



The Leader In Recreational Aviation

Chapter 736 Newsletter for November 2005

OCTOBER MEETING

Last month's meeting was held on Oct 18. A recap of the events regarding the clearing of brush behind the clubhouse was presented by Mike Watson. No further admonitions from the town manager have been received so we all hope the matter has been put to bed. Ed Roy has begun paying the airport for two pads as a result of the chapter having increased space available.

Wilkes and Jayne, with the expert guidance of Frank Erskine, continued with the Poly Fiber practice kit. More will be done at the next meeting.

Mike announced that the chapter had received a leather jacket from EAA's national office. It will be raffled off at the 2006 Fly-In.

DOT EXTENDS COMMENT PERIOD AND PUBLIC HEARINGS

A *Federal Register* notice published Nov.8, 2005 verified U.S. Secretary of Transportation Norman Mineta's announcement last week of a 90-day extension to the public comment period for the proposed permanent Washington, D.C. Aviation Defense Identification Zone (ADIZ). The extension comes in response to more than 18,000 comments to this controversial proposal, including those from Congressional representatives, EAA, National Business Aviation Administration (NBAA), General Aviation Manufacturers Association (GAMA), and the Aircraft Owners and Pilots Association (AOPA) asking for the extension as well as public meetings. The new comment deadline is February 6, 2006.

FAA says dates and locations for the promised public meetings will be announced at a later date in the Federal Register. EAA and AOPA urged the FAA to hold a series of meetings throughout the affected region to provide all pilots, airport operators, and small business operators a reasonable opportunity to be heard. Additionally, EAA stressed that as key players in requesting codification of the D.C. ADIZ, the U.S. departments of Transportation, Defense, Homeland Security, Justice, and the U.S. Capital Police should also participate in the public meetings.

EAA and AOPA encourage members to continue submitting comments. (You can submit as many times as you wish.) If you have already submitted a comment and have another important concern, you can submit an additional comment.

EAA also asks that members who received replies to letters or e-mails to local Congressmen or other government officials please fax those replies to the DOT Docket at 202/493-2251, or submit them via the DOT Docket web site - <http://dms.dot.gov/submit/dspSubmission.cfm>. Enter FAA-2004-17005 in the Docket ID block, and then complete the page according to instructions.

UPCOMING FAA SAFETY BRIEFING

TITLE: "Weather"

Topic Weather

Date /Time **Thursday, November 17, 2005, starting at 6:00 pm**

Speaker(s) To be determined

Brief Description Review of weather systems and weather reports.

Event Location **Owls Head Transportation Museum**
117 Museum Street
Owls Head, ME 04854

Directions Rte 1 to Rte 73 in Rockland. On Rte 73 follow signs for museum.

Seating 70 seats at the facility, 56 remaining for online registration.

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Full Description Weather affects every flight. Even on calm, clear days we need to consider the weather in our flight planning activities and monitor it during flight. On less than stellar days it can become a source of concern. And weather continues to occupy a top position as a leading causal factor in many aircraft accidents. Join us for a review of weather systems and weather data sources. Sponsored by the Owls Head Transportation Museum.

NEXT MEETING

Our next meeting will be held at OWK on Tuesday, November 15 at 7:30 p.m.