

Florida Sport Aviation Antique and Classic Association
E.A.A. Vintage Division, Chapter One

“FSAACA”

The Scud Runner

December 2014 Edition

Our next touchdown will be on Saturday January 10th at New Smyrna Beach at the American Aero Hangar. This will be a one day (Saturday only) event. Come and see the B-17, B-24, P-51, Hellcat (project), L-1 (project) and more.

The museum will be open for your browsing pleasure.

Please bring a pet food donation for the Southwest Volusia Humane Society to help our furry friends.

Hamburgers and Hot Dogs with all the fixins will be served at lunch time.

If you're driving in the address is: 1501 Airway Circle
New Smyrna Beach

Flying in, it's Airport Identifier “EVB”

ATIS is 124.625

Tower frequency is 119.675

Ground Control is 121.325

Ask for the American Aero Ramp

Don't forget, we will be having our first Board Meeting of the year right after lunch. We will have a lot to talk about.

On December 6th we had our traditional home field fly-in at Lakeland. The whole North end of the State was fogged in that morning. Consequently, we had a few early arrivals from the East and South but the arrivals coming from North of Lakeland didn't arrive until eleven or so. They came just in time to enjoy some of the biggest, juiciest burgers that have ever been served at a FSAACA fly-in, along with chips, beans, cole slaw and potato salad. The Coffee and donuts for the early arrivals wasn't bad either.

Coming Events

Later in January, on Saturday, January 31st, Bobby and Kim Capozzi will be hosting a FREE “FSAACA appreciation breakfast”. This will be a free breakfast event for all FSAACA members and their guests. Donations will be graciously accepted, but are not expected. If you like good food, you don't want to miss this one. I am told that the menu will include **eggs, sausage, grits, coffee, OJ** served in large economy size cups, and among other things, **biscuits and gravy. If you haven't had Kim's biscuits and gravy yet, you haven't lived. Folks, don't miss this one.**

Reconnaissance Mission

A few weeks ago, Bobby Capozzi and Steve Knouse took “a hit for the team” and flew up to Blackwater State Forest and park for a look-see to find out what it had to offer. The Blackwater airstrip is 4000 feet of well groomed and glassy smooth sod that has been used by the forest service for years. It is surrounded by thousands of acres of forest land and is within a few hundred yards of the Blackwater River. The Recreational Aviation Foundation (RAF) has worked diligently and has been successful in getting the government to open the strip up on a limited basis to general aviation.

Within 100 yards of the strip is the Blackwater State Park where they have what appears to be about a hundred RV hookups, restrooms, and **hot showers**. In the middle of the campground area there is a spring fed lake where swimming is allowed and the water is crystal clear. There is also an old sawmill and gristmill there. A little further to the East, also within walking distance is Krul Lake where there is fishing, canoeing, bird and alligator watching.



At the airstrip, there is a makeshift fire pit that the RAF will soon be replacing with one of their deluxe trademark fire rings. Bobby and Steve camped out there overnight and had a chance to talk to some of the local campers as well as a couple of guys from the forest service who dropped by to welcome them and see how they were doing. They had nothing but good things to report and are anxious to go back in September when FSAACA has scheduled a fly-out there. The only snafu that they encountered was that someone let a bunch of fog in on Saturday night that didn't clear out until around 11:00 Sunday morning.

Humor

As captain Jim taxied the plane up to the gate, he announced “As you exit the plane, please make sure to gather all of your belongings. Anything left behind will be distributed evenly among the flight attendants. Please do not leave children or spouses.”

Walking can add minutes to your life. This enables you at 85 years old to spend an additional 5 months in a nursing home at \$7,000.00 per month.

My grandpa started walking five miles a day when he was 60. Now he's 97 years old and we don't know where he is.

For Sale

Herb Davis still has his ultra sharp 1962 Navion Rangemaster for sale. You can see more information and photos in last month's newsletter. If you're looking to buy a super clean, well maintained long distance flyer, give Herb a call at (352) 205-7188.



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FSAACA wishes everyone a Merry Christmas and a Blessed New Year