

Spring Party

There is nothing like a good party to get rid of "The Winter Blues". We are looking into a social event of some sort for mid to late February. If you have any ideas please let Steve Martin or Stu Bain know. We will keep you posted as to when and where should we get a good idea.

Flight Training and Review

At the last BAS board meeting it was brought up we need to do anything and everything to insure safe operations out of the Bayport Aerodrome. In that light, it was suggested that we compile a list of all pilots operating out of the Bayport Aerodrome Society facility with their certificate numbers, ratings, and medical and BFR due dates. Please bring this information with you if you plan to attend the flight school on the 22nd or mail this information to the Bayport Aerodrome Society Attn: Flight Safety.

It is already a requirement of the leases that we have a copy of your certificate of Insurance on file and if you have not sent one in please do so immediately. You can have your Insurance company do this automatically for you if you ask them.

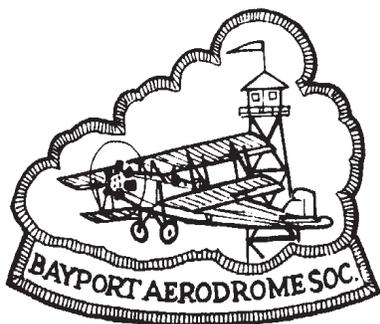
The second tier of this program would be a "FREE" Annual Flight Review to operate out of the BAS hangar facility and participate in BAS events such as the picnic and flyovers. We are working on the logistics of such a program and possibly incorporating this requirement into all lease agreements. If you have any questions plan to attend the January 22nd ground school.

ADIZ

The FAA has mandated that any pilot who flies within a 60 nautical mile radius of the Washington DC VOR/DME must take a awareness training course. If you fly south or ever plan to go to faa.org and log on to take the online course - *Navigating the New DC ADIZ*. The course is free but near impossible to find on the site , but it is there so keep searching. Any pilot flying in this area after February 9th must have taken the training to be legal.

Those who get too big for their britches will be exposed in the end.

When two egotists meet, it's an I for an I.



The next meeting of the
Bayport Aerodrome Society
will be on Sunday,
March 1st
in the Museum Hangar at 1:30 pm



Next Meeting of
The AACGN Y
is on Sunday,
March 15th
at Bayport Aerodrome at 1:30pm

Last Ever Biplane Expo, 2009?

The National Biplane Association board of directors, citing costs, has announced that 2009 will witness the "final aviation event for the organization." Over 23 years, some 2,500 biplanes and 7,000 other aircraft have drawn some 75,000 fans to the Biplane Expo, but times are changing. The events ran annually since 1987 and included exhibits, type club gatherings, forums and seminars, attendee-decided aircraft judging, aviation rides and famous personalities. With admission fees set at \$5 and under, the 2008 event saw retired Air Force Colonel Joseph Kittinger speak. An earlier year included Paul Tibbets of Enola Gay fame. But increasing staffing requirements and costs have conspired with a deteriorating economy to pull the plug. Enthusiasts are now facing what is being billed as the Grande Finale at Bartlesville, Okla., June 4-6.

The coming year's honored guest is yet to be announced. The National Biplane Association was formed as a non-profit organization in 1987 to "educate the general public on the history and development of biplane aircraft and to promote their preservation." Membership is open to anyone interested in biplanes and in preserving them.

A Young Man Discovers the Piper Cub

Photos and Article by Jim Mularadelis

After the monthly meeting, Stu Bain decided to exercise his cub. As the weather was crisp and clean with little wind, an absolute great afternoon for a stint around the pea patch. When he heard the voice of Bob Hoey and his wife Evelyn speaking, Bob who has owned and flew his 152 for many years, told he wife while pasting by Stu that Bob never flown in a cub. Stu could not believe his ears, "Never Flown in a Cub! Well young man jump right in." Bob welcomed the idea. It took a bit of jostling to fit Bob in the front seat. After the flight, Bob said the flight in the cub was a dream of a lifetime. Bob will be a young 82 this March. He is a charter member of the Bayport Aerodrome Society. The flight reminded Bob of his travels to Floyd Bennett Airfield. What a great gift Stu gave Bob, his large smile showed his appreciation and the joy that comes from the inner child in all of us.





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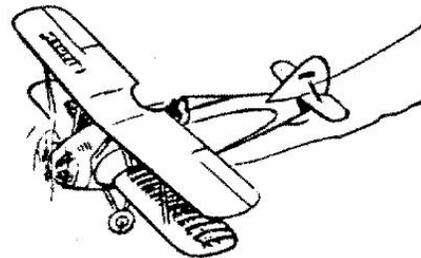
The Gangs that run the Joint

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