



Page Field Association May 14, 2008 meeting

Attending

Patty Berg, Darrell Devore, Everett Walter, Bob McDonagh, Richard Fabbro, Bob Schultz, Glenn Frith, Coleen Baker, Judy Bowser, Bob Bowser, Joanna Gollin, Len DeNardo, Larry Skinner, John Richardson

Presiding

Glenn Frith - PFA

Meeting notes

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The end of season for winter visitors is here, but with Lee County's larger population and larger economic base busy and slow seasons are less evident.

Coleen Baker - L.C.P.A.

A new display screen for the self-serve fuel pump has been installed. To prevent future sun damage a canvas cover has been ordered to protect the display screen.

Len DeNardo - EAA Chapter 66

Attendance at the monthly chapter pancake breakfast continues to be very strong even for this time of year.

Paperwork for 501 (c) (3) non-profit status for EAA Chapter 66 is nearly finished. Having the non-profit status will make it financially advantageous for people making donations to the chapter.

Bob Schultz - Page Tower

Take-off & landings or operations at Page Field are down slightly from totals at this time last year.

Joanna Gollin - Joannair

Joanna is staying busy training helicopter pilots.

Glenn Frith closed the meeting with a quote - "The sky is the limit to most people, to pilots the sky is home."

Foundation works with state to educate Florida pilots

More than 34,000 Florida pilots will soon be receiving CDs containing two of the AOPA Air Safety Foundation's most popular interactive courses.

The mailing, part of a safety outreach campaign, is a cooperative effort of the foundation, the Florida Department of Transportation, and the Florida Airports Council.

Each CD contains the GPS for VFR Operations and GPS for IFR Operations courses. Each course takes about an hour to complete and includes information on how GPS works and how to get the most from the technology.

The AOPA Air Safety Foundation is working with state aviation officials across the country to bring safety information and education to pilots.

<http://www.aopa.org/asf/>

To avoid the chances of being hit by gunfire, pilots are advised to make steep approaches into the airport, and to make haste when climbing out on takeoff.

Not surprisingly, users of TMB are hopping mad... and fearful the gunfire could hit a pilot. "It could kill," says Robert Dean, owner of Dean International Flight School based at TMB. "That's super dangerous, so somebody who is doing something like that really needs to think about it."

The bullet holes were found over a two-month period, notes CBS affiliate WFOR-4. The FAA issued the request following an investigation by the Miami-Dade police department that so far has failed to result in any arrests.

At this point, it's not known whether the gunfire was the byproduct of another criminal activity, or a random event. In July 2006, TMB was at the center of an unusual dispute between Kendall city officials and residents living near the airport.

Close to 250 residents called for an area near the airport to be used for the Century Home-builders development... instead of for industrial use, which is usually far more preferable to place adjacent to an airport, for safety reasons.

Residents responded, essentially, that it was bad enough they had to look out their windows, and see an airport... they didn't want to see industrial buildings, too.
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NOTAM Recommends Steep Approaches, Departures at Miami, Florida airport

WPLG-10 reports that Miami-Dade aviation officials recently took the unusual -- and disturbing -- step of issuing a Notice to Airmen for pilots flying into Kendall/Tamiami Executive Airport (TMB) southwest of Miami, after bullet holes were found in the fuselages of two aircraft based at the busy general aviation field.

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