

Barnstormers' Newsletter - November 2023

President's Report

Welcome Barnstormers!

Next meeting: Monday, November 20 - 7:30 PM at Willamette Aviation at Aurora Airport.

Be sure to come – another raffle will be held! And, if you have a 'show and tell', for better or worse, bring that too.



There will be no December meeting so the next meeting at Aurora Airport will be Monday, January 15, 2024.

Directions are at the end of the newsletter. All upcoming meetings through April 2024 will be there. Gate code to enter is #1200.

Warm thanks to all who assisted in the Fir Point October event. Harry and Dave Tozer will report on the results, but Fir Point was very appreciative of our participation. And, Dean Zinter wowed the crowds with his 'locomotive'!

Curt Boardman keeps emphasizing it is membership renewal time and we encourage everyone to renew now. As mentioned previously, if you do not have a name tag, tell Curt (cantpdx@yahoo.com) and he will get one for you.

If you have thoughts for programs in the new year we should consider, please present them. We want to make sure we offer our members a broad range of interesting activities and outreach to the community.

As I have mentioned before, we have a batch of Barnstormer hats like this one. If you want one, come to the meeting. If you cannot make the meeting let me know if you are interested. First come, first served for the existing batch. If we need more, we can get them. Hats are \$25 each.

Please bring your recycling items for us to turn over to Dave Tozer on Monday.

See you Monday!

Larry



Vice President's Report

Check out the videos on the website!

New members – if you have not joined our text chat, please join. It is a great way to communicate when you and others may be headed to the field. To join, download the

WhatsApp free app. Text me at 503.475.5900

with your first and last name through



Remember – Airspeed is everything! Cheers.

WhatsApp and I will add you to the list.

Kyle Huberd

United Airlines Flight Operations Captain, Check Airman, A320 SFO Cell 503-475-5900

Field Manager's Report -

Hi guys

I hope you took advantage of the nice weather in October mostly on the weekends. I want to give you a report on our bottle and can drive at Fir Point Farms during the month of October. We did very well. We had a lot of good volunteers.



Dave Derhalli

Laurie Derhalli

Robert Benson

Ray Granvall

John Lenz

Maddy Lenz

Robert Henson

Ed Hannevig

David Oakley

Bob Duncan

Larry Hughes

Dave Tozer and I were there every weekend of October. Miss Jessica, the Owner of Fir Point Farms, fed all of us breakfast and lunch every weekend. She went out of Her way to make sure we had everything we needed.

A Big Thanks to Her and Her Family

Harry Lenz

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Treasurer's Report and WebMaster

The installment of the new web site at GoDaddy is working well. A good number of people have been able to communicate inquiries through the contact page and get responses to their queries. Also, if you haven't checked it out, the Field button takes you to either a current image of the field or the latest weather from a weather station just a half mile away. Great for seeing whether there is anyone at the field and what the wind sock is doing and wind direction and velocity from the weather station down the way.



Please check out the calendar page occasionally since we will be posting all club events there.

In 2024, we ask that along with you sending your dues payment, you also send an email with the FAA certification number as well as self-certifying that you have taken and passed the FAA on-line test. Please send that email to Curt Boardman at cantpdx@yahoo.com. Failure to provide those items will mean that we cannot accept you for 2024 membership till we receive that. Payment for 2024 can be made by cash at the monthly meeting, check at the meeting or sent to J. Wytsma, 333 E Taylor Dr., Newberg 97132, or PayPal. If using PayPal, please login to PayPal.com and once in enter the payee as treasurer.barnstormer@gmail.com. Do not click on the email link or it will take you to your email program. Also, if you use PayPal, please hit family and friend's button. Dues renewal for 2024 is \$100.

Please do not hesitate to ask Curt or me via email if you have any questions.

Thanks John

Secretary and Safety Officer

Greetings Barnstormers! I am pleased to assume the role of Safety Officer for the club. For those that may not know me, I have been a Barnstormer since 2011 and I am also a current full scale private pilot.

October gave us some wonderful flying days and I certainly took advantage of



them to exercise my stick skills. It was great to connect with some of you at the flying field.

I am committed to ensuring the safety of everyone and their model aircraft while flying. Safety is everyone's business and responsibility. One observation I took away from October flying is that there are a growing number of EDF jet model aircraft being flown by our members. The smaller size and increased speed of these models can be challenging to operate within the designated flight area of our field. On more than one occasion, I saw some models being flown directly overhead or slightly behind where the pilot was standing. In others, some got dangerously close to Butteville Road south of the runway or the tall trees to the north. I would ask for everyone's cooperation to ensure that all flights stay within the designated area.

Also, a recent incident at another Oregon flying club resulted in a member being hit by a model that was flying while field mowing was taking place. Fortunately for us, that has not happened to us, but the risk is there. I would ask that members pay extra attention during field maintenance activities. It's not worth losing a plane or injuring a fellow member who is volunteering to keep our grounds maintained.

That's it! Safe flying (when the weather permits)

Dave Derhalli
Safety Officer and Secretary
david.rd@comcast.net

Flying Instructor's Report

Training continues on Saturdays with sessions starting around noon, weather permitting. Be sure to factor in the wind because anything over 10 MPH and gusty conditions can be challenging for new pilots. If you will be working with a new or unfamiliar radio, it is always helpful to bring along the user manual.

Instructor Greg Meyers is willing to work with new pilots during the week, depending upon his

schedule. Contact him at 541.517.5036 and gms1021@gmail.com





Membership Committee

Thanks to those who have sent in their renewal of membership in Barnstormers, Dues are \$100.00 for the year. Dues can be paid through PayPal, by check, or cash, whichever you prefer. We need to have all dues into us by Dec. 31 in order for the recharter to be completed prior to the deadline. Be sure to check that your AMA member dues are current.



This year, your board is required to have on file your FAA number and on the honor system, your verification of the TRUST certification (acknowledgement of completion is all we need). We have gotten a few new member requests and hopefully they will be at our meeting on the 20th at Willamette Aviation Conference room.

Should any of you not have my contact information, it is: Curt Boardman, 336 4th Street, Lake Oswego, OR 97034.

Happy flying when you can!!! Preferably wheels down when landing!!

Curt Boardman, cantpdx@yahoo.com
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Directions to Willamette Aviation Conference Room:

From the north, take I5 to Exit 282A to Canby/Hubbard after crossing the Willamette River.

At first traffic light, turn left (east) on Arndt Road.

At next intersection, a traffic light, turn right onto Airport Road NE.

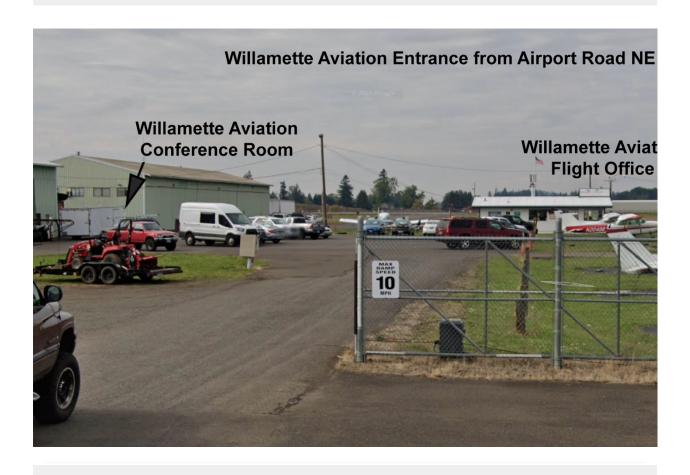
In 1/2 mile, turn right into Willamette Aviation through the gate.

The conference room is to the left as you can see in the photo here.

From the west, or northwest, take 219 South from Newberg to Champoeg Road, head east past our flying field through Butteville to Arndt Road and you run into the airport. Proceed through the Canby-Hubbard Cutoff intersection to Airport Road NE, turn right and go down to Willamette Aviation.

Coming from the south, most people should know where Aurora Airport is located since you probably pass right by it going to and from. Take 99E to Hubbard Cutoff and that goes right by the airport on the west. Turn east (right) on Arndt Road, then south (right) on Airport Road NE.

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Note from Brad:

Keep us in mind when your friends and neighbors start talking about a real estate move. Having someone you know and trust who also is in the top 3% in the state is a strategic advantage.

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