

POTTSTOWN AIRCRAFT OWNERS AND PILOTS

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December 2020 News, enticing articles, and more...

Dear Members,

We had a nice turnout for our fly out breakfast to Sky Manor last month. There were 5 airplanes and 10 members. For the first time on a breakfast run our little yellow airplane made the scene to play with the big boys. We had a Bonanza, Skyhawk, Skylane, Cardinal and the Cub. Andy and Ron left in the Cub with a 15-minute head start and did not do too bad, they beat the Cardinal, (I think they left late). After we got back home, I took the Cub out for a bit myself. Love that airplane. With the snow this week we bundled up and put the skis on and tried that too. What a blast!

It is a shame that with Governor Wolfe's latest restrictions over the holidays we had to cancel our Christmas dinner party. Hopefully with the Covid vaccine now available it won't be long until things can get back to normal.

Hopefully, we'll be able to have our January 28 general meeting for the election of 2021 officers. Stay tuned for an update on the situation and location.

Our fly out is for Millville was pushed off to this Sunday at 9 AM. I will try to get the 182 out of the hanger. If not, maybe I'll catch a ride with someone if the weather holds out. Hope to see you there.

Your Prez, Erik Forde



I know we had a headwind on the way to breakfast. I don't think there are too many airplanes that cruise slower than a J3C-65. I think our ground speed was around 60 MPH. We enjoyed watching the other planes flying above and past us on the way. Ron was at the controls and I had my hands in my pockets as the back seat is the colder seat. Nowadays with most airplanes having the required ADSB equipment its nice to look up Flight Aware online and see just how straight and level your flights turn out. Although I like that, the Cub was born without an electrical system and we take full advantage of §91.225(e) and §91.215(b)(3)(5). Its nice to know there are folks in the FAA's rulemaking body looking out for these little airplanes and our privileges to keep flying them. I believe its clubs like ours and surely the AOPA and EAA that have a lot to do with that as well as some fine American pilots that work at the FAA.
Ed.

2020 Officers and Directors

President: **Erik Forde** Vice President: **Mike McNamera** Secretary/Treasurer: **John Green**
Directors: **Gene Poppel, Barry Kerchner, Andy Landis, Kathy Brenneman/Laura Poppel, Alan Jones**
and **Tim Drager** (President Ex-Officio)

Attendees: John Green, Erik Forde, Andy Landis, Gene Poppel, Laura Poppel

Secretary Report: The minutes from the last meeting were read. Motion made and carried to approve the minutes.

Treasurer Report: Nov. 2020

Starting Balance	\$4,972.98	
Income	\$804.01	
Expenses	\$1,024.74	
Outstanding Payments	\$0.00	
Ending Balance	\$4,752.25	- \$235.23 for Youth Education Fund
Gain (Loss)	(\$220.73)	

The Oct. spaghetti dinner netted \$224.

Motion made and carried to accept the Treasurer's report.

Old Business:

- Proposal was made to buy a propane heater for The Roost. After discussion, the proposal was dropped. **Donated by a member, installed by another member**
- Discussion on replacing the two windows in kitchen area. We decided to pursue a fund raiser to pay for this improvement as the annual budget will not support purchasing at this time. **OPEN**
- We need to clean out shed (**COMPLETE**), dig down the floor area, and add a stone base. Will follow up with a concrete floor in the future. **OPEN**
- Monthly dinner on Saturday Dec. 19th will be our annual Holiday Party.
- Discussion on T-shirts and golf shirts with PAOP logo to sell. **TABLED**
- Discussion of two-tier pricing for monthly dinners. The idea would be to give a discount to PAOP members and family. Discussed and voted down.
- Discussion on use of electronic cards for The Flyer's Roost key given to members after a nominal hours of service, donation or premium membership. This will allow more members to utilize The Flyer's Roost during off hours. **TABLED**

Planned 2020 PAOP Events, Flyouts and Meetings

Date	Event	Comment
12-27-2020	Millville (KMIV)	Brunch at Verna's
1-7-2021	Executive Meeting	At the Roost, Investment account discussion
1-28-2021	Annual Meeting	Election of Officers
1-31-2021	Frederick, MD (KFDK)	Brunch