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The Monthly Newsletter of
The San Juan Pilots Assn
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Events –

Monthly Luncheon – April 28, 1 pm Golf Course.

Board Mtg – May 2 at 5:15pm FHR Unicom Building.

Next Potluck – May 23, at St. David's.
Program: Airspace Refresher.

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What will we do when the big one hits?
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Our role in the next disaster

Pilots

- Will your family be prepared, if you volunteer your time and airplane to help out?
- Will your hangar door open without power?
- Can you be reached?
- Is your airplane fueled?

Brendan Cowan from the San Juan County Department of Emergency Management, www.sanjuandem.net, met with our board, and presented some ideas on how the pilots of San Juan County might be able to collaborate with DEM in the event of a major disaster. His outline covered General Planning and Post-Disaster Missions.

General planning is largely the provision of critical resources, mainly fuel, and communication issues. It will be important to know who is available to help, what they can do, and where they are.

The Post-Disaster missions could include low-level surveys of the islands, and aerial photography, search and rescue, transportation of people and equipment, and communication.

Disaster preparedness (cont'd)

SJPA president, **John Volk**, will be talking to the membership to determine the pilots' level of participation. John said, "Anyone interested in being on standby in the event of an major emergency send an e-mail to me jvolk@rockisland.com and I will put together a list of the volunteers."



New board member **Dick Babbitt** has suggested and is working toward promoting a San Juan Island Wings Program on a date to be determined between the SJPA and FAA. **For those of you who would like to participate earlier, Bellingham Aviation Services is hosting one at KBLI, May 13 and 14. For more info and to register, call Carla or Martyn at 360.676.7624.** Dick points out that completion of the Wings program and three hours of flight becomes a certified biannual. An added benefit is a reduction in insurance premiums up to \$200.

To be eligible for the program, you must:

- Hold an ultralight/recreational certificate or higher
- Hold a current medical certificate if required
- Log three hours of dual instruction under the program and attend at least one FAA-sanctioned safety seminar

View [Advisory Circular 61-91H: Pilot Proficiency Award Program](#) (PDF) for more information

The Pilot Proficiency Award Program (Wings) encourages general aviation pilots to continue training and provides an opportunity to practice selected maneuvers in a minimum of instruction time. After you've logged three hours of dual instruction under the program and attended at least one FAA-sanctioned safety seminar, you'll be eligible to receive a distinctive set of wings . You'll also earn a certificate of completion. If you successfully complete a phase of the Wings Program within the period specified by [Section 61.56\(e\) of the Federal Aviation Regulations](#), you don't need to accomplish the flight review for that time period.

More Wings to Work For

The program has twenty phases and offers you a twenty-year recurrent training opportunity. You'll be eligible for more wings every year after earning your first set, each added set marking your progress.

Seaplane pilots who specify "seawings" on the proficiency award application get a distinctive set of seawings. It's a great reason to go out and fly with a Flight Instructor!

Future Events

Here are some events to fill up your calendar. Just click on the blue text to visit the event's web site.

May 13 - Kennewick, EAA Chapter 391, **Fly-In Breakfast** at Vista Field.

May 20,21 – Puyallup, **Poly-Fiber Covering Seminar** at Spencer Aircraft.

May 30,31 – Yakima, EAA Chapter 206, **Aluminum Overcast B-17** tour stop

June 3 - Anacortes Airport Fly-in and Fun Day 10am-3pm.

Lake Chelan Fly-In (S10). Breakfast, Lunch, Miss Veedol, camping.

Moses Lake Fly-In breakfast 7am-11am, Moses Lake Airport (W20).

June 10 - Brewster, Wa Annual fly-in and breakfast.

June 17 - Desert Aire (M94), Annual Fly-in Breakfast , 7am -11am.

June 17,18 – Olympia, Olympic Air Show featuring the Gathering of Warbirds.
www.olympicflightmuseum.com.

June 23-25 - Richland, Richland Airport Open House/Fly-in.

June 24 – Dodie's Hangar Party. Friday Harbor Airport. From the fuel island, it's a heading of 205 degrees and 63 yards. The summer's best fly-in, drive-in.



More Future Events

July 1,2 - Twisp Airport, Methow Valley Fly-In Weekend, Barbeque, Fun, Camping & Breakfast.

July 5-9 - Arlington, 37th Annual Northwest EAA Fly-In at (AWO).

July 21-23 - Concrete Old Fashioned Fly-In.

July 22,23 - Camas, Camas Day's Steak Dinner and Pancake Breakfast.

July 29 - Forks, 16th Annual Fly-In, salmon bake, car show.

Aug 27 – Snohomish, [Harvey Field Corn Roast Fly-In](#).

Sept 2 - Prosser, EAA Chapter 391 23d Annual **Prosser Labor Day Fly-In**.

Undated – Potential future fly-outs: [Flying Heritage Collection](#) in Arlington, [Future Of Flight](#) Aviation Center and Boeing Tour at Paine Field, Seatac Tower Tour, [Port Townsend Aero Museum](#)

Boeing Field Museum of Flight

Parking adjacent to Museum, \$14 per person

Boeing Plant and Museum Paine Field

Parking at Fliteline, Transportation available 425-464-1476

\$15 per person, Reservations needed, Snack bar

One hour guided tour of the plant to see the 777 construction.

One hour self guided tour display of the future 787.



Let's see, Class C ... Class B ??

Thanks to **Tom Eades**, this photo from the left seat. Can you identify this airport? If you can, call Tom and tell him where he was. He was too thrifty to land, buy gas, and read the airport name on the receipt.

Shake out the digital camera and send some good aerials to freds@rockisland.com. We'll make sure to share them in the newsletter and the web site.

Legal-ease

John Geyman passes on this first of four PROPOSED FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION REGULATIONS, with tongue in cheek. Look for another each month until we've exhausted our supply, or more are written:

1000.A – No pilot or pilots, or person or persons acting on the direction or suggestion or supervision of the pilot or pilots may try, or attempt to try or make or make attempt to try to comprehend or understand any or all, in whole or in part of the herein mentioned Federal Aviation Regulations, except as authorized by the Administrator or an agent appointed by, or inspected by the Administrator.



The Survey of Us - Update

Art Miller offers this April update. **SJPA SURVEY - INTERIM STATS** Reporting - 33 of 89 current members - 37% - as of 4/15/06

Ratings Held	
Private	16
Commercial	16
Instrument	19
Glider	2
Single Engine	26
Multi Engine	9
Float	10
Helicopter	2
CFI	4
ATP	1
A&E	1
Parachute	1

Flying Hours	
Single Engine	57,515
Multi Engine	
Pilot	4,317
Co-Pilot	455
Commercial	
Single Eng	6,767
Multi Eng Pilot	26,700
Military	
Single Eng	2,847
Multi Eng Pilot	13,070
Multi Eng Co-Pilot	93
Helicopter	66
Glider	320

TOTAL FLYING HOURS 112,150

AVERAGE FOR 33 RESPONSES
3,398 HOURS

Reporting members are currently flying 20 different plane models and report having flown over 103 other model planes. Reporting members report having flown in 38 foreign countries. It is obvious from the stats to date that not all of the responses have been thorough and complete. Otherwise a number of

categories would have even higher numbers. Two members report having received their pilots licenses in the 40s... this is known to be higher.... only 23 of the 33 responses had this information. 10 of the 23 were licensed in the 70s.

Thanks to all who have sent the info forms to Art. If you haven't done so, there's no time like the present. You can get your info to Art, at arthurmiller@rockisland.com, 4214 Pear Pt. Rd., FH 98250, and start digging out old and new photos of you, your family, airplanes you fly or have flown, as well as good flying stories.

Fuel Update – The latest local pump prices, as of 4.10.06

Friday Harbor	3.89	Bellingham – Air BP (SS)	3.68
Orcas	3.98	Blaine	3.40
Anacortes	3.96	Paine – Fliteline (SS)	3.70
Skagit	3.89	Lynden	3.51
Oak Harbor	3.50	Arlington – Fliteline (SS)	3.67

Basic Flying Rules .

Airspeed, altitude and brains. Two are always needed to successfully complete the flight.

Don't forget your 2006 Dues - Our 2006 dues are still just 20 bucks and due now. If you'd like a SJPA embroidered patch, add an additional \$5. You can send your check to P.O. Box 874, Friday Harbor 98250.

San Juan Pilots (2006) Association board President - John Volk, Vice President - John Geyman, Secretary - Bob Tauscher. Johnathan Taylor, Richard Babbit, Tom Eades, Fred Schumacher, Pat Mayo, and Arthur Miller.