

The WFC Flyer



Important Dates

General Meeting

January 12, 2012
7:00 PM Clubhouse

Board Meeting

February 2, 2012
7:00 PM Clubhouse

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From the President -2012

With the "rollback" rates in effect and the weather thus far this winter has been nothing less than exceptional for flying. Take advantage of the situation while the weather is cooperating. I hope all of you had an enjoyable holiday season. Our Christmas party was a success. Thanks goes out to Glenn Barlis for coordinating the party and to Mike Bjerga for a great job as the Master of Ceremonies.

The New Year is here and with that comes the club elections. The positions for all 4 officers and a director's position are up for election. Please take this time and give thought about running for an office, or think of a member who would work for the benefit of the club as a whole and nominate them to run for an office.

I would like to take a moment to share some of the things that I spoke to the members at the Christmas party.

Pilots from around the region, and beyond are coming to our airport to partake in what this airport has to offer and telling others about it. The driving force of what this airport has to offer is through the continued efforts of the members of this club. I say thank you for being a part of what we are today.

As with any year we endured challenges but, through such challenges, the opportunity for us to excel in these situations can happen. For example, we now have an extended team concept for airport operations, along with some enhancements to further support those operations.

Continued success occurs in our club with volunteers contributing to keeping the airport grounds mowed and areas cleared of snow. Success continues with our instructors who train members to initial and advanced ratings, give introductory flights, and conduct safety seminars. Continued support of the aircraft maintenance crews who oversee preventative maintenance with the aircraft. Continued praise for all Breakfast participants, whatever your part may be.

The Finance Committee with the assistance and guidance of the Treasurer worked hard in developing a finance tool to enable the team to examine the financial details of club operations.

To the Board of Directors list on the left who gave me their input and support, I thank them. An analogy that I like to make is that our airport is our playing field and our members are the team on that field. The Board of Directors is the Coaching Staff and many of them are "player coaches". The Coaching Staff's duty is to look out for all members of the team.

Finally, to the membership as a whole; I thank you for your continued support and input. I thank you for allowing me to be your club president. Without you the membership, we could not be the noteworthy flying club that others respect and wish to emulate.

With many hands and minds working together towards a goal or goals, we can continue to achieve. As I had mentioned previously, we have some wonderful and talented members in this club. It is through the continued contributions and efforts of the membership that we can achieve and meet the challenges ahead.

Respectfully,

Duane Sims

OUR OLFACTORY SENSE

The sense of smell originates in our nose (surprise) and is then transmitted from there to the brain where the various scents are discerned.

Humans aren't as good as our canine friends when it comes to detecting odors: we have about 1/4 of "smell cells" in our noses than they do and theirs are about 100 times larger. Humans have 7 primary odors that they detect (camphoric, musk, roses, ethanol, peppermint, pungent and putrid) and from these we can normally detect up to 10,000 distinct odors.

Located high up in the nasal cavity are certain chemoreceptors. Also in the nose are cilia (hair like projections). Odor producing substances are transported in the air and lodge in the mucus of the nose and the cilia pass them along to these specialized cells. Without getting involved with the biochemistry of what happens, these specialized cells send signals to the brain via the olfactory nerve which then interprets this as a particular odor. There is also a second pathway from the roof of the mouth to the brain.

There is a certain loss of our sense of smell as we get older: most people over the age of 65 have a certain amount of loss and it is much more common in men than in women.

The loss of the sense of smell is called anosmia (near total) and the partial loss is called hyposmia. What causes these? There are multiple causes from a sinus infection to the common cold. Other causes include nasal polyps, dental abscess, head injuries or tumors, certain chemicals (insecticide and solvents), certain medications: (antihistamine, antibiotics, etc) and certain diseases (Parkinson, Alzheimer's).

Our sense of smell is important to us as pilots: think about not being able to smell a fire or an oil leak or if your rear seat passenger was airsick (well, it might be better not to smell that).

HAPPY NEW YEAR

From the Secretary's Desk

A reminder that signed 2012 Leases are due by the end of the month. If your insurance is still current then it is not necessary to turn in proof of insurance with your new lease. Insurance updates can be submitted when renewed.

There are no members currently occupying North Facing closed hangers on the waiting list for a South facing list. If you are interested please contact [Steve Murray](#).

Apple Blossom Breakfast

We are in need of a new rental source for tables and chairs. We need approximately 55 8ft tables and 400 chairs for the event. Any member who knows of a source and can possibly obtain a quote should pass the information along to [Bill Bach](#) or any board member.

If you are interested in participating on the Breakfast committee please contact [Bill Bach](#).

Here are some Winter Flying Tips which are posted at <http://www.williamsonflyingclub.com/phpBB3/index.php>

1. Tips on winter flying

- Flight Plan along well traveled roads / airports
- Watch for cars with fresh snow (indication of snow ahead)
- Turn around if visibility becomes reduces File a flight plan (Update en-route if required to divert)
- Have an ELT
- Ask other pilots
- Plan an "Out"; Update you "Out" as necessary.
- En-route weather from AWOS/ASOS, Flight Service, Flight Watch (122.0), ATC and PIREP's
- Check departure/destination airport conditions before you come out to the airport. Check AWOS Online for current and historical weather; Check WEBCAM Online for surface conditions
- Give time for airport to be cleared of snow after a shower
- Call destination airport for conditions
- Runway lighting may be obscured
- Watch for snow removal equipment
- Prepare a basic kit including things like blankets, high calorie snacks, fire starting gear.
- Check that you are using proper power settings! RPM's used during the summer are too much for winter air density.

2. Aircraft Preparation

- Install aircraft oil cooler covers
- Use proper grade of oil
- Check crankcase breather for ice blockage
- Inspect Heater components
- Check slack on control cables
- Keep battery fully charged
- Remove wheel covers

3. Aircraft Operation

Preflight

- Drain fuel sumps, checking for blockage
- Preheat engine as well as cockpit if possible Below 20 F
- Leave Pre-heat plugged in until ready to start
- If engine is cold, turn propeller through by hand a few times to loosen things up

Do not Over Prime (may scour cylinders or cause fire)
Beware of spark plug icing, Use of carburetor heat may help prevent

- Allow radios to warm up
- Check to be sure (Blown) snow is removed from hiding spots
- Check Fuel Vents
- Remove all ice and frost from aircraft surfaces, hinges, pivot points, spinner and other
- Watch for Ice/Snow on Hangar Roof and Pull aircraft well clear to prevent potential "Avalanche"

Taxiing

- Avoid sharp turn and quick stops
- Recheck steering/braking effectiveness along taxi
- Slow down and leave plenty of room for coasting/slowing before anticipated turns
- Avoid snow drifts (Ice beneath)

WEBINAR: Abnormal Procedures for GA

Topic: Developing 'Abnormal Procedures' Checklists for General Aviation On Tuesday, January 17, 2012 at 3:00 PM (8PM, 11PM) Location:Bright Spot, Inc. Hilton, NY 14468 Bring your computer!

It's getting to be that time again – WFC officer and director nominations are upon us. General Membership meeting attendance of 6 or more meetings is required to be eligible for nomination. Below is the current tally for this year – there is one more opportunity for attendance, the January meeting.

Six or More Meetings Attended (38)		5 Meetings Attended (6)
Alesci, Anthony	Karpenko, Chris	DeCracker, Ron
Allen, Rick	Malchoff, Doc	Guild, Dave
Ankrom, Dennis	Malec, Michael	Lauster, John
Bach, Bill	Marcheonda, Dick	Ludwig, Terry
Barlis, Glenn	McCutchan, Rick	Markovitz, James
Bebernitz, Michael	Mehserle, Eric	Robideau, Bob
Bjerga, Mike	Merritt, Lance	
Brean, Doug	Murray, Steven	
Caldwell, Gary	O'Donnell, Jim	
Christian, Randy	Pierce, Michael	
Cournoyer, Robert	Schoeneman, Carl	
DeGroote, Jake	Shaw, Dennis	
Ebert, Joe	Shippers, Michael	
Englund, Francis	Sims, Duane	
Foti, Ron	Stevens, Gary	
Fuller, Jack	Swingley, Dick	
Gates, Steve	Tarkington, Pam	
Henderson, Thomas	Wilkonski, Ed	
Herloski, Robert	Zeck, Jesse	