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President's Message

Squadron

January/February continues to be a deadly month for our members and this year we lost long time member, judge and all around good airplane guy Stan Sweiker. It seems like only yesterday we lost Joe Fichera immediately following our Holiday meeting.

I hope to see as many of you as possible this Saturday at Massey for our spring planning meeting. It will be a good chance to become familiar with the layout of our new Fly-in venue and an opportunity to figure out how we will lay things out and direct traffic. Set up at Massey will be a snap compared with Horn Pt. as there will not be the need for stakes & string as in the past. Extra attention will be required with aircraft parking initially, but overall everything else should be easier.

One issue that will need to be addressed is the incapacitation of our Head Judge, Pete D'Anna. Pete fell and broke his ankle, so he will not be available to physically supervise the judging this year. All the standards, letters, judging sheets and collateral documents are compiled on a CD, so updating them for 2016 should be simply a matter of changing dates and some verbiage. We need someone to step up to the plate and take on this crucial responsibility. With Pete's consultation and prior organization, the job should be manageable. Please think about volunteering for this position.

Please consider flying to the meeting as it is at an airport. I will bring sodas and pizza so that we will not starve to death.

I look forward to seeing everyone Saturday, Art

Holiday Party

Unfortunately, the minutes to the January meeting got lost in the iClouds and after an extensive search are still missing. The short of it is, plans were finalized to move the fly-in to Massey Aerodrome, and there was much discussion regarding the logistics concerning what should be saved and what can be discarded from the fly-in supplies currently stored on site at the Horn Point property. The spring planning meeting was set for Saturday April 16th.

Following the brief meeting, we had our annual holiday party. As usual, a good time was had, almost entirely due to the great company.



Obituaries:

Sadly, we have to announce the passing of two PAAS members, Stan Sweikar, and Bob Haas. Bob, I believe, was before my time with the club, but I am told he kept his membership in the club active, even though he moved to Florida.

A friend from outside the club, upon hearing of Stan's passing, was shocked and could only comment on how happy and active and full of plans Stan had been when they spoke only the day before. Somehow, it seemed to me like one of the best things you could say about a fellow, and I silently hoped that I would be able to "live until I die" like Stan. –ed.

Stan Sweikar

Stanley John Sweikar, Jr., 76 of Dameron, MD, died suddenly of heart failure on February 5, 2016 at his home with Sandy, his wife, at his side.

He was born on August 14, 1939 in Sheboygan, WI, to Hildegarde Hilgenberg Sweiker of Manitowac, WI and the late Stanley John Sweikar, Sr.

Stan is a graduate of St. Louis University, Parks College with a BS in Aeronautical Engineering, after which, he entered the United States Navy and served aboard the USS Enterprise until his honorable discharge in 1965. After leaving the Navy, he worked in NYC for Flight Safety Foundation. He then joined Piedmont Airlines in Winston-Salem, NC. In 1968 he moved to Patuxent River, MD working for DOD in Flight Test Engineering for 44 years. While at DOD, he received an MBA at the Naval Postgraduate School in Monterey, CA in 1979. After retirement he was employed by CSC as the Director of Rapid Engineering Prototyping for six years. He was a volunteer pilot with the Coast Guard doing Search and Rescue missions for many years. He was an Adjunct Instructor at Embry Aeronautical University at the Patuxent River campus for a decade.

On September 20, 1975, he married the love of his life, Sandra D. Sweikar at Trinity Episcopal Church. They celebrated their 40th anniversary last year. Stan developed a love of flying when he was a young man. He spent his entire career dedicated to flight. He held Private, Instrument, CFI, and Seaplane ratings. He was also a licensed Airframe and Power Plant mechanic. He purchased "Big Red," a Cessna 195 in 1968. He and Sandy "flew the paint off of it" and finished a complete restoration in 2006. He was the owner of Wingfield Airport, and President and CEO of Chesapeake Seaplanes at his seaplane base. They flew the 195 throughout the US, Canada, and the Bahamas. He and Sandy also enjoyed their sailboat on the Chesapeake Bay for 15 years.

His memberships include the International Cessna 195 Club, QB's, Society of Aeronautical Engineers, Antique Aircraft Association (lifetime member), Seaplane Pilots Association, the Virginia-Carolina Vintage Airplane Association, and the Potomac Antique Aero Squadron. He was also an active member of St. Mary's Parish.

In addition to his mother and wife, Stan is also survived by his daughter, Sara Sweikar Yolac, her husband, Mehmet, and their expected son. Also his cousins, Bob Sweikar (Linda) and John Sweikar (Gayle). He is preceded in death by his father.

Family will receive friends to honor Stan on Thursday, February 11, 2016 from 10:00 to 11:00 a.m., with a Funeral Service celebrated by Reverend John Ball at 11:00 a.m., at Trinity Episcopal Church, 47477Trinity Church Road, St. Mary's City, MD 20686. Interment will follow in the church cemetery.

In lieu of flowers memorial contributions in Stan's name may be made to the Scholarship Fund of the International Cessna 190/195 Foundation, Inc., c/o Barb Johnson, 5920 Eminence Pike, Shelbyville, KY 40065 or online at www.cessna195.org/Foundation/donations.cfm

Robert Haas

Robert James Haas passed away on February 19. 2016. Bob led a rich life filled with experiences and skills gained from his fascination with knowledge and new challenges.

Bob lived at Buckingham Air Park in a home designed with his wife Dot. His passion for aviation kept him flying and developing his vintage and light sport aircraft. As an active member of the EAA and the Warbirds of America he also served with the Potomac Antique Aero Squadron while in Maryland. He remained involved in the sport of aviation for most of his life.

He was the successful owner of Checkpoint Foreign Car Service in Maryland for almost 30 years and in the process mentored many mechanics into successful careers. This business was created when "foreign cars" were unique and unusual. Competing in races with the SCCA and as an active team leader with Continental Motors his experience bridged the formative years of modern sports car racing in the United States.

Bob graduated from Eastern High School in Washington, D.C. and served with the United States Air Force. In addition to being an accomplished pilot, driver, mechanic and business owner Bob was a musician, an avid reader and historian.

Robert Haas will be sorely missed as a father, a friend, and a leader. His sense of humor and love for life will live on in the stories and memories. He is survived by two sons Greg and Mark, and four grandchildren David and Molly, Jeanni and Kevin.

Contributions would be appreciated to The EAA Warbirds of America, or the Commemorative Air Force.

Overnight Accommodations Available At: Quality Suites 160 Scheeler Road Chestertown, MD 21620 410-810-0555 Block of rooms available until May 10th under Potomac Antique Aero Squadron

FLY-IN PROCEDUKES

- 1. Landing aircraft will use a standard left-hand pattern, 1,000' MSL. Use appropriate runway based on wind directions. CTAF 122.9.
- 2. No touch and-go-landings.
- 3. Pilots **MUST** secure wing walkers before taxing into or out of aircraft parking area.
- 4. Absolutely no Fly-Bys across 02-20, or over the crowd or parking areas.
- 5. No aerobatics within a 5 mile radius of the field or near the town of Massey.

Road Directions from the South:

Route 301 north pass the route 50 exit. Continue on route 301 north. Turn right onto route 313, Galena Road. Galena Road turns into Maryland Line Road, route 330. Continue on Maryland Line road through the town of Massey. Airfield will be on your right.



ANTIQUE FLY-IN Massey Airpark Massey, Maryland

Calendar of Events: (under construction, INFORMATION IN RED REQUIRES CONFIRMATION) Contact Month Event Location Day 2nd Saturdays Hot Dog fly-ins, Sugar Hill Airport (DE17) Greenwood DE (DE17) DE17.org Recurring May-Nov 2nd and 4th Bellanca Airfield & DE Aviation Hall of Fame Saturdays, New Castle, DE www.friendsofbellanca.org Mus. April-Oct Sundays The Flying Circus Bealeton, VA www.flyingcircusairshow.com May-Oct Wknds mid-**Old Rhinebeck Aerodrome** Rhinebeck, NY oldrhinebeck.org June-mid-Oct Potomac Antique Aero Squadron fly0in April 16 Massey, MD (MD1) www.masseyaero.org planning meeting Chesapeake Beach, VA www.militaryaviationmuseum. 19 **Competition Plane Pull** (42VA) org EAA478 Chapter Meeting Lexington Park, MD (2W6) www.478.eaachapter.org 19 21 EAA571 chapter meeting Lee Airport (KANP) www.571.eaachapter.org 26 EAA524 Picnic Frederick, MD (KFDK) www.524.eaachapter.org 26 **Essex Airport Pancake Breakfast** Essex Airport, MD (W48) www.essexskyparkassn.org Bay Bridge Airport, MD 30 Chesapeake Sport Pilot YAA Day www.chespeakesportpilot.com (W29) Author and former Air Force pilot Darrel Martin Airport, MD (MTN) May 2 Whitcomb will talk about his experiences in www.mdairmuseum.org Vietnam. 2 Manassas Airport Open House Manassas Airport, VA (KHEF) www.marbainc.com 5 Frederick, MD (KFDK) EAA Chapter 524 Meeting www.524.eaachapter.org 5 EAA Chapter 4 monthly meeting Laurel, MD (W18) www.4.eaachapter.org 3 USUA Club 1 Meeting & Cookout Warrenton Airpark (WAP) www.flyingclub1.org www.sentimentaljourneyfly-4 All You Can Eat Breakfast Loch Haven, PA (KLHV) in.com 4 Capital Area Light Flyers (USUA4) meeting Eyler Field www.usua4.com Chili Fiesta Fly-In Massey Aerodrome (MD1) 10 www.masseyaero.org Thunder Over the Blueridge airshow Winchester, VA (KOKV) 10-11? www.martinsburgairshow.com www.militaryaviationmuseum. Warbirds Over the Beach Virginia Beach, VA 20-22 org 17 Pancake Breakfast and Young Eagles Toughkenamon, PA (N57) www.eaa240.org Lexington Park, MD (2W6) www.478.eaachapter.org 17 EAA478 Chapter Meeting Lee Airport (KANP) 19 EAA571 chapter meeting www.571.eaachapter.org Chesapeake Sport Pilot spring picnic -Stevensville, MD (W29) ChesaeakeSportPilot.com 21 Sensational Seaplanes Lynchburg Regional Airshow 24-25? Lynchburg, VA May return in 2016 www.jsoh.org Cancelled? Andrews AFB Joint Svcs Open House Camp Springs, MD (ADW) Might return in 2016

	21,23	Blue Angels at USNA	Annapolis, MD	www.blueangels.navy.mil
	24	Wings & Wheels Date listed on bbsportaviation.com	Cambridge, MD (CGE)	www.cambridgewingsandwhee ls.com/
	22	Liberty ship SS John W. Brown Living History Cruise	Norkfolk, VA	www.ssjohnwbrown.com
	25?	4th Ann. Amish Country Taildragger Fly-in	Lanchaster, PA (KLNS)	lancasterairport.com
	31-1	18th Annual VA Regional Airshow	Suffolk Exec. Airport (SFQ)	www.VirginiaFlyIn.org
June	5	A panel will talk about the Huey helicopter, focusing on the Museum's aircraft, which is scheduled to take part in LZMaryland	Martin Airport, MD (MTN)	www.mdairmuseum.org
	6?	Bay Bridge Airport Wings and Wheels	Stevensville, MD (W29)	
	1-2	Chapter 216 Fly-In Breakfast	Cross Keys, NJ	www.eaa216.org
	1	Capital Area Light Flyers (USUA4) meeting	Eyler Field	www.usua4.com
	2	EAA Chapter 524 Meeting	Frederick, MD (KFDK)	www.524.eaachapter.org
	2	EAA Chapter 4 monthly meeting	Laurel, MD (W18)	www.4.eaachapter.org
	6-8	24 rd Annual Mid-Atlantic WWII Wknd	Reading, PA	www.maam.org
	7	Flying Proms - British Musical Tradition	Chesapeake Beach, VA (42VA)	www.militaryaviationmuseum. org
	7	Wings & Wheels 2nd Date found on EAA.org	Cambridge, MD KCGE)	www.cambridgewingsandwhee ls.com
	7	USUA Club 1 Poker Run and meeting	Warrenton Airpark (WAP)	www.flyingclub1.org
	7 (RD 8)	Helicopter Fly-in	Jamestown, VA (KJGG)	wjairport@yahoo.com
	9-11	American Pride Days	Wildwood, NJ (WWD)	www.usnasw.org
	11	45 th PAAS Antique A/C fly-in	Massey Aerodrome (MD1)	Art Kudner, 410-310-0159
	14	Golden Age Flying Circus Air Show (1)	Bethel, PA (8N1)	www.goldenageair.org
	14	Pancake Breakfast and Young Eagles	Toughkenamon, PA (N57)	www.eaa240.org
	14-15	Air Show 2015 (Non-fly-in commercial event, don't waste your time.)	Ocean City, MD	Send letters of complaint to www.ocairshow.com
	21	EAA478 Chapter Meeting	Lexington Park, MD (2W6)	www.478.eaachapter.org
	23	EAA571 chapter meeting	Lee Airport (KANP)	www.571.eaachapter.org
	19-21	29 th Annual Fathers Day Fly-in	Shreveport North, Wellsville, PA (PA62)	www.footlightranch.com
	16-20	Sentimental Journey to Cub Haven	Loch Haven, PA (KLHV)	www.sentimentaljourneyfly- in.com
Jul	6	Capital Area Light Flyers (USUA4) meeting	Eyler Field	www.usua4.com
	7	EAA Chapter 524 Meeting	Frederick, MD (KFDK)	www.524.eaachapter.org
	7	EAA Chapter 4 monthly meeting	Laurel, MD (W18)	www.4.eaachapter.org

	4-7	Maryland Regional Festival of Flight	Frederick, MD (KFDK)	www.524.eaachapter.org
	5	USUA Club 1 BBQ & Meeting	Warrenton Airpark (WAP)	www.flyingclub1.org
	11 -13	Geneseo Air Show	Geneseo, NY	www.1941hag.org
	11 -13	Wings & Wheels fly-in	Bethel, PA (8N1)	www.goldenageair.org
	14-18	Future Aviators Summer Camp 1	Toughkenamon, PA (N57)	www.eaa240.org
	14-18	Warbirds & Wings Aviation Summer Camp	Chesapeake Beach, VA (42VA)	www.militaryaviationmuseum. org
	19	EAA478 Chapter Meeting	Lexington Park, MD (2W6)	www.478.eaachapter.org
	21	EAA571 chapter meeting	Lee Airport (KANP)	www.571.eaachapter.org
	19	Pancake Breakfast and Young Eagles	Toughkenamon, PA (N57)	www.eaa240.org
	26?	18 th Annual Airfest	Wildwood, NJ (WWD)	www.cdd240.01g
	25-31	Airventure Aitshow	Oshkosh, WI (OSH)	www.eaa.org
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Aug	3	Capital Area Light Flyers (USUA4) meeting	Eyler Field	www.usua4.com
	4	EAA Chapter 524 Meeting	Frederick, MD (KFDK)	www.524.eaachapter.org
	4	EAA Chapter 4 monthly meeting	Laurel, MD (W18)	www.4.eaachapter.org
	11-15	Future Aviators Summer Camp 2	Toughkenamon, PA (N57)	www.eaa240.org
	16	EAA478 Chapter Meeting	Lexington Park, MD (2W6)	www.478.eaachapter.org
	18	EAA571 chapter meeting	Lee Airport (KANP)	www.571.eaachapter.org
	22-23	Airport Community Days	Lancaster, PA (KLNS)	www.lancasterairport.com
	25?	Atlantic City Air Show	Atlantic City, NJ	
	25?	Young Eagle Day	Massey Aerodrome (MD1)	www.masseyaero.org
	23-24	New Garden Festival of Flight Airshow	Toughkenamon, PA (N57)	www.eaa240.org
	27?	6 th Annual Easton Airport Day	Easton, MD (ESN)	eastonairportdays.com
	30-31?	NAS Patuxent Air Expo '12	Patuxent NAS, MD	paxairexpo.org
	27-1	Antique Aircraft Association Fly-in	Blakesburg, IA (IA27)	Antiqueairfield.org
Sep	1	22nd Annual Louisa County Airshow	Louisa County Airport/Freeman Field	Dawnp@nexet.net
	7	Capital Area Light Flyers (USUA4) meeting	Libertytown, Harrison Field (8MD5)	www.usua4.com
	1	EAA Chapter 524 Meeting	Frederick, MD (KFDK)	www.524.eaachapter.org
	1	EAA Chapter 4 monthly meeting	Laurel, MD (W18)	www.4.eaachapter.org
	7-8	Memphis Belle tour	Martin Airport, MD (KMTN)	www.libertyfoundation.org
	10-14	50 th annual Reno Air Races	Reno, NV	www.airrace.org
	13	Golden Age Flying Circus Air Show (2)	Bethel, PA (8N1)	www.goldenageair.org
	13?	21 st Ann. I Plane Pull & Open Hse	Dulles Airport, VA (IAD)	www.planepull.com

	13?	Trikefest East	Shreveport North, Wellsville, PA (PA62)	www.footlightranch.com
	13-15?	5 th Annual Assembly of Aeroncas	Shreveport North, Wellsville, PA (PA62)	www.footlightranch.com
	15	EAA478 Chapter Meeting	Lexington Park, MD (2W6)	www.478.eaachapter.org
	20	All You Can Eat Breakfast	Loch Haven, PA (KLHV)	www.sentimentaljourneyfly- in.com
	15	EAA571 chapter meeting	Lee Airport (KANP)	www.571.eaachapter.org
	20-21	Oceana Air Show NAS Oceana	Virginia Beach, VA	www.oceanaairshow.com
	20?	Essex Airport Wings and Wheels fly-in	Essex Airport, MD (W48)	www.essexskyparkassn.org
	21	43 rd Annual Fly-in	Jamestown, VA (KJGG)	wjairport@yahoo.com
	27	Wings & Wheels	Chesapeake Beach, VA (42VA)	www.militaryaviationmuseum. org
	27	Leesburg Air Show	Leesburg , VA	kdentler@leesburgva.gov
		Kentmore Open House	Kentmore Airport (3W3), MD	Roger Guest – 410-643-1770
Oct	1 st wknd	EAA186 Fall Fly-in	Winchester, VA (OKV)	www.eaa186.org
	1	Liberty ship SS John W. Brown Living History Cruise	Balt./Chesapeake Bay, MD	www.ssjohnwbrown.com
	1-2	3 rd Annual Mid-Atlantic WWI Dawn Patrol (R/C)	Chesapeake Beach, VA (42VA)	www.militaryaviationmuseum. org
	5	Capital Area Light Flyers (USUA4) meeting	Libertytown, Harrison Field (8MD5)	www.usua4.com
	6	EAA Chapter 524 Meeting	Frederick, MD (KFDK)	www.524.eaachapter.org
	6	EAA Chapter 4 monthly meeting	Laurel, MD (W18)	www.4.eaachapter.org
	4	Wings & Wheels Fall Festival	Georgetown, DE (GED)	www.wings-wheels.com
	4	All You Can Eat Breakfast	Loch Haven, PA (KLHV)	www.sentimentaljourneyfly- in.com
	5	USUA Club 1 Fall Fly-in and Cookout	Warrenton Airpark (WAP)	www.flyingclub1.org
	6	EAA Chapter 216 Fall Festival	Alloway, NJ	www.eaa216.org
	10-13	San Francisco Fleet Week	San Fran waterfront	www.fleetweek.us
	11	Collins Foundation B17, B24 & TP-51C	Westminster, MD (KDMW)	www.Carrolcountyairport.com
	11	Pancake Breakfast and Young Eagles	Toughkenamon, PA (N57)	www.eaa240.org
	11-12?	WWI wknd Military Aviation Museum	Virginia Beach, VA	www.militaryaviationmuseum. org
	11-12?	Vintage Sailplane Assoc Gathering	Massey Aerodrome (MD1)	www.masseyaero.org
	13-14?	Rotorfest	West Chester, PA	www.americanhelicopter.muse um
	20	EAA571 chapter meeting	Lee Airport (KANP)	www.571.eaachapter.org
	18	Air & Auto Classic Porsche Club of America	Chesapeake Beach, VA (42VA)	www.militaryaviationmuseum. org

	18-19	Great Pumpkin Fly-in	Bethel, PA (8N1)	www.goldenageair.org
	18	EAA478 Chapter Meeting	Lexington Park, MD (2W6)	www.478.eaachapter.org
	25	USUA Club 1 Color Run Fly-Out	Warrenton Airpark (WAP)	www.flyingclub1.org
	"Under evaluation"	Mid-Atlantic Fly-in	Lumberton, NC (LBT)	www.mafsac.com
Nov	2	Capital Area Light Flyers (USUA4) meeting	Glenair (MD46)	www.usua4.com
	3	EAA Chapter 4 monthly meeting	Laurel, MD (W18)	www.4.eaachapter.org
	3	EAA Chapter 524 Meeting	Frederick, MD (KFDK)	www.524.eaachapter.org
	8 -9	Aviation Nation, Nellis AFB	Las Vegas, NV	www.nellis.af.mil/aviationnatio n
	15	EAA478 Chapter Meeting	Lexington Park, MD (2W6)	www.478.eaachapter.org
	17	EAA571 chapter meeting	Lee Airport (KANP)	www.571.eaachapter.org
	28	"Planes, Trains, and Santa"	Chesapeake Beach, VA (42VA)	www.militaryaviationmuseum. org
Dec	3	49 th Holly Run to Tangier Island	Stevensville, MD (W29)	www.chesapeakesportpilot.co m
	3	EAA240 Holiday Party	Toughkenamon, PA (N57)	www.eaa240.org
	6	EAA Chapter 524 Meeting	Frederick, MD (KFDK)	www.524.eaachapter.org
	4	Massey Aerodrome Open Hangar Party	Massey, MD (MD1)	www.masseyaero.org
		CALF (USUA4) Christmas Party	Glenair (MD46)	www.usua4.com
		EAA Chapter 571 Holiday Party		www.571.eaachapter.org



Things we won't miss about Horn Point.

The Open Cockpit



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PAAS 2015 Calendar

April 16th, 2016	Fly-in planning meeting 1pm - ???
June 10 th , 2016	Potomac Antique Aero Squadron Antique Fly-In set-up day with club dinner at Kitty Knight House Restaurant afterwards.

June 11th, 2016 45th annual Antique Fly-in

More things we won't miss about Horn Point.

Help the Editor and Help the Club

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