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UPCOMING EVENTS

MARCH 2ND - 1ST WEDNESDAY - LAFANA MEMBERSHIP MEETING
@ EL RINCON DEL MAR @ 7:00 PM - 13742 SW 152ND STREET, MIAMI

MARCH 9TH - 2ND WEDNESDAY - FAA SAFETY SEMINAR - WATER SURVIVAL/EQUIPMENT @ 7:00 PM TO 9:00 PM AT F.S.D.O. 19, 8600 NW 36TH STREET, 3RD FLOOR, MIAMI. DOOR PRIZES.

MARCH 12TH - 2ND SATURDAY - LAFANA MONTHLY FLY-IN WILL NOT BE AT X51 BUT WILL BE AT RICHARD'S FIELD - 22001 SW 202 AVENUE. FOR THOSE OF US FLYING IN, BRIEF AT 0730, TAKE-OFF AT 0800. A MARVELOUS BREAKFAST (\$3.00) AT 0830 FOLLOWED BY THE LAFANA/FAA SAFETY SEMINAR "AIRSPACE SEMINAR" BY MARLOWE KRENICK - AIR TRAFFIC CONTROL INSTRUCTOR AT 0930. DOOR PRIZES.

MARCH 12TH - 2ND SATURDAY - LAFANA PIG ROAST AT RICHARDS FIELD - 22001 SW 202 AVENUE AT NOON. THE PIGS WILL HAVE BEEN ROASTING FOR FIVE HOURS! WHAT A GREAT MEAL! BRING THE FAMILY. FLY OR DRIVE.

MARCH 19TH - 3RD SATURDAY - LAFANA FLY-OUT TO MARATHON IN THE KEYS! THE MARATHON SEAFOOD FESTIVAL. BRIEF AT 0730, TAKE-OFF AT 0800. BACK BY FIVE.

OVER THE HORIZON

APRIL - 12th - 18th - SUN-N FUN IN LAKELAND, FL.

NOVEMBER 5th & 6th - LAFANA'S ANNUAL AIR FAIR.

FOR INFORMATION, CALL CAP'N BOB AT (786) 473-9461 (CELL)

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**THE PRESIDENT’S PEN
BY: RON ANDERSEN**

Chapter 71’s overnight Fly-In to Opa-locka West was a big success. This year we decided to trailer our plane in instead of flying in as we did previously. We arrived around 0830 and started putting our plane together. The assembly, which usually takes us about an hour and a half, took almost three hours. When we assemble at X51 I usually get distracted by talking to someone but Claire always keeps working so there’s no time lost. This time we both spent time visiting so the plane took twice as long to assemble. I guess this proves everyone’s theory, Claire does most of the work. Chapter 71 provided grilled hamburgers and hotdogs for lunch, an Italian buffet for dinner and a great breakfast with eggs, pancakes, waffles, sausage and bacon. The karaoke after dinner Saturday was also a big hit. The weather all weekend was perfect which kept everyone flying both days. Another great event to look forward to next year.

Lafa’s Annual Pig Roast is coming up Saturday, March 12th. As you know, this year it will be held at Richard’s Field. Since Richard’s Field is a private airstrip, this is a great opportunity to either fly in or drive in to a rather unique airfield. Richard’s is a laid back grass airfield with an array of antique and homebuilt aircraft. Spending an afternoon eating good food, listening to a live band and watching unique aircraft should be something we all would enjoy. Mark your calendars and don’t miss this great opportunity.

Our March fly-out on Saturday the 19th is going to be down to Marathon for the Annual Seafood Festival. If you’ve never flown over the Keys, you don’t know what you’re missing. The shallow crystal clear water has an abundance of sea life, which can be viewed from the air. Everything from manatees and dolphin to shark and rays can be seen. Since this is a one day excursion, we’ll be flying down in the morning, having lunch at the Seafood Festival, then flying back home that same afternoon. Be sure to show up early, the flight briefing is at 0730.

Ron Andersen

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QUICKEE QUIZ

BY: CAP'N BOB

Sport Pilot questions from Sport Pilot 2005 by Aviation Supplies & Academics, Inc.

1) If sunset is 2021 and the end of evening civil twilight is 2043, when must a sport pilot terminate the flight?

- A) 2021
- B) 2043
- C) 2121

2) How many passengers is a sport pilot allowed to carry on board?

- A) One
- B) Two
- C) Three

(Answers on Page #4)

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* BFI = Basic Flight Instructor
 * AFI = Advanced Flight Instructor
 * A&P = Airframe & Powerplant

** ACL = Aerodynamic Control Land
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 ** WSL = Weight Shift Land

**FLYING FIRSTS
FOR THE MONTH OF
MARCH**

By: Cap'n Bob

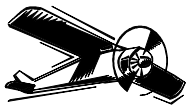
<u>DATE</u>	<u>YEAR</u>	<u>EVENT</u>
MAR. 11TH	1912	U.S. Navy authorizes "not more than \$50.00" for study of vertical lift aircraft.
MAR. 15TH	1906	Rolls Royce is registered as a public company.
MAR. 18TH	1910	First flight in Australia - by American Eric Weiss (aka magician Harry Houdini).
MAR. 18-20TH	1937	Amelia Earhart and crew fly around the world from Oakland, Ca. in a Lockheed Electra.
MAR. 23RD	1921	World record parachute jump - Lt. Arthur Hamilton jumped from 24,400 feet.
MAR. 23RD	1944	Ft. Sgt. Nicholas Alkemade jumps without a parachute from his burning RAF Lancaster bomber, falls 18,000 ft. without injury into a deep snow bank.

ANSWERS TO QUICKEE QUIZ ON PAGE 3

- 1) A sport pilot may not act as pilot in command of an aircraft between sunset and sunrise. A sport pilot must land by sunset. The answer is "A" 2021.
- 2) Sport pilots may not act as pilot in command of a light sport aircraft while carrying more than one passenger. The answer is "A" One.

"Never fly faster than your guardian angel"

Barbara Musgrove



Dawn Patrol

by: Barry Hawkes

Arriving at X-51U I can see the sun just start illuminating the horizon. You can hardly see anything for the fog that has set in. While preflighting you can see the droplets of water floating by swirling by your movement. Briefing time is here and Capt Bob delivers the briefing so that the flight of 4 Ultralights will be informed of the schedule of the flight. We all wait for the fog to clear. Soon the Sun is visible, the fog is burning off and the roar of engines can be heard. Taxi out, runway check and everyone is off. As we climb out the fields and farms are clearly visible for as far as you can see. The air is calm and smooth as you feel as though you are floating on a magic invisible blanket of air. South towards the Crop Duster strip we fly then East towards the Homestead Motor Sports Park. We can see activity there as they are preparing for a motorcycle race later in the day. Switch to Homestead Regional Tower frequency "Homestead Regional flight of 4 ultralights 5 miles out entering..." of which Homestead responds "...cleared for a low approach...". We can see the lines of F-16's parked on the Reserve area and a KC-10 parked near the tower. Low and slow we travel the 11,000 feet of runway to climb out at the end and head for Mount Trashmore. The birds just seem to be everywhere so we stay well above them. Then pointing toward the Channel 6 tower we cross US1. Traffic is light and moving rapidly. We can see that the area is waking up on this early Saturday morning. Flying just South of the Channel 6 tower we can see the open fields of South Dade and in the distance is X-51U. Flying into the traffic pattern at 45degrees, downwind, crosswind, final and touchdown. The 4 Ultralights return safely back at X-51U with another beautiful "Round Robin" flight completed. Many thanks to pilots and planners of this wonderful flight "Capt' Bob Musgrove, Jeff Obermeier, Ronald Russel and Barry Hawkes".

Lafa's ANNUAL PIG ROAST AT RICHARD'S FIELD MARCH 12TH

This year our Annual Pig Roast will be held at Richard's Field. If you plan to fly-in, Richard's Field (04FA) is located at N25-33-31.39 W80-30-54.21 or about four nautical miles NNE of X51. Richard's Field has one 2634' x 90' turf runway 09/27 and utilizes a tight left hand pattern at an altitude of 800 feet. Enter the pattern on the downwind leg at a 45 degree angle and depart the pattern on the crosswind leg at a 45 degree angle. A lot of the aircraft that use Richard's Field don't have radios so not only announce your location and your intentions on 122.8 Unicom but keep a sharp lookout for all traffic that might not be able to announce their location. Remember to bring tie-down stakes and rope for your aircraft and please RSVP either pig@lafa.com or Alex Kinghorn at 786-356-4276.

Lafa MEETING MINUTES

DATE: 2/02/05

OFFICER PRESIDING: Ron Andersen

CALLED TO ORDER: 1920 hrs.

SILENT ROLL CALL: 6 total

MEMBER INTRODUCTIONS: None present

<i>Ron Andersen</i>	<i>Bob Musgrove</i>
<i>Paul Davies</i>	<i>Barry Hawkes</i>
<i>Adler Constant</i>	<i>Roal Lee</i>

TREASURER'S REPORT: Passed around, accepted.

SAFETY OFFICER REPORT: Always keep your aircraft tied down, sudden gusts can change direction and flip an aircraft without warning.

OTHER REPORTS: None

COMMITTEE REPORTS: None

OLD BUSINESS: Opa-Locka West Fly-in - Barry Hawkes volunteered to drive ground support. Meet at X51 manager's office at 0700 Saturday morning. Lafa's Annual Pig Roast - Barry Hawkes to check with Rich Bragassa to verify that all Lafa members are invited to fly in to Richards Field.

NEW BUSINESS: Discussed bringing up another petition to rename Homestead General Aviation Airport to Curtis Pitts Field like we did at our 2002 Air Fair. Bob Musgrove to mail a Lafa Calendar of Events to John Travolta to see if he could make an appearance at one of our events.

MEETING ADJOURNED: 2045 hrs.

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