

# PROP WASH



**Canadair  
CL-415**

*The CL-415 can land on a lake to reload its water tanks.*

## DUES ARE DUE

Membership in the JCPA is a bargain at only \$15 per family per year.

If you have not paid, please bring a \$15 check payable to JCPA to the next meeting, or

send it to JCPA, 191 Airport Road, Port Townsend, WA 98368.

Thank you for your support.

## MINUTES OF THE FEBRUARY MEETING

Monthly meeting of the Jefferson County Pilots Association was held 6 February 2010, at Port Townsend Aircraft Services lounge, Jefferson County International Airport. Pres. Bill Putney opened the meeting more or less at 1000, interrupting the usual spirited hangar flying then in progress.

The first item of business was the final Treasurer's Report from out-going and much-appreciated Treasurer, Jodi Hallinan.

The report showed a beginning balance of \$1,230.64, enhanced by the intake of \$60 in dues payments. Our savings

## President's Message

This hot off the presses!!! I just got out of a telephone conference with the FAA and Port of PT. The FAA has finished their preliminary evaluation and have decided that there is a "99-100% chance it won't happen." What may happen is a GPS/RNAV circle to land with ~700' MDA. The Port still has to commit money to doing a more complete survey but that is a decision for the commissioners. If the survey showed that a straight in approach could be designed, the MDA might be able to be lowered to ~450'. Right now there is a big backlog of work at the FAA and LPV approaches are getting priority. That means that it's likely that an IFR approach plate for 0S9 is about 2 years away. The Port is planning to add a real live Internet/Phone connected AWOS. There's no due date for that yet but that should be much sooner and it would make planning you're trip back home easier.

Airport Days is looming and I have a lot of irons in the fire. If you have any time to share with the group to help organize this event I would be personally very grateful. I don't want this to get short shrift.

That's it for now. Fly Safe!

*Bill Putney*

account shows a balance of \$2,862.33 (with an interest rate of 0.15%). Earned interest YTD = \$4.96. It is noted that in addition to the incoming Treasurer, President Bill Putney is co-signator on the account.

**Old Business:**

Confirmation of the "fly-in" date was reiterated: 23, 24 and 25 July 2010. Discussion was had respecting if, when and where to place a banner to announce to the passing public that Jeffco will have an open house on those dates. It was moved, seconded and passed that JCPA purchase a suitable banner not to exceed \$175. Contact persons in the local media are: Melanie Lockhart, Port Townsend Leader; Jennifer Jackson, Peninsula Daily News. (Incidentally, Melanie's grandfather and uncle were amateur airmen).

**New Business:**

The ever-voracious State Legislature is looking again to general aviation for money. House Bill 3176, Section 1001-7 (part 10) proposes to substitute a one-half percent annual tax on the value of the aircraft for the current registration fee.

Members are urged to contact their legislators to express opinions. Eric Clark supplied the names and e-mail addresses of the legislators in our area: Rep. Kevin Vandewege - vandewege.kevin@leg.wa.gov; Rep. Lynn Kessler - kessler.lynn@leg.wa.gov; Sen. Jim Hargrove, - hargrove.jim@leg.wa.gov. Keep it clean.

Pacificnorthwestflying.com has posted warnings about straying into the TFR established for the Vancouver Winter Olympics.

Not prudent to fly into Orcas Island without squawking.

Finished up the meeting with some meaty, valuable "hangar flying," especially some caveats from Ken McMillen about the importance of a proper pre-flight inspection. He illustrated by relating some incidents he observed during his navy service, including the incident when now-Sen. McCain's plane was struck by a runaway rocket during a carrier launch process.

(I wish I could have written fast enough to have recorded the matter verbatim.)

Respectfully submitted,

*Rick Martinez*

**COMING UP**

The April meeting will feature Larry Crockett's annual airport update. Don't miss it.

**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. In addition to the regular meetings, other events are scheduled from time-to-time. For more, visit JeffcoPilots.com.

**Calendar**

**March**

- 6: JCPA meeting
- 10 & 24: Port Commission meeting

**April**

- 3: JCPA meeting. Larry Crockett - Annual airport update.

**May**

- 1: JCPA meeting
- 12 & 26: Port Commission meeting

**June**

- 5: JCPA meeting.

**July**

- 3: JCPA meeting.
- 7 - 11: Arlington Fly-In
- 23-25: Jeffco Airport Days

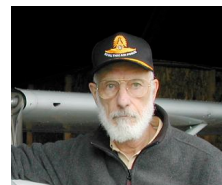
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