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Have You Flown Yet???

Anyone change over to Floats instead of wheels? I know that the weather has not been exactly inviting the last few weeks, but if anyone has any flight adventures, it would be great if you would share.



“Man, I want to FLY!”

Next Club Meeting – May 7, 2011

Club Meetings are normally held **the first Saturday of each month** at 6PM at The Comfort Café in Mantua. Any changes to this schedule will be posted here in the Flyer. Prospective members, guests and family members are **always welcome**.

The Lite/Sport Flyer is a monthly publication for the North Coast Lite Flyers, USUA Club 027.

FOR SALE!!!

NCLF shirts and hats are on sale for \$10 each. See Mike Baker at the meeting to purchase.

99 or 2000 Quicksilver MX Sprint — Blue and White — Very Good Condition – 200 hours. Rotax 447, New Tubes, Always Hangered, 2 Blade Prop, Sales are in good condition and the fabric has been clear coated. Flies Great \$5,000. Contact Mark Crofton - Enon Valley PA 724-462-0187

Wheel pants (from challenger but will fit other planes as well)
5 Gallon gas tank
Second Chance parachute for a two seat plane
BRS parachute rated for 500 lbs
Make Offer—Rich Edwards 330-407-0934

WANTED TO BUY!!!

1. I'm looking for a prop, 60 to 64 inch for a rotax B gearbox.
2. Looking for any photos, articles, website or other on a Petit Breezy.

Contact Mark Warner at...
email mrkwarner@frontier.com
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Pretty Quiet on the Northern Front

I know that I have been going crazy waiting for the rain to stop. Others in the club must be feeling the same. So what are you doing about it? I don't mean about the rain, I mean about going crazy???

Have you been spending some quality time with your aircraft? If you can't fly, it means that you have time to go over that squawk list of the things that you have been wanting to get to from last year.

Have you been wanting to re-paint something that has started to show some wear? What about checking your fuel lines to see if they need to be replaced? Have you taken care of that loose connection on <insert item here>? "Don, have you mounted that camera yet?"

What about cleaning out your gas tank (if you can) and those small nicks <pick a location>? Have you patched that flat tire / slow leak?

Maintenance. It's not just a good idea, it's also a great time filler when you can't fly. The more you take care of now, the less it will interfere with breakfast later.

An Inexpensive Fuel Monitoring System

Having gauges to monitor your aircrafts vital statistics is important no matter what you are flying. RMP, Altimeter, Airspeed, EGT, CHT... It's all good! Fuel is also good to know, but you don't necessarily need a gauge to monitor that. If you have the tank in front of you, or in the wings, you can install a float gauge where a clear tube against a stripped background shows the level of fuel very nicely.

But what if the tank is behind you and lower than you are? A sight gauge isn't easily visible and the mechanical or electric ones may not be the best solution.

I found a fail safe monitor system that will work even the electricity is out and it is cheap too.



It is a small mirror that I mounted with a rivet to a piece of aluminum which I then mounted to my landing gear. As you can see in the top picture, the gas tank is visible and the fuel level is easily seen (or in this case, the lack of fuel) Total cost = \$2.00 for the mirror, \$0.10 for the rivet and the metal I had laying around. I plan to eventually replace it with an electric model to wire into my engine monitoring gauge, but for now, it is very light and works well with just a glance to the side.

May Activities and Beyond

May 14, Saturday, — Canton, OH. MAPS spaghetti dinner (Website). MAPS air museum. (CAK), Come enjoy a night out at MAPS! In addition to having a reason to go flying and not

having to cook dinner, you'll be able to hear the sweet sounds of Hudson High schools Jazz 1 group during dinner! Dinner is from 5-7pm. Tickets will be a donation of 8 for adults and 5 for children under 12yrs. If Flying: Ask controller for taxi directions to MAPS air museum rather than G.A. parking as they are on opposite sides of the airport. Bring chocks, etc to tie down your aircraft as the ramp has a slight slope. Please try to arrive before 5pm or around 6pm so that your engines is not running when the band is playing during dinner. There will be a 15 or 20 min break around 6pm for pilots to arrive/depart if they would like to leave early or would like to arrive at 6pm rather than 5pm. Please e-mail your tail number, aircraft type, estimated time of arrival, and number of people coming in your aircraft, as well as any other questions to twisbar@windstream.net OR call and leave your name, phone, and your message at 330-655-5206. If driving the address is: 2600 International Parkway, North Canton, Ohio 44270. Enter off of Massillon road on west side of the airport. Once on the property, enter the large building with the flagpoles in front of it.

JUNE 4, Saturday, — Shelby, OH. Fly In/Drive In Pancake Breakfast (Website). Shelby Community Airport. (12G), Third Annual Pancake Breakfast and Fly In at Shelby Community Airport in Shelby Ohio.at 5695 SR 96 West of Shelby. We begin serving at 0800 until 1100.

Jun 25, Saturday, — Middlefield, OH. EAA Pancake Breakfast and YE rally. Middlefield/Geauga County. (7G8), Fly-in/Drive-in to 7G8 for pancakes, sausage, eggs and beverage, starting at 8 A.M. until noon. Young Eagle rides from 8 - 11 A.M.

JULY 8, 9, 10 BARBER AIRPORT GRASS ROOTS FLY-INAll aircraft welcome. Featuring vintage aircraft, especially the ones made in Ohio: Taylorcraft and Aeronca. This will be the 75th Year since the first prototype Model A Taylorcraft arrived in Alliance, Ohio. Many special forums are planned and we will have a recap of the First Solo by John Glenn at the New Philadelphia, Ohio airport (PHD) in a BL-65 Taylorcraft, N26642, serial number 1984, with his Instructor Wally Spotts observing from the ground. Volunteers always needed in all areas, especially a day or two ahead to help prepare the airport. Breakfast served Sat & Sun 7AM to 11AM by EAA Chapter #82 Public Invited - Fly In or Drive In