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and the

Bayport Aerodrome Society



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From the President's Desk

It has been sixteen months since you have elected me as your President.

The time spent has been interesting to say the least. I am proud to say, it has been a pleasure working with such dedicated Board members. As we are all volunteers, it can be tedious juggling job, family and the BAS, but like everyone has said, You Ask for it, that's the job.

I feel we have accomplished a great deal since January of last year. Getting all the leases signed, consolidating those with multiple aircraft into one hangar and bringing in new members and Hangar Lease holders into our fold. Our beautification project we started is still progressing, with much to do. We have been in constant dialogue with the Town Officials and the Commissioner of Aviation to make improvements to the Airport, and focusing now on the South Ends Restoration. Opening up various options for the future, which will be discussed as we move forward. As members in good standing we need members to step forward and participate in the needed help on our various projects, especially our Hangar Lease holders which received the most benefit. We have organized various Committees, Flight and Ramp Safety, for Bar-B-Qs and Fly in's, and Fund Raisers. I have been lead to believe the Commissioner has given us, as a group some extended leverage in proposed activities at the Aerodrome. Lets use this wisely to promote and secure our future.

2013 Neighborhood Picnic

This year will be the 20th Annual BAS Picnic. The picnics began in the late '80s as a BAS family affair shortly after the hangars were built. In 1993 it was decided to invite the local residents who surround the field as a good will gesture. It has since become the hallmark event of the year for the club. After some discussion about the miserably hot August weather at the last few picnics (and complaints from the cry babies on the grill) it has been decided to move it forward this year to Sunday September 8th. Mark your calendars!!

Hangar Roof Repair

As you may already know we are looking for some able bodied volunteers, in teams of three or four, to assist with the patching of the hangar roof seams. No roofing experience necessary! See John Hess or Bill Clifford to sign up.

Bayport History Project

Museum Director Bob Mott presented the "History of the Bayport Aerodrome" to the American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics on April 4th to a "packed" house. Bob has created a slide show out of some of the historical photos he collected for the 2011 Islip Arts Show that he will be presenting at a future BAS meeting.



2013 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

MAY 19th The Bayport Aerodrome Society will again be hosting another great pancake breakfast at the Bayport Aerodrome. Come join us for a morning full of food, fun and hangar talk. If you like the thought of being propelled back to the time when Long Island was a thriving aviation community, don't miss this event. The Bayport Aerodrome is one of the best maintained grass airfields you will ever touch down at, so practice your soft field landing techniques and join in the festivities.

Bring the kids.

Place: Bayport Aerodrome 23N

Date: May 19th 2013

Time: 8:30am to 11:30am

Cost: Adults \$6.00 Children (under 12) \$3.00

Contact: Jim Mularadelis Phone: 516-381-4408

JUNE 15th

FAA Safety Seminar

JULY 4th

Flights for the 4th in conjunction with Gucci
Fireworks Presentation

AUGUST 10th

Lions Club Picnic

AUGUST 23rd -25th

50th Annual AACGNY Club Fly-in

Model A Club Picnic

Civil Air Patrol Group – Aviation Educational
Weekend

Long Island Sound Classic Car Club – display &
Picnic

SEPTEMBER 8TH

Bayport Aerodrome – Neighborhood
Appreciation Picnic & EAA Young Eagles Flight Program

SEPTEMBER 15nd

Long Island Early Flyers Picnic

New Project

New lease holder Kevin Costello will be bringing in his project 1946 Piper J-3 Cub to hangar 5. This Cub has spent most of its life on Long Island, it was at one time a well known flight school Cub out of Zahns and more recently it has belonged to Mario Barras for the past 30 years or so. Kevin plans to have it back in the air as soon as time and money will allow complete with a reproduction Amityville Flying School decal on the tail.

50th Anniversary Fly-In

This August 23rd -25th will be the 50th annual fly-in the club has hosted since 1963! An off-shoot of the national Antique Airplane Association based at Blakesburg Iowa, the AACGNY had its first Antique Fly-In at Zahns Airport back in 1963. We are planning on celebrating this milestone with a grand pig-roast dinner and honoring some of our senior members for their years of service to the club. If anybody knows of a long-time member who has drifted away from the scene, please take the time to track them down and invite them back for the 50th.

Get Well

Longtime member of the BAS and AACGNY Fred DePalma recently underwent emergency heart surgery. He is home and on the mend and we want to wish him a speedy recovery so he can enjoy flying his Cherokee again.

AACGNY on Facebook

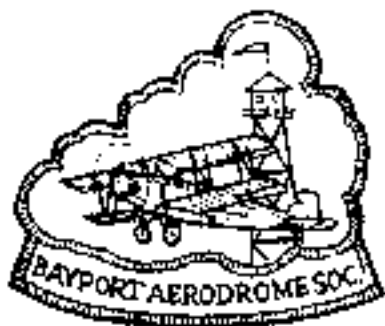
For those of you who have made it into the 21st century you can follow all the latest AACGNY activities on Facebook including the highlights from the Yuris Night Party held at the Sheep Shaggar Bar this past April 27th.

Pilots Without Pants

Our annual calendar is in full production with our official AACGNY photographer Annemaire Bain taking reservations for any antique airplane pilot who wants to be pantless for posterity and raise a little money for the club.

Cub for Sale:

Bill Sendell has his 1946 ex-Zahns J-3 Cub for sale. You can contact Bill for details at 631-884-4847 or email at: N186Y@aol.com



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will be on Sunday,
May 5th
in the Museum Hangar at 1:30 pm



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The Gangs that run the Joint

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