



The newsletter of the Stick & Rudder Flying Club

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September 2009 - Upcoming Events

- The membership meeting for September will be held Thursday, September 3 at 7:00. Jim Holbrook and Vince Stiedl will speak on "Places to Fly and Places I've Been"
- The 8th Annual Waukegan Air Show will be on Saturday September 19, 2009, 10:00 AM - 5:00 PM. Air Show Time: 1 PM - 3:30 PM. Admission is \$5.00, with children under 12 getting in free. Parking is also free. Featured events will include:
 - Young Eagles Rides for kids 8-14
 - Static Display of Aircraft
 - Classic "War Birds"
 - Military Vehicles
 - Military Aircraft
 - Food Booths
- Al Lenzini is planning a Private Pilot Ground School here at the club. Classes will be on Wednesdays 7PM - 10PM, from September 16, 2009 to December 16, 2009. The fee will be \$225.00, payable at the first class. Minimum class size is five students.
- The club Poker Run will be on October 10, 2009. We get in our planes and pick up cards at Galt, Westosha, Racine, Kenosha, and back to UGN. The best hand wins. We plan on having a lunch after the run, so please bring your favorite dish or maybe a pot of chili. We'll also be having the raffle drawing for the Garmin GPS and other valuable prizes. Let Ken S. know if you'd like to be part of this club event.

NOTAMs

N5237R (Cessna 172RG) has been grounded for month due to a serious camshaft issue. This airplane is 150 hours from TBO, so a lot of thought has been put into correcting the problem and getting this airplane flying again. We are working hard at getting this airplane in the air as soon as possible.

From the Left Seat

By Ken Jeep

Hi from the Left Seat. The next couple of months are busy ones for me and the rest of the board of directors. Though it may not seem like it because the weather is still warm, we are rapidly approaching the end of our fiscal year at Stick and Rudder. In this month's article I will inform you of the upcoming events.

First on the agenda: as you can probably guess, the end of the fiscal year also brings to a close the current term of the board of directors. This is important to you for two reasons: the first is that this is the time when you can make a contribution to the club's election process, the second reason I will talk about shortly.

The club's bylaws require our election process to convene a nominating committee. The board of directors forms the nominating committee and the president of the board selects a person to chair the nominating committee. The nominating committee is a group of 3-7 regular or lifetime members in good standing, who volunteer to solicit other club members to serve on the board of directors. So here is the plug: we need volunteers to serve on the nominating committee. Your job will be to interview candidates for board positions, match their skills to the open board positions, and to form a "slate" of nominees to present to the membership for the election to be held at the November membership meeting. The chairman of this year's nominating committee is Jim Holbrook. So now is your chance to help serve the club. Contact Jim, Ken S., or myself if you would like to be a part of the election process.

The second reason the end of the fiscal year is important to the membership is because we need volunteers to serve on the board of directors. There are two ways to run for a seat on the board of directors. The first way is to be drafted or asked to serve by a member of the selection committee. If you decide that you would like to serve on the board you will be asked some questions by the committee to determine your area of interest and the best position you may be suited for on the board. Your name will then be added to the "slate" of candidates presented to

the membership to be voted on during the November election. The second way is to be nominated for a position from the "floor" at the time of the election of the board of directors. Please consider volunteering for a job on the board of directors. Contact Jim H., Ken S. or myself if you would like to volunteer.

As mentioned in last month's "From the Left Seat" article, the board of directors will give a presentation of the club's financial health and well being. Originally I said the presentation would be given in September. I was mistaken. The presentation will be given in October. Mark your calendars for October 1st, 7:00 P.M.

Now for some news that's more fun: we will hold a "Poker Run" in October. Ken S. will be sending out the details of the date and time for this event in the near future. The objective of the Poker Run is to fly to a few different airports in the area, pick up a playing card that was left there earlier, and to collect the winning poker hand. When we all get back to UGN we'll lay down our cards and see who has the winning hand. Afterwards we will hold a chili pot luck and distribute the winnings. The winnings will be distributed 50:50. Half of the proceeds go to the carpet replacement fund and half goes to the winner. We will also do the raffle drawing. The first place award is a Garmin Color MAP GPS 295 Hand Held, donated by Bob "Jake" Jacobsen. The second place prize is 1 hour of flight time in a 172P or a 152. Please keep buying raffle tickets! The more tickets you buy makes us all winners after we're able to replace the lobby carpeting and put a fresh coat of paint on the walls!

Don't forget the membership meeting this month that will be held on Thursday, the 3rd, starting at 7:00 PM this month. At this month's meeting 2 of our club's members have teamed up and volunteered to speak. The topic of their presentation will be "Places to Fly to and Places I've Been". The presentation will be by Jim Holbrook and Vince Stiedl.

Enjoy this month's edition of Hangar Talk and until next month have fun and safe flights!

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