



Page Field Association April 8, 2009 meeting

Attending

Geoff Unger, Len DeNardo, Tim Parker, Bob McDonagh, Everett Walter, Gary Duncan, Brian Solis, Scott Sheets, Rick Arnold, Patty Bittner-Berg, Joanna Gollin, Glenn Frith, Bob Bowser, Judy Bowser, Ken Shaw, John Richardson

Presiding

Glenn Frith - PFA

Meeting notes

Scott Sheets - L.C.P.A.

Paving for the new terminal ramp at Page Field is on schedule and going well.

Page Field airport will be the starting place for the 2010 Air Race Classic.

The Air Race Classic is a timed race against the clock that is typically more than 1000 miles with refueling and checkpoints along the way.

A representative from the Air Race Classic will attend a PFA meeting soon.

See more information at www.airraceclassic.org

Brian Solis - L.C.P.A.

Vicki Moreland, Lee County Port Authority's public relations director will attend next month's PFA meeting to discuss upcoming events at Page Field.

Gary Duncan - L.C.P.A.

The Port Authority has interviewed a large field of applicants to fill the Director of Aviation position at Page Field that was made available when Coleen Baker retired recently.

The number of applicants will be narrowed and additional interviews will be made soon.

Passenger counts at RSW are down about 4 1/2 % from the same time last year.

Glenn Frith - PFA

The Fort Myers High School Aviation Club recently toured the Fort Myers Approach Control facility at RSW airport.

Len DeNardo - EAA Chapter 66

Attendance continues to be strong at the monthly pancake breakfast with about 65 people there and 5 Young Eagles were flown.

Rick Arnold

The Cub Club has sold two of their four aircraft and plan to buy a newer Cessna 172.



Paving of the new terminal ramp at Page Field is nearly finished

Joanna Gollin - JoannAir

Joanna is keeping busy training helicopter pilots and aerial photo flying.

Cub Club member, Thomas "Tom" V. Meagher, 73, of Punta Gorda and E. Wakefield NH, passed away April 27, 2009.

See more information at www.pagefieldassociation.org/archive/tm_4-27-09.pdf

Tax relief bill passes Florida House

By Thomas A. Horne - AOPA

Aircraft owners living in and flying to Florida just came a little closer to achieving important revisions to the Florida tax code. On April 27, H.B. 51 passed the Florida state house of representatives. The vote was 113 to 4.

The bill would grant a 21-day reprieve from the current six-percent state sales tax on out-of-state owners of new (less than six months)

aircraft visiting Florida. Currently, aircraft owners can be taxed from the time they first arrive in Florida no matter how long their stay.

See more information at www.pagefieldassociation.org/archive/aopa_4-29-09.pdf

Bird strike bill heads to governor

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A bill headed to the governor would help ensure clear skies and smooth takeoffs for Florida travelers.

The bill passed Thursday lets Florida airport employees rid an airport of birds and other animals that could endanger a plane's safety. It follows just months after a US Airways plane was forced to land in the Hudson River after birds damaged its engines during take-off.

Airports statewide typically scare off birds with non-lethal rounds, but sometimes common birds are killed.

Currently an airport employee could face fines or even criminal charges for accidentally killing a rare species.

The proposed law (HB 1065) ensures that wouldn't happen. It passed the Senate on Thursday and had already passed the House.

See more information at www.pagefieldassociation.org/archive/hb_1065.pdf
www.myflorida.com

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