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UPCOMING EVENTS

JUNE 1ST - 1ST WEDNESDAY - LAFANA MEMBERSHIP MEETING @ EL RINCON DEL MAR @ 7:00 PM - 13742 SW 152ND STREET, MIAMI

JUNE 8TH - 2ND WEDNESDAY - FAA SAFETY SEMINAR - GLIDERS, TRANSFER TO GLIDERS BY STEVE DIEHL, - BE A GLIDER PILOT BY CARLOS ZUNIGA @ 7:00 PM TO 9:00 PM AT F.S.D.O. 19, 8600 NW 36TH STREET, 3RD FLOOR, MIAMI. DOOR PRIZES.

JUNE 11TH - 2ND SATURDAY - LAFANA MONTHLY FLY-IN @ X-51U. OUR SUPER BREAKFAST WITH FLYING BUDDIES AT ABOUT 0830 HRS FOLLOWED BY OUR LAFANA FAA SAFETY SEMINAR, CENTER OF GRAVITY" BY CAP'T BOB AT AROUND 0930 HRS.

JUNE 25TH - 4TH SATURDAY - LAFANA MONTHLY FLY-OUT TO X01, EVERGLADES AIRPARK FOR LUNCH. PILOT BRIEFING AT THE X51 MANAGER'S OFFICE @ 0730, TAKE-OFF AT 0800 HRS AND RETURN AT 1800 (6 PM) TO X51.

OVER THE HORIZON

NOVEMBER 5th & 6th - LAFANA'S ANNUAL AIR FAIR.

FOR INFORMATION, CALL CAP'N BOB AT (786) 473-9461 (CELL)

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**THE PRESIDENT’S PEN
BY: RON ANDERSEN**

Wednesday, May 18th, Bob Musgrove and I attended a seminar at Tamiami Airport pertaining to safety issues at X51. Other attendees included X51 airport manager Neil Watson, Miami FSDO, FAA, control tower operators from Tamiami and Homestead Regional Airports, Fred Whitset from Skydive Miami, Miami Gliders and local instructors and flight examiners who frequently use X51 for training. The main topic was increased traffic at X51. There is a plan to increase the length of one of the paved runways to help accommodate an increase in corporate jet traffic. That along with increased training in both fixed wing and helicopters means more congestion. Because of the problem with traffic patterns overlapping, the helicopter training has been relocated to 9U and 27U. This should alleviate the problem of helicopters flying through the Ultralight pattern. The helicopters will be flying the same pattern and altitude as the Ultralights. Helicopter student pilots require a longer final approach than Ultralights so always stay alert when flying your downwind and base legs. Don't try to make a short approach to beat a helicopter to the ground. A helicopter's approach speed can be higher than yours which would result in an incursion. Helicopters can be hard to see when they are on the ground or hovering just above ground. Always be sure you have a clear approach and landing area prior to touchdown. If you have a radio on board, please use it. By listening to other traffic and announcing your position and intentions, we can all fly safer. X51 is a great facility with a greater variety of operations than most airports. We have corporate jets, GA fixed wing, helicopters, gliders, ultralights, skydiving and aerobatics all at one facility. By sticking to the approved landing patterns, keeping a diligent lookout and listening to our radios, we can all enjoy safe flying at this facility.

Ron Andersen

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QUICKEE QUIZ

BY: CAP'N BOB

SPORT PILOT QUESTIONS FROM AVIATION SUPPLIES & ACADEMICS, INC.

- 1) For aviation purposes, ceiling is defined as the height above the Earth's surface of the...
 - A) lowest reported obscuration and the highest layer of clouds reported as overcast.
 - B) lowest broken or overcast layer or vertical visibility into an obscuration.
 - C) lowest layer of clouds reported as scattered, broken or thin.

- 2) SIGMET's are issued as a warning of weather conditions hazardous to which aircraft?
 - A) Small aircraft only.
 - B) Large aircraft only.
 - C) All aircraft.

(Answers on Page #4)

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* BFI = Basic Flight Instructor

** ACL = Aerodynamic Control Land

**FLYING FIRSTS
FOR THE MONTH OF
JUNE**

By: Cap'n Bob

<u>DATE</u>	<u>YEAR</u>	<u>EVENT</u>
JUNE 6th	1936	Socony-Vacuum Oil (Mobile) produces 100-octane fuel.
JUNE 9th	1944	Avro Lincoln - British four engine bomber.
JUNE 12th	1979	Bryan Allen makes first human powered flight across the English Channel in Gossamer Albatross.
JUNE 17th	1929	Delta Air Service (later Delta Airlines) begins with a Travel Air from Dallas, Texas.
JUNE 17th-18th	1928	Earhart-Stutz-Gordon make transatlantic flight in Fokker VII "Friendship".
JUNE 25th	1946	Northrup B-35 Flying Wing.
JUNE 26th	1942	Grumman F6F-1 Hellcat.

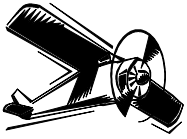
"Adventure is worthwhile in itself." Amelia Earhart

ANSWERS TO QUICKEE QUIZ ON PAGE 3

- 1) The answer is "B" - For aviation purposes, the ceiling is defined as the height (AGL) of the lowest broken or overcast layer aloft or vertical visibility into an obstruction.
- 2) The answer is "C" - A SIGMET advises of weather potentially hazardous to all aircraft.

"Never fly faster than your guardian angel"

Barbara Musgrove



DATE: 05/04/05

OFFICER PRESIDING: Ron Andersen

CALLED TO ORDER: 1930 hrs.

SILENT ROLL CALL: 8 total

MEMBER INTRODUCTIONS: None present

Ron Andersen	Bob Musgrove
Doris Bubel	Alex Kinghorn
Leonardo Bangerter	Roal Lee
John Bubel	Paul Baley (airboat)

TREASURER'S REPORT: Discussed, accepted

SAFETY OFFICER REPORT: Not present

OTHER REPORTS: None

COMMITTEE REPORTS: None

OLD BUSINESS: Airboat Society members present thanking Lafa for our participation in their Annual Bar-B-Que.

NEW BUSINESS: Motion brought up to increase the price of breakfast from \$3.00 to \$5.00. Members voted and the majority ruled to accept the new price of \$5.00 for breakfast.

Also discussed methods to make Lafa more active. Suggested Poker Runs, Search & Rescue Missions, Navigation, Spot Landings, Beanbag Drops and Torpedo Runs.

MEETING ADJOURNED: 2125 hrs.

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