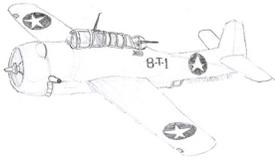


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of the

*Antique Airplane Club of Greater New York
and the
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Elections

At the December meeting. John Hess was elected the new President of the BAS. Bob Alonso was elected for a second term as Secretary.

At the Christmas Party, Stephen Martin was elected (appointed) as the new President of the AACGNY and Nick Mercouris will continue as Secretary.

At the January Board meeting, Nick Mercouris, who was the Director at Large assumed the position of Activities Director vacated by John Hess when he became President. Kevin Kilroy remains on the board as the Past President. The most dramatic change was The appointing of Bill Armstrong as the Membership Director, replacing Steve Martin, who vacated the position to take over duties as the President of the AACGNY.

Both organizations see 2012 as a crucial year for reorganization and revitalization and have plans to grow, expand and most importantly have fun flying, talking, experiencing and generally enjoying this freedom that few others in the world can. See you in the Spring

Christmas Party

The Christmas Party at the Oar House was a rousing success. I believe we had a full house for the first time in a few years. Bob Mott arranged for several door prizes which for some reason seem to gravitate to one or two tables. The wine and food was plentiful, and judging by the constant din in the air, conversations were lively and spirited.

Plans are being investigated to follow up this successful event with a low key social possibly in late February/early March to start off the new flying season. Stay tuned for details.

Dues

Watch your mail for your 2012 dues notices. We appreciate your prompt payment. Please note that this year we are requesting your email address. Postage is going up again as are printing cost. It is very likely this will be the last newsletter mailed, except to those without email access. This will also allow us to update members on upcoming events more timely.



Activities

At the November meeting of AACGNY it was mentioned we are looking for ways to promote volunteering and camaraderie among the members. Well I'm stepping up to the plate to volunteer and host "SUNDAY AFTERNOON AT THE MOVIES" with popcorn and a movie on a Sunday of the organizations choosing.

This calendar of events could premier with "THE DAWN PATROL" starring Errol Flynn, Basil Rathbone and David Niven. British flying aces in 1915 France during World War I contend with the harsh realities of war. Major Brand commands the 39th squadron of the Royal Flying Corps. The young airmen go up in bullet-riddled "crates" and the casualty rate is appalling. But Major Brand can't make the "Brass Hats" at headquarters see reason.

Leather flying jackets & helmets with goggles and silk scarfs are appropriate attire. Popcorn and soda would be provided. Please feel free to bring other snacks or libations with some extra to share with your fellow aviators. Please let it be known if you are interested and we will make plans for our inaugural premier.

Jim Mularadelis

Yakovlev Yak-12M, N12YK.

At the December meeting the topic of retaining or selling the Yak project was again brought up. The Board of Directors was presented in November with a proposal by Vladimir and Craig to purchase the Yak project and complete it. They agreed to purchase it at what we have invested in it, and ask that they have hangar space for a period of time to continue the project. After much discussion we had a "vote of confidence" from the members in attendance to proceed with negotiations with Craig and Vladimir to transfer the Yak project to them. Pursuant to regulations governing transfer of BAS property we need to make public the transfer and allow others in the organization the opportunity to make an offer. There were no such offers at the December meeting and this serves as the notifications to those not in attendance. If you are interested in making an offer for the Yak project, submit your proposal in writing to the Bayport Aerodrome PO Box 728 Bayport, 11705 Attn: Yak 12. Proposal must be received by February 15th.

Donation Request

A suggestion was made by the spokesperson for the recent fly-in at Klenawicus that bicycles be provided for incoming visiting pilots, as is done at other similar airstrips, for the pilots to use as transportation to and from restaurants and for sightseeing.

Any working bicycles would be appreciated. We plan to procure or build a bicycle rack and make the bicycles available on an "honesty" basis.

Please feel free to drop them off at the airstrip near the hangar. The entrance to the hangar is at 17 North Cartwright Road, just opposite the entrance to Clark's Marina.

Gone West

We are sad to report that long time AACGNY and BAS member Roy Kieser passed away last December. He was a good man and veteran of WW2. Roy was an active member and was always there to lend a hand when something needed to be done either for the organization or on a members plane. He will be missed by all. Donations in honor of Roy can be sent to the Wounded Warrior Project 370 7th Avenue Room 320
New York, NY 10001

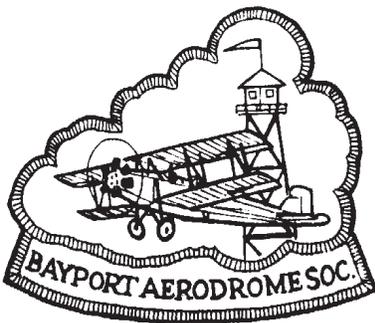
Shelter Island Fly- In

It wasn't quite the big event that the late Frank Klenawicus used to host every summer at his private airfield years ago but eight pilots from three East End airports flew in to the now preserved and town-owned Klenawicus airfield on Friday, November 11 for an impromptu visit. They hired a cab, had a pizza lunch and headed home. Jim Pugh, president of the local pilot's association that manages the field for the town, said this week he'd been unaware of their visit.

The planes and pilots came from Gabreski Airport in Westhampton, Spadaro field in Moriches and Bayport Aerodrome, according to one of the visitors, Ed Katzen of Westhampton. "Eight planes formed up over Riverhead," he said. "We had called ahead for a taxi. The driver was a little taken back by the size of the load but we all squeezed in his minivan. Pizza lunch in town was very good. I think they were happy for the business now that the season is over. No local pilots, but an Aeronca formerly based there was flown in by its present owner."

Klenawicus Airstrip Procedures

Permission is required for non SIPA pilots to use the airfield. Call 917-826-8233
Please be reminded that we recommend announcing pilot intentions on 122.95.
Please be reminded that a left-hand pattern between 1000 and 1200 feet is recommended.
Please note that we request an overnight tie-down contribution of \$25.00 to the SIPA.
Please note that we are NOT requesting a landing fee, and welcome visiting aircraft and pilots.



The next meeting of the
Bayport Aerodrome Society
will be on Sunday,
March 4th
in the Museum Hangar at 1:30 pm

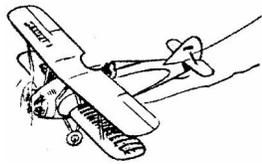


The next meeting of the
The AACGNY
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March 18th
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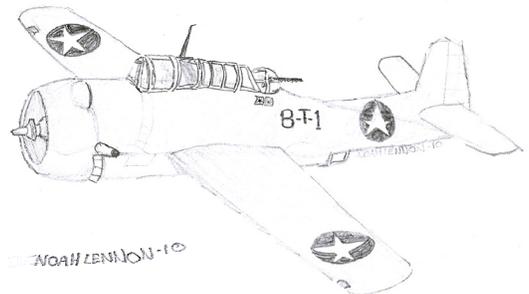
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