

"When everything seems to be going against you, remember that the airplane takes off against the wind, not with it."

Henry Ford

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Page Field Association April 12, 2006 meeting

Attending

Bijan Bakhtian; Rick Teubner; Don Barker; Fred Larsen; Bob Schultz; Frank Burrelli; Terry Voorhees; Don Abbott; Charley Carroll; Mark Twombly; Rick Arnold; Joanna Gollin; Scott Sheets; Gary Duncan; Ron Focht; Brian Solis; Coleen Baker; Judy Bowser; Bob Bowser; Dick Fabbro; Mark Millar; John Richardson

Presiding

Rick Arnold - PFA

Meeting Notes

Rick Arnold - PFA

PFA members Dennis Howard, Mark Millar, Mark Twombly, and Rick Arnold were interviewed by Laura Ruane of The News-Press concerning the proposed Orchid Island project.

Strong objections were expressed to this proposed residential project so near the primary runway at Page Field.

Noise concerns for the future 750 condo owners are our major objections.

We believe that a residential development at this site is not compatible with nearby Page Field Airport.

Ms. Ruane is gathering more information and an article will be published soon in the News-Press.

The proposed Orchid Island development is located in the City of Fort Myers.

Page Field Association is sending a letter of objection to the Chief Planner, City of Fort Myers. All clubs and individuals are strongly encouraged to do the same.

We need your help !

Gary Duncan - L.C.P.A.

Port Authority has agreements with governmental agencies that issue building permits, to forward applications for construction that may affect RSW or FMY airports, to Port Authority for review.

The proposed Orchid Island development near Page Field is one of these.

Port Authority has received the Orchid Island application, reviewed it, and it has been denied.

The Port Authority expects this decision to be challenged.

Scott Sheets - L.C.P.A.

The new T-hangar and other construction at Page is nearing completion.

The Bravo hangars damaged by Hurricane Wilma are expected to have new doors installed.

Coleen Baker - L.C.P.A.

FAA is proposing to decommission several aids to navigation in Florida. [read more >>](#)

Terry Voorhees - Cub Club

On behalf of the Cub Club and EAA chapter 66, thanked Port Authority and Page Tower, for their cooperation with the spot landing contest held on March 26, 2006 at FMY.

Bob Schultz - Page Tower

Thanked pilots who helped out during busy traffic periods the past few months.

Safety award for Florida's William Ashbaker

In a surprise presentation at Thursday's Pilot Town Meeting, the AOPA Air Safety Foundation acknowledged William Ashbaker, state aviation manager for the Florida Department of Transportation, for his dedication to the safety education of pilots in his state. [read more >>](#)

Just the facts, ma'am

Ever wondered what the busiest airports are in the United States?

Atlanta, Chicago O'Hare, Dallas-Fort Worth, Los Angeles, and Las Vegas/McCarran top the list.

OK, so of the 10 busiest airports, how much does GA contribute to the traffic count? About 4.5 percent — so much for the airlines' claim that general aviation is "using" more than it's "paying for."

That's just one of the interesting things you can learn from [AOPA's 2006 Aviation Fact Card](#).

Aging GA aircraft not a safety issue, AOPA reiterates

AOPA wants to make it perfectly clear to the FAA: Older general aviation aircraft are still safe. Life limits or other mandatory regulations aren't needed. [read more >>](#)



In an attempt to control hurricanes Project Cirrus workers prepare to load a B-17 with dry ice pellets for a hurricane mission in 1947.

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