



Williamson Flying Club

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Important Dates:

General Meeting

April 13, 2006
7:30 PM at the Club-
house

Board Meeting

May 4, 2006
7:00 PM at the Club-
house

50th Anniversary Banquet

Friday, April 28, 2006
Sodus Bay Heights
Country Club

Fly-In Breakfast

May 21, 2006

Fly-In Breakfast Committee Chair Meeting

Our next meeting for all co-committee chairpersons will be on Thursday, April 13th, at 6:00 P.M. in the clubhouse, just prior to the monthly general meeting. All Committee Chairpersons are requested to attend this meeting. Contact Bill Bach or Bob Fratangelo with any questions.

WFC Flyer



*Celebrating 50 Years
1956-2006*

"You can get a used airplane for about the same price as a sports car. The difference is, when you go 75 mph in a sports car and pull back on the steering wheel, nothing very interesting happens."

April, 2006

Anniversary Banquet to Celebrate WFC's 50 Years...

For half a century the Williamson Flying Club has provided a place for pilots to come together and share their love of all things aviation. We are celebrating our first half-century of flight with a return to the Spring Banquet, which was held annually during the club's early years. The fifty-year anniversary only comes around once and our golden anniversary Banquet on April 28th is shaping up to be quite special. The program will reflect on our unique growth from the beginnings to the pre-

sent and there will be a well-deserved recognition of the charter members for their vision and hard work. Featured guests will include past officers. The dinner will be held at its original location, the Sodus Bay Heights Golf Club and turnout is already high. The evening begins at 5:30 with hot and cold hors d'oeuvres. The Steamship Buffet dinner begins at 6:30 and includes beef, ham, and chicken. All members who haven't signed up for the dinner are reminded to do so in the clubhouse or call



Sodus Bay Heights Golf Club prepares for the return of WFC's Spring Banquet

Dave or Joann Cansdale at 315-594-4577 to make reservations. The \$22 per-person cost includes tax and tip and will be billed on each attending members' monthly statement.

...and the 42nd Annual Pancake Breakfast Isn't Far Behind!

While eight years younger than our flying club, the Pancake Breakfast is no spring chicken! Except she still delivers great eggs! Oh, and Pancakes and sausage and aircraft from all over and huge crowds. That's why we need all members to volunteer to make this another successful year! Saturday, May 20th is setup day, and while we need volunteers for Saturday,

the bulk of the work starts at 6:00 a.m. on Sunday, May 21st. All WFC members are asked to help on Sunday. We need sausage turners, batter pourers, plane monitors, syrup bottlers, table cleaners and even question-answerers to work the information desk! After the breakfast is over, we can use every hand available to help clean up quickly. If you haven't

already been contacted by a committee chairperson, please call Bob Fratangelo at 315-419-2534 or Bill Bach at 585-244-4044 to volunteer for the Breakfast. All WFC members will be receiving their allotment of ten Breakfast Tickets soon. If more tickets are needed, please contact Bill or Bob.

4CF is Back! 1DT Not Far Behind



444CF in February, awaiting an overhauled engine. 701DT will be ready soon.

N444CF has been finished at Williamson Aero and is available for club use. N701DT will be ready soon. The club has been able to accomplish these overhauls without borrowing money

Special
Presentation
The April 13th
General meeting
will feature
another chapter
of WFC's
history: "Land
Acquisition &
Buildings".

Pilot Report

Dave Cansdale earned his Seaplane Rating on March 4th at Winterhaven in Florida.

Mike Bjerga is currently holding a Private Pilot Ground School. Pilots are welcome to attend individual sessions for "refreshers". Check www.wfcpilots.org for the schedule.

Flight Rx by Dr. Pam Tarkington

Deep Vein Thrombosis or Blood Clots

Blood clots are usually thought of as to be in the legs, but they can exist elsewhere and cause just as much havoc—or perhaps, more. We do not know the exact cause of this condition, although there are several situations that make this more



likely to happen. The big one is immobilization. This can be a long plane ride or lying in bed in a hospital. Preg-

nancy and cancer are other big factors. If any of you have been in the hospital, you were probably given "shots" in your abdomen—that was heparin, a blood thinner—to prevent clots. If you are unfortunate enough to develop blood clots, your doctor will prescribe heparin or lovonox given as an injection. Later, you will probably be given warfarin/coumadin as a pill to keep your blood "thin". Your physician will determine, based on your clinical situation, how long these drugs will be continued. You will need a blood test called an INR to determine the dosage of this drug. There are also surgical procedures your physician may

recommend. Why worry? There are two basic reasons: 1) a loosed clot might travel from the legs causing a "pulmonary embolism". This can compromise your respiratory function or lead to death; 2) it might travel to your heart and then to your brain which can cause a stroke or death. Both are potentially lethal.

As a pilot or passenger on a long trip, you can do things to prevent these complications. Get up and walk around the aircraft or contract and relax your calf muscles. Move your feet toe to heel, up and down. If you've experienced DVT, the FAA will need to know why and what meds you might be taking for your next medical. Again, if you have had any sort of a new medical condition or your meds have changed, please contact your AME prior to your next examination for your medical certification.

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Treasurer's Report by Bob Herloski

Hopefully, by the time you read this, we'll have at least one of our two overhauled engines operational, and the other should follow in a week or two. Financially, we were able to completely cover the costs of both engines (plus one propeller) from existing engine funds and did not need to borrow any money.

I will be starting our gradual

transition to electronic billing this month. I have entered all the email addresses from aircraftclubs.com into our Quickbooks database and set email or US Mail preferences in the database based on your contacts with me, if any. If I haven't heard from you and you have an email address in aircraftclubs.com, you have been assigned email preference. If I haven't heard from you and you don't have an email address in aircraftclubs.com, you have been assigned US Mail

preferences. This month, all members with email addresses who have NOT indicated US Mail preferences will receive an electronic statement. If you received one, but did not want to, please let me know. Note that for this month, everyone will still receive a hardcopy version of their monthly invoice and newsletter. However, starting next month, everyone who has been assigned email preference will receive ONLY an electronic newsletter, invoice and statement, if all goes well. Please let me know of any questions/concerns/comments....