

PROP WASH

Annual Airport Update



The web camera on the WSDOT website gives us a view of *current conditions* at our airport. If you want a view of the *future* of Jeffco, be sure to attend the meeting on April 4.

The meeting will be devoted to a presentation by Larry Crockett, Executive Director of

the Port of Port Townsend. He will update us as to what we may expect in the way of changes in 2009 and whether we could see any of the \$1.1 billion for airports approved by Congress as part of the stimulus package.

Be there and find out.

President's Message

I noted with surprise and sadness that Sparky Imeson, author of the *Mountain Flying Bible*, died in the crash of his Cessna 180 on March 17.

According to the AOPA web site, he had departed Bozeman, Mont., on a one-hour flight to Helena, Mont., but did not arrive at his destination. A radar track of his flight ended about 18 miles north of Bozeman.

I am reminded of the saying, "Flying, like the sea, is not inherently dangerous. But, like the sea, it can be extremely unforgiving of the slightest transgression or inattention."

It would seem this is especially true of mountain flying.

Patrick Shannon

SURVIVAL PART 2. YOU'VE MANAGED TO LAND. NOW WHAT?

At the March meeting, Ken McMillen concluded our Survival Workshop with Part 2: what to do after you exit the plane. Should you stay with the plane or "hike out"? What

survival equipment do you need at a minimum?

Our thanks to Don Miller and Ken McMillen for making the workshops possible. Don took the initiative in organizing

the workshops and Ken added his considerable experience.

See notes from Ken's presentation starting on page 2.

MINUTES OF MARCH 7 MEETING

The meeting was called to order by Don Miller.

Roth Mason moved and Guy Albinger seconded his motion to accept the previous meeting's minutes as written. Motion passed. No other business to report. No treasurers' report.

Ken McMillen was the guest speaker on the topic, "After Impact, What Do You Do Now?"

Respectively submitted.

Doug McMinds, Secretary



SURVIVAL PART 2.

Prior to our next flight, Ken suggested we do a survey of the survival equipment we have aboard our aircraft. If you fly and you are required to make an off airport landing what you have with you is all you get to use.

To help us understand the need for survival gear, Ken presented us with the "4s rules".

- 4 minutes to stop bleeding.

- 4 hours to remove yourself from being wet and cold.

- 4 days to go without water.
- 40 days to survive without food.

Ken discussed these rules in more detail. First, after impact take time to analyze the situation. Make sure your battery power is off for later use. Fuel valve should be checked to be certain it is off. Administer first aid. Remove necessary things from the plane.

Items you could or should have on board to assist in your survival include:

- First aid kit.
- Your radio and battery to operate the radio.
- Your ELT. Turn it on.
- Your GPS. It will tell you your location.
- Signaling devices such as a mirror, laser, flares, smoke from a fire.
- Flashlight and spare batteries.
- Tarp or tube tent.

Appropriate clothes, gloves, and a sock hat or sun hat.

- Flotation gear if flying over water.
- Compass.
- Multi-use tool.
- Dry matches, candles.
- Sponge to collect water off the wings etc.
- Plastic container to hold water.
- Water.
- Metal container to heat water.
- Tea bags.

- Whistle.
- Flint and large knife.
- Bottle of lint from a clothes dryer.
- Blanket.
- Nourishing bars.
- Cell phone.
- Hand held radio and extra batteries.
- Pain killers such as Aleve or ibuprofen.
- Bar of soap to clean wounds etc.

First aid is a top priority. Make sure you have an adequate first aid kit aboard the plane. Staying warm and dry by using the plane or tarp/tent as shelter should be a task to be taken on soon. Radio contact now would be a good thing to try. Use the aircraft radio and battery even if you need to jerry rig it to work.

Do you stay with the plane or walk out? More often it would be better to stay with the plane. Start a fire using the matches, dry lint, charts, wallet papers, plane fuel, and dry dead limbs still on trees, You even could take your knife and scrape your pants to get some lint. If you need to go search for firewood and there are two of you, one of you stays with the plane and whistles every 5 minutes help your partner relocate your position. Of course a fire can help you stay warm and also help you signal potential helpers.

Another set of survival protocols include:

- Positive mental attitude.
- Air.
- Shelter.

- Rest.
- Water.
- Food.

Some additional information to remember: If you don't have water, don't eat food. You can use urine and soap to clean wounds. If a helicopter basket is lowered to help you, let the basket come to you. Let the helicopter team come and get you. You should not normally go to them.

It was very clear in Ken's presentation that we need to be prepared with supplies to help us survive. It was also clear and strongly emphasized to keep a positive mental attitude. You will get help; you will make it out of your predicament. Don't give up!

Thank You Ken!

Doug McMinds, Secretary



MISSION STATEMENT

The purposes of the association, as defined in the By Laws are:

- To foster and promote the development of general aviation in Jefferson County, Washington
- To foster and promote the successful and perpetual operation of Jefferson County International Airport
- To provide flying and aviation related education and promotional activities for the general public
- To promulgate aviation safety through aviation programs and activities

To perpetuate the spirit of fraternity among airmen.

ABOUT THE JCPA

The JCPA meets at 1000 on the first Saturday of each month in the pilots lounge at Port Townsend Aircraft Services, 191 Airport Road, Port Townsend, WA 98368. For more, visit JeffcoPilots.com.

Calendar

March

7: Survival workshop part 2

April

4: Larry Crockett annual airport update

May

2: Regular meeting

June

6: Regular meeting

July

4: Regular meeting.

8-12: Arlington Fly-In

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