



Arizona Pilots Association

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NEWSLETTER

2009 March

Asa Dean, Editor

Executive Director's Report March, 2009

It was a pleasure once again to meet many of you at the Cactus Fly-In in Casa Grande earlier this month. The weather was good and there were a lot of great airplanes to see. The day before the Cactus Fly-In, APA had arranged for a guided tour to the Goldwater range. Those that were able to make it enjoyed it immensely. Where else can you get up that close and personal to an A10 while it's "doing it's thing". Because of group size limitations, there are plans to try to have another tour later this fall for those that missed out.

In a recent airspace users meeting, without mentioning specific problem areas, we were advised there have been intrusions into the PHX Class B airspace. I hope we are not becoming too complacent with the new configuration and becoming careless in navigating around the Class B airspace. It was also mentioned that there have been several low altitude intrusions into the Class D airspace around Goodyear and Glendale airports and Luke Air Force Base by an Ultralight aircraft. For those who fly Ultralight aircraft or know someone that does, everyone, please be aware of the airspace structure you are flying in for everyone's safety. The Air Force also commented on seeing Ultralight aircraft intrusions in the Goldwater Restricted areas. Based on news items I have read, I would think that these are very likely narcotic smugglers. What a change, going from using the C206 now to Ultralights.

In spite of the world economy, I am hearing reports of increases in foreign student pilot training. It would appear that the crowded Arizona skies are not going to be getting any better. What this means is that we all are going to have to be even more alert and watchful when we fly.

Something to watch for in the Phoenix area is an increase in the traffic pattern for Mesa Falcon Field by 200 feet. The change should occur later this spring. The proposed change is an attempt to address the noise complaints from nearby homeowners. Once again, no matter where we fly, more and more airports are getting crowded by residential areas and resultant noise complaints. We have to do our best to fly friendly, but most importantly, fly safely!

Fly Safe and Have Fun
Jim Timm
Executive Director

Prepare for the Instrument Rating Exam

Bob Littlefield, Gold Seal CFII

APA member and Gold Seal CFII Bob Littlefield will be holding an Instrument Pilot written exam preparation session at the Scottsdale Airport; the exact location will be forthcoming. It is to be held on Saturday and Sunday, April 18th & 19th, 8:30 A.M. to 5:30 P.M. each day. The cost is \$300, which includes all of the materials needed for the course. For more information or to register, contact Bob by email at bob@flightskills.com or by mobile phone, 602-228-9145. Website: <http://www.flightskills.com>

APA Safety Seminars

Howard Deevers

The Arizona Pilots Association Safety Seminars continue to bring safety information to pilots all over Arizona. As part of the FAA FAASTeam Wings program, APA presents a seminar somewhere in the state every month.

The April seminar will be at the Scottsdale Airport with guest speaker Jeffery Koonce speaking on Human Factors in Aviation. Jeffery is an experienced presenter and this is a program you don't want to miss. The second part of this seminar will be on Runway Incursions. We really need to do all we can to prevent accidents, so don't miss this seminar.

May 9, is the Annual Meeting for APA, this year scheduled to be in Tucson. We are still looking for a guest speaker, since several of our invitations have been unavailable. Keep watching: www.azpilots.org for more information.

Many of our Arizona Pilots Association members have a lot of talent to share. If you have presented programs, or would like to be a presenter, please let us know. This is how we make our organization stronger.

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Daylight Savings Time (DST)

Howard Deevers

I hope you turned your clocks forward one hour at 2 AM last night. I'm sure you got up at 2 AM just to do this, right? Yes, yes, I know. Arizona and Hawaii do not go onto Day Light Saving Time. My apologies to my Arizona friends.

However, Arizona is not uniform in this. The Navajo Nation, that occupies the North Eastern one fourth of Arizona does observe DST. Now, get this; The Zuni Nation is right in the middle of the Navajo Nation (who made up these territories?), and they do not observe DST!. So, when you are driving across the North Eastern Part of Arizona, you could change time zones a couple of times, without leaving the State, in a very short distance, then cross into New Mexico, that does observe DST. Sound confusing? Try living there.

All of this is interesting to me, because the Indians have a saying: Only the white man would cut off one foot from the top of a blanket, then sew it onto the bottom of the blanket, and say that he has a longer blanket!

Happy Spring! The Groundhog was right! He saw his shadow and said that there would be 6 more weeks of winter!, But that was 4 weeks ago. I just looked at my calendar and March 20 is the first day of Spring, and that is only two weeks away! Boy, that Groundhog sure is smart!

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EAA Fly-In, Classic Car Show & Pancake Breakfast Prescott Regional Airport, Ernest A. Love Field (PRC) Saturday, April 18, 2009

EAA Chapter #658

<http://www.flyprescott.com/EAAPrescottArizona.html> is sponsoring and old fashioned Aircraft Fly-in, Classic Car Show and traditional pancake breakfast and bratwurst lunch. April 18, 2009: 7:00am - 3:00pm local time.

Legend Aviation

<http://www.flyprescott.com/fbofs.html> has generously offered their new facility as a location for this event!

Aircraft Fly-in featuring: Antique, Warbird, Special Interest, Experimental, Helicopters, Ultralights, Radio Controlled, (possibly Balloon, PPG, anything that flies is welcome!)

Classic Autos: Antique, Special Interest, Sports Cars, Specific Types (eg: Corvettes)

Businesses and individuals interested in sponsoring, click here:

<http://www.flyprescott.com/eaaflyinprescott09sponsors.html>

All Fly-In aircraft are welcome, but to guarantee a tie down, register here:

<http://www.flyprescott.com/eaaflyinprescott09registration.html>

It's free! Click here for PRC website:

<http://www.flyprescott.com/>

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Gates Open 7:00am-3:00pm

Legend Aviation Grand Opening!
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Prescott, Arizona

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Payson Municipal Airport (KPAN) Aero Fair **Payson Regional Airport Authority (PRAA)**

Saturday, May 16, 2009 Fly-In, Campground and Breakfast. FREE Admission to the **Fly-In** between the hours of 7:30 AM and 2:00 PM. **Breakfast** is \$7.00 for adults and \$4.00 for kids under 10. It is provided by the Payson Pilots Association. The menu includes pancakes, eggs, sausage, juice and coffee. Breakfast hours are 7:30 AM to 10:30 AM. Experimental Aircraft Association #810 will be providing airplane rides for \$25.00 per person. On display will be new, classic and antique airplanes, cars and tractors and the Arizona National Guard Blackhawk helicopter. Food and Craft Vendors. There will be a special youth and aviation program with activities for kids of all ages. Fun for the family! Contact : Dick Garmon 928-468-0147 dickgarmon@aol.com. Website www.paysonairport.com. See last year's event: http://www.paysonairport.com/Aero_Fair.html

APA Annual Meeting's Keynote Speaker **Howard Deevers**

It is official! **Melissa Rudinger**, Vice-President/Assistant to the President of AOPA will be our keynote speaker at the APA Annual Meeting on May 9 in Tucson.

Today I confirmed with Pete Stogsdill, Director of Pima Community College Aviation Maintenance Department, that we have use of the facility at the Tucson International Airport for that date from 8 AM to noon.


If you have not been at that facility, it is located at 7211 S Park Ave, Tucson, AZ 85709 on the southwest side of Tucson Airport. I requested 250 chairs. They generally set up 200 for the AOPA seminars and fill it up. With the Boeing 727 as a backdrop this is an impressive place to hold our meeting.

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Arizona Aviation Hall of Fame Inductee: Barbara Harper

by Lee Unger

It is with pleasure I share the news that Barbara Harper has been selected to be into the in the Spring of 2010. Details of the induction ceremony will be shared as they become available.



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Yvonne C. Morris

Dear Ms. Harper;


We are delighted to inform you that you have been selected as an inductee into the Arizona Aviation Hall of Fame for the year 2010. Established in 1985 through a Proclamation issued by Arizona Governor Bruce Babbitt, the Arizona Aviation Hall of Fame (AAHOF) is permanently housed at the Pima Air & Space Museum in Tucson, Arizona.


The Arizona Aviation Hall of Fame serves as a permanent shrine to Arizonans who have made significant contributions to the advancement of aviation and aerospace. Each year a special induction ceremony and dinner is held at the Pima Air & Space Museum, as we celebrate each individual's accomplishments. During the induction ceremony, a permanent display case will be unveiled that highlights your achievements and tells your story. Customarily, we make a request to each inductee that they provide some personal effects, artifacts, or ephemera that can be donated to the Museum to be included in your display case. One of our Collections' staff will be contacting you shortly to discuss preparations for your exhibit.

Next year's induction ceremony will take place in the late Spring in the "Spirit of Freedom Hangar" at the Pima Air and Space Museum. More details will be provided about the induction ceremony once a final date is set.

We congratulate you on your selection into the Arizona Aviation Hall of Fame and look forward to celebrating your induction.

Sincerely,


Mr. Wilbur "Pete" Carpenter
Chair, AAHOF Selection Committee


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Chapman Ranch Airstrip Fly-In

Nancy Benscoter, APA Secretary & Director of Fund Raising

Please see the flyer for the Arizona Pilots Association's Chapman Ranch Fly-in on April 11, 2009. Please post this fly-in flyer on all e-newsletters, web sites and calendar of events! Also, anyone who can print and display the flyer at local airports, restaurants and forward to friends & fellow aviation group(s) would be most helpful and appreciated!

The APA needs everyone to give the Chapman Ranch fly-in the utmost attention in getting the word out to help keep this airstrip open. Participation (that means eating breakfast at the Chapman Ranch Fly-in) and/or monetary donations to our 501C3 organization for this airstrip are needed to continue operations of Chapman Ranch Airstrip.

Through the APA's efforts, Chapman Ranch now has an official FAA identifier, 58AZ. This identifier will be listed on the new chart publications. Please visit the APA's web site <http://www.azpilots.org> for airstrip coordinates and safety guidelines. Together, we can help preserve this Arizona back country airstrip!

Chapman Ranch Airstrip Fly-In

Saturday April 11, 2009
Pancake Breakfast – with eggs, bacon & coffee
8:00 am to 11:30am

\$10.00 Donation to the Arizona Pilots Association
Help keep this strip open & come join us!

- Visit our web site www.azpilots.org for details
- Runway coordinates & safety information
- To complete the hold harmless agreement
 - RSVP by email to NANBABI@AOL.COM
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APA Website

Nancy Rogers

Please visit our website for the latest information.

<http://www.azpilots.org>

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