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The Privileged View Steve Beste, President

Color Run. Ladies and gentlemen, we have a **flying** club! Last month's Color Run drew an unprecedented ten aircraft and 16 fliers. It was the best-attended flying event in years, following up on last June's Poker Run, which itself set

a record. Credit goes to new member **Robert Doak** who ably organized everyone, even though he was volunteered for the job in absentia at the last meeting. His enthusiasm is infectious. Best Supporting Actor goes to **Tom Richards**, who seems to know almost as many pilots as Chuck Tippett does. Tom rustled up a number of pilots and planes to fly with us for the first time.

Those of you who flew the event know why I call this column *The Privileged View*. The mountains were spectacular, as is this picture from Tom Simmons.



Our Privileged View - Looking south toward Luray. We are <u>so</u> fortunate. (Photo by Tom Simmons)



The Un-privileged View - Cars waiting to get onto Skyline Drive at Front Royal.

After the Color Run, I put the trike in its hangar and drove into Front Royal for lunch. That's when I took the picture above. At noon, the line was over a mile long in two directions, and moving slowly. What those hundreds of people wanted was a lovely outing to see the fall colors. What they got was a traffic jam, with occasional glimpses out over the valley. We privileged few, by contrast, got the full show, and each others' companionship in the bargain. It was a day to remember. Here's who flew:

Tom Richards & Robert Doak Cessna 150 Kolb **Loyd Peterson** Gary Edgecomb & Friend Kolb **Bob Jacobs** DTA trike **Steve Beste & Dick Martin** Aerotrike trike Lucy Ooi Aeronca Allen Whatley & Jim Hill Aeronca Ralph Kew Taylorcraft Tom Simmons & friend Quicksilver Bill Sullivan & Scott Schribner Super CUBy



Organizer Rober Doak

The route was Airpark - Front Royal - Luray - Airpark. I had hot cider and goodies for everyone in my hangar at Front Royal, which was welcome as the morning started cold.



The fliers at Front Royal. Tom and Robert were off getting gas.



The flight line at Front Royal early on. More came.



Dick Martin in a trike



Tom Simmons and Christina



Fresh donuts & hot cider from the Apple House at Front Royal



Lucy Ooi



Bob Jacobs and Dick Martin



Christina, Tom Simmons, Jim Hill and Gary Edgecomb at Luray

Fly Safely, Steve



This Month's Fly-In Destinations

To encourage all of us to get in the air more, the following is a list of fly-ins I found within (about) 100 NM of the Warrenton Airpark which are occurring in the next month. Sources are: The EAA Calendar of Events, the AOPA Calendar of Events, www.flyins.com and the Virginia Department of Aviation Calendar of Events.

Date	Event Description	Location	Distance from 7VG0
Sat, Nov 8 /12 - 4	Shannon Airport Open House	Shannon Airport	28 NM
pm	(see Flyer)	(KEZF)	
Mon, Nov 10	Lancaster Airport Vet-	Lancaster Airport	112 NM
	erans Day Observance -	(KLNS)	
	patriotic music, speakers,		
	aircraft display - contact		
	717-569-1221 or khu-		
	ber@lancasterairport.com		
Sat, Nov 29	Sugar Hill Fly-in Foot Long	Sugar Hill Airport	103 NM
	Hot Dog Day	(DE17)	



SHANNON AIRPORT

Open House

November 8, 2014

12pm-4pm

Pifer Bros. BBQ Sabrett Hot Dogs

Kids Plane rides with the Young Eagles

Appearance by the Flying Circus

Airport Dedication with

Congressman Rob Wittman Senator Bryce Reeves

Representative Bill Howell

And the Spotsylvania board of Supervisors



For Aviation enthusiasts! We hope you will come to celebrate Shannon Airport, one of the most historic airports in the country!

3380 Shannon Airport Circle, Fredericksburg, Va. 22408 info@shannonezf.com

AOPA Homecoming Fly-in

Frederick, MD, October 3, 2014 Dick Martin, Club 1

What is AOPA?

The Aircraft Owners and Pilots Association was founded 75 years ago to promote general aviation. Today it has around 375,000 members. It is headquartered at the Frederick, MD airport in a large, modern facility with about 200 employees. AOPA offers services to non-airline pilots, concentrating on private and corporate aviation. It complements the Experimental Aircraft Asso-



ciation (EAA), which focuses more on homebuilders, ultralights, and light sport flyers. AOPA provides a long list of services to pilots, including courses, seminars, and webinars; insurance; aircraft financing; flight planning resources and services; legal and medical assistance for pilots; magazines, TV shows, and electronic publications; and political advocacy supporting general aviation policies and issues.

Why a Regional Fly-in?

This year, instead of its national "Aviation Summit", AOPA is hosting regional events to make it easier for more members to participate. The Frederick homecoming fly-in was one of the 5 regional events scheduled in 2014. The smaller regional events offer a cheaper, more accessible, and less crowded alternative to EAAs huge national "Airventure" in Oshkosh.

The Frederick Homecoming Fly-in

The Frederick Homecoming Fly-in was a one day affair attended by about 3,000 people, mostly pilots and their families. Because of marginal weather, most attendees (including me) came by car. Attractions included static aircraft displays, commercial exhibitors, tours of the AOPA headquarters, B-17 rides, an aerobatic program, information on AOPA services, free food from good food trucks, and a playground for kids.



Workshops

The fly-in concentrated on workshops dealing with subjects of interest to general aviation pilots. Four large rooms ran simultaneous sessions throughout the day with presentations by professional air traffic controllers, politicians, policy makers, and technology experts. Subjects of workshops included radio communication, iPad flying, insurance, ADS-B and GPS, flying clubs, owner-performed maintenance, Washington DC airspace, and the current situation and priorities of of the FAA.

I attended an interesting session on <u>radio communication</u>. An FAA controller discussed changes in phraseology, clearance requirements on the ground and in different kinds of airspace, and gave a humorous demonstration of the "speed talking" that busy controllers often use on the radio. Participants recommended the free AOPA online course called "Say it Right" (www.airsafety.org).

Another interesting workshop I attended was "Capital Skies: Understanding the Washington DC Airspace" with presenters from the FAA, Air Force, TSA, and Secret Service. They showed scary pictures of F-16s intercepting Cessnas, discussed procedures and sanctions if you are caught violating the different highly-controlled Washington airspace areas, and statistics on numbers of violations. You can be intercepted even if you think you are outside the edge of the Special Flight Rules Area, so keep your distance. Also, watch the NOTAMs for changes, which are frequent.

The most interesting session for me was the "Pilot Town Hall" with AOPA CEO Mark Baker; Rep. Sam Graves, the Chairman of the House of Representatives General Aviation caucus; and FAA Deputy Administrator Michael Whitaker. AOPA first presented scholarships for promising student pilots and grants for worthy general causes (such as medical airlifts). Then hot button general aviation issues were discussed, including:

• Third Class Medical Reform. AOPA and EAA are campaigning to eliminate the medical exam for private pilots. Eliminating the medical exam would cut the cost of flying, permit more pilots to keep flying, and not compromise safety. Chances of this reform appear good.

- Stops and Seizures. U.S.; Customs and Border Protection officers have reportedly been inconveniencing and intimidating pilots with unwarranted drug searches. AOPA leadership met with the Department of Homeland Security and the searches quickly ended, a win for AOPA.
- <u>ADS-B</u>. AOPA and others are concerned about the high cost and limited benefits to many general aviation pilots of meeting the requirement for "ADS-B out" equipment by 2020.
 A "summit" with the FAA, AOPA, and other stakeholders is scheduled for October 28 to discuss this problem.
- Aviation Gas. The FAA, AOPA, and the general aviation industry are working toward a 2018 deadline for developing a substitute lead-free gasoline for private planes.
- Growing the Pilot Population. AOPA is working on several fronts to promote general aviation flying and flight training. one effort is to encourage flying clubs, which reduce costs and make learning more fun. Another is an AOPA "rusty pilot" program designed to help some of the half million inactive pilots get back into flying. A third initiative is promoting re-building and upgrading of old general aviation planes since few new ones are being built and they are too expensive.
- Protecting Airports. Many general aviation airports are being closed and sold to developers. AOPA is helping local pilots with legal strategies to try to preserve their airports.
- <u>Unmanned Aerial Vehicles</u>. AOPA and the FAA feel quite positive about the promise of drones, and the FAA is doing a good job of studying the dangers and working on regulations.

Overall, the Homecoming Fly-in was an interesting, informative, and enjoyable free event. I was impressed by AOPA's vision, enthusiasm, and competence. I will plan to return to this fly-in in future years and recommend it to interested Club 1 members.







Meeting Minutes October 2014 Flying Club One Meeting

Saturday, October 4, 2014 Warrenton Airpark Warrenton, VA

Selling 50/50 tickets before meeting

Call to Order

President, Steve Beste called the meeting to order at 11:05 A.M. 20 members present.

CONNECTIONS

Visitors & New Members

Allan Runin saw our website and drove up the valley from Roanoke, VA to get more information on instruction and flying light aircraft. Tony Harvey is learning to fly Ultralights.

Old Members

Jim Hill and Allen Whatley are now co-owners in a classic yellow and orange 1946 Champ, and the serial number is just two off from the 1946 Champ that Bill Dohm has. Along with Lucy Ooi's Champ, the Aeronca family is growing in our Club.

With the great fall weather, a few members said they flew to the Wings and Wheels Fly-In at Hum- Membership Director: Jim Birnbaum reported mel field located at the mouth of the Rappahannock River in SE Virginia. Lee Fox is offering his newly refurbished, with many extras, XAir

LSA for joint ownership. The aircraft is located at the Gordonsville, VA airport.

SERVICE PROVIDERS

Recap our standing list of service providers:

- PPG instructor and dealer: Michael O'Daniel
- Fixed wing instructor: Chuck Tippett
- PPG, Ultralight, LSA and General Aviation flight instruction: Grass Roots Fly-
- Welder: Tom Kotsch
- A&P mechanic: **JD Ingram**

REGULAR REPORTS

Secretary: Jim Heidish reported that the September Minutes will be published in the October Club Newsletter and can be reviewed/revised/approved at the November meeting.

Treasurer: Jim Birnbaum reported September income: \$49.00, Expenses: \$91.02 and the Flying Club 1 Checkbook Balance: \$2,712.21.

President: Steve Beste reminded the members that next month (Thursday, November 6th at 7:30 PM) we start our cold weather meetings in the Library at Centreville High School, Centreville, VA. Special thanks to Bill Dohm for making the arrangements.

Safety and Training Director: Vacant - we need a qualified volunteer for this spot!

that he is starting to collect membership dues for 2015. Starting in October any NEW member that joins before the end of the year or any OLD member that has not paid-up and pays before the MONTHLY PROGRAM end of the year, will have their dues count as the 2015 fee as well. We have 48 active / paid-up None members.

Warrenton Airpark Owner: Tom Richards said that there will be NO change to the traffic pattern at the Airpark, but he wants everyone landing or taking off to use radio communications on 122.9. Pilots should broadcast their intentions for each phase of the pattern and monitor the frequency for the skydiver jump plane announcements. The skydivers will be keeping their operation and parachute touch down spots on the south east side of the Airpark, but always be alert and look for the jump plane and skydivers before entering the pattern.

Old Business

None

New Business

With the annual Color Run coming up on October 25th, Steve Beste asked for a volunteer to organize the event. Tom Richards said that Rob Doak, one of his Ultralight students, would like to do it and Tom said that he could fly with him.

We need programs for our cold weather meetings at Centreville High School starting next month. It can be on anything connected to aviation, and we have a digital projector to help with the presentations. Tom Richards said he would present one at the November meeting. Jim Birnbaum and Jim Heidish will present a program about one of the few WWII B-17s that is still flying at the January meeting.

50-50 Drawing

Winner **Art Felt** contributed it to the club.

Cook Out

Everyone enjoyed the cookout that was prepared by Pete Bastien.

Adjourn

President, Steve Beste adjourned the meeting at 11:45 A.M.

Submitted by **Jim Heidish**, Secretary

Activities

2014 Flying Club 1 Activities Schedule

Designated Club meetings will be held the first Thursday of each month in the Centreville High School, Union Mill Rd., Centreville, VA, at 7:30 PM. Others will be held at 11:00 AM at the Warrenton Airpark as shown in the 2014 schedule. Changes in time or location will be posted in this newsletter and on the Club website.

Date	Activity	Location	Description
Thu, November 6th,	Club Meeting	CVHS	Conversation, club business
7:30 pm			meeting and program.
Sat, December 6th,	Club Meeting / Holi-	Airpark	Monthly meeting and Holiday
4:30 pm - 8 pm	day Party	Club	Party.
		House	

Classifieds

Ads will be run twice and then dropped unless resubmitted, or renewed by telephone or e-mail. Please advise the editor: **Lucy Ooi**

(Ooi.Lucy@gmail.com) when the ad is no longer needed.

FOR SALE — '92 Kolb Firestar



Part 103 ultra-light airplane with foldable wings. Fantastic performance but docile characteristics, perfect for both beginners and veterans. Reliable and easy start Rotax 503 with 108 hrs, airframe has 324 hrs. B-box reduc. drive and 62 power fin prop. Alt, AS, RPM, dual EGTs. Includes hand-held COM/NAV radio and custom trailer with stone guard & loading ramps. \$6500 - Tim (619) 410-7011 Arlington, VA. More pictures available. Thank you.

FOR SALE — Zodiac 601 XL (650 XL) partially completed kit. Kit includes Constructed Tail Surfaces and Fuselage, to include Landing Gear with Wheels and Brakes, Dual Brake Peddles kit, Dual Control Stick kit and Instrument Panel. The wing kit and engine is needed. The wing kit is available now pre-drilled. It The plane will take a Rotax 912S, Jabiru 3300, Continental 0200, Lycoming 235, Corvair or VW conver-

sion engines. All documentation and registered plans are in the package. Asking \$7500 or best offer above \$6000. Note this is a Light Sport class aircraft. It is available built, IFR Certified at Southeast Light Sport for \$99,900. (South-EastLSA.com).

See http://www.zenithair.com/zodiac/xl/ for details of aircraft: Contact: Larry Walker, 540-347-7609

Flight Test Report: Steve Flattum flight tests the Zodiac and reports: "The CH 601 XL / CH 650 family of airplanes are a delight to fly. Simple and easy to fly with a great view and they are very comfortable for long flights. The airplane is very strong and it is backed by a company that has been around for a very long time."

FOR SALE — MaxAir Drifter built 1989



Electric start oil-injected Rotax 582. 1083 TT engine and airframe. 16 hours TT since engine rebuild. 10 gallon fuel capacity with 4.5 gallon reserve behind front seat. 3-blade Ground Adjustable Warp Drive Prop. (2) Comtronic Helmets with radio. Mounted ICOM A21 radio PTT switch on stick. Dual EGT. Tach, hourmeter, voltmeter, VSI, fuel pump pressure, turn and bank bubble indicator, airspeed indicator, mounted GARMIN GPS Pilot III. Tundra tires. External mounted BRS Chute. Always Hangared. Lots of spare

parts. Based at New Quarter Far Airport, Gloucester, VA. \$4000.00

Contact Richard Moore 804-815-0730

drifterpilot@cox.net

Membership Dues Policy

The period of membership follows the calendar yearJanuary through December. The renewal period starts on 1 October with regular dues at \$20.00 and family at \$25.00. Members who have not paid their dues by the end of February will be dropped effective 1 March and will not receive the Newsletter or Membership Roster. New members joining after 1 October will be charged \$20.00 or the family rate, if applicable and will be credited will full membership for the following calendar year. Please mail payments to Flying Club 1, 8570 King Carter Street, Manassas, VA 20110. Payment can also be made at the regular monthly meeting. Please include the 2014 Membership Application form with your payment. This will be used to ensure that our records are current. A copy of the membership application is attached and also printed at the end of the Newsletter.

Jim Birmbaum Flying Club 1 Membership Director, Treasurer

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION



Type of membership: \square New,	☐ Renewal,	☐ Regular,	☐ Family membership
Name(s):			
Name To Go On Your Name Tag:			
Street or PO Box:			
City:		State	e:Zip:
Telephone, Home:	Cell: _		Work:
Spouse's Name:			
Emergency Contact: Name:			Phone:
E-mail Address:			
Aircraft Liability Insurance throu	gh:		
Aircraft make and model:			N-Number (if any):
Pilot rating(s):			
Club Activities or Services for Wh	ich You Volun	teer:	

Instructions:

- 1. FILL OUT THE ABOVE FORM.
- 2. Enclose a check for \$20 (\$25 for a family) made out to "Flying Club 1".

Information from this application will be in the club's membership roster which goes only to members.

3. SEND THE FORM AND CHECK TO:

Jim Birnbaum, Treasurer 8570 King Carter Street Manassas, VA 20110-4888

To join the national USUA, go to http://www.usua.org
To join the national USPPA, go to http://www.usppa.org

Flying Club 1 General Information

The Flying Club 1 is a nonprofit, recreational club dedicated to the sport of ultralight and light sport aircraft flying.

2014 CLUB OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS

President: Steve Beste 703-321-9110 Vice President: Dick Martin 703-242-2367 Secretary: Jim Heidish 703-524-5265 Treasurer: Jim Birnbaum 703-361-7478 Director & Past President: Len Alt

703-945-9314

Director At Large: Vacant

Director At Large: Larry Walker 540-347-7609

meetings regularly may prefer to support functions associated with Club weekend activities.

ANNUAL DUES (Jan 1-Dec 31) \$20.00. Family membership (typically husband and wife): \$25.00. A spouse who wishes to participate will please complete a membership appli-

cation form.

2014 CLUB VOLUNTEER STAFF

Safety & Training: Vacant

Membership: Jim Birnbaum 703-361-7478 Club Artist: Jim Heidish 703-524-5265 Newsletter Editor: Lucy Ooi ("Wee")

Ooi.Lucy@gmail.com
Web Master: Steve Beste,
president@flyingclub1.org

A club is only as good as the members who volunteer to support its activities. The following listed activities with the club require member support in varying amounts. Please indicate on your membership application the function(s) (can be more than one) you will support as a Club member. All active Club members are expected to participate. However, members who live some distance away and cannot attend

CLUB WEB SITE: http://flyingclub1.org

MEETINGS are monthly, year-round. See the web site for dates and places.

THE NEWSLETTER: The newsletter is published by email on the first of every month.

SUBMITTING ITEMS FOR THE NEWSLETTER Members and non-members are encouraged to submit items for this newsletter. Send submissions to Lucy Ooi at Ooi.Lucy@gmail.com at least one week prior to the end of the month.

If you are interested in joining the U.S. Ultralight National Organization go to their website for membership information at: www.usua.org

Likewise, if you are interested in joining the U.S. Powered Paragliding Association, the National PPG Organization, go to their website for membership information at: www.usppa.org