



Short Wing Piper Club

“Buckeye Chapter”



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The next meeting is: **SATURDAY, June 13th at Lunken Airport, Cincinnati (KLUK)** Details p. 2

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REPORTED BY EAA:

“Young Eagle Sweeps Winner Claims His Prize”



Ralph Widman with Sean D. Tucker beside the Oracle Challenger III at Mesa Del Rey Airport, California

May 28, 2015 - “Fabulous!” is the word Ralph Widman used to describe his aerobatic flight training, one of the top prizes in last year’s Sean D. Tucker’s EAA Young Eagles Pilot Appreciation Sweepstakes. EAA pilot members who flew a Young Eagle during the contest period were automatically entered, and Widman, of Lynchburg, Ohio, redeemed his prize last month: aerobatic performance training from Tucker’s Tutima Academy of Aviation Safety at the Mesa Del Rey Airport (KIC), in King City, California.

The training took place April 13-17, as Widman, EAA 125685, received five hours of dual instruction with Ken Erickson in a Pitts S3C. He had additional dual in an Extra 300 and some unexpected bonus training in what turned out to be his favorite plane - an SNJ-5 World War II trainer, the U.S. Navy’s variant of the North American T-6 Texan.

“I was in the right place at the right time,” he said. “I did loops, four-point rolls, barrel rolls, and, my favorite, wing overs.” After flying the SNJ, Widman says he called home and told his wife that he’d decided to sell their home and put a down payment on one.

“The phone grew quiet, then she said, ‘That’s okay Widman, but you better find a bed that fits a dog house, because you are going to need one!’”

At age 68, “Wid” says he approached each training day with a bit of apprehension – and did confess to an upset stomach near the end of each flight. “They kept the ‘worst’ maneuvers for last, in case I got motion sickness,” he said. “Great plan!”



Fellow Buckeye chapter member, Ralph Widman, poses in front of the SNJ-5 at Sean D. Tucker’s Tutima Academy in Salinas, California.

If you would like to see the kind of gut wrenching aerobatic training “Wid” received, take a look at this video that one of Ralph’s instructors, Yuichi Takagi, posted on YouTube:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=lr7nmjAUq0g>

NEXT MEETING

Our next fly in is on **SATURDAY, June 13, 2015** at **Lunken Airport (KLUK)**, located 3 miles southeast of Cincinnati, OH. **We will eat at NOON** at the historic **Sky Galley Restaurant** in the Terminal Building on the northwest side of the field. You can view the Sky Galley menu at: <http://skygalley.net/menu.html>. If driving, it is at 262 Wilmar Avenue, Cincinnati, Ohio 45236, phone: 513-871-7400. Leon and Carolyn Awalt are hosting.

2015 Fly-in Schedule for the Remainder of the Year

Our meetings are held monthly, usually on the 2nd Saturday or Sunday, except when there is a conflict with a national holiday, then it may be held another weekend.

- **June 13 (Sat) – Lunken Airport (KLUK), Cincinnati, OH** – noon - Awalt's hosting.
- June 16-23 – Sentimental Journey, Lock Haven, PA (KLHV)
- June 29-July3 – SWPC Convention, Branson, MO
- **July 11 (Sat) – Marysville (KMRT) – noon** – Benny's Pizza – Dayton's hosting
- August 8 (Sat) – **Troy Skypark**. (37I), Troy, OH – Noon – Carry-in grill out, DeJesus hosting.
- September 12 (Sat) – Highland Co. Apt (KHOC), Hillsboro, OH – noon – Widman's hosting
- October 10 (Sat) – Middletown Regn'l Apt. (KMWO) – noon – Anderson's hosting
- November 1 (Sun) – Schulze's Airstrip (OH69) – all day chili, vintage cars, antique pilots

Contact Ralph Gutowski (info on p. 1) if you would like more information

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May Meeting Report

We had the best turnout so far this year when we gathered on May 9th at The Barnstormer Diner on The Ohio State University Airport (KOSU) in Columbus, OH. The real surprise was when **Pierre ("Pete") and Julia Ours** walked in. They are back from their long residency in the French Alps where they were caring for Pete's aging parents. The Ours are now residing here in Ohio again. They both look great and it was wonderful having fellowship with them and hearing about flying in and around Europe and the Alps.

Flying in to KOSU were **Dean Dayton** in **Bob Robillard's** immaculate Cessna 140, and **Carl Wiley** in his Colt (see For Sale ad on last page). Those driving to the meeting were: **Tom & Denise Anderson, Leon & Carolyn Awalt, Ralph & Rosemarie Gutowski,** and Ralph's sister **Flo Lang** and his brother-in-law, **Gaylen Wilson,** and **host Jerry Isbell**

We picked a great day to be at KOSU. The airport was a beehive of flight operations with take-offs and landings on all three runways almost continuously. Top collegiate pilots from around the country were competing in the National Inter-collegiate Flying Association (NIFA) "SAFECON 2015". This is a flight competition that brings the nation's best collegiate pilots together to participate in flight and ground events that encourage aviation safety, as well as superior knowledge, skill, and professionalism. SAFECON stands for Safety and Flight Evaluation Conference. There were 29 colleges and universities competing at Ohio State all week long (May 11-16).

This year marks the 9th time Ohio State has hosted the SAFECON Flying Competition. Throughout the week, 29 teams comprised of almost 400 students competed in 12 different events, including aircraft recognition, navigation, precision landing, and message drop, computer accuracy, Crew Resource Management/Line Oriented Flt Training, IFR, CFI, etc. Contestants are individually ranked in each event so there are many "winners" depending on the event. But the National Championship Trophy went to Southern Illinois University (430 pts), #2 was University of North Dakota (395 pts), and #3 Embry-Riddell Aeronautical University – Prescott (366 pts). You can see all the results posted at: http://nifa.us/SAFECON_2015_Results.html It was really neat seeing the many C-172's taxiing to and from the ramp and runways in an unending procession, like a colony of ants, each aircraft proudly sporting the unique logos of their home institution.

Pictures from the meeting at The Ohio State Airport, May 13th



CW: Julia & Pierre ("Pete") Ours, Jerry Isbell, Denise & Tom Anderson, Carolyn & Leon Awalt, Dean Dayton, and Bob Robillard at The Barnstomer Restaurant at KOSU. Not in this picture were Carl Wiley, the Gutowski's and their guests at an adjacent table.



Gaylen Wilson and Carl Wiley in front of Carl's Colt.



The whole gang performs a ramp inspection of Bob Robillard's pristine C-140.



Jerry Isbell, Leon Awalt, Tom Anderson and Ralph Gutowski (behind the camera) went up in the “Overlook”, a former control tower turned conference room. They held an impromptu meeting to discuss the happenings at SWPC National, and watched the continuous flight operations in progress associated with SAFECON 2105.



Above is the classic instrument panel on Bob Robillard’s C-140.

AVIATION QUOTE

“Once you have tasted flight, you will forever walk the earth with your eyes turned upward, for there you have been, and there you will always long to return.”

Leonardo da Vinci 1452-1519

AIRPLANES FOR SALE
PIPER COLT PA-22-108

TT - 2631.3; SMOH - 468.3; Lycoming 0-235; 108hp; radio - Bendix/King K697A; Transponder - Bendix/King KT76A; GPS III Garmin yoke mounted; new battery in 2014; wheel pants - not attached but fitting assembled; sealed struts/heavy duty fork; current annual (next due Oct. 2015); all ADs current; Ceconite fabric; no damage history; always hangared; present owner since 1988; a cheap way to fly for a "\$100" hamburger! **\$16,000 (Bolton Field)**. Price will go up in the spring. Contact Carl Wiley, cwiley8500@wowway.com



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New NOTAM Search Features Available

To help pilots streamline their search for Notices to Airmen (NOTAMs) during flight planning, the FAA rolled out some new search features now available at <http://notams.aim.faa.gov/notamSearch/>. Among the new features is a “**search by flight path**” capability that allows pilots to see NOTAMS that apply only to the route they custom select using airports, navigational aids, named fixes, and/or route/airway designators to define a flight path. That flight path width can also be adjusted from one to 125 nautical miles on each side and NOTAMS for up to five alternate airports can also be included. The “**search by free text**” feature allows you to search for NOTAMS based on a keyword, airport designator, NOTAM number or scenario. Search results can also be custom sorted by location, number, class, start and end dates, and condition. Users can also export search results to a Microsoft Excel or Adobe PDF document. Additional enhancements to search capability are expected in the near future. For more on how to use the search function, click the “help” button at the top right of the NOTAM Search home page to access a user’s guide. Feedback is also encouraged to help make improvements. Next to the help link is a feedback button where you can submit comments.