

PROP WASH



B-2 at the Rose Parade 2009. The bomber had spent the night at Palmdale and was covered in frost by morning. Lacing de-icing equipment at Palmdale, they waited for the sun to do the job.

GO-CART ENCOUNTER AT THE AIRPORT

Dennis Broderson told the members at the May meeting of his encounter with a group running go-carts in the area of the T-Hangars at the West end of the field on Sunday April 26. The riders were young children, who were accompanied by adults. The group had set up a cart track on and off the taxiways.

When Dennis told the adults that such activity was not allowed on airport property they packed up and left, but not before complaining that the airport was public property and that they had a right to use the property.

In a conversation with Patrick Shannon, Larry Crockett, Executive Director of the Port said the Port

had also received reports of people riding ATVs in the safety area west of runway 27. He asks you to call 9-1-1 if you observe any unauthorized activity at the airport and to let the Port know afterwards.

The members agreed that despite a reluctance on the part of some to call in the Sheriff, we never know if a confrontation could escalate.

During regular business hours (0800-1630 M-F) you can reach the Port at 385-0656. Outside business hours call Larry Crockett at home 385-9635, or Jim Pivarnik 385-4753, or Port security at 379-5025.

Fly-in at Jeffco this summer?

Mark these dates on your calendar: **August 7-8-9, 2009.**

A group of people at Jeffco are working to organize a fly-in on the second weekend in August. More details are expected within the next couple of weeks.

Until last year, the local EAA Chapter sponsored an annual Airport Days event featuring a fly-in and other activities. However, uncertainty about insurance and the demise of the EAA Chapter forced cancellation of last year's event.

In past years, when the weather was good, the event attracted a lot of people to the airport and to Port Townsend. Quite simply, this year the area needs the business more than ever, and I for one support and encourage those organizing this fly-in.

Based on comments from many pilots at Jeffco expressing disappointment that Airport Days was canceled last year, I expect that you too will support the organizers of the fly-in.

Patrick Shannon

MINUTES OF THE MAY 2 MEETING

The meeting was called to order by Patrick Shannon with 11 members present. Shannon expressed thanks to Doug McMinds for his excellent job of taking notes at all the meetings since the beginning of the year, in effect writing PROPWASH each month. He also thanked Ken McMillen and Don Miller for their efforts on the Survival Workshop.

A motion to approve the minutes of the April meeting as published was seconded and approved by the members.

Treasurer's Report

May 2, 2009

Beginning Balance	\$1,449.27
<u>Income:</u>	
Dues	420.00
<u>Expenses:</u>	
Secretary of State, Annual Report	10.00
Ending Balance	\$1,859.27

28 members paid.
Savings Account balance = \$2,859.03.
Interest Rate = .25%
Interest Last YTD = \$32.78
Submitted by:

Jodi Hallinan, Treasurer

New Business

There was a discussion about what to do if you see unauthorized activity on the airport property. (See story about go-carts on Page 1.) The members agreed that it is best to call 9-1-1 rather than risk a confrontation with the people involved.

Hangar Flying

The use of oxygen at altitudes below 12,500 feet was discussed. Most members said they would use oxygen at 10,000 feet or lower citing two factors:

- Age: Older pilots tend to be more susceptible to hypoxia than younger pilots.

- Density altitude: The thinner air not only effects the performance of the airplane, it contains less oxygen per unit of volume. On a hot summer day, when your airplane struggles to climb, you may need oxygen well below 10,000 feet.

One member recommended use of an oximeter to measure your oxygen level - below 92% you need to take action: take deep breaths, go on oxygen, or descend.

The members expressed a desire to see Airport Days come back to Jeffco. Some recalled that the event once brought a lot of people and business to Port Townsend. Patrick Shannon agreed to discuss the matter with the Port.

A number of members have airplanes with an STC for mogas. It is becoming increasingly difficult to find fuel which does not contain 10% ethanol. At last report the Cenex facility in Chimicum still sells unleaded gasoline without ethanol.

There was no other business conducted. The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

*Rick Martinez,
Acting Secretary*

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

May

2: Regular meeting.

June

6: Regular meeting.

July

4: Regular meeting.

8-12: Arlington Fly-In.

August

1: Regular meeting.

7-9: Fly-in at Jeffco.

September

5: Annual barbecue.

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