



FLEMING FLYER

FFAA Meeting – Tuesday, July 2, 6:00pm - Potluck Dinner and Business Meeting

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Appointed Positions

Activities

Greg Bauer
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Airport Manager

Glenn Burke
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2013 Calendar

- 1st Tuesday each month - FFAA
- 3rd Tuesday each month – EAA 1229
- 7/16 – EAA old cars and corn roast
- 7/29-8/4 - Oshkosh
- 9/7 – CAF Hangar Dance
- 9/8 – EAA pancake breakfast

President's Pen

by Mike Bergeson

Majestic Clouds

When you are taking flying lessons you learn something about a lot of different things. Most of topics are safety related. Most instructors don't tell you that, in fact I cannot remember my instructor using the word safety even once during my flying lessons. We did engine out simulations, stalls, spins, landings, takeoffs, and slow flight. I learned how to do a weight and balance. He told me to always stay inside the weight and balance envelope, but didn't tell me why. I now realize that weight will affect your performance, but balance can kill you. He taught me how to read weather reports and that it was good to stay away from cumulus nimbus clouds, but he didn't tell me why.

On Father's Day I learned a little bit more about cumulus nimbus. These are without question the bad boys of clouds. Nice big puffy clouds that can look so majestic from the ground. They are just lying in wait to slap a pilot up side of the head and make him tremble in fear.

I had refueled in Canby, Minnesota and was heading back to Fleming. There was a line of majestic cumulus nimbus off to the north about 10 miles. I kept an eye on them and kept moving my course south to stay clear of them. I had a great tail wind, the air was smooth, and all was good. My plan was to sneak around the south side and into Fleming before the thunderstorm hit. I had just entered the airspace under the TCA and was descending to a lower altitude when out of nowhere a giant hand reached out of the cumulus nimbus and swatted me like a mosquito. I had never hit my head on the ceiling of an airplane before. I thought the seatbelt was tight!

I pulled the throttle closed turned to the south. I pushed the stick forward to continue the descent. I was caught in a strong thermal and was climbing rapidly. The air was smooth, so I pushed the stick farther forward. Finally, I started to descend. I dialed Faribault into the GPS and proceeded to my alternate. I landed, taxied to the ramp, and tied down. Damn, my legs were shaking and I was soaked. (No, I didn't do that!)

After sitting on the ground for an hour, the storm moved of the east. I untied, taxied out and headed back to KSGS for a nice landing.

Remember the lessons your flight instructor taught you, even if he didn't mention safety, safety is what he meant.



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FFAA Meeting Minutes --- June 4, 2013 Meeting

1. Meeting called to order by President Mike Bergeson at 7:30 PM
2. Minutes were approved as published in the Fleming Flyer
3. Treasurer Report - Robyn Shear

Beginning Balance	\$3232.51
Credits	\$ 42.02
Debits	0.00
Ending Balance	\$3274.53

Treasurer report was approved.
4. Activities Report - Greg Bauer
 - New Richmond restoration of a XT752 Open House 8 June 6 to 9 PM Bands Beer Food
 - Home Built Fly In on the 8th of June here at Fleming 10 AM to 5:30 PM
 - Hangar Dance CAF 8th of June. Lessons at 7 PM dance at 8PM
5. Old Business
 - None
6. New Business
 - Need knives and Forks for potluck dinners
 - Kaposia Days we will not be having any activities this year.
7. Airport Managers Report - Glenn Burke
 - New legislation has some good changes to the tax laws for aviation.
 - No sales tax on aircraft parts and labor.
 - Aircraft registration fee will be \$100 per airplane under a half million in value.
 - Sales tax on aircraft purchase goes to state aviation fund.
 - Hangar inspections 2/3 done
 - Capital improvement
 - Hangar 6, 7, 8 roofs
 - Crack sealing runways and taxi ways.
 - Henry Ave renovation.
 - Master plan meeting was held in May.
8. Adjourned at 8:15 PM

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Hangars at Fleming Field for rent or sale. Greg at 612-709-9646.

FREE to good home: 1950's vintage Spartan cabinet radio and phonograph. Works OK. Belonged to my grandparents but nobody in our family wants it. Glass top. Would look nice if refinished. Youtube video link -> <http://youtu.be/GyxkT4DZOGg>
Call Kirk at 651-247-9096.

Sears Kenmore White Washer & Dryer (gas) set. About 13 years old. Both run and look good. Only used on Saturdays by clean couple with no kids ☺ \$150 for both or \$100 each. Youtube video link -> http://youtu.be/tFM_AX_ozyc
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Welding equipment. Call Greg for details at 612-709-9646.

WANTED – none

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Airport Manager's Corner July 2013

Fire Inspections

We have completed 85% of the fire inspections to date that require the fire inspector. We are now turning our attention to the north hangar area where the airport staff conducts the inspection. We have seen many of the same problems this year as in past years, they are:

- Long term use of extension cords. If you are finished using one, please unplug the cord from the outlet.
- Fire extinguishers need to be service annually and hung by the exit door.
- Clear path from the door to the furthest part of the building. This is usually to the electrical panel. In case of emergencies, individuals are able to exit the building safely.
- 30 inches of clear space around the electrical panel

Fire Inspector, Steve Wenzel, will be at the Airport on Saturday, July 6th. If you have yet to have an inspection, or need a re-inspection, please call the office (651-554-3350) to schedule one.

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Hangars #6-8 Roof Repair

The rainy June weather has delay the installation of new roof for Hangar 6-8. The contractor, All Elements Roofing, was scheduled to begin the week of July 15. They are now pushing the project start date back two weeks to July 29th. Good news is the roofing material are in.

Environmental Analysis

We continue to plod along with the Environmental Analysis. We have all our data on obstructions on and around the airport, and there are many, mostly trees. We are asking the FAA to waive the requirement to remove tree that are off to the sides of the runway and to consider not putting obstruction lights on property line fences or utility poles. The waiver applications were sent in on June 6th. We have not had any contact from the FAA since on our waiver application was sent in to the FAA.

There will be a public comment for the Environmental Analysis for the proposed actions sometime this fall. Those actions are:

- Remove the Community Garden from the Runway Protections Zone (RPZ)
- Remove 32 parking spaces from the neighboring park that are in the RPZ
- Remove two house north of the airport that are in the RPZ
- Remove and/or light obstructions

We are hoping to finish the Environmental Analysis early next year.

Runway Crack Sealing

Runway crack sealing project is tentative scheduled for the week of August 5. We expect the contractor to begin work at 7:00 am and finish before 6:00 pm. The airport will be open; however the runway will be closed. Departing and arriving aircraft can use the parallel taxiways at the pilot's discretion. A safety car with an aircraft radio will be on the site during the runway closures giving pilot advisories.

Kaposia Days

This year Kaposia Days will be held on June 28 through June 30. The Commemorative Air Force has taken the led to organize this year's event. It will be held Saturday June 29th. There will be two R/C Aircraft flight times and... We will not have a float in this year's parade.