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UPCOMING EVENTS

DEC 12TH - 2ND SATURDAY - - GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING AND CHRISTMAS PARTY. THIS WILL BE HELD AT RICHARDS FIELD FROM 1100 TO 1600. THIS IS FOR LAFANEWS MEMBERS AND THEIR IMMEDIATE FAMILY. LAFANEWS WILL BE PROVIDING THE HAMBURGERS, HOT DOGS AND SODA. MEMBERS ARE ASKED TO BRING A COVERED DISH OF YOUR CHOICE TO ROUND OUT THE MEAL. CHECK ON-LINE FOR MORE INFORMATION.

- FAA SAFETY SEMINARS - THERE IS A FAA SEMINAR DEC 7 ON "WHAT WENT WRONG" IN WEST PALM BEACH. LOOKS TO BE VERY INTERESTING. A CERTIFICATE WILL BE ISSUED AFTER THE SEMINAR. CHECK THE WEBSITE FOR OTHER LISTING IN THE LOCAL AREA. <https://www.faasafety.gov/SPANS/events/EventList.aspx>

DEC 24TH - 4TH SATURDAY - FLY OUT IS CANCELLED FOR THIS MONTH DUE TO THE MANY ACTIVITIES OF OUR MEMBERS. IT WILL RESUME IN THE MONTH OF JANUARY.

OVER THE HORIZON

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

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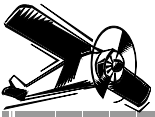
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THE PRESIDENT'S PEN

Merry Christmas Everyone!

What a month! Our regular meeting will be a little irregular, meaning it will be at 10AM at Richard's Field, 22001 SW 202 Ave.

The Lafa meeting (about 1 hour) will give us time to get a real good appetite for the BBQ from 11AM to 4 PM.

Our "far" Fly-out, The 4th Saturday, falls on the day after Christmas, so it has been postponed until the January 23rd Fly-out. How about Tavernier or Everglades City? Or Where? After that is the "near" Fly-out in February, so let us decide on that morning whether it is to US-27 and Griffin Rd. or Coopertown or the one hour tour, or whatever.

All Fly-outs have a pilot briefing at 7 AM in the pilots lounge at Roberts Air South at Homestead General Airport (X-51) and take-off time about 0730.

Enjoy the Holidays and hope to see everyone at the BBQ.

Come Fly with Me, Capt Bob

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* CFII = Certified Flight Instructor Inst.

**SEL/MES=SingleEngineLand/MultiEngineSea

** ACL = Aerodynamic Control Land

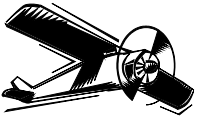
** ACS = Aerodynamic Control Sea

* CFI = Certified Flight Instructor (GA)

** WSL = Weight Shift Land

BFI AND AFI INSTRUCTORS TO END 31 JAN 2008

| * TYPE | NAME | ** CLASS | TRAINER | PHONE # |
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| CFI | Dick Bronnenberg | WSL | Trike | (954) 328-7468 |
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| CFII | Graham Harward | SEL/MES | GA Type | (305)283-0400 |



Lafa MEETING MINUTES & Secretary's Notes

DATE: Saturday, Nov 14, 2009

CALLED TO ORDER: 9:20 a.m.

OFFICER PRESIDING: Bob Musgrove, President

SILENT MEMBER ROLL CALL: 11 total.

MEMBERS PRESENT (in no particular order): Captain Bob Musgrove, Barry Hawkes, John Sauvigne, Bob Rubbi, Rick Bragassa, Graham Howard, Dick Bronnenberg, Patrick Joyce, Jeff Obermeier, Donny Amador, Rafael Lima.

INTRODUCTIONS: None

TREASURER REPORT: The Treasurer not present, but reported \$4500 in the bank and 30 members.

SAFETY OFFICER REPORT: Our safety officer, Barry Hawkes, talked about the incident that took place on Sunday afternoon in the Everglades. A reserve officer from HARB that had been working the Air Show got in to his plane to go home and experienced a fatal crash in the Everglades. This pilot was a high time pilot. According to the news, he was ejected from the plane. It was reported that nothing but pieces of the wreckage were found. The point that was brought out was that, no matter how much practice, how many hours of experience... things can happen. The only thing we can do is keep practicing emergency procedures. The issue last meeting was "FLY YOUR MACHINE".

CHEF's REPORT: Our Master Chef was available and we had a delicious hot breakfast of toast, scrambled eggs, OJ and hot coffee. Thanks Jeff

ANY OTHER REPORTS: Now we can use AWOS before flying on com. 118.375

NEW BUSINESS: This months fly out the fourth Saturday, Briefing at 0700 at X51. Remember, communication air to air is 122.75 This month's fly out will be to Café 27 at the Thunderbird truck stop. We will be flying East on Krome Ave. and North on US 27. Identifier x46 Lat 25-56.939N. Lon 80-25.403W. CTAF 122.9 ASOS/AWOS (MIA) 305-233-2600. Runway 09/27---18/36.L3000ft W60ft.

December fly out had a motion to be postponed until January 23, 2010. Motion passed.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: The Lafa BBQ Christmas celebration for members and family will be at Richards Field on December 12 from 11:00 to 4 pm. Field, located at 22001 SW 202nd Ave.

Our wonderful chef (Jeff Obermeier) announced his retirement, but he still will be with us until February 2010. This means we are looking for a new chef, please come forward and volunteer.

EAA SAFETY SEMINAR: None

MEETING ADJOURNED: 10:07 a.m.

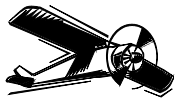
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BASIC RADIO PROTOCOL

TOWER AIRPORT

Listen to airport information on ATIS frequency before calling on tower frequency.

INITIAL CALLUP = Which tower from you - over.

ex.: *Tamiami tower from black ultralight (information Yankee) over.*

TOWER RESPONSE = To you from the tower - go ahead.

ex.: *"Black ultralight, Tamiami tower, go ahead."*

YOUR REQUEST = Give your location, altitude and what you want.

ex.: *"Black ultralight six miles west at six hundred feet, request landing at Tamiami."*

TOWER'S RESPONSE = Tower will respond with instructions.

ex.: *"Black ultralight, I have you in sight, proceed east for landing runway nine right."*

YOUR READBACK = Repeat back the instructions.

ex.: *"Black ultralight will proceed east for landing runway nine right."*

TOWER RESPONSE = Tower will confirm or repeat the instructions.

ex.: *"Black ultralight, Roger."*

NON-TOWER AIRPORT

Begin and end each radio transmission with the airport name.

IDENTIFY = Say **WHAT YOU ARE**, your **LOCATION**, **ALTITUDE & INTENTIONS**.

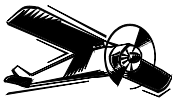
ex.: *"Homestead General traffic, yellow ultralight, three miles north, five hundred feet, landing Homestead General."*

STATE CHANGES = Anytime a flightpath or procedure or intention changes

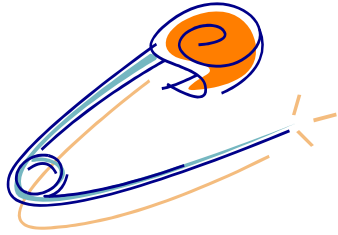
ex.: *"Homestead General traffic, yellow ultralight turning downwind runway nine uniform, Homestead General."*

LAST TRANSMISSION = End communication when leaving the traffic area or clear of the runway

ex.: *"Homestead General traffic, yellow ultralight clear of runway two-seven uniform, Homestead General."*



Safety Pen,



You have taxied out, checked everything, lined up and powered up and off you go. Things are looking good, or are they? All the inspections have been done and the checklist followed. Prior to landing you have a very important checklist to follow. Some of us know this as a "GUMPS" checklist.

Just because the take-off was uneventful that doesn't mean that something could not have gone wrong. If you are not sure what GUMPS means, it is "Gas, Undercarriage, Mixture, Prop and Switches. Seems fairly simple although some of these things do not apply to Ultralights. We surely need not set the mixture since most of the engines are a fixed mixture. Most of the switches for us are for shutting down the engine so they should be in the run position. Some of the aircraft have an adjustable prop so, set it for take off in case you have to "go around". If you have more than 1 fuel tank, make sure the tank with the most fuel is selected. So that leaves us with the Undercarriage. I know that it may seem silly since it was there when you took off. Always be sure, because I know of an incident that took place with the landing gear breaking on take-off. I have seen aircraft take off and have a wheel fall off on climb out. Let us not forget the nail in the tire so that the tire is flat in a short amount of time. Some of these things are unavoidable but it is better to know and be prepared than to be surprised at the very end!!!

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

Barry Hawkes



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Don't forget the monthly LAFA meeting!!!

**2ND SATURDAY OF THE MONTH
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