



FLYERS ASSOCIATION NEWS

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2008 FLY-IN: DAYTON, OHIO

*September 4th, 5th, 6th and 7th
Registration Forms Will Be Sent in July*

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SPARE PARTS FOR YOUR DUKE

(2) Generators
(2) Starters
(2) Flap Motors

(1) Tach Generator
(2) Magnetos
(2) Landing Gear Motors

Above are located at Aircraft Systems, 5187 Falcon Road, Rockford, IL 61109. They will ship item to you by UPS or Federal Express. You return your part (same day) to them. They will overhaul, charging your credit card for work done, and then item becomes Association emergency part. Phone 815-399-0225.

Cowl Flap Actuator
Electric Boost Pump
Exhaust Transition Pipe
Lycoming Exhaust Pipe #77429
Prop Brush 3E1206-2
Recognition Bulbs DN25-5

A/C Door Actuator
Overhauled Turbo
Oil Cooler (new)
Engine Cylinder Assembly
Prop Spinner (Less Back Plate)

Above - contact Earle Olson @ P. O. Box 1043, Medina, OH 44258
Phone 330-723-3210 (O) 330-723-9977 (FAX)

Windshields - Contact Gary Bongard @ 612-281-5158 (cell)

Air Conditioner and Generator Belts

AC belt is Gates XL9380

Generator belt is Gates XL 7440 (Always replace in pairs. Do not mix old and new.)



WELCOME NEW MEMBERS



Doug Lea P-541
Lafayette, LA

Ben Bius P-302
Huntsville, TX

Alan Bermensolo P-219
Mountain Home, ID

Ray Johnson TG31
Weatherford, TX

Keith Chase P-363
Calgary, Alberta, Canada

Mark Jensen P-499
Bakersfield, CA



GREETINGS FROM BEAUTIFUL OHIO
SPRING HAS SPRUNG!

I've joined the ranks and installed Winglets. I am amazed at the improved short field performance and rate of climb. The other surprise was the extended glide performance. I have to use reduced power settings when shooting approaches into Medina. One of our members claims it allowed him to fly further for a better off field landing site when he had to make an emergency landing.

Plans are coming together for an exciting Fly-In at Dayton. We're going to make this an event you will not want to miss even if you cringe at current gas prices.

Stevens Aviation is hosting a regional meeting of the NBBA this June; so, they will be well prepared for us. They have an excellent facility with a friendly staff anxious to make our stay delightful.

From my last newsletter you may remember we have a fantastic room rate (new hotel, new rooms) starting at \$71.00 per night.

Bob Hoffman said they will be putting on the "Pinch Hitter" session for those wives and significant others that want the comfort of knowing they can land a Duke safely.

Mr. Jim Brown (owner of Hartzell Propeller) has invited us to tour their plant and will treat us to a barbeque on Thursday. They will share with us the results of their engineering analysis concerning 3 versus 4 bladed props for our Dukes.

We are working with vendors now to have a hands on session for specific GPS's. I need your help by telling me by email (earleol@aol.com) phone (330-723-3210), fax (330-723-9977) or snail mail, what GPS's you now have or are planning to get.

Bob Hoffman and I found out how to get the most out of my Garmin GNS-480 on our trip to the Chino Fly-In. I was amazed at how much more capability was available when not using the direct to function. So let's get your GPS's working for you with hands on sessions. Please let me know as soon as possible what equipment you have.

Dayton has a wealth of fun things involved with aviation and you may wish to come a day earlier just to take it all in.

We will have our Friday evening banquet at the Base Officer's Club after the tour of the National Museum of the United States Air Force. Admission to the museum is free and it could take you more than a day to view all the exhibits. The Wright "B" Flyer replica is another popular attraction and well worth seeing and experiencing.

We need your help to make this the best Fly-In yet. Talk to me and let me know what you want to see, hear and do in Dayton. There is an exciting ladies program shaping up as well.

Think about where you'd like to have the 2009 Fly-In.

Safe flying and remember you are privileged to be flying the best looking airplane ever built.

Earle





ITEMS OF INTEREST:

One of our new members, Mark Jensen, operates Loyd’s Aircraft Maintenance Inc. at Meadows Field, Bakersfield, CA 93308. Phone is 661-393-1588. They have factory trained Beechcraft A&P’s and maintain several Dukes in addition to being a full service FBO.

Most of us have now received the safety communiqué from Hawker Beechcraft. Be sure control locks are removed prior to take off. Sounds like a no brainer but a pilot flying a Duke used a nail in the control column as a make shift lock. He is no longer with us. Please follow Hawker Beechcraft suggestions.

NTSB report on Duke which crashed into terminal building at Gainesville, FL, could find no reason for accident. Owner of the airplane was designing a new autopilot which might explain actions as described by witnesses including sharp bank to left, then climb and begin roll to the left, then going inverted, entering a dive and striking terminal building. Engines and propellers showed no evidence or malfunctions.



By March 2009, all pilots flying from the United States to a foreign country including Canada, Mexico and Bahamas will be required to possess a pilot’s license listing “English Proficient”.

To obtain yours, the following information is required:

NAME: _____
PLACE OF BIRTH: _____
DATE OF BIRTH: _____
NATIONALITY: _____
CERTIFICATE NUMBER: _____

SEND TO:
FAA
AIRMAN CERTIFICATION BRANCH
AFS 760
PO BOX 25082
OKLAHOMA CITY, OK 73125

ENCLOSE CHECK FOR \$2.00 MADE OUT TO FAA

I sent along a copy of my license but it is not necessary, after 62 years it was hardly readable.

Jim Gorman

