

Prop Wash

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Special Interest Content:

- Annual Rental Rate Survey

*A recent picture of final approach to the home field at LL10,
courtesy of Captain Ed Vogler.*



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Attendance & Notes on the Meeting Minutes



The Business Men's Flying Club held its monthly meeting, Tuesday, January 7th, 2002, at the Naper Aero Clubhouse. Mike Pastore called the meeting to order at 7:33 PM. The following members and guests attended the meeting.

There were no corrections or retractions from the previous (December 2002) newsletter.

A motion was made and seconded to accept the December newsletter as the minutes of the last meeting.

Mike Leavy	Rudy Moore
Todd Mick	Roberta Priz (Guest)
Andrea Hoyt	Bert Toppel
Matt Forsberg	Don Patterson
Matt Kenner	Ken Best
Brent Dempsey	Pat Wager
Fiore D'Orazio	Mike Pastore
Pat Brady	Ed Vogler
Hubert Elsen	Ray Kvietkus
Tom Braid	Marty Scheckel
Joe Weston	Bryan Barus
Jeff Richards	

2003 Work Night Credits



No entries yet.

Aircraft Reports



N388ES

The aircraft was scheduled for an oil change on 1/8/03. Mike Pastore noted that we need to store the wheel pants in a better place for safe keeping (other than the hangar floor).

N983SP

A few initial squawks were noted for our newest A/C, among them: loose door trim on the pilot side, a broken ground strap, and a “bump” when manipulating the elevator during pre-flight inspection.

Cowl plugs are on order for this plane and flight instructors have keys for all pilots who are checked out to fly the plane.

Some differences in the panel between 8ES and 3SP were noted by the members, such as the color GPS unit (KLN94) and the tachometer scale that goes to 2700 RPM.

N415RC

At the time of the meeting the A/C was at Lumanair for a prop seal leakage issue. The problem shows up as a reddish dye on the spinner and nose. The dye is present for the express purpose of highlighting the seal problem, and has no other purpose. Lumanair was also working on other compliance issues for magnetos and elevator rivets, as well as investigating a fuel leak in the induction system.

Joe Weston also noted that the

elevator grounding straps were becoming frayed.

Considerable discussion was had regarding our decision to return to Lumanair for routine maintenance. Mike Pastore identified this as a trial period of sorts, which was made necessary due to the excessively high costs of our maintenance and annuals at JA. Mike discussed Lumanair’s past shortcomings and re-work issues with Al.

Mike also suggested that the

club look into doing oil changes ourselves to save some money. Rick at Lumanair has offered to show us how.

The board will discuss the merits of this idea further at the next board meeting and report back to the membership.

DECEMBER AIRCRAFT REPORT			
	<u>N388ES</u>	<u>N983SP</u>	<u>N415RC</u>
Flying	28.5	9.3	48.8
SMOH	1,275.5	944.8	1,382.6
TBO	2,000	2,000	2,000
TMOH	724.5	1,055.2	617.4
Club	0.4	0	0.8
Gallons/Hour	10.2	10.3	12.7

SMOH – engine time since major overhaul
TBO – engine time between overhauls
TMOH – engine time to major overhaul



December 2002 Treasurer's Report



CATEGORY	DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
PAYMENTS	Harris Bank Aircraft Loan	9,283.87
	Naper Aero Fuel	988.11
	Naper Aero Hangars & Fees	618.00
	Domo 77 Holiday Party	962.59
	Lonnie Horn Fuel	56.72
	Nick Selig N739TU - Wheel Pants	225.00
	Muckenschnabel N739TU - Nose Wheel Tire	173.11
	Bendix-King GPS Subscription	380.00
	US Post Office Post Office Box Rental	58.00
	Munesh Makhija Equity Refund	3,750.00
	JA N388ES - Oil Change	198.89
	Lumanair N388ES - Nose Gear	130.16
FAA N983SP - Registration	5.00	
Lumanair N415RC - Oil Change	170.42	
CASH	MBNA	3,052.37
	Security Bank	8,394.88
	Harris Bank	6,839.48
	TOTAL	18,286.73
RESERVES	ILLINOIS SALES TAX	-8,000.00
	MAINTENANCE	-2,500.00
	983SP DME	-4,000.00
	INSURANCE	-1,200.00
	ANNUALS	-2,250.00
	LL10 DUES	-350.00
	INACTIVE	-11,777.00
RESERVE DEFICIT	-11,790.27	
LOANS	Interest Paid	720.39
	Principal Paid	8,700.00
	Aircraft Loan Balance	140,000.00
RECEIPTS	Equity	5,694.30
	Dues & Flying	5,948.20
	Interest from MBNA	36.49
	TOTAL	11,678.99
CREDITS TO MEMBERS	Fuel Away	274.13
	Register Website	35.00
	Winch Repair	25.41
	N983SP - Ferry Costs	685.83
	N983SP - Cowl Plugs	69.28
N983SP - Inspection	359.09	

Old Business



Annual Cost Analysis

In compliance with our club bylaws requirement that aircraft rental rates will be evaluated on an annual basis, Tom Braid recently completed a review of local FBOs. As a reminder, our guiding principle per the bylaws is as follows:

“The average FBO rate times two should equal the BFC monthly dues plus the average BFC aircraft rental rate times two. This provides a 2-hour “breakeven point” to the member. The intention of this guideline is such that anyone flying more than two hours per month will generally fly more economically with the BFC than with an FBO.”

Without recreating Tom’s spreadsheet in this newsletter, here are a few comparison points:

Cessna 172R, 172SP	
BFC	\$179
Lewis	\$230
Clow (A&M)	\$260
Schaumburg (NW)	\$215

Cessna 182S	
BFC	\$206
Clow (A&M)	\$332
Schaumburg (NW)	\$215

Tom’s study confirms once again that the BFC provides the best value in flying available anywhere in the area.

Safety



Bert Toppel brought forth an FAA Aviation Safety Program quiz on Airport Signs & Markings at the end of the meeting. The quiz was fairly difficult and to many present highlighted the reason why runway incursions are such a problem in aviation today. So many signs, so little time!

Thanks Bert!

Refreshment List



The BFC refreshment list was created as another way of recognizing special aeronautical achievements. Criteria for membership vary with the length of the list. The person scheduled for refreshments should bring beverages and dessert to the club meeting. If unable to attend, he or she should arrange to trade meeting dates with someone else on the list.

Hubert Elsen	February 2003
Rick Patelski	March 2003
Marty Scheckel	April 2003
Rick Patelski	May 2003
Pat Brady	June 2003
Ed Vogler	August 2003
Pat Brady	September 2003
Pat Wager	October 2003
Fiore D'Orazio	November 2003
Bryan Barus	January 2004
Todd Mick	February 2004

What's Up...



Bryan Barus and **Todd Mick** both passed their instrument written exams. Well done, gents! You have until 2004 to choose the menu for our post-meeting refreshments.

Membership



Roberta Priz joined us as a guest at the meeting. Roberta moved to Aero Estates two years ago and her husband was a member of the BFC in the 1970's. He learned to fly under the instruction of Ken Anderson. Roberta is interested in joining as a student pilot, and we appreciate her interest in the club.

The club has recently accepted resignations from **Tom Carr** and **Andrea Hoyt**. The club thanks both of these individuals for their membership and contributions over the years.

There were no eligible applicants for these vacancies at the January meeting.

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**NEXT BUSINESS
MEETING**

The Business Men's Flying Club will hold its next monthly meeting on Tuesday, **February 4th, 2003** at the Naper Aero Clubhouse.

About Our Organization...



The BFC, founded in 1956, meets at Naper Aero Estates (LL10), a private residential community in Naperville, Illinois. Monthly meetings are held at the airport in the clubhouse near the South end of the runway on the first Tuesday of every month beginning at 7:30PM. The Club has three planes: a **Cessna 172R**, a **Cessna 172SP**, and a **Cessna 182S**.

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