



Short Wing Piper Club

“Buckeye Chapter”

April 2, 2018



Next fly-in 4/14/18 at Ohio State Univ. (KOSU). Details on page 2.

After 2-1/2 months of lousy winter weather, we were blessed at last with ideal flying conditions for our fly-in to Grimes-Urbana on March 10th. The CAVU conditions brought out every flyer in Ohio to “knock off the rust”, so the ramp and the Airport Café were packed. Even though we had reserved a long table for our Buckeye Chapter a week in advance, as we arrived only a couple open seats were to be found in the place. So as tables became available we split up and just sat wherever we could.

We had a really nice turnout: **Tom & Denise Anderson, Leon & Carolyn Awalt, Bill Colgan & family, Dean Dayton (PA-22/20-N2519P), Ralph Gutowski (PA22-N7424D), Chuck Lawrence (C-182H-N8571S), Leroy Lynn (PA22-5969D), Alan Myers, Kermit Nasby (PA20-N7619K), Garry & Janis Parsell (PA22-N6904D), Carl Patterson, (PA22-N7520D), and Bob Robillard.**



Kermit Nasby, Chuck Lawrence, Alan Myers, and Carl Patterson.



Bob Robillard and Dean Dayton arrived just in time to take the Colgan family's table, who left before pictures were taken.



Seated at the table: Leon and Carolyn Awalt, Garry and Janis Parsell, and Denise Anderson; Tom Anderson is standing.

I cannot tell you what the various conversations were all about because we were seated at different tables, except to say that our table was greatly entertained by Kermit Nasby's incredible flying tales. Kermit is a sensational story-teller and he had us “in stiches” with laughter as he regaled us with his antics and flying experiences. I suggested to Tom Anderson that he get Kermit to do an informal

presentation at the convention in Grayling, MI, in June. Kermit is planning to attend the convention, so be sure to look him up, get to know him, and ask him to tell you about his flying fun. I guarantee you will be entertained.

Chuck Lawrence reported on his progress rebuilding his PA-22/20. Chuck is using the Stewart System and he has “perfected” the technique for applying the final “top-coat” and getting excellent results, predictably. It all has to do with managing the temperature AND humidity during the application. If you have questions, Chuck is the Buckeye chapter expert on Stewart fabric covering. Chuck had questions about Air-Tex interiors and was able to see Ralph Gutowski’s installation. (pics, p.5)

That is one of the great benefits of participating in chapter activities, besides the good friendship, of course – namely, sharing technical advice and helping one another to fly safely and maintain our Short Wing Pipers.



As you can see, the weather was CAVU but chilly. (L-R): Tom Anderson, Carl Patterson, Alan Myers, Garry Parsell, Leon Awalt, Chuck Lawrence, Kermit Nasby, Bob Robillard, and Dean Dayton pose behind Ralph Gutowski’s 1957 Tri-Pacer.



Carl Patterson’s 1957 Tri-Pacer in the original blue and white paint scheme. There were three 1957 Tri-Pacers at this meeting all painted in the original Piper livery!



Kermit Nasby flew over from his private strip near Shelbyville, IN in a PA-20 that his father bought in 1951. It has been in his family (and airworthy) the entire time!



No, this is not Ralph Gutowski’s Tri-Pacer – it belongs to Garry & Janis Parsell. Both airplanes sport nearly identical 1957 livery in red & white. (Ralph’s can be seen in the For Sale section, p. 5.)



Everyone took a good look at the unique “side-sticks” in Dean Dayton’s sharp PA-22/20.



Bill Colgan’s family and Leroy Lynn had to leave the meeting early, but here is a picture taken at last year’s Urbana fly-in of Bill holding Finn standing next to Leroy in front of Leroy’s Tri-Pacer.

No formal business meeting was held, but we did schedule more monthly fly-ins for 2018.

NEXT MEETING

APRIL FLY-IN

Saturday, April 14, 2018

We will gather at 11:45 AM at the Barnstormer's Restaurant located on The Ohio State University Airport (KOSU), 10 miles NW of downtown Columbus, OH. Check out their [LUNCH MENU](#). The ramp fee is waived for single-engine aircraft when you eat at the restaurant.



ON OUR HORIZON



[CI] = Carry-In meal

- April 14 – Ohio State University (KOSU). Barnstormer's Restaurant.
- May 12 - Barnhart Memorial Apt. (3OH0) – Leroy Lynn hosting. [CI]
- June 9 – Lunken Muni. (KLUK). Sky Galley Restaurant. Awalt's hosting.
- June 19-23 – 33rd Sentimental Journey, Piper Memorial (KHLV), Lock Haven, PA.
- June 25-28 – SWPC Convention, Grayling Army Airfield (KGOV), MI.
- July 14 – Union Co. Apt (KMRT), Marysville, OH. Daytons's hosting.
- August 11 – Troy Skypark (OH71 – formerly 371). DeJesus's hosting. [CI]
- September 8 – Open.
- October 13 – Fulton County Airport (KUSE), Wauseon, OH. Rick Fansler hosting.
- November 10 – Open.

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### ***Fly-in Two-fer!***

If you really want a Saturday filled with flying, food, fellowship, and fun, May 12<sup>th</sup> is your opportunity to double your pleasure. Of course we have our chapter event at Barnhart Memorial (3OH0) hosted by Leroy Lynn, at noon - you don't want to miss Barnhart Memorial Airport, it has the most general aviation airplanes in the Dayton region and is a step back into the Golden Age of GA - but you can get an early start on the fun with a morning stack of pancakes at Urbana, only 17 NM northeast. The MERFI group is having a Pancake Breakfast Spring Fling. In addition to the pancakes, there are some tantalizing door prizes. After you land, register for the drawing (free). Prizes include \$50 worth of gas and other nifty stuff!



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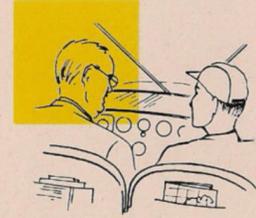
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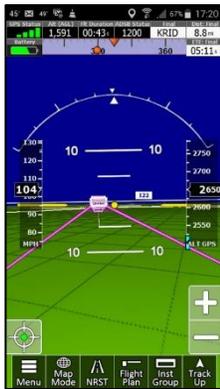


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## Spoiler Alert

As a beta tester for iFly software, I get to play with new software under development. One of the unique strengths of the iFly GPS navigators is that their products are all created, designed, developed (coded), and tested by pilots. The next software upgrade – targeted to be released at Sun-n-Fun – is undergoing final in-flight testing by the beta test team. It features 3-D synthetic vision. Yesterday, I got to fly with it and put it through the wringer under actual flight conditions using my Samsung Galaxy S5 Android (it's also in beta for Apple iOS and Windows platforms). As with all iFly software, it is rich in user-selectable features for the pilot to customize to fit their own flying preferences. iFly software upgrades like this are included free with your annual chart subscription. I took some screen shots as I was flying – here they are. (Yes, it even shows ADSB traffic in this 3-D mode). I felt like I was flying with an expensive "glass cockpit" EFIS.



Shown in DEMO  
Sim mode "over"  
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**AIRPLANE FOR SALE**

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