

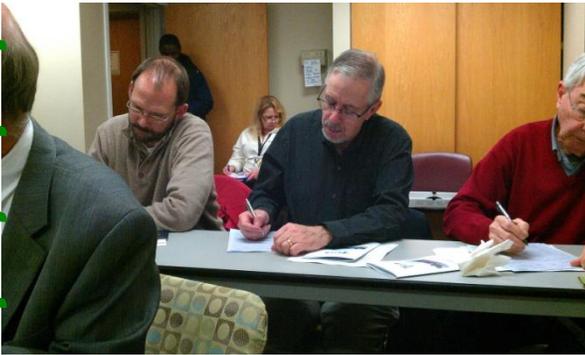
YALE AVIATION NEWSLETTER

December 2012

UPCOMING EVENTS –

- **The Young Eagles and Eagles programs** run through EAA remain a great way to introduce folks to flying and get them motivated to start to train. Contact Clarice Begemann (claricebeg@aol.com) for more information.

PILOTS...



Thanks to everyone who attended the Annual Meeting, and to **Jeff Welsh** who organized with Kathy Grant at Tweed to do TSA badge renewals and applications. (I hope this can become a yearly holiday tradition!) A huge debt of gratitude is due Robinson for supplying space for our meetings, **Shep Stone** for funding the food, and **Clarice Begemann** for ordering the pizza!

Minutes for the Annual Meeting will be distributed soon. Please keep in mind how you would like to be involved with the Club: website, fund-raising, maintenance or Eagle

Flights, are some suggestions. Ideas for new events include a tour of the New England Air Museum and more breakfast/lunch flights!

Congrats to **Mark Volchek** on his SEAPLANE RATING:
When I got home from Winter Haven, I realized that I had gone the whole weekend with no pictures! The flying was so beautiful, and no pics to show it, just memories. [ed note: I include a generic photo from the website of the flight school Mark used <http://brownsseaplanebase.net>]



... & PLANES

32028 is AOK, and due for its annual in January.

55044 is also AOK, except for a recurring problem with radio frequencies around 118.9, which we are working to resolve.

Winter Flying... Winter is here! Frost, snow, ice and freezing rain. When you schedule the aircraft, more than likely it will need to be deiced (frost or freezing rain) and pre-heated.

Pre-heating is a must when temperatures are below 20 degrees. Pre-heating and light de-icing take place outside. However frequently the de-icing requires the hangar for a meltdown. Even when the aircraft is hangared for this de-icing it still needs to be preheated. Robinson has been reasonable about the charges for this service so if your schedule changes call and cancel – their resources are stressed. If in doubt about preheating, ask the person at the Robinson front desk if they have been preheating their planes.

Winter flying is indeed something else. Our types of aircraft were not designed to traverse the snow covered, iced-over ground so take caution; you are in a new environment (it is not a four wheel-drive!). Some very simple things: the Piper step is a small piece of cold metal, dark in color; it can be iced over even from previously stepping on it during preflight. The black walkway can be black ice. Stepping down from the wing onto ice can be dangerous. Be sure not to be the next uncontrolled human flight!

As you plan out your yearend donations, don't forget Yale Aviation! As a 501(c)3 organization, your contribution is tax deductible and helps promote aviation education!! **Keep Yale Aviation alive in the future as it was for you!**

AVIATION EDUCATION & NEWS –

If you have already replaced your paper pilot certificate, then this message is not for you. On the other hand, if your pilot certificate is still printed on paper, please read carefully.

The FAA is under a mandate to replace all paper certificates with plastic certificates. In fact, paper **pilot** certificates have already expired!

If you are a mechanic, on the other hand, and do not replace your paper certificate on or before March 31, 2013, you will no longer be able to exercise your privileges!

All certificated Airmen, including mechanics, repairmen, pilots, etc., are required to replace their paper copy with a plastic copy, or they will no longer be able to exercise the privileges of that certificate.

The best way to get a new replacement certificate is to follow the instructions at http://www.faa.gov/licenses_certificates/airmen_certification/certificate_replacement/.

The replacement cost is \$2.00, unless you still have your Social Security Number on your certificate and you ask to have it removed.

PODCASTS & APPS & GADGETS– Please send me your favorite app, tech toy or podcast suggestion to share!



Something to add to your holiday list??? (see link to article below)

[9 Incredible, Human-Powered Aircrafts--And The Gutsy Pilots Who Flew Them | Fast Company](#)



TWEED NEWS -

As you are probably already aware there are new NOTAMs with changes to our approaches. Specifically, the NOTAMS state that circling approaches to Runway 14, 20 and 32 are not authorized for night time operations. This is supposedly due to obstacle penetrations of the 20:1 final approach surface for each runway end. We have shifted our tree removal efforts to address the obstacles identified by the FAA. The tree on the Runway 20 approach has already been taken down and the FAA has been notified and is working on restoring the approach today (12/13/12). More than half of the trees on the Runway 32 approach have also been removed. Runway 14 is more difficult to tackle and will be addressed last since it is infrequently used at night. Any questions, please contact Tweed Airport Manager Lori Hoffman (lhoffman@flytweed.com)

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**TSA Badges** – Have you renewed? Remember that to complete the procedure, you must have a completed application signed by our TSA signatory, **Jeff Welsh** (203-481-7676, calling between the hours of 10 am to 5 pm is best). Once that is done, you must call KATHY GRANT (203-466-8833 ext 109) to make an appointment to pay your \$10 renewal fee (cash or check) over at West Ramp, and have your new badge issued.

**ONLINE -**

Check out the updated Yale Aviation website at [www.YaleAviation.org](http://www.YaleAviation.org). The team of **Tom Sobocinski**, **Ty Kamp**, and **Laura Baldwin** looks forward to your suggestions, as we continue to refine and update the information!

Are you interested in creating a Facebook presence? Let us know!

We are only missing 5 people to complete the gallery of names, faces and ratings on the website – please send Laura ([lfaldwin@aol.com](mailto:lfaldwin@aol.com)) a picture as we work to include this new feature on the site. [*Cuz ya know if you don't send me a picture, I'll be forced to find one of my own...*]

**SIMULATOR -**

**Michael Quist**, president of Yale Aviation Society (YAS) is trying to create an online calendar to co-ordinate both simulator access and rides with our members. Any suggestions or ideas???

Anyone needing simulator access should e-mail **Ty Kamp** ([tahia.kamp@yale.edu](mailto:tahia.kamp@yale.edu)) the alpha-numeric code on the back of their Yale IDs. Those without Yale IDs need to enter with Charlie, who has a key to the Simulator Room in Engineering.

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The Yale Aviation Newsletter will go out to the membership on the 15th of every month. Please let me know if you have any news, suggestions, or comments: YASecretary@aol.com

Laura Baldwin, Secretary