

The Flight Line



Chances Are...

- You're going to be too late,
- You're going to miss a lot of fun,
- You're going to be talked about,
 - You're going to miss the trip of the year.

Times Running Out!

Sign Up Now!

Cape Cod
Aug 2-5th!



Thursday – August 2nd

- Arrive Hyannis Port (Barnstable) Airport.
- Dinner in Hyannis Port.

Friday – August 3rd

- Ferry ride to Martha's Vineyard, walk around town.
- Dinner at very casual, laid back restaurant.
- Visit Kennedy's watering holes.

Saturday – August 4th

- Either: sightsee the island; sightsee via water the coast and Kennedy compound; bike ride at Cape's sand dune riding park; or ??
- Night dinner and then Melody Tent to see _____(you have to guess from words in article title). Seats are in first 12 rows. You should enjoy this – up close and personal, our kind of music (sorry Tom Jones is wrong answer).

Sunday – August 5th

- Late breakfast and depart.

Special note – This is the high season at the Cape and basic things are going to be more than you would expect in St. Augustine. Rooms are going to be in the \$150 a night range and the Saturday night entertainment is going to be \$59.50 a person. BUT, weather is forecast to be great and the option of these activities and many, many more are at your disposal. Wayne and Dave are trying to make the most of "group rates" and economical options.

We have reservations for 30 people so let us know. If there are more that want to go, we'll make more IF time permits. Send your reservation request to **Wayne George** at MWGeorge@AOL.com.

This is our big trip of the year so come on out and join us.

Fly yourself or come commercially.
Don't be late for this one.

May 17th Creekside Dinery

WE ARE BACK TO OUR QUARTERLY
SOCIAL MEETINGS AT THE CREEKSIDE DINERY

As in the past we will have the back room at the Creekside for our exclusive use on Thursday May 17th. We have Dagmar Chilman as our guest speaker after dinner. Dagmar is a real live heroin. She was with the British Intelligence during world war II and among other accomplishments which she will tell us about, she flew a small plane during the evacuation of Dunkirk making countless trips under enemy fire. Later, she was captured by the Germans and was considered a spy for the Allies. Dagmar will share some of these very interesting experiences with us.

Cost is \$21.00 per person including tax & gratuity • Cocktails will start at 6:30 pm.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!!

MENU

Salad



Two Veggies

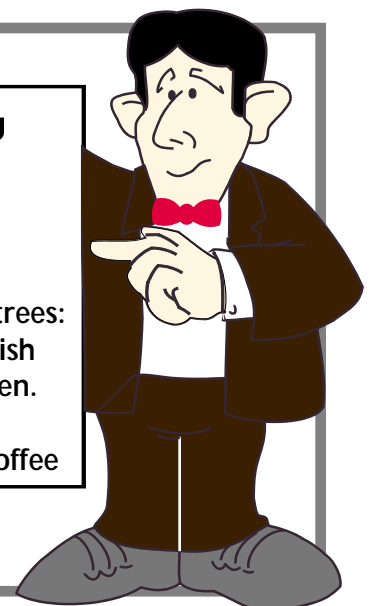


Choice of Four Entrees:

Shrimp, Pasta, Fish
or Grilled Chicken.



Key Lime Pie & Coffee



AA Meeting Reports

APRIL 16, 2001

Ms. Cindy Bartin presented an update on the circumstances involving Mrs. Barbara Basanko's appeal. A legal brief has been filed.

Mr. Wuellner presented 10 action items. They were discussed by the AA members with some public comment and votes taken.

ACTION ITEMS:

1. South Hanger Area: Appraisals & Purchase Orders -

The attorney representing the AA made a presentation related to 5 parcels of land adjacent to the airport. He discussed the process of acquiring the land either by sale or eminent domain (ED). The AA authorized the attorney to contact the owners with appraisal figures and keep the AA informed about the acquisition but take no action involving ED until he reported to the AA.

2. Resolution 2001-2002: Adding Self Fuel Facility to Description -

The AA gave approval 3/1 to add a self fueling facility to a joint FDOT, JPA Taxiway B grant application. This amends the 2001 budget to provide funding.

3. Resolution 2001-2003 Additional Funds: Terminal Project -

The FDOT grant funds are now available for this project. Approved 4/0.

4. Resolution 2001-2004 Additional Funds: Electrical Vault -

The AA approved adding \$300,000 to this project based on FDOT available funds. 4/0.

5. Resolution 2001-2005 Additional Funds: ATC Tower -

The tower is now fully funded. FDOT will add \$150,000 to their 80% share to bring their total to \$1,110,000. Approved 4/0.

6. Resolution 2001-2006 New JPA: Cooperate Hangars-

Availability of additional FDOT funds on a 50% basis will bring the total potential funding of this project

to \$1,600,000. The change will be reflected in the new year. 4/0.

7. Bid Award - Clearing and Grubbing Award -

This is a new bid for this project and reflects several options related to debris removal. The AA approved the award to DB Smith 4/0 with option 1 - mulch disposal of material. The area involved is in the NE property and will provide a clear zone for the ILS and additional area by S.K. Logistics.

8. Self Fueling Update/2nd FBD -

Mr. Wuellner made a presentation, referenced in a handout available to the public. He addressed 10 issues about the subject including background material and staff recommendations for each. Mr. Dan Holliday and Robert Fleming made public comment in support of the facility. Two staff from Aerospot discussed items important to them. (eg pricing etc.). One representative indicated they are not completely opposed to involvement with the Self Serve Facility but they need to evaluate things such as profit, maintenance insurance, liability. The AA chairman Mr. Rose recommended the members review Mr. Wuellner's information, meet with him (Wuellner) if they have questions and have the issue placed on the May 14th agenda for action.

9. Service Access to the Field -

Mr. Wuellner presented examples of problems related to unauthorized individuals accessing the airfield without agreements (eg people signing off on annuals, non owners washing and polishing airplanes etc.) He requested approval to develop guidelines and agreements to correct the problem 4/0.

10. Regency Aviation Use Modification -

The Company has contacted Mr. Wuellner about broadening their lease hold agreement. He gave examples of things that would facilitate their business but not affect safety. 4/0.

At the Conclusion -

1. Several AA members gave support to the idea of an alternate fuel source at the airport. However, they expressed concern about the AA's involvement related to management of such a facility. Based on previous personal experience, they believe private enterprise is best prepared to run/operate the facility.

2. Mr. Ciriello expressed concern about the frequent lateness of the financial reports.

3. A member of the public questioned the figure of 160,000 annual takeoffs and landings reported in a recent newspaper article. Mr. Wuellner explained volunteers did daily countings for 3 months and the figures were extrapolated to 1 year.



SAAPA Meeting May 12th

Robert Fleming will show a video and present performance charts related to the Power Flow Systems Tuned Exhaust. The exhaust is STC'd for Cessna 172, 177, 177B and PA 28-140 Lycoming engines. It improves climb rates, fuel burn, engine temperatures etc. Robert will discuss the Self Fueling Report presented by Mr. Ed Wuellner at the April 16th AA Meeting.

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Patty Wagstaff

Patty Wagstaff has made St. Augustine her home. What a privilege it is for all of us to have the first and, so far, the only woman to become the U.S. National Aerobatic Champion living and flying right in our mist. If you are lucky to be at the St. Augustine airport at the right time, she can be seen practicing her airshow routine in her Extra 300S in the aerobatic box. In addition to her many other endeavors, she has been and continues to be a favorite performer on the airshow circuit.

Patty learned to fly in 1980 in Alaska, and less than four years later she acquired her first aerobatic airplane - a Decathlon. Spending the Spring of '84 totally focused on aerobatics, by May she was ready for the big time and received an invitation to fly in Alaska's biggest airshow. After flying just a few more airshows, July found her all alone in her Decathlon winging her way from Soldotna, Alaska enroute to the 1984 IAC Contest at Fond du Lac, Wisconsin for her first aerobatic competition. The thousands of miles across Canada and the western states was certainly a challenge in itself, but then she would go on to compete at the intermediate level rather than an entry level as many beginners do.

In 1985, Patty became a member of the U.S. Aerobatic Team. Her first flight for the U.S. was in England in 1986, and in just one short year in 1987 she became the top U.S. female pilot for the first time at the unlimited level (highest level of competition). The year 1988 found her in Canada where she helped take the women's team to its world championship. She flew for the U.S. in Switzerland, France, Hungary, Russia, South America, and Mexico, and from 1990 through 1996 was the top overall U.S. medal winner in international competition. Then in 1991, she won the National Aerobatic Championship and went on to win it again in 1992 and 1993 winning first place overall in the unlimited category.

During her career, Patty has won numerous medals, awards, and honors, but one stands out because she was awarded this honor no less than six times. It is the *Betty Skelton First Lady of Aerobatics Trophy*. Betty Skelton, herself presented Patty with this trophy in 1988 when she received it for the first time. The award is presented to the highest-placing woman competitor in the unlimited category at the U.S. National Aerobatic Championship. In 1995, she achieved the highest award given by the International Council of Airshows-the Sword of Excellence.



Another first for Patty was the honor of becoming the first pilot member of the United Stuntwomen's Association, and she is a member of the Screen Actors Guild. She was the aerial coordinator for the film *Up Close and Personal*, stunt pilot in the television shows *Fortune Hunter* and *Lois and Clark*, and in Paramount Pictures *Drop Zone*.

In her biography, *Fire and Air - A Life on the Edge*, she states that there are two points in her life that stand out and are "inextricably linked." They are becoming the U.S. National Aerobatic Champion and having her airplane and experience displayed in the Smithsonian National Air and Space Museum in Washington, D.C. Her Extra 260, N618PW, is on permanent display in the Pioneers of Flight Gallery in a place of honor between Amelia Earhart's Lockheed *Vega* and Charles and Anne Linbergh's Lockheed *Sirius* in which

they pioneered the Great Circle air routes to Asia and Europe, and beneath that of Jimmy Doolittle's Curtiss Schneider Cup racer.

Patty has earned numerous ratings including a Commercial Certificate with Instrument, Airplane Single & Multi-engine, Seaplane, Helicopter, and Certified Flight Instructor. Many of these she had earned by 1983.

I have recently had the privilege of flying with Patty in my Decathlon and, in spite of her very busy schedule, she has generously offered her time and expertise to help me improve my skills in aerobatics. As you may remember, she began her flying career in a Decathlon, and I can attest to the fact that she flies it as effortlessly, skillfully, and as artfully as she does the modified Extra 300S that she flies today. She can truly perform a "dance" in the sky.

In this article, I have endeavored to cover the highlights in Patty's career but found that just covering these would take many pages. However, if you are interested in learning more about this genuine, modern-day aviation pioneer, her book chronicles her life and quest for the top spot in aerobatics. It is a passionate story that will make you laugh and cry and will inspire and thrill you just like her airshow performances. It can be purchased at Aero Sport.

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Update on SAAPA Membership Directory

Many of you have already given me your current information for the new SAAPA membership directory and I appreciate your help. Those that have not and wish to be listed in our new directory, please complete this form and return it to me. Do it

today! I hope to have a working copy by the next quarterly dinner meeting at Creekside. I plan to have a digital camera available that evening to add a picture of each member and spouse. If you have a picture you would like to use, bring it along that

night or send it on with the form and we can scan it into the directory. We will be accepting business advertisements for the directory soon. If you wish to reserve a space for an ad, let me know. Thanks for your help. Have fun and fly safely!

NAME (& SPOUSE) _____

PREFERRED MAILING ADDRESS _____

TELEPHONE (HOME, WORK, FAX) _____

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OCCUPATION _____

AIRCRAFT TYPE YOU OWN (OR FLY) & TAIL NUMBER _____

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FORWARD & ADDRESS CORRECTION

May 19th 2001

On Saturday, May 19, 2001, SAAPA will depart in the morning for Fort Pierce. Fort Pierce (FPR) is about 180 miles south of St. Augustine (SGJ) as your crow flies. You can follow the V-3 airway or just go at about 3500 feet and ask for flight following, starting with Jacksonville or Daytona approach. Plan your departure from St. Augustine for an ETA between 10:30 and 11:00 am. For most planes it should be 1 hour to 1 hour and 45 minutes. FPR does have a tower and is just ten miles south of Vero (VRB), so you have to stay about 2500 feet as you pass over Vero Airspace before slam dunking yourself into FPR or take the scenic route east or west of VRB's airspace. FPR likes you to contact them about 10 miles out after you listen to their ATIS or they will chew on your horizontal stabilizer if you surprise them. For those with instrument tickets, there is an ILS on

09. So if you've got another pilot on board and rated for your plane, log one for your IFR currency.

Once landed, tell ground control that you wish the Flight Deck Chevron on the southeast side of the field. There are two Chevron's on the South side of the field. The Flight Deck is run by Hans (561-464-6687), a bubbly kind of guy with more energy than a person standing on a fire ant colony in thongs.

I will already be on the ground and will have transportation arranged for the visit to the UDT Seals museum. Lunch will be served at the Flight Deck restaurant either before or after the tour depending upon the time of last bird to arrive. Hope to see you there. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Robert Thousand Monday - Friday 794-1824 or evening 824-6048.

FLYING REBELS CALENDAR 2001

<u>DATE</u>	<u>EVENT</u>
May 18-20	Savannah, GA
June 9	PDK, Atlanta, GA
June 16	Pine Mtn, Callaway Gardens
July 24-30	EAA Oshkosh
Aug 2-5	Cape Cod, MA
Sept 14-16	Charlottesville, VA
Oct 12-13	Louisville, KY Bowman Field
Oct 19-20	Kings Bay, GA
Nov 9-10	New Orleans, LA
Dec	Holiday Party TBA

For more information log onto our website @ www.SAAPA.org & check out our link to The Flying Rebels

April 21st Cedar Key Fly-Out



You couldn't ask for better weather for the April 21st SAAPA fly-out to the Cedar Key Crafts and Seafood Festival. Four aircraft piloted by SAAPA members made the trip and had no problems with finding parking space off the runway.



In attendance were Earl Douglas, Vic Martinelli, Alan Steinberg, Len Tucker, Larry Carnes, Bill Pacetti, and our favorite young couple; Scott Smith and Leila.

We toured the craft exhibits first (we had to, you had to pass them in order to get to the food stalls). Our schedule called for meeting at the food area at noon so we could eat together, but some of us got to the stalls by 11:30.

As a service to those members who would show up at noon, Len and Alan appointed themselves as a committee of two to test the available offerings. Luckily, they found that the crab cakes, shrimp roll-ups, soft-shelled crab sandwiches, fried mullet plates and corn on the cob were palatable and therefore safe for the others to eat.

A fun day at a nice place in the company of fellow pilots....what could be better?

SAAPA CALENDAR 2001

<u>DATE</u>	<u>EVENT</u>	<u>CONTACT</u>
May 17 (Thur)	Quarterly Meeting (Creekside)	Vic Martinelli 829-4409
May 19 (Sat)	Visit Navy Seal Museum Ft Pierce (St. Lucie County) Airport (FPR) Visit to local air museum. Details to be announced.	Bob Thousand, DDS 824-6048
June 15 (Fri)	Tour Piper Aircraft Factory Vero Beach Airport (VRB) Tour of Piper Aircraft Factory. This event being held on Friday as tours are only given on certain days of the week. Details to be announced.	Alan Steinberg 285-1942
June 23 Weekend	Charleston, S.C Enjoy downtown fun with tours of Fort and Navy Aviation Display. Party at the latest Hot Spots.	Wayne George 808-1205
July	Open	
Aug 11 (Sat)	BBQ and FSAACA Event Haller Field, Palatka, FL (Private airpark) (PVT) Saapa member John Drago is hosting a barbecue. This is a FSAACA event, but SAAPA members are welcome to attend. Wheels up: 10:30	John Drago
Sept. 13-16 Weekend	Reno Air Races Stead, Nevada	T. J. Wagner 443-3636
Sept 15 (Sat)	Fantasy of Flight Museum Winter Haven (Gilbert Field) Airport (GIF) Fantasy of flight museum visit. Details to be announced.	TBA
Oct. 19-20 Weekend	Kings Bay Sub Base St. Mary's, GA (4J6) A visit to the King's Bay Submarine Base. Details to be announced.	Linton and Ruth Broome Atlanta Flying Rebels
Nov 17 (Sat)	4th Annual SAAPA Olympics Jekyll Island, GA (09J) 4th Annual SAAPA Olympics. Wheels up: 9-9:30 am (aircraft arrival by 10:15)	Alan Steinberg 285-1942
Dec	Annual Holiday Party	TBA