



## **Page Field Association** **April 9, 2008 meeting**

### Attending

Geoff Unger, Scott Sheets, Lou Martelli, Coleen Baker, Kaye Tucker, Patty Berg, Glenn Frith, Len DeNardo, Bob McDonagh, Richard Fabbro, Mike Kayusa, Joanna Gollin, Bob Bowser, Judy Bowser, Charlie Carroll, Larry Kirchner, Ken Shaw, Gary Duncan, Cathy Suggs, John Richardson

### Presiding

**Glenn Frith** - PFA

### Meeting notes

Glenn Frith provided pizza and drinks for everyone at tonight's meeting.

### **Cathy Suggs**

4-H Youth Development Extension Agent

4-H is a practical education as opposed to an academic education program for youth. 4-H has its beginnings in agricultural education and activities nearly 100 years ago. Today the great variety of activities that 4-H offers in Florida is administered by the Florida Cooperative Extension, a part of the University of Florida IFAS.

The Lee County Cooperative Extension office sponsors summer programs for local youth. This year they plan to include an aviation program, and are looking for volunteers to share their aviation knowledge. To volunteer or for more information contact Ms. Suggs at 533-7516 or <http://lee.ifas.ufl.edu/4h/4hhome.shtml>

### **Glenn Frith** - PFA

The Fort Myers High School Aviation Club held their monthly meeting recently.

Gary Duncan, Emily Underhill, and Gene Meyers representing Lee County Port Authority were guest speakers.

The guest speakers related some of the details about their various administrative, management, engineering, and planning careers in aviation. An important point that was expressed was to have a backup career plan.

Plans are being discussed for a field trip to Southwest Florida International Airport for the aviation club.

### **Gary Duncan** - L.C.P.A.

Planning for an aircraft viewing area at Page Field is making good progress. A site layout and revised signage will be available soon for comment.

Page Field tenant and PFA vice-president, Don Abbott is expected to assist with providing FM transmitters and producing a recorded message about FMY so that visitors may listen to Page Tower or the recorded message describing Page Field.



New taxiway markings near the Aviation Center

### **Richard Fabbro**

Suggested that airport officials should still pursue adding mogas availability at FMY.

Earlier reports indicated that the selling price would be prohibitive.

### **Mike Kayusa** - The Sundowners

Efforts are still underway in planning a dinner/dance that will be held this Fall.

### **Charlie Carroll** - Cub Club

In addition to their Bahamas flying trip this month, the Cub Club is planning a breakfast flight on May 3, 2008 to Bartow, Florida. The trip is open to members and nonmembers of the club.

Bartow's new terminal building was opened in April 2007 and includes wide porches, a restaurant and a museum. The museum has a large collection of WWII and others artifacts as well as local Bartow airport history.



A Sikorsky S92A at Page Field recently

The S-92 is available in a number of variants. The civil transport version has an airliner-type interior which comfortably seats 19 passengers in a 20ft long, 6ft high and 6ft 7in wide standup cabin. The utility transport version has 22 side-facing seats in a large, stand-up cabin with a full cabin width rear ramp.

## **Florida officials try to clarify confusing tax law**

One of general aviation's most friendly states has been looking decidedly less so for people who recently purchased aircraft. New owners are worried about getting hit with unexpected tax bills from Florida. With the Sun 'n Fun Fly-In in Lakeland, Fla., just around the corner, confused members have been contacting AOPA. The association on March 28 received written clarification from the state in response to a recent letter from AOPA President Phil Boyer to Florida Gov. Charlie Crist. Presumably, if a nonresident buys an airplane in Florida and moves the aircraft out of the state within 10 days, the owner would not be subject to use tax. **See the response** [www.pagefieldassociation.org/archive/aopa\\_3-28-08.pdf](http://www.pagefieldassociation.org/archive/aopa_3-28-08.pdf)

### *Page Field Association*

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Vice-President - **Don Abbott**

Secretary - **John Richardson**

Treasurer - **Bob Bowser**

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