



## Short Wing Piper Club

“Buckeye Chapter”

January 30, 2017



*The next fly-in is Saturday February 11, 2017 at the Airport Café,  
Grimes Field (I74), Urbana, OH. Details on p. 5*

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### **Report of January Fly-In to Sporty's**

After postponing the regularly scheduled January meeting one week because of a wide-spread ice storm on Jan 14<sup>th</sup>, we had the best turnout of 2017 for the fly-in at Sporty's at Clermont Co. Airport on January 21<sup>st</sup>. The weather was a balmy 65 degrees with light southerly winds under a high overcast – uncommonly warm for January in Ohio.

Eighteen people attended the fly-in, eight of which flew in. Arriving by airplane were: **Dean Dayton & Bob Robillard** (PA-22/20 - Marysville), **Dale Kirby & Joe Smith** (PA-22/20 – Greene Co.), **J.J. Miller & Mark Renwick** (PA-22-150 Colt - Springfield), **Pierre & Julia Ours** (Aeroprakt 22LS “Foxbat” LSA – Madison Co.). Coming by car were: **Tom & Denise Anderson** (Mason), **Leon & Carolyn Awalt** (Cincinnati), **Bill & Finn Colgan** (Columbus), **Ralph & Rosemarie Gutowski** (Oxford), and **host & hostess Ralph & Jan Widman** (Lynchburg).

With such a good turn-out for a “carry-in” meal, the food table was overflowing with tasty nosh, augmented by Sporty's grilled hot dogs, metts, and brats with all the trimmings. A few visitors and customers of Sporty's spotted the Ohio chapter's buffet and helped themselves. That included an Ohio Highway Patrol pilot who landed his C-172 there for a pit stop. Of course, Sporty's is a hubbub of flying activity on Saturday's with the store and the pilot training academy, in connection with the Univ. of Cincinnati. Hal Shevers (“Sporty” himself) and Phil Boyer, former AOPA President who resides on Sporty's Air Park, both showed up at “Liar's Club” table.

Three chapter members showed up with landing gear problems – aka knee replacements. Denise Anderson was not deterred by recent surgery to revise a knee replacement that had gone bad after 11 years and she arrived in a wheel chair. Leon Awalt had a TKR a month ago and he is doing extremely well with it. Since the meeting, Jan Widman had a knee replacement on January 26<sup>th</sup>. She is in a nursing home near Hillsboro temporarily to receive rehab therapy. The Widmans would appreciate prayers for a speedy recovery and good rehab

progress so she can get sprung from the nursing home soon.

After lunch, the ladies had fun sharing recipes, book-TV-movie reviews, and hobbies. Jan Widman provided materials to make valentine cards. Julia Ours brought a quilt she is working on to

donate to a grandmother-granddaughter event at her church. Rosemarie Gutowski shared a candle wicking project. Rosemarie had made oven door "hurry-up towels" and presented each of the women with one in a red Valentines gift bag. (see pictures below).

Among the pilots, there was a lot of discussion about new FAA "BasicMed" option in lieu of a 3<sup>rd</sup> Class medical. Ralph Gutowski brought Advisory Circular 61-8 which describes the requirements for the new BasicMed rule and he used the AC to answer questions and clarify members' concerns, especially about the Physician's physical examination checklist – basically a school sports physical exam. We were all especially glad to hear that Cliff Van Vleet is running for President of the SWPC International. He will make an excellent president (for the third time) and has all of our support.

Ralph Widman is writing an article for SWPC News about our SWP aircraft trim system. He asked Tom Anderson to review it and critique it for him. "Wid" also showed pics of the paint booth he constructed using old spray booth PVC piping Ralph Gutowski loaned to him – "Wid" is rebuilding a Tri-Pacer for Tom Wilkerson. Owners of two of the airplanes that were at the fly-in asked the three IAs present (Anderson, Gutowski, and Widman) to look at their airplanes and give them some advice about questions and concerns they were having. This kind of expertise and technical advice is a real benefit of participating in our Ohio chapter activities. This fly-in was the first time many of us were able to see Pierre & Julia Ours light sport Aeroprakt 22LS "Foxbat," built by the Antinov Design Bureau in the Ukraine (and Poland). Pierre said he was able to get a fully 2020-compliant NavWorx ADSB for less than \$2,000 by including it when the aircraft was being built for him. Such a deal! This was the first Buckeye chapter meeting for JJ Miller and Mark Renwick who base their 150-hp Colt at Springfield-Buckley Airport. JJ pilots a B-757 for American Airlines based out of Miami, flying mostly international routes to So. America and Europe. Their Colt has a late model O-320 requiring a dynafocal mount. Quite unique. They will be hosting our fly-in on July 15<sup>th</sup> at SGH during the big Barnstormer's Carnival.

Jan Widman gave a treasurer's report and everyone paid their \$10 annual dues to Jan. We filled out our schedule of monthly fly-ins for the remainder of 2017. See page 5. Our next meeting

is at Urbana at the Airport Café on February 11<sup>th</sup>. Details are on page 5.

Jeanie Elbel wrote afterward that they missed the meeting b/c "George was at the new house while the windows were being installed that day. George has a potential buyer for the Pacer, but is thinking he might like to keep it for a while. The buyer cannot find a suitable hangar space the last we heard. At any rate, we are doing fine and looking forward to our late summer move."



We had to put five tables end-to-end to seat everyone at Sporty's "Windows on the Runway" venue. (left side): Mark Renwick, Tom and Denise Anderson, hostess Jan Widman, and Julia Ours. Standing are Bob Robillard, Dean Dayton, and Dale Kirby. (right photo, seated from right) J.J. Miller, host Ralph Widman, Pierre Ours, Leon & Carlyn Awalt, and Rosemarie Gutowski.

*2017 annual dues of \$10 are due and payable to Jan Widman - See page 6.*



(l-r) Rosemarie Gutowski, Carolyn and Leon Awalt. That's J.J. Miller viewing airplanes from the window. Across the table, (l-r) Tom & Denise Anderson, hostess Jan Widman, and Julia Ours. The red Valentines gift bags that each woman received contained oven door "hurry-up towels" made by Rosemarie Gutowski.



(l) Tom Anderson, Bill Colgan holding son Finn, with J.J. Miller and Mark Renwick in front of their 150 hp Colt. (r) The Ohio State Highway Patrol heads back into the air after a bite of lunch at Sparty's.



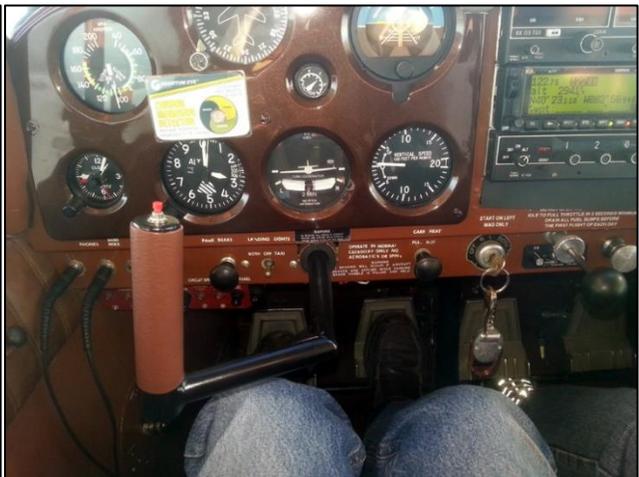
(l) Bob Robillard, Dean Dayton, and Dale Kirby discuss nuances of PA-22/20's as (r) Dean's cream and brown taildragger is moved past Dale's white and red "Pacer" on Sparty's ramp.



Pierre & Julia Ours with their high visibility 2016 Aeroprakt "Foxbat" Light Sport Aircraft. The following week the Ours were planning to fly this bird over the Appalachian Mountains to Sebring, FL for the LSA Expo. Read the full story about this amazing aircraft in the [April 2016 Newsletter](#) (nl page 8) on the chapter web site.



(left) Miller & Renwick's Colt N5850Z based in Springfield, OH. (right) Dale Kirby with Joe Smith is ready for his return flight to Greene County in his sharp PA-22/20.



Dean Dayton's PA-22/20 drew a crowd to admire the STC'd "side-stick" yokes he installed. See Dean's article and more pictures in the [December 2015 Newsletter](#) (nl pages 7-8) to learn more about the STC.

## NEXT MEETING

### **FEBRUARY FLY-IN**

**Saturday, February 11, 2017**

**Airport Café at Grimes Field (I74), Urbana, OH**

**We will meet at noon. If you are driving, the address is: 1636 North Main Street, Urbana, Ohio 43078. Phone: 937-652-2010. Here's a link to the Airport Café's [\[MENU\]](#).**



### **ON OUR HORIZON**



**[CI] = Carry-In meal**

- February 11, 2017 (Sat) – Grimes Field (I74), Urbana. Airport Cafe.
- March 11 - Lunken Field (KLUK), Cincinnati, OH. Awalts hosting
- April 8 - Union Co, Marysville (KMRT). Daytons hosting.
- May 13 Sat. – Andy Barnhart Mem'l Apt. (3OH0) – Leroy Lynn. **[CI]**
- June 11-15 - SWPC Convention Lancaster, PA Smoketown Apt. (S37)
- June 16-18 - Sentimental Journey - Lock Haven, PA (KLHV)
- July 15 - Barnstorming Carnival, Springfield-Beckley Apt (SGH). JJ Miller hosting.
- August 12 – Troy Skypark (37I) – DeJesus's hosting. **[CI]**
- September 9 - Highland Co. (KHOC). Widmans hosting. **[CI]**
- October 7 – Hinde Field (88D). Joint Oktoberfest fly-in with EAA 50. Tracy Hille.
- October 14 - Middletown Hook Field (KMWO). Andersons hosting. **[CI]**
- November 5 – (Sun) – Schulze Int'l (69OI), Annual chili carry-in. **[CI]**

Hosting a meeting requires: 1). Arranging for a place to eat and meet at an airport or restaurant; 2). Either making arrangements with the restaurant, if that is the venue; or 3). If it is a "carry-in" event, to provide the main dish, beverages, and table service.

### **AIRPLANES FOR SALE**

#### **FLYING CLUB TRI-PACER FOR SALE**

##### **Dayton Area**

**1958 Tri-Pacer SN# 22-6416, 160HP, 4981TT, 928 SMOH, MK12D, KT76 transponder, Pilot III GPS, Sigtronics 4-place Intercom, EGT, ELT, 1995 restoration. SkyPark Aero Club, asking \$24,000. Current Annual. Contact Joe LaMantia (937) 493-9923.**

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**OHIO BUCKEYE CHAPTER  
SHORT WING PIPER CLUB**

**2017  
MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION**



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PRINT FORM, THEN MAIL IT WITH  
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AIRCRAFT TYPE \_\_\_\_\_ YEAR \_\_\_\_ N-NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_

IS AIRCRAFT FLYING?    Yes        No    Based at:

GOOD PLACE AND DATE TO HOLD A CHAPTER EVENT IS:

I WOULD LIKE TO HOST A CHAPTER EVENT

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