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## UPCOMING EVENTS

DEC 13TH - 2ND SATURDAY - THE GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING WILL START AT 0830. NOT QUITE SURE ABOUT THE BREAKFAST MENU OR IF THERE WILL BE A BREAKFAST. THE ELECTION OF NEW OFFICERS WILL COMMENCE. AFTER THE GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING WE WILL BE GOING TO RICHARD'S FIELD FOR A HOG ROAST. HOPE TO SEE ALL THERE. REMEMBER TO BRING A COVERED DISH AND THE DRINK OF YOUR CHOICE.

BE SURE TO LOOK UP THE FAA SAFETY SEMINAR FOR THE NEXT SAFETY SEMINAR. THE LAKE LAND AND ORLANDO AREA HAS A LOT OF SEMINARS THIS MONTH. CHECK ON THE SEMINAR THAT INTERESTS YOU.

DEC 27TH - 4TH SATURDAY - FLY OUT TO BE ANNOUNCED. CHECK YOUR EMAIL.

### OVER THE HORIZON

1ST SATURDAY OF THE MONTH - UL71 HAS THEIR GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING AT SW RANCHES AIRPORT (FORMERLY MCIVORS) AT 11AM. HOT DOGS AND HAMBURGERS SERVED.

APR 21-26 - SUN-N-FUN IS CLOSER THAN YOU THINK. MAKE SURE THAT YOU HAVE MADE ARRANGEMENTS FOR LODGING.

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**THE PRESIDENT'S PEN**

From the President...

Please don't forget that we need volunteers for officers. As of this writing, myself, the Secretary, and the Chef, will be resigning after 2 years of service at the end of this term, which is December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2008. We are actively looking for volunteers. Please support your love of aviation. Volunteer today! To date we have not heard of any volunteers. These three positions must be filled. I expect a good turn out for December's meeting with volunteers ready to report for "training". If you cannot attend the meeting at Robert's Air, then please see me at Richard's Field following the meeting.

Plans have changed for this upcoming membership meeting. We will not be having a Holiday Bar B Q, but instead will be attending Graham's Hog Roast at Richard's Field. Please bring a dish if you are attending. If you cannot bring a dish, then a donation to defray the cost of putting this even on is expected and appreciated. Please look for the donation can.

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\*\* ACL = Aerodynamic Control Land

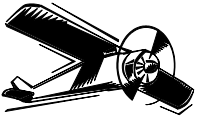
\*\* ACS = Aerodynamic Control Sea

\* CFI = Certified Flight Instructor (GA)

\*\* WSL = Weight Shift Land

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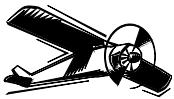
**Lafa MEETING MINUTES & Secretary's Notes**

**DATE:** Saturday, November 8<sup>th</sup>, 2008  
**CALLED TO ORDER**  
**MEMBERS PRESENT**

**OFFICER PRESIDING:** Dick Bronnenberg, President  
**SILENT MEMBER ROLL CALL:**

Since there was no formal meeting last month, there is no meeting minutes. The next meeting is set for December 13th where we will have the election of new officers. Remember that the President, Secretary and the Chef positions will be open. We need volunteers for these positions and others. The club can not function without these positions filled.

PLEASE SEND YOUR MEMBERSHIP  
APPLICATIONS OR RENEWALS (\$35)  
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This month - SPINS

## THE INSTRUCTOR'S CORNER

by "Cap'n Bob" Musgrove

NOTE: I do NOT advocate spins unless you are with a qualified instructor and in an aircraft certified for spins. However, most aircraft will spin and to avoid a dangerous situation, I wanted you to have some understanding of the maneuver.

An unexpected spin at take-off or landing is one of the biggest, and most deadly, boö-boo's a pilot can make. How can you recover? You probably can't, because you're too low. Ultralights usually fly low, so, avoidance is far preferable to an attempted recovery.

DEFINITION: A normal spin is a stall in a tight turn (autorotation) with a nose-down attitude, resulting in a rapid loss of altitude (a great World War 1 combat evasive maneuver).

AN INTENTIONAL SPIN: [1] Have plenty of altitude! [2] Bring the stick back into a stall (at any speed and exceeding the wing's critical angle of attack) and [2] turn (rudder). [3] Hold these inputs as long as you want the spin.

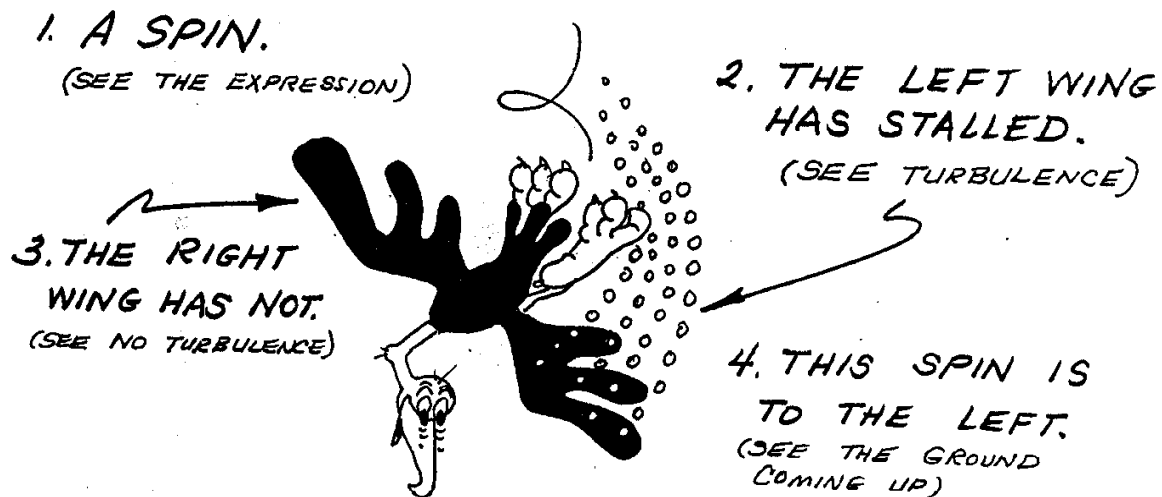
SPIN RECOVERY: [1] Stop the turn (opposite rudder). [2] Get the nose down (stick forward) to decrease the wing's angle of attack. [3] As you gain flying speed, bring the nose up (stick back) carefully! Too hard and you'll get a secondary stall - too softly and you'll exceed your maximum airspeed.

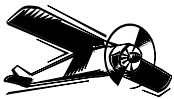
AN UNINTENTIONAL SPIN: Example - making too tight a turn while lining-up with the runway (stick back & rudder, remember?).

AVOIDING A SPIN: Keep your banks (turns) shallow and maintain sufficient airspeed to keep from stalling. If you're "not happy" during that turn on final approach, then GO AROUND. Get into the proper landing pattern and try again.

Remember - the worst thing about a go-around is that you'll get to fly some more . . . isn't that great!

*Don't learn SAFETY....by accident! Cap'n Bob*





*Safety Pen,*



Fuel Filters, what a great invention for keeping the unwanted things out of your fuel. Most fuel filters can trap both deposits and some water. Just the device to keep your carburetor clean and free of debris or so you would think. It seems that that may not always be true! When you have a fuel filter stored in the plastic container that most of them are

sold in, they seem to be

sealed. Well, let me tell you that after a few months of rolling around in your tool box the seal may easily be broken and become contaminated with foreign material. Also in South Florida we have some bugs that just seem to love the glue or the paper that they are wrapped in and burrow, eat or just find a home inside the sealed container. The easiest way to make sure that the filter is not contaminated is to inspect it prior to installing. Most of the inexpensive fuel filters

sold today are either transparent or translucent and a visual inspection can be performed.

One other problem that needs to be addressed is the quality control of the manufacturing of the fuel filter itself. It seems that just a couple of years ago I had an engine out landing due to just this problem. The fuel filter looked good and had no signs of foreign matter in it. After installing the new filter a short engine run showed no problems. "Line up on the runway, full throttle, slight back pressure on the stick and we are up", or so it seemed. After approximately 30 seconds the engine started to surge from 3,500 to 6,000 RPM. While still running I was able to turn back and on approach went to reduce power only to have the engine quit. An inspection after landing revealed no fuel in the carburetor with the fuel pump working perfectly. It seems that a small piece of plastic, from inside the filter during manufacture, had found its way to partially plug up the fuel inlet of the carburetor. After removing the debris, the engine ran perfectly.

My suggestion is- "When installing a new fuel filter, it is a good idea to visually inspect the filter and install only the input end of the filter. Pump the squeeze bulb into a container to flush out anything from the output end, then finish the installation."

Have a safe flying year and "keep 'em Turnin"



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