

# BLUE SKY UP!

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the  
Business Men's  
Flying Club

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## Attendance & Notes on the Meeting Minutes

The Business Men's Flying Club held its monthly meeting, Tuesday, May 4th, 2004, at the Naper Aero Clubhouse. Mike Pastore called the meeting to order at 7:40 PM.

There were two attendance corrections noted for the previous (April) newsletter. The work night list omitted Bert Toppel and listed Tom Braid twice. A motion was made and seconded to accept the April newsletter as the minutes of the April meeting.

### Attendees

Bert Toppel	Ken Leibach
Joe Weston	Rudy Moore
Fiore D'Orazio	Todd Mick
Matt Kenner	Lonnie Horn
Bryan Barus	Pat Wager
Nick Davis	Val Vlazny
Mark Miller	Jeff Hilsenbeck
Mike Leavy	Ken Best
Jack Lindquist	Ray Kvietkus
Marc Olsen	

## 2004 Work Night Credits



Ken Leibach	4
Fiore D'Orazio	2
Ken Best	3
Mike Leavy	3
Tom Braid	2
Hubert Elsen	1
Jack Lindquist	2
Bert Toppel	2
Val Vlazny	2
Todd Mick	1
Fiore D'Orazio	2
Pat Brady	1
Rick Goldsmith	1
Bob Downey	1
Rudy Moore	2
Nick Davis	1
Don Patterson	1
Jeff Hilsenbeck	2
Bryan Barus	1
Joe Weston	2
Jim Smith	1
Matt Kenner	1
Ray Kvietkus	1

## Aircraft Reports

### N388ES

The aircraft has a cracked spinner. **Joe Weston** is looking into the costs of a replacement spinner. All pilots are reminded NEVER to push on the spinner itself – it is only a thin piece of aluminum. There might be an upcoming SB on the spinner from Cessna, but we're not sure if it will include our model.

The plane recently had an oil change and the still inoperative EGT was to be repaired by Lumanair. **Rudy Moore** reported that the turn coordinator is still noisy. Someone else noted that there is a small crack in the exhaust manifold. Pilots are asked to keep a lookout for this crack getting bigger.

**Ray Kvietkus** reported that the ADF was inoperative again.

### N983SP

The plane was close to its next oil change. **Rudy Moore** described a trip that he took, during which he had some oil blow out the breather. He had a mechanic examine it, and the mechanic noticed that there were some chafe (sp?) strips that were worn/missing. This could cause the cowling to eat away at itself. (Lumanair looked this at during May. They didn't necessarily agree, but they did find a couple of loose cowl mounts).

### N415RC

By all accounts this aircraft is lying fine.

### APRIL AIRCRAFT REPORT

	<u>N388ES</u>	<u>N983SP</u>	<u>N415RC</u>
Flying Hours	30.7	25.5	25.0
SMOH	1713.9	1383.5	1843.4
TBO	2000	2000	2000
TMOH	286.1	616.5	156.6
Club Time	1.0	0.5	0.4
Gallons/Hour	9.9	10.2	12.2

SMOH – engine time since major overhaul

TBO – engine time between overhauls

TMOH – engine time to major overhaul

### General

**Joe Weston** was introduced as the clubs new Operations Officer. **Ken Leibach** was introduced as the new plane captain for N388ES. We extend our thanks to both for their generous contributions of time and talent!

Ken asked about the new towbars, and everyone at the meeting decided that we should make all of them the custom towbars.

All pilots are reminded that when they add oil, it should be documented in the aircraft log book (club oil in the LL10 field, purchased oil in the away column).

## March 2004 Treasurer's Report



### CASH

Harris Money Market	23,327.20
Harris Checking	14,383.40
<b>Total</b>	<b>37,710.60</b>



### PAYMENTS

Aircraft Loan	Harris Bank	1,142.39
Fuel	Naper Aero	918.79
Hangars & Fees	Naper Aero	582.00
Equity Refund	Harris Hooker	3,111.57
N388ES - Relay	Lumanair	224.50
N983SP - Tail Light	Lumanair	40.41
N415RC - DG & Oil Change	Lumanair	254.42

### RESERVES

Maintenance	-21,600
Insurance	-3,600
Annuals	-7,000
LL10 Dues	-1,225
Inactive	-4,277
<b>Reserve NET</b>	<b>8.60</b>
<b>Reserve INCREASE</b>	<b>200.00</b>



### LOANS

Interest Paid	742.39
Principal Paid	400.00
Aircraft Loan	132,300



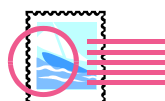
### RECEIPTS

Equity	4,250.00
Dues & Flying	4,800.73
Interest - Harris Bank	10.40
<b>Total</b>	<b>9,061.13</b>



### CREDITS

Fuel Away	86.97
Work Night Food	95.11
Cleaning Supplies	201.42



## 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.

Rudy Moore	May 2004
Pat Wager	June 2004
Mike Pastore	August 2004
Nick Davis	September 2004
Anthony Gilmour	October 2004
Pat Wager	November 2004

## What's Up...

**Pat Wager** recently earned a seaplane rating and complex endorsement in Cayman, AZ on the Colorado River. She flew both a Super Cub and a Lake Buccaneer. Congrats Pat!

## Membership

**Jeff Hilsenbeck**, a new student pilot, was welcomed as the newest member of the BFC, filling the vacancy from Jim Krzyzewski's departure. Welcome Jeff!

**Bill Ebersson** joined us as a guest for the May meeting, as did **Skyler Venema**, who is currently on the club's membership wait list.

## Old Business

**Pat Brady** continues his work with state authorities to try and avoid the use tax on N983SP, an effort that might save the club about \$8,000.

both 100LL) before calling in the fuel truck, so if one pump doesn't work try the other one.

### Aircraft Housekeeping

It's bug cleaning time! And please look for bird's nests in planes as well as in the hangers (which don't seal very well).

## New Business

### BFC Picnic

Our annual summer picnic (and abbreviated meeting) is scheduled for Sunday, July 11<sup>th</sup>. **Please mark the date!** We will still have a work night (yes – including Chef Ramon) on July 6<sup>th</sup>.

### KARR

There will be a major construction project this summer at ARR to realign the 9/27 taxiway. The ILS will be down; there will be runway closures, etc.

### Fuel @ LL10

Val mentioned that he ran into Mark Clements and learned that the airport likes to drain both tanks (now that they are

### Maintenance Item

Jack Lindquist picked up some Brilliantize cloths that are reusable and are in Baggies in each plane. These are for the windshield only!

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**NEXT BUSINESS  
MEETING**

The Business Men's Flying Club will hold its next monthly meeting **at the Naper Aero clubhouse on Tuesday, June 1st, 2004, at 7:30PM.** The meeting will be preceded by our **third work night of 2004.** We will begin the work night activities around 4:30PM.

## ***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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