BEFA's charity, "BEFACT". See Wes asap, or email: befa_ops@mindspring.com.
- Someone to help with weed control spraying on the BEFA RNT ramp.

From Your Safety Officer

By Matt Smith, BEFA Safety Officer

Peter Galinas, one of the other competitors, was standing by his Pitts as I taxied out for my flight. He was scheduled to compete a couple of flights after mine. He waved as I passed. I waved back and began to focus on what I needed to do for a safe flight.

I flew my sequence, exited the aerobatic box, entered the traffic pattern, and landed. I entered the terminal building to unwind, and noticed that Peter was standing in the building talking to one of the other competitors. I thought to myself, "He shouldn't be back yet", so I gave him a quizzical look and wandered over.

"What gives?", I asked. He smiled and said "My pitot tube fell off." If you've ever seen a Pitts or an Eagle, the pitot probe is about 18 inches long and protrudes straight out the leading edge of the lower left wing. The concept of it "falling off" was humorous. I couldn't help but laugh. Almost immediately, though, I began to think about how serious that could be. So, I asked "What happened?"

Peter said he hadn't really looked at the airspeed indicator during the takeoff roll. As he began his climbout, he had taken a quick look to set his speed, and it was zero. This was a little startling....Here's where the story tells me a lot about Peter...He said he looked around and did what I'll call a "YUP" check, as in: "Is the engine running normally?...YUP; "Is it producing good power?...YUP; "Is the airplane flying normally?...YUP. Based on his informal "YUP check", he concluded that instead of doing something drastic like trying to put the airplane back on the runway, the best thing to do was to climb out and decide what to do next.

The pitot tube was still connected by the internal tubes and was dangling below the wing. Conceptually, that could be a problem as it could damage the lower wing surface while it waved in the wind, but it didn't seem to be doing so. He checked in with the Chief Judge, and

they talked about what to do next. There was a tremendous amount of experience on the field that day and Peter had plenty of fuel if some brainstorming was needed. Peter decided to fly a normal pattern and take advantage of the long runway at Ephrata by doing an approach at what felt like a little faster speed than normal. If things didn't work out, he could always do a go around and try again. He knew what the power settings were and what the approach attitude looked like, so was able to execute a safe landing.

The purpose of this story is to remind you that not everything bad that happens is an emergency requiring extraordinary measures. Instead of panicking, Peter realized he had an airplane that was flying fine, so he took the time to figure out what was the logical and safe solution. He also knew what his approach settings and attitude were allowing him to be confident in his ability not to stall the airplane on short final. That's something that might be a good exercise the next time you're out with your favorite CFI.

We'll talk again next month. Until then, be careful out there.

Matt

Classified Ads

David Clark Headset for Sale

David Clark Aviation Headset Model H10-13.4 with the canvas carry bag. Like new, used maybe 15 times. \$250. Contact Scott Spanier at cell phone: (253) 709-0431

New book – "Stop Trying to Keep Up with the Joneses – They are Broke Anyway – A Certified Financial Planner's Guide to Living the Good Life"

Brad Berger, a BEFA member, CFP[®] and CLF[®], has published a new book on financial planning. It is available at <http://amzn.to/1GI00Vs>

CONTACT INFORMATION

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- 3) Any Board Member

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