

## Club News Notables

The fourth meeting of 2006 was held at Kicam's Family Restaurant in Mantua on June 3<sup>rd</sup> and was well attended. 19 Members and 7 associates were present. Come out for the July meeting and join in the fun. All, take note of the included description of the August cookout and SPREAD THE WORD!

2006 Meeting Dates: July 8, August 5 (Cookout), September 9, October 7, and November 4.



Adventures at Merillat. (GP)

## Member News & Reports

Given the considerable trouble that BEACH CITY (2D7) has become for ultralight types, Forest Yoder reports that the 'Red Baron' was dispatched to 2D7 at 7AM on Father's Day. The "Baron" flew the length of the runway at 10 feet at about 70 MPH and reported that not much activity was going on, with no traffic and only one airplane out at the pump. Past experiences show much more activity during this period. The word on the tarmac is that many GA pilots are not too happy about the situation either.



Refueling the Thirsty Beasts. (GP)

Gerald Jackson reports that Sonex #204 is flying and is indeed a fast and responsive aircraft. The Jabiru 80HP engine has been reported by those on the ramp as being very quiet and is also an efficient and smooth powerplant. He is evaluating #204 using the AC 90-89A document, which will help burn through the required 40 hour test period. Here's one tidbit for you: 120 MPH at 3500' MSL and 2800 RPM (3300 RPM is max). Stay tuned for more details.

One reason that the June meeting was a bit smaller than May, was because of an adventure to Michigan which took place on that same day (pix from that trip highlight this issue). Here is a report from the trip coordinator, Gil Pataky:

On June 3<sup>rd</sup>, 6 intrepid NCLF fliers departed Hinde airport in Huron bound for Frankenmuth airport. Paul Harvey, Gary Aman, and Mike Baker arrived at Hinde around 7:30 AM. Waiting for them were Mark Warner, Bob Schuck and Gil Pataky. The sky was questionable but the fliers were determined to make the trip. Warner in his Challenger, Harvey in his Pup, Aman in his Kolb, Pataky in his Hawk and Baker in his Savannah (with Schuck as co-pilot) departed for adventure.

The first leg was to Merillat airport approximately 78 miles away. With a slight headwind we managed to make the trip in about 1 1/2 hrs. We were looking forward to a stop and donuts! But alas, no donuts were available but coffee and a nice chat with Jim Merillat still made for a pleasant stop over. After refueling, all fliers departed for Owosso airport 71 miles away. The sky was clearing and the trip was very picturesque. The headwinds were starting to increase and Owosso was a welcomed sight. Owosso has three runways, two grass runways intersected by an asphalt runway. On approaching Owosso, there was quite a lot of radio traffic and once there I decided to change our intended runway. Planes were on the runways, planes in the sky and chatter on the radio. I decided to say, "what the heck" they either see us or they don't! :-), and landed without incident.

After refueling, we departed for Frankenmuth and Zehnder airport 30 miles away. We landed around 1 PM and took the shuttle into town, ate a lot of food, and drank a few beers. Then we took a walk to the local hardware store where Mark Warner gave us his views on the qualities of chainsaw 2-stroke oil. Afterwards we headed back to the airport. {Mark and I making a side trip to another tavern. :-) }

After a few hours sleep we were up at 5am and in the air by 7am. It was a nice surprise to have a slight tailwind for the trip back to Merillat. My ground speed



Skirting Toledo. (GP)

at one point was 101 mph! We also had a few light showers to contend with. This time Merillat came thru with DONUTS and all was well. We departed for Hinde airport and ran into a 15-20 mph headwind and some more light showers. It was starting to get quite nasty near Hinde and we were all glad to get down and go out for breakfast around 10:30 am. The stats for the trip from Hinde are: 367 miles, 6.09 hours, 59.8 avg. speed and 101 as maximum ground speed.



Heading for Adventure. (GP)

All in all it was a fun trip and I think all had a good time. Michigan really has some well maintained and nicely marked airfields. Special thanks to Paul Harvey for waking people up all night to tell them they were snoring! :-) Love Ya Paul :-)

Gil Pataky

### July Activities

- 7-9 Barber (T-Craft)  
Mad River (I54) Urbana, Ohio
- 8 Poker Run at Wakeman
- 15 EAA Brkfst/Lunch Zanesville-PARR
- 15 EAA Pancake Brkfst Delaware DLZ
- 16 Pancakes Sunset Strip 8 AM till 1
- 24-30 Oshkosh, WI.

### FOR SALE!!!

Pennzoil 2 Cycle Oil for Air Cooled Engines, \$32/Case,

Rotax Carb Sockets, \$21/24 Each, Stainless Steel  
Exhaust Springs, \$6 Each, Don James, 330-678-9537.

wanted to buy!!!

Rotax 503 Single Carb Intake Manifold, Complete  
Assembly. Frank Vitale, 330-492-5580.

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**UNTIL THE NEXT TIME!**

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Sonex #204 Flies 06/29/07! (GVJ)

### Next Club Meeting – July 8, 2006

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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