



# The Flight Line

## SAAPA, ST. JOHN'S COUNTY EDUCATION & AIRPORT AUTHORITY???

On Friday, April 27th, two (2) SAAPA airplanes departed St. Augustine for Fort Payne, Alabama to observe and participate in an airshow for students from the Wills Valley Elementary School. The "Fantastic Flight" Airshow is the culmination of a yearlong program designed to introduce hundreds of students to aviation and the local aviation community.

SAAPA members **Len Tucker** and **Wayne (Buzz) George** thought there might be a possibility for this or a similar program to be introduced into the St. Johns County's education system. By introducing kids to the many facets of aviation and the St. Augustine Airport, the kids would

remove some of the "mystics" of aviation and the public might have a better appreciation for the significant contributions aviation makes to St. Augustine and St. Johns County - definitely a "win-win" situation.

The fun-filled day included skydiving, aerial demos, aircraft flybys, general and military aircraft, static displays and more. Can you imagine what type of a show St. Augustine could put on? With our aerobatics, aircraft manufacture, helicopters, military, Grumman, big private jets, World War II aircraft, and, of course, all the variety of SAAPA, we could put on one heck-of-a show.

Accompanying Len and Buzz were Mr. **Bill Mignon**, Principal, Menendez High School; Mr. **Brian Cooper**, Assistant Airport Manager, St. Johns County - St. Augustine Airport; and Mr. **Vic Martinelli**, SAAPA Vice-President, and very involved citizen. Bill and Brian agreed to some action items to escalate the concept to the next levels within their organizations. Hopefully, we'll see some program in the near future.

Let your kids know if you think it's a good idea and have them ask their teachers.

## SELF SERVICE PUMP GOING FORWARD

Plans for the self service fuel pump down in the area of the new tower are progressing on schedule. The Airport Authority has authorized the engineering study and we await the results.

The St. Augustine Record carried an article this past weekend stating the particulars on the project. In summary: costs \$165,000; county part \$35,000; rest from Dept. of Transportation. The funding has been approved.

It was anticipated that Aero Sport may be going to try to get the [project] for themselves but as of earlier this week, no request had been formally made. The next meeting is Monday 16th at 4PM. If you are concerned, you may want to attend. We will be represented and our position voiced. There's something to be said for a great deal of people - so come and support this effort IF there is a challenge.

## CHARLESTON TRIP CANCELED - WEATHER

The scheduled trip to Charleston June 22-24th was canceled. First, small participation caused the venue to be changed to Marsh Harbor, Bahamas. At the last Saturday meeting this option was discussed but many members had already planned their summer trips.

This didn't dampen Pat Hale, Len Tucker and Wayne George's enthusiasm however. They planned a quick trip and lined up their itinerary.

Unfortunately, Mother Nature had other ideas. If you will recall, that was the weekend of afternoon thunderstorms ALL WEEKEND.

Watch your e-mail. Another "quickie" is forthcoming.

Call Buzz for details up to the meeting at 808-1205 or 806-1717.



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**CAPE COD TRIP AUG 2ND – AUG 5TH (OR 6TH)**

**To: Attendees & Members**

"...You're sure to fall in love with old Cape Cod." A cooler climate, fresh pine-scented air, rose-covered weathered cottages, legendary clam chowder, and water, water everywhere – it's all waiting for the St. Augustine Airport Pilots Association and the Atlanta Flying Rebels in a few short weeks! So, bring your sweaters and get ready for a "down East" weekend with your feathered friends.

O.K., we're within two months of our big trip of the year AND the hotel tells me we can still add a couple of more. Call other club members, your friends, relatives or your in-laws. Remember Montana, Arizona, and who can forget Nova Scotia (the Greenways still are recouping). Those that didn't go on those trips regretted it.

Don't regret this one. And remember, if you're not there, we promise to talk about you. So, re-look at that calendar and either plan to fly with us or there are some great specials to Boston on commercial airlines. (I just don't want anyone to complain they didn't get a chance to go).

Now down to the meat. Attached find the ITINERARY, WHO'S GOING and a QUESTIONNAIRE of your druthers for the time off periods. Get the later to Wayne as soon as possible.

The facilities, restaurants and functions are all up-scale and have great write-ups. The people are nice to work with is a great combination for a great trip. Ask your neighbor to join us.

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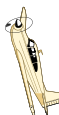
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***P. S. Please don't forget to fill out the questionnaire and to send your trip money to Wayne George as soon as possible.***

**Cape Cod Trip — Attendees**

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Please help complete any missing information.





# ITINERARY

## Thursday — August 2nd

**Arrive** Hyannis (Barnstable) Airport. (HYS) – Any time - since transportation is via cab – Note-Dave and I will be at the airport 2-4 PM if you want to see our shining faces. Maybe with a little refreshment for the tired and weary. FBO – Cape Flight, 508-775-8171, Tina (can get Enterprise, Avis or Hertz); "BG" Sykes has promised us a \$.20 gallon discount (Phillips 66); Cab ride to hotel approx. \$5.00 (by staying downtown Hyannis we don't need to invest in several vans and have them sitting around at \$80 – \$90 a day).

**Hotel** Hyannis Harbor Hotel 888-810-0044 or 508-775-4420 My contact there is Ms. Pat Gilmer, (pgilmer@hyannisharborhotel.com), great lady, very helpful if you want to do some side things other than what we've got planned. Check out their website at [www.hyannisharborhotel.com](http://www.hyannisharborhotel.com)

The hotel is right downtown Hyannis and is across the street from the ferry we will take on Friday to Nantucket. Also, most of the restaurants we've got planned are with walking distance. There is one building that is kind of like a "u" shape and another building behind (without a view of the harbor).

We have 18 rooms in Wayne George's name (I think as Wayne George's flying group). The rates are Standard room (I suspect the back building) for \$119/night and Harbor side for \$149/night. Dave and I have two rooms on the Harbor side with a big balcony for our gatherings. You need to call and get your room put in your name as Wayne will cancel all the remaining ones the 15th of July. Be sure you ask them about their cancellation policy. They quoted me 72 hours prior to first night stay for cancellation without penalty.

**Dinner** Dinner will be at Alberto's Restaurant, offering the finest selection and quality for even the finickiest eater." Since our group is getting in by 6 we hope, we thought 7PM should work for dinner. Their menu shows a \$32.00 or \$35.00 selection with appetizers, salad, entree, and dessert but other ala carte items appear as well.

Ice cream from one of the ice cream shops and walk the docks are in order for that night after dinner. Whenever we have seen TV specials on neighborhood "ice cream parlors" they always seem to end with The Four Seas of Cape Cod at Centerville Corners. This was a favorite of our family every summer and it really is g r e a t ice cream.

## Friday — August 3rd

Ferry ride to Nantucket: We'll take the Hyline Cruise at a group rate of \$19.50/person. This boat has two floors plus the top open-air seating. It departs at 8:45 AM; arrives in Nantucket at 10:35 and returns at 4:00 PM arriving in Hyannis at 5:50 PM. As you can see, the ride is 2 hours long so we'll have plenty of time to talk about those that didn't come. We will meet after breakfast at 8:15 in the lobby of the hotel and "mosey" over to the boat. Dave will have already gotten our tickets.

Nantucket: The plan is for everyone to make up his or her own day of site seeing and/or shopping (yes guys – that dreaded word "shopping" BUT I understand the female "people watching" from benches and pubs is great that time of the year.)

Nantucket has a fabulous history of whaling captains and widows' walks, scrimshaw and cranberry bread. Siasconset, Nantucket's town, is so small no car is needed. Old churches and other buildings are much in evidence and wonderful little shops abound.

As a special treat, Lyn has a close college friend that has a home in Nantucket. She offered to have us over for "tea" if she's in town. Keep your fingers crossed.

Some options in Nantucket are:

- 1- Walk the shops and marina and enjoy the pubs;
- 2- Sign up for the Nantucket Island Bus Tour (see cobblestone Main Street, old sea captains homes, the village of 'Sconset, Sankaty Head Light and much more. Sign up with the ferry company.

Dinner Dinner Friday night will be at Penguins Seagrill and Steakhouse." an evening of sophisticated dining and marvelous food". This is the day everyone returns from the Hyline Cruise @ 5:50 PM. 7:30 PM should be a good time for dinner. They have a private room and are working on some special elections to choose from.

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## Saturday — August 4th

**MID-CAPE TOUR (9:30 – 3:30):** A motorcoach will pick us up at the hotel at 9:30. First, we will visit the Hyannis and Hyannisport area with a focus on the Kennedy Family, including a view of the Kennedy Compound, John F. Kennedy Hyannis Museum, and St. Francis Xavier Church. Our driver will then take us further out the Cape to Chatham, a picturesque little town (and lighthouse) where we will have lunch and an opportunity to look in some shops. After lunch, we will motor to the Cape Cod National Seashore and to the Salt Pond Visitors Center/ Marconi Station to learn some history through displays and movies. Cost: \$40/person.

Upon our return to the hotel, you may opt to take the boat tour (one hour) to see the Kennedy Compound by sea. This is by far the best way to view the summer homes. \$10/person.

**Saturday Options:** You may elect to pass on the long Mid-Cape Tour and do one of the following:

- 1- Whale Watching – High-speed boat to go out to the areas where whales typically appear. 3 hour trip will have you back mid day. \$24
- 2- Rent a car and drive around the cape - Take a driving tour to enjoy charming cottages and local color, sneak a peek at the Kennedy compound.
- 3- Take the Harbor cruise mentioned above.
- 4- Rent bikes to ride trails through scrub pine forest to Nauset Beach lighthouse, inspect local specialty shops
- 5- Fly your airplane to Provincetown and tour the old city.
- 6- Fly your airplane (or take a ferry) to Martha's Vineyard (other island south of the Cape)

As you can see, there are many options for Saturday and even Sunday (and many more not mentioned). In line with the "many more not mentioned", you might want to go on the internet and get a copy of the Official 2001 Guide to Cape Cod (sign on to [www.massvacation.com](http://www.massvacation.com)) or the Guide to Hyannis Area from the Hyannis Chamber of Commerce at [www.hyannis.com](http://www.hyannis.com).

**Dinner** The Paddock Restaurant, "experience superb dining in Victorian Elegance". Next door to the Melody Tent mentioned below). This is an upscale restaurant and sport coats are the dress of the evening (its probably cool enough for one anyway). Reservations @ 6 PM due to the Johnny Mathis Show @ 8 PM. The owner suggested lobster, as he has THE BEST, (he will need a count 1 week before as to the number of lobster) His price on that is \$38.00 and that is a bargain as last month it was \$46.00 for lobster. He expects the price to stay the same thru August.

His recommendations for the evening is as follows, Salad, Gorgonzola, roasted red onion, currants and toasted pecans tossed with mesclun greens and port vinaigrette, then a choice of Entree, Filet Mignon 8oz, fluted mushroom and béarnaise \$23.75 or Grilled Swordfish (special \$18.95, and not on the menu) or the lobster. Is your mouth watering yet? Mine too. Then he will offer coffee and a dessert.

**Evening** The Cape Cod Melody Tent is the most popular entertainment venues on the Cape. The theater is basically a round facility with a tent for a top (like the big top). If I remember correct, there are about 40 rows of seats that are completely in a circle. We have the tickets for the "prime" locations on rows 5,6 & 7. Should be great seats.

We had a friend in St. Augustine that had the opportunity to see Johnny Mathis in Jacksonville and one month later in Buffalo. They said the shows were different as night and day and that it seemed that Johnny Mathis changed the sequence to match the audience. They said they would go to see him again.

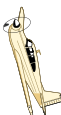
## Sunday – August 5th

The day will be open for you to continue Saturday's activities or lay just veg out. We'll have a late breakfast and depart to the airport around 9 AM for those of you that can't stay. For the rest of us, enjoy the Cape.

**Lyn's suggestions:** For a brief pleasant drive, tasting a little of the countryside, leave Hyannis and scope out from a distance the Kennedy Compound at Hyannisport (by way of Craigville Beach), on to Oyster Harbor (where the girls will find original Talbots and Mark, Fore and Strike shops), then to picturesque Centerville with its famous Four Seas Ice Cream Shoppe (not just great ice cream but excellent "lobster rolls" and little Catholic Church where Caroline Kennedy and Maria Shriver got married.

A little longer drive will take you across the Cape to the north coast at Barnstable. Drive along the coastal highway for another look at the countryside. Stop at the public beach (with huge dunes) and dip your toes in some really cold water and watch your feet turn blue!.

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About 30 minutes NE of Hyannis is a bike trail which runs through the typical Cape Cod brush pine forest to the beach at Nauset and the Nauset Light(house). If the weather is pleasant, rent a bike here and experience Cape Cod as the natives love to.

Other Options: Lyn and Wayne are going to get a car and visit some of the places they used to visit when they came to the Cape on the summer with Lyn's parents. They lived in Centerville (5 minutes from Hyannisport) and roamed around Craigville Beach on bikes. You're welcome to join us if you wish.

5:30 PM: The Boston Pops Orchestra will play in the park at Hyannis. This is a great treat for all of us as this is their Summer outing at the Cape (no, they didn't just come because Wayne asked them to). Pat from our Hotel has another opportunity for us – seats in the reserved section down front. There is a group rate of \$30 - \$35 per person so let me know who is planning to attend

## Questionnaire

This is shaping up to be one, great trip. Problem is there are too many things to do. You need to let us know what your interest are quickly so we can put multiple people together for functions and see if we can get some group rates and reservations.

Which of the following would you be most interested in doing (please make notes):

- Whale watching – \$24
- Rent a car and drive around the Cape
- Hyannisport Harbor Cruise
- Rent bikes to ride trails to Nauset Beach lighthouse,
- Fly your airplane to Provincetown
- Fly your airplane (or take a ferry) to Martha's Vineyard (specify which – airplane or ferry)

On Sunday are you going to:

- leave for home or
- stay for Boston Pops

Here's the group fees thus far: **Mail a check to Wayne ASAP**

- Johnny Mathis	\$55.00
- Refreshments	20.00
- Hyline Cruise to Nantucket	19.50
- Mid-Cape Tour	<u>40.00</u>
Total per person	\$134.50 *

\* we'll get price (\$30-35) on the Boston Pops after we get there.

Person submitting Questionnaire \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ E Mail \_\_\_\_\_

Amount Enclosed \_\_\_\_\_\*\* (\*\* if you don't want to attend one of the functions, please just deduct that amount. Hopefully, it won't violate discount minimums.)



# 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 \_\_\_\_\_

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OCCUPATION \_\_\_\_\_

AIRCRAFT TYPE YOU OWN (OR FLY) & TAIL NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_

At your convenience, please return information to me at: Pat Hale • 175 Inlet Drive • St. Augustine, FL 32080

## Meetings

Our meetings are always on the  
**second (2nd) Saturday**  
of each month at 9:00 a.m.  
at the airport.

**JULY 14TH**

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