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DO YOU KNOW HOW TO USE THESE?

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G5 Workshop Thursday at 5

Do you know how to use these instruments? Probably yes. And also probably not. For instance, do you know how to link the autopilot through the G5 to fly your flight plan programmed into the Garmin 430? Learn the full capabilities of these amazing instruments at the G5 workshop this Thursday evening at 5. The workshop will be taught by our instructors Mark Coucke and Pam Tobin. Don't miss it.

MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Thursday, October 17th, 5 PM (1700)

AvFlight Conference Room

All members welcome to attend

Olds Forge First Pinch Hitter Course



The 1st Olds Forge Flyers Pinch Hitter Course began September 29th with ground school sessions with flight training to follow. Participants from left to right. Teresa (Larry) Borton, Amber (Scott) O'Berry, Leslie (Jeff Markham) Perry, Terri (Rob Shupp) Perry, Pam Tobin our Ground Instructor and Lynn (Steve) Colby. The participants will fly next with Adlay and Mark in the Hawk or Archer. The purpose of this course is give these non pilots the skill set and knowledge to manage the plane back on the ground in the event of a pilot health issue in flight. Similar to the pinch hitter course offered by the 99's and other flying organizations. Also thank you to Lynn and Steve for providing the snacks and water during the ground school portion.

Pilot's Tip of the Week

Takeoff Over Max Weight

"Is an aircraft's maximum gross weight a guideline from the manufacturer, or a number that should never be exceeded under any circumstances?"—anonymous

Bob Nardiello replies:

"The manufacturer has established a maximum gross weight for the airplane. This weight constitutes a limitation which *must not* be exceeded. It was established during testing by the manufacturer.

A pilot who exceeds this takeoff weight has no knowledge or assurance that the flight characteristics of the airplane will be acceptable. Additionally, FAR 91.9 specifically prohibits a person from operating an aircraft without complying with the operating limitations specified.

Information regarding the weight and balance for a particular airplane is located in the POH (Pilot's Operating Handbook). The POH must be onboard the airplane where it can be used as a reference before a flight, and to determine whether the proposed loading of the airplane meets the limitations described in the weight and balance section of the POH.



In the case of light airplanes, it is sometimes necessary to operate with less than a full fuel load to meet the weight limitations specified for the airplane."

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Olds Forge Flyers - Meeting Minutes

Date: 9/19/2019	Time: 6:00pm	Location:	AvFlight Terminal
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Attendance:

Board Member	Attended	Member / Guest In Attendance	Member
Brian Zeeb - President	X	Pam Tobin	X
Dick Best - Vice President	X	Sue Yockey	X
Steve Harsh - Treasurer	X	Fred Honhart	X
Steve Colby - Secretary	X	John Yurkon	X
Larry Borton	X	Todd Tarrant	X
Mark Coucke	X	Kannan Raghunathan	X
Dave Oxendale (2 yr)	X		
Jeff Markham (2 yr)			
Cooper Lawrence			
Chet Dawson			

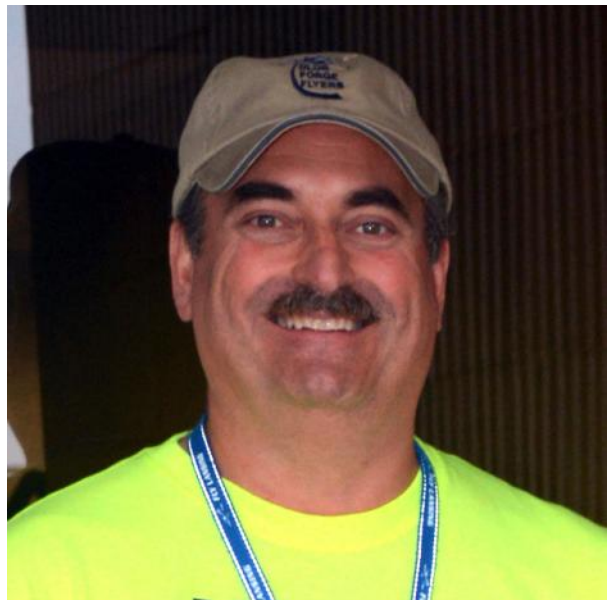
AGENDA AND DISCUSSION:

1	Call to Order (President or Executive Member)
	Meeting called to order by Brian Z. at 6:00 pm
2	Additions to Agenda: (Board)
	Todd Tarrant - wants to discuss a Pancake Breakfast and Fly-in! Request to add Fred Moore as a Club Instructor Mark Coucke - Wing spar AD
3	Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting: (Colby)
	July minutes submitted via e-mail by Steve C. for Board review. Motion to approve the minutes by Mark C., 2nd by Dave O., motion approved unanimously.
4	Review and Approval of Treasurers Report: (Harsh)
	172 - Turn Coordinator, could not be rebuilt, approx \$2k to replace. Steve H. provided a quick summary of people that have access to our funds/signature status for the accounts. Budget still looking ok for end of year. Reserves are looking good. Closing in on engine rebuilds, Total engine hours: Archer at about 1343, 172 - 903. Motion to approve the minutes by Steve C., 2nd by Mark C., motion approved unanimously.
5	Maintenance Report: (Honhart)
	Oil dipstick on 172 was too tight, expensive repair was required. No items to report on the Archer.
6	Membership Committee Report: (Best)
	Nothing new to report at this time. No new contacts, several waiting in the wings. One is finishing his training in Howell, will join after becoming certified. Currently have 30 members. Dick B. will be out of town when he usually completes the billing so your next statement may be a little later than normal.
7	Old Business:
7a	Club Website - Still in process with Jeff M.
7b	Pinch Hitter Training - Alyson Tarrant and Betty Dawson would like to attend the training as well. Steve C. to send an email notice to Todd T. and Chet D. Motion by Larry B., 2nd by Dave O. to approve these Pinch Hitter candidates. Motion approved unanimously. Other candidates that are scheduled to attend are Leslie Perry, Terese Borton, Lynn Colby, Terri Perry, Amber O'Berry. Mark and Adlay will attend the latter portion of the second session to start scheduling the flight training.

7c	G5 Workshop - Pam T. and Steve H. are almost ready to go with the presentation. Motion by Larry B. to have a presentation at 5:00 pm on October 17th (next monthly meeting), seconded by Dick B. Motion approved unanimously. Mark C. will present the training session, asked for materials well ahead of time.
8	New Business:
8a	Pancake Breakfast and Fly-In - Todd Tarrant presented a desire for the DeWitt Rotary club to sponsor a Fly-In on the same day as Be A Tourist In Your Own Town next year. This would be a pancake breakfast as well. Todd has discussed with AvFlight, Capital Region and the GLCVB. All looks good, need to determine security requirements between the Fly-In and BATYOT. This portion is under development. Also some concerns regarding people being able to walk amongst the aircraft. Mark C. brought up involving the Civil Air Patrol to provide cadets for crowd control. Motion by Steve H. to have OFF continue to support this event. 2nd by Dick B. Motion approved unanimously.
8b	Addition of Fred Moore as a club instructor - Question proposed to allow Fred Moore to instruct potential club members. The board gave approval for Fred Moore to sign on in similar fashion to Pete K.
8c	PA28-181 Wing Spar AD - Mark C. reviewed the latest information regarding this AD that impacts our Archer (metal fatigue on spar attaching bolts located under the seat). 5000+ hours in service (ours meets this). The FAA has come up with "Factored Service Hours". Still a proposal with the FAA. Might be able to meet the requirements with an eddy current inspection. Needs to be a certified tester. Costs can vary a lot depending upon the testing required and required containment actions.
9	Discussion Of Flying Experiences
9	Restaurant flying - Mark C. offered that the Plainwell airport has a great little place to grab a bite. Dick B. said the Owosso Airport restaurant is open under new ownership. Several other examples of fine dining were noted amongst the members. Dick B. has offered to compile a list of favorite fly-in places if everyone sends him their favorites.
10	Adjournment:
	Brian Z. called for a motion to adjourn. Steve H. made the motion to adjourn, 2nd by Larry B., motion approved unanimously. Meeting concluded at 7:02 pm.

Congratulations to Steve Colby for passing his IFR check ride!!

Look out bad weather. Here comes Steve.



Monthly Hours Flown Report:

Skyhawk \$ 90 / hr. Archer \$ 105 / hr.

	2019	2018	2019	2018
Year-to-date				
Total	128.7	126.2	82.5	65.1
September	12.3	1.0	12.7	3.7
TOTAL	141.0	127.2	95.2	68.8

COMBINED HOURS THROUGH September
2019: 236.2 2018: 196.0

Wow! We have now flown 40.2 hours more than at this time last year thanks to a big jump in hours flown in September. There's a lot of empty space on the schedule so you can take family or friends for an introductory flight. Fall color is now at its best. Get your reservation on the schedule so you don't miss your opportunity to view it from the sky. Schedule your club annual review or FAA Flight Review and have an instructor familiarize you with our new ADS-B compliant transponders and the new G5 units in the Hawk. Learn how to use the equipment and see the surrounding traffic on the screens. Sign up with socialflight.com for your customized weekly email listing of timely and interesting destinations. The kids will love the full motion simulators at the "Air Zoo" in Kalamazoo (KAZO). Check their web site. You can taxi right in to the museum's parking area. It's an extremely good museum that amazingly even has an SR-71. Traverse City (KTVC) has a courtesy car available. Many great restaurants. Grand Traverse Bay is beautiful from the air. Or how about a Macinac Island weekend—fly in and skip the ferry. In the U.P., there's the Soo Locks, Pictured Rocks and Marquette. There's lots of great destinations and plenty of sightseeing in the mitten. And you can do it all from the air. You've got a pilot license—USE IT!!!

FLYING IS FUN!

Maintenance Report

Maintenance Issues:

Notify Fred: 517-256-5876 honhart@msu.edu

Archer: GPS updated. Pitot/static system recertified

Annual Due: 3/12/2020 Hours flown since last annual: 82.1

Skyhawk: GPS updated. Pitot/static system recertified

Annual Due: 2/12/2020 Hours flown since last annual: 135.6

BOTH PLANES NOW USE Phillips 20W 50 OIL ALL YEAR!

Please record oil usage accurately, and make sure you have enough oil in the plane for your cross-country flight.

GPS cards in each plane include expiration date.

Thanks, Fred, and Stevo!

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Financial Report

OLDS FORGE FLYERS, INC

Profit & Loss Statement

January 1 - September 30, 2019

Archer Hr = 95.5 Skyhawk Hr = 142.9

OPERATING INCOME:

	Actual	Budget
Aircraft Income	\$21,624	\$22,889
Initiation Fees	\$3,675	\$1,900
Membership Dues	\$20,795	\$18,360
Interest	\$0	\$0
Other Misc. Income	\$366	\$0
TOTAL INCOME	\$46,460	\$43,149

OPERATING EXPENSES:

Variable Costs:

Improvements, Archer & Skyhawk	\$1,193	\$1,192
Engine Depletion, Archer	\$1,523	\$1,523
Engine Depletion, Skyhawk	\$2,036	\$2,036
Fuel, Archer	\$3,034	\$4,049
Fuel, Skyhawk	\$3,582	\$4,923
Misc fuel & Oil	\$246	\$404
Maintenance, Archer*	\$2,775	\$4,016
Maintenance, Skyhawk*	\$9,166	\$4,859
Maintenance, Other	\$286	\$69
Total Variable Cost	\$23,841	\$23,070

Fixed Costs:

Office and Service Fees	\$1,933	\$1,879
Operations Costs	\$16,019	\$15,902
Total Fixed Costs	\$17,952	\$17,780
Misc. Cost	\$0	\$300
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$41,793	\$41,150

NET OPERATING INCOME	\$4,667	\$1,998
Contingency Fund (initiation fees)	\$3,675	\$1,900
NET AFTER CONTIN. FUND	\$992	\$98

* Archer Annual (Budget = \$3,000; Actual = \$2118)

* Skyhawk Annual (Budget = \$3,200; Actual = \$4221)

