

Greetings fellow NCLF members,

Minutes: May 2004 Membership Meeting

Present - 12 Members, 2 guests, 9 associates

- Fly-Ins (app. Miles from Yoder Airport)
 - June 5 Carroll County Rib Burn-Off ()
 - June 6 Coldwater, Mi (225)
 - June 12 Ghent, NY (170)
 - June 12-13 Kenton Oh ()
 - South Point, Oh (180)
 - London, Oh Buckeye Air Rally(140)
 - Eagleville, Tn ()
 - June 13 Meadville, Pa (95)
 - Ann Arbor, Mi
 - June 18-20 Wellsville, Pa ()
 - June 19 Zanesville, Oh ~ Riverside (72)
 - LaGrange, Oh ~ Harlan (60)
 - Fulton Co., Oh ()
 - Urbana, Oh ~ Grimes ()
 - Howell, Mi ()
 - June 19-20 Akron – Fulton, Oh ()
 - Waynesburg, Pa (87)
 - St. Johns, Mi ()
 - June 20 Beach City, Oh (22)
 - June 26 Geauga Co. Breakfast
 - June 25-27 Osterburg, Pa (170)
 - June 26-27 Wood Co.,Oh (150)
 - June 27 Ashland Co.,Oh (48)
 - Washington co., Pa (70)
 - Dayton, Oh ~ Moraine ()
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 - Kitty Hawk Try #3 - Week of July 11th
- Club Logo thoughts being submitted

Recent Member News

Mike Baker has made tremendous progress on assembling his Savannah in just 30 days. The plane is all metal construction and all rivet holes are pre-drilled.



Mike Baker's Savannah after 30 days of building.

Brent Klein has substantially progressed his flying capabilities through the purchase of Roger Endress' Sport 2. Gary Thompson's Sprint is almost ready for flight. Kim Veits is doing an engine overhaul after some engine outs, due to piston seizures. Bob & Bonnie are still on the move into the Hiram area.



Are you feeling the need for some vacation?

Warren Fienga a former Cleveland area ULer who was based at the former Liberty Airpark notes: "We have moved to the promised land 'in

retirement' which is Anna Maria Island. We are at the south tip of Tampa Bay and are the first key south for the intracoastal waterway for the Gulf of Mexico. We live bayside, so I am able to keep the plane on my back lawn. We get about ten months of flying and as you can see some really beautiful scenery, of course we refer to it as PARADISE. One very interesting feature is we have the worlds longest runway." Special greetings go out to his former flying buddy, Dave Hagan. Respond to Warren at w.fienga@verizon.net.



Duane, Mike and Gary chat about 'the lovely' weather we're having!

Trip Memoirs – Don James/Jonathan Gamble

May 22, 2004

Gary Amen, Mike Baker, Jonathan Gamble, and Don James originally planned to attend a breakfast at Zelienople, Pa. with a stop at Elser. An early morning rain caused us to delay our departure for an hour, and then we flew toward Elser with a very low ceiling. We were forced to fly as low as 300 AGL in places, but only made it to within 2 miles of Elser when everything looked too dense for safe navigation. Luckily we all had radios, and we elected to backtrack to Tri-City for

breakfast there. At Tri-City we met Forrest Barber, the only other pilot out in the soup, and he also had given up on going to Zelenople. After breakfast, Jonathan headed north to visit Bob Showalter. Mike and Gary said they would like to see Showalter's strip, so we diverted there too. Jonathan had landed on Showalter's strip, but cautioned us on the radio not to attempt a landing as the field was VERY soft and muddy. The three of us made a few passes and then headed back to Mayfield as Jonathan attempted to take off. The last radio transmission we had from him said he was stuck and couldn't get enough speed to get into the air. Later we learned that after 4 mudslinging tries, he gave up. Bob Showalter helped bend some trees back so that Jonathan could get his Quicksilver to the road. This was a narrow road with no traffic, but electric wires were on the right and telephone lines on the left which required precision control over the craft, but he made it. Nothing like seeing a muddy brown Quick getting above those wires. Free at last! (Anyone with tips on cleaning mud from a radio, contact Jonathan). After refueling at Mayfield, Mike, Gary and Don flew to Wadsworth where they did some hanger inspections, then headed south in much improved weather, to Duane Zollinger's nice little strip near Rittman. A very pleasant and sunny flight back to Mayfield completed the day, and nobody was sad about not making it to Zelenople.

Jonathan adds, "I would say that our attempt to go to Zelenople might have been good as an experience but definitely not a good practice. Bennie and I were down and cleaned on the plane for a couple hours (sure miss the running water) and we are Not Done Yet. I have decided to get a Slip Indicator for the plane, could have used it on that trip!"

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Warren Fienga sends greetings from the South '40'!

Next Club Meeting – June 5, 2004

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

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