



The Twin State Flyer

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Recap on YE Day, June 19th, '04

By Tom Williamson, 740 President

The weather for the first few days of July has been good for just about anything, from watersports to flying little airplanes. Oshkosh is coming up rapidly, and there are many flying opportunities such as fly-ins, fly-outs, and \$100 hamburgers. We finished our Young Eagles event without mishap, and with 63 youngsters getting flights. This is a great way to promote aviation. Parents were most thrilled that this opportunity would be offered for free, only requirement is you gotta be a kid, one who wants an airplane ride.



New Young Eagles

I did get some accounts from members who

manned jobs at the event, this from George Groh:

I was working with Annemarie at the flight line desk. There were a couple of kids waiting, brother and sister, The older sister said that her younger brother was in the habit of breaking things. I think she mentioned something about pushing the buttons on a camcorder and a DVD. I thought no more about it and they went off to fly with Dave Baldwin in his Baron.

Later I overheard Dave talking about some kid who had dropped the gear or the flaps or had done some impulsive thing. I realized it was the same kid.

Evan Fradenburg sent me this:

I only flew two kids, having had a forced late arrival because of weather in New London. The first was a very tall 14-year old boy in a CAP uniform who was very upbeat about aviation in general and wants a career in it somewhere. The second was a tiny 9-year old girl whose parents were from Romania and were absolutely enthusiastic about her going up. The father insisted on introducing me to his own father who spoke no English but who had been a jet fighter pilot in the Romanian Air Force. The whole family were delighted with the Young Eagles program and it gave me
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a warm feeling that we were really doing something worthwhile. Karla Meyette, wife of member Brian Meyette, sent this along:

The morning of June 19th dawned overcast and looked as though it might rain at any moment in Cornish.

However, being the good sports that we are and after making a few calls, we decided to go ahead and fly from Claremont to Lebanon in hopes that the sky would clear and the Young Eagles Day would proceed. We flew up a narrow "tunnel" of marginal VFR and got into LEB OK.

The sky did clear and although there was a delay in the start of the flights, the anticipation at the registration area was high. It is enjoyable to see timid children come up to the desk to register with, in some cases, even more timid parents in tow. We do our best to reassure them that everything will be fine and most of all, fun! We explained the route the pilots would be taking and answered questions from the kids and their parents. The really fun part is seeing the youngsters (and their much relieved parents) leaving past the registration desk after their ride. They almost all had big smiles on their faces, were enthusiastic about flying in small aircraft, and proud of themselves for taking advantage of the opportunity. That made the experience for me worthwhile.

Thanks to all who helped out in this event. We all gain in sharing our enthusiasm for little airplane flying with virtually anyone who has the desire to go up. It often starts at a very early age, and we have power to promote the dreams of others.

Sentimental Journey, '04

Submitted by Dino Vlahakis, 740 Director

The 19th Annual Sentimental Journey Fly-In was held under less than sunny skies. Bill Molloy and I had a great flight down in his 180 amphib on Wed the 16th. After that the weather caved in causing many would be participants to stay home or drive. It seemed odd not to have the sky full of yellow Cubs and other neat machines.. A good year will see 300 airplanes during the event.

We attended a couple of seminars and visited the new vendors building. Every year a different model Piper is featured for the fly-in. The Pacer and Tri Pacer (PA 20 & PA 22) were the 2004 highlights.

Unfortunately the weather kept the count down.



Monocoupe

On Friday there was a fly out to a local dairy farm for food of course. Sat started out a bit murky but good enough to fly out to a private field for more food. The gracious host had all of his antiques on the flight line for all to see. Among them a Stearman, Travelair 3000, Waco CTO, Taperwing Waco 10, Tiger Moth, J3, a Pitcairn Mailwing and a few more. All of them in excellent condition and flyable.

The weather improved from then on and made for a beautiful flight home on Sunday.

At the Saturday evening awards banquet held at the Piper Air Museum formerly the engineering building, Ken Hyde, was the featured speaker. He was the man involved with the Wright Flyer project

or better know as the Wright Experience which involved building to scale a Wright Flyer duplicating materials and techniques to the extent possible to make it authentic. The only thing they couldn't reproduce were the brisk winds that the Wrights had in 1903 and as a result the flight was short on 17 Dec 2003. Due to the low HP the Wrights needed lots of wind.

Ken spoke of the reverse engineering involved and the lengthy review of all the brothers documents to allow them do it the same way as it was '03. While some considered them a couple of lucky bike mechanics Ken felt that they were truly the the first aeronautical engineers and deserve more credit for their feat. The videos and informative talk bore this out.



Pitcairn Mailwing

Next year's SJ may be bumped a week or so but still planned for June.

From the head table situated under his J2 Cub hanging from the overhead, Bill Piper Jr. about 92 years young welcomed and thanked all of us for attending and "keeping the legend alive."

It's less than 300 NM from LEB so lets get a group going for '05. Camping is allowed. The natives are friendly and the week is fun!

www.pipermuseum.com tel 570 748 8283
2005 dates to follow.

The Flying Wire

By Dino Vlahakis, 740 Director

As we approach the 4th of July we must seriously look ahead to Columbus day. Making a statement such as that now , the end of June, may cause many of you to exclaim "so what." October is the 23rd anniversary of Chapter 740 and the month in which we must hold an election of officers who will assume their duties 1/2005.

The chapter by laws have a term limitation provision. When the chapter was born, those of us who helped craft those bylaws did not want to see an open ended policy on officers. In other words there would be no "president for life" as we had witnessed in other chapters. Current policy calls for a maximum of two consecutive terms for any office. It has worked well in the past.

Except for the office of VP all other offices must have a new face this fall.. With a roster of nearly 60 members "so what" may be heard again.

Willingness to serve is a pre requisite and many of you are not willing so 60 members is not very big in that context.

Some of us have served in every capacity during the life of the Twin State Flyers and continue to work behind the scenes without a title supporting the leadership and performing chapter related tasks. It isn't fair to expect the same people to do all the work besides new ideas and input are always needed.

In communicating with other chapters we have learned that this dilemma is not unique to 740. Sadly some once very viable clubs have regressed to inactive status.

A nominating committee will be formed this summer for the purpose of creating a slate of candidates for the Oct elections. Please give it some serious thought if you are contacted. Former officers are available to help and EAA HQ, another valuable resource, is at the end of a toll free number.

The productive future of this great chapter is in your hands.

Ed. Note:

Dino brings up a very important issue. Our chapter is only as vital as the members' level of participation. Events like the Young Eagles Day, the chapter barbecues, the monthly programs do not just happen. A lot of work goes into each one

of these times. Without chapter officers who are willing to spend the time to effect these events they will not happen. As is typical of organizations like ours, there are a few people who do this work out of a larger number of members. We are approaching a pivotal time for the chapter.

Someone from amongst the membership must take over in each office, as the term limits demand it.

Current officers may run for different seats, but so far none have expressed a wish to do so.

Please give some serious thought to how you might like to pitch in and help extend the life of this chapter. We all enjoy the company of our members, but this whole membership can easily slip away without the will to keep it going, and that comes from each and every member.

Offices are:

President, duties as follows:

The Chapter President shall be the Chief Executive Officer and Chairperson of the Board of Directors. The Chapter President shall have, subject to advice, direction and control of the Chapter Board of Directors, general charge of Chapter business. The Chapter President shall execute with the Chapter Secretary all contracts and instruments which first have been approved by the Board of Directors. The President may call a special meeting of the members of the Board of directors and/or the general membership. In case of the absence of the Treasurer the President may execute checks for expenditures authorized by the Board of Directors.

Vice President, as follows:

The Vice President of the organization shall be vested with the powers of, and shall perform the duties of the President in case of the absence or disability of the President. The Vice President shall also perform such duties connected with the operations of the organization as directed by the President.

Secretary, as follows:

The Secretary shall keep the minutes of all proceedings of the members in books provided for that purpose. The Secretary shall attend to the giving and serving of notices of all meetings of the members. The Secretary shall keep a proper membership roll showing the name of each member of the organization. The Secretary shall keep a book of Bylaws, and such other books and papers as the members may direct. The Secretary shall execute with the President, in the name of the organization, all contracts and instruments which have first been approved by the Board of Directors or members. The Secretary shall perform such duties connected with the operation of the organization as directed by the President, with the advice and consent of the members.

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Treasurer duties as follows:

The Treasurer shall execute in the name of the organization all checks for expenditures authorized by the members or Board of Directors. The Treasurer shall receive and deposit all funds of the organization in a bank selected by the Executive Officers. Such funds shall be paid out only by check. The Treasurer shall also account for all receipts, disbursements, and balance on hand. The Treasurer shall perform such duties connected with the operations of the organization as directed by the President, with the advice and consent of the members or Board of Directors. In case of the absence or disability of the Treasurer the President shall execute the duties of the office of the Treasurer until members can elect a successor.

I can say little more to encourage necessary participation. Please step up and be one of the individuals who deep our chapter vital and interesting.

Thanks,

Tom Williamson, Chapter President and Newsletter Editor

Coming Events

Tuesday, July 13th 2004 Next 740 Barbecue, 6 pm at LEB.

July 10-11: Geneseo, NY. History of Flight air show presented by the 1941 Historical Aircraft Group Museum, Geneseo Airport, Route 63. Flying from the unique grass strip will be antiques, classics, experimentals and warbirds, including WWII heavy & medium bombers and fighters, WWI aircraft, classic biplanes of the '20s and '30s and aerobatic performances. Arrival day, Friday, July 9 - gates open 6 a.m. Admission in \$5-\$7 range for age 12 to adults, children under 12 FREE. Self-contained campers and fly-in visitors are welcome. For information call (585) 243-2100 or check www.1941hag.org.

July 12: Rutland, VT. The Northeast Safety Brief, Aviation Myths And Uncommon Events, Civil Air Patrol Building, Rutland Airport, 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Sponsored by the Civil Air Patrol. For more information contact: (207) 780-3263 x106.

July 24-25: Owls Head, ME, Trucks, Tractors, Commercial Vehicles & Antique Aeroplane Show. Owls Head Transportation Museum, Knox County Airport. For more information contact Owls Head Transportation Museum, Knox County Airport, P.O. Box 277, Owls Head, ME, 04854; 207-594-4418; www.owlshead.org.

July 27-August 2: Oshkosh, WI. AirVenture Oshkosh 2004. Go to www.airventure.org for more info.

August 1-7: Warren-Sugarbush Airport, Warren, VT. Youth Soaring Camp, ages 13-17. Daily flying, ground school, hiking, swimming, movies, other fun activities. For further information: soar@sugarbush.org or contact Rick Hanson (802) 496-4478.

August 14-15: Windsor Locks, Conn. Westover ARB Air Show (NEAM will set up a display booth), New England Air Museum, Bradley International Airport. Additional information may be obtained by calling the Museum at 860-623-3305 or visiting the web site (www.neam.org).

Aug. 21: Middlebury, Vermont. Pancake breakfast, Middlebury Airport (6B0). 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. \$4 per person. Pancakes, eggs, sausage, orange juice and coffee. For more information call J&M Aviation (802) 388-2022.

August 22: Newport, NH. Newport's Parlin Field hosts its 4th Annual Fly-In, rain or shine; 8 a.m.-2 p.m. Parlin Field will be celebrating its 75th year as an airport. Vintage and modern planes welcome! For more information contact bddmt@aldelphia.net.

For the information of chapter members who might like to have a professional drawing of their airplane, Sam Williamson has been drawing airplanes for members and others for several years. If you are interested in a beautiful drawing of your own airplane and would like to see samples of his work get in touch with him at 802-436-2868.



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