

POTTSTOWN AIRCRAFT OWNERS AND PILOTS

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

Dear Members,

Due to the Governor's current restrictions and guidelines it is difficult to organize regular club dinner meetings with speakers as was the norm. We are working on a speaker from AOPA but that has been postponed from July to August or September with uncertainty.

The club has been utilizing our pavilion asset for open outside events. Our Memorial Day cookout was a reasonable success with 2 dozen folks in attendance. I believe everyone had a good time and enjoyed the food. My thanks go out to all that participated and especially to those that helped on cleanup day to organize and open the Roost for the event. Our close neighbors and friends, the EAA used the Roost last weekend for their cookout and had a nice turn out as well.

We are currently organizing a 4th of July Chicken Barbecue off our grill at the pavilion. The food committee is ordering supplies including Italian sausages for sandwiches with peppers and onions. If you wish to bring a dessert, salad, or something special please do, but it is most certainly not required. Due to the expense of ordering food a RSVP would be much appreciated so we have a better handle on how much to order. Contact Kathy at 484-919-2586 or kathybrenneman@gmail.com or Andy at 215 527 7440 or flyaaviation@gmail.com. The date is July 4th and the time 1:00 to 4:00 ? A \$15.00 donation would be appreciated.

We have an awesome fly out to Kentmorr scheduled for the end of the month. You can get your crab sandwich dockside by the waterfront. The luncheon departure will be 10:00 meet up for a 10:30 wheels up. Read more about this on page 3 and I hope to see you Dockside.

Your Pres Erik Forde

PS. A special note of thanks to Mike McNamara for buying the parts and making the grills operational for the 2020 season and Barry Kerchner for supplying his pressure washer to clean up the tables. That's the kind of help we need, Thank you.



Erik and Tom replacing pavilion post footers and
Andy clearing away the obsolete bonfire pit.
Photos by Tom McCaa

2020 Officers and Directors

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

PAOP Board Meeting
June 11, 2020

Attendees: John Green, Erik Forde, Andy Landis, Kathy Brenneman, Tim Drager

Treasurer Report: May 2020

Starting Balance \$4,005.47
Income \$ 513.00
Expenses \$1,041.00
Ending Balance \$3,537.47 - \$235.23 for Youth Education Fund
Gain (Loss) \$ (468.00)

Not included in report:

- Insurance paid on 6/5/20 = \$993.00
- Transfer of \$130 to Univest Bank PAOP account \$130

As of June 8th, 43 of 140 members have renewed or joined. This does not include the 10 who do not pay dues based on past presidency or other criteria.

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

Old Business:

- Need to repaint breakfast PAOP signs or have banner signs made at Vista Print. Cost is approximately \$50 each. We are considering buying 2 or 3 to use for the Pancake Breakfast. John G. will look to repaint current signs in June/July timeframe.
- Need to level sidewalk and bathroom step. **DONE**
- Remove old PAOP sign from side of shed on May 23rd. **DONE**
- PAOP Breakfast on 9/13/20 (decision @ July meeting) , may also do lunches during the summer.

New Business:

- July 4th picnic from 1 - 4 PM. Hot dogs, Italian sausage, onions and peppers and ½ chicken. Members are welcome to bring a dish to pass. Motion made and carried.
- Discussed possibility of \$5 discount for prompt (prior to March 31st) payment from lapsed members and/or for previous year members. Also discussed Life Membership for one-time payment of \$600. Membership in a 501(c)3 is deductible under IRS rules. Will revisit both these proposals.
- EAA donated \$50 for use of pavilion on June 13th.
- Fly-out for June 28th to 3W3, Kentmorr Md.
- Next Business Meeting July 2nd

Meeting adjourned at 8:10 PM

Respectfully submitted,
John Green

Planned 2020 PAOP Flyouts

Date	Event	Comment
6/28/20	Kentmorr Marina, Stevensville, MD (3W3)	Crabs!
7/26/20	Ocean City, NJ (26N)	Brunch
8/30/20	Cape May, NJ (KWWD)	Sunday date afternoon dinner
9/27/20	Sky Acres (44N)	Brunch
10/24/20 (Sat)	Grimes	Great Pumpkin Fly-in
11/22/20	Sky Manor (N40)	Brunch
12/20/20	Millville (KMIV)	Brunch at Verna's
1/31/21	Frederick, MD (KFDK)	Brunch

The background of these pages is the raising of our flag at Sunrise this past Memorial Day. Thank you to all our Veterans and Armed Services members!

CRABS TIME AGAIN

Flying for seafood—crabs, particularly—is our traditional start to the summer flyout season. We'll begin summer with a flight to Kentmorr Restaurant and Crab House in Stevensville, MD for a bayside crab lunch and a grass field adventure. Join us on June 28 to exercise those rusty(?) soft field/short field takeoff and landing skills at 3W3 on our way to the restaurant. It serves varied tastes, even for cheeseburger lovers, but the big attraction is things that scuttle around the bottom of the Bay with a bad attitude. The spicy steamed Maryland blue crab, with the meat picked by your own hand, is a specialty. There are also outstanding crab cakes. Start off with a salad, or with Maryland crab soup, and finish with their wide selection of dessert specialties.

Kentmorr Marina, a residential airpark development on Kent Island, MD, features an airport, a beach, and the restaurant. With current virus precautions, we can enjoy outdoor deck or grass area. Parties will be seated with a maximum of six people per table. Check it out at www.kentmorr.com.

Our flight destination is Kentmorr Airpark (3W3), on Kent Island, a few miles south of the Chesapeake Bay Bridge. This delightful spot is served by a 2,400 foot (displaced thresholds make it 2,200 feet for landing), well-tended grass airport. On the likely warm day, you will want to be current on density altitude, and on short and soft field procedures. We'll be checking NOTAMs for a last-minute update on the condition of the field. Then, it's just a short walk to the restaurant.

Take a look at www.3w3.us for airport details, including local procedures (the Washington Special Flight Rules Area is nearby) and photos of some PAOP planes on a past visit. It's an easy trip down the east side of the Bay. However, you must not stray across the bay, lest you get a close-up view of some Coast Guard helicopters.

We'll gather at Penn Airways at 1000 for 1030 takeoff to arrive in time for lunch. Reservations are requested by the restaurant. All are welcome—introduce a friend to the fun of general aviation. Contact Gene Poppel at 610-647-1332 or genepoppel@comcast.net to let him know you are coming.



Some of our new members



Joel McFarland is a soloed Student Pilot getting some of his inspiration for flight from his grandfather. Joel finds time to fly this nice Piper Cherokee between his busy heavy truck Mechanic's position with Pequea Transport and working on his house in Temple PA. Keep studying for that written Joel!

Chad Yoder is a Private Pilot standing here with a smile that comes from a fresh complex endorsement. Chad is a Partner / Insurance advisor with FIFS in Telford where his Aviation enthusiasm has led him into the aircraft insurance market.



Let the joy of flight be shared, to all who wish to try!