



## CHAPTER 206 NEWS

JUNE, 2010

### FROM THE PRESIDENT

Hanging around the airport has its rewards, especially if you are interested in anything that flies, and aren't we all? Yakima seems to draw its share of unusual aircraft. In the last month I have been rewarded with three unique sightings and they all have EAA connections.

First, about a month ago it was the one and only 1928 Boeing 40C, the same plane that is featured as the June photo of the month in your EAA 2010 calendar. Along with two chase planes, a Bonanza and a C-185, it stopped by McAllister's to fuel up and thaw out the pilot, Addison Pemberton who spearheaded its building/restoring. They were returning from photo session around Mt. Rainier and had encountered temperatures in the single digits, cold for an open cockpit airplane. We were allowed to climb in and all over it during its brief stop before it headed on to its home in Spokane.

The second sighting was the Cirrus Jet. It and its chase planes also stopped down at the east end of the field by Cub Crafters and McAllister's. Interestingly, the Cirrus people were more interested in examining and watching Carbon Cubs perform than they were in showing off their jet.

Lastly, a Sea Fury was sighted landing and holding up for weather at Noland Decoto. Scott Bach and I went up to check it out.

The pilot turned out to be Bud Granley, familiar to anyone who has experienced an Arlington air show. He is there every year giving a daily aerobatic performance. He invited us to sit in the cockpit and answered questions for half an hour while he was deciding what to do about the weather. He was waiting for the fog to lift at Everett so he could complete the ferrying of the plane from Boise. Once at Everett, the plane would be dismantled, stuffed into a shipping container and sent to its new owner in South Africa.

It is really easy to become an airport bum and spend a lot of time there. But it comes at a price. When you get home you find the honey-do list is much longer, along with foot high grass in the yard and weeds everywhere.

Happy flying,

Steve Sundquist

### COMING EVENTS

Thursday, June 17, 7:00 p.m. will be our next monthly EAA meeting at Yakima Airpark, hangar #1. The program will feature a presentation by Ola Vestad about his RANS factory tour at Hayes, Kansas. As you know Ola is well into the construction of his new light sport Rans S19. At the rate Ola is working it is

possible that he will set a new record for shortest completion time for the RANS.



Ola Vestad preparing to begin construction on his light sport RANS S19.

Sunday, June 20 there will be another Young Eagles Event sponsored by our chapter at the Sunnyside airport. This event will be in the afternoon. For further information contact Ola Vestad.

July 7 through July 11 will be the annual Arlington, NW EAA fly in and airshow. If you are planning on attending consider going over with other chapter members to share travel expenses.

July 15 EAA 206 monthly meeting.  
Program TBA.

## REMINDER

Everyone seems to enjoy the Saturday morning informal gatherings at YKM Airpark. We do need more people to sign up for picking up the donuts, and brewing the coffee at 8:00 a.m.

## Happenings at McAllister Field

1. Sometimes we aircraft owners/builders think we have maintenance issues. The airfield's tractor, that mows the grass, needs an engine overhaul because it is using 2 gallons of oil per day. That along with a new clutch assembly will cost \$7,000.00.

2. We have two new additions at the Airport: Don Baumbach is our new Board Member. He has been in Yakima since 1996 and is the facilities manager for GE Aviation. Lee Rimmel is our new Airport Assistant Manager and will begin duties June 1.

3. We continue to work on items discovered from our Airport Certification Audit:

Taxiway Edge Light, Snow and Ice Control Plan and the rodent mounds in the RSA.

4. Rehab of 9/27 is moving forward. We are waiting for approval of our specifications and safety plan. We would like to go to bid so that the contract can be awarded by the end of June. A monkey wrench in the system is we need to provide documentation showing our existing storm water drainage is adequate for the new overlay material. Funding has again changed for the project and the start date is up in the air (sorry Mike Bull).

5. We are trying to get the Master Plan all set to go by October 1 (beginning of the FAA Fiscal Year) so that we can get moving on the ASO..

Our next meetings will be the Study Session on Tuesday, June 24 at 5:00 pm with the regular Board Meeting at 7:30 am on Thursday, June 24.

The telecast of the Board Meeting can be viewed at various times on YPAC and a DVD/CD can be purchased at the YPAC office.

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### Notice from EAA chapter 818

EAA Chapter 818, Burlington, WA sponsors the Fly Mart at the Arlington Fly-In. We want to invite you to take advantage of this great opportunity to turn unused / unneeded aircraft related parts, materials, electronics, tools and such into cash. Now is the time to create some space in your shop, garage or storage facility. We would appreciate it very much if you could advise your chapter membership of the Fly Mart that will be available at the Fly-In July 7-11.

Reduced commissions, from 20% to 15%, have been established on items priced less than \$1,000. For items priced \$1,000 or more the maximum commission is \$150. The commission charges have been reduced to encourage participation. All profits from Fly Mart sales commissions go to the Arlington Fly-In to fund.

Thanks for your support that is necessary to keep this event from fading into history.

### Aviation Funnies



Always trust your instruments, son.  
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Gone Fishing



I said I was sorry.