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## Chapter 736 Newsletter for December 2007



### Officers for 2008

The annual election of chapter officers was held at the November meeting. Elected were:

Mike Watson, President  
Wilkes Harper, Vice President  
Ben Brown, Secretary  
Ed Roy, Treasurer  
Bob Gembala, Newsletter and Web Master  
Al Yarberry, Membership Coordinator

### FAA Wants Help Eliminating Useless Rules

Have you come across something that's archaic, antiquated or just plain useless in your travels through the regs? Well, the FAA says it wants to know about it. The agency has issued a **Review of Existing Regulations** that invites anyone with a beef about how the law of the air is now set to drop them a line. "Getting public comments is a necessary element of our effort to make our regulations more effective and less burdensome," the agency claims in the document. It's asking that you list the top three aggravations in descending order for it to consider. The FAA has to do this under **Executive Order 12866** and provides a long list of efforts toward that end. "Our goal is to identify regulations that impose undue regulatory burden; are no longer necessary; or overlay, duplicate, or conflict with other Federal regulations," the document says

What follows is information from the FAA's web site:

SUMMARY: The FAA requests comments from the public to identify those regulations currently in effect that we should amend, remove, or simplify. We are publishing this notice under our ongoing regulatory review program required by Executive Order 12866. Getting public comments is a necessary element of our

effort to make our regulations more effective and less burdensome.

DATES: Send us your comments no later than January 14, 2008.

ADDRESSES: You may send comments identified by Docket Number FAA-2007-29291 using any of the following methods:

Government-wide rulemaking Web site: Go to

<http://www.regulations.gov>

and follow the instructions for sending your comments electronically.

Mail: Send comments to the

Docket Management Facility

U.S. Department of Transportation

1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE.

West Building Ground Floor, Room W12-140

Washington, DC 20590.

Fax: Fax comments to the Docket Management Facility at 202-493-2251.

### **No criminal penalties for accidental TFR violations**

If you inadvertently run into a temporary flight restriction (TFR), you could still be escorted from the area by a military aircraft and face FAA certificate action, but you won't face criminal penalties.

Because of a change in wording in security notams, AOPA had feared that the FAA would seek criminal penalties against anyone who violated a TFR—even if the incursion was accidental.

FAA Acting Administrator Bobby Sturgell has set the record straight.

In a [Nov. 26 letter](#) to AOPA President Phil Boyer, Sturgell wrote, "I want to reassure you that pilots who commit inadvertent violations of TFRs protecting security airspace are not subject to criminal charges and fines under 49 U.S.C. 46307. The FAA will refer to the Department of Justice for criminal prosecution only TFR violations of National Defense Airspace that involve Knowing or willful conduct."

Sturgell explained that enforcement actions for unintentional TFR incursions have not changed much since 2002 and that criminal penalties have always been a possibility for those who knowingly or willfully violate a TFR.

### **Need Cub Parts? 27 Years Of Super Cub Parts Going On E-Bay**

Today CubCrafters announced that it would begin selling its 27-year collection of used, pre-owned and even 'new old stock' Super Cub and similar parts through ebay.

CubCrafters President Todd Simmons commented, "Earlier this year we began preparing to utilize ebay to sell so very many Super Cub parts we have acquired over nearly three decades of repairing, restoring and rebuilding Super Cubs. We have simply been storing

this growing inventory for years and we are getting more frequent calls than ever asking if we have a particular used part. The truth is we literally have several commercial containers full of parts not to mention that many again stored in various places around the facility. Ultimately, we'll get listed just about anything and everything that ever went on a Super Cub, e.g. engines and engine components, landing gear, cowlings, instruments, control surfaces, wings and wing tips, tail feathers, wheels, tires, brakes, hardware, and much more."

Simmons continued, "I know many owners and shops would like to know every part or piece that we will eventually put up for sale, but we'll ask for patience and frequent visits to ebay to see the most current listings. We are going to do our best to get the most accurate descriptions, detailed photographs and other key descriptive information for each listing. That effort will take some time but our goal is to put several more items up for bid every few days over the coming weeks."

For nearly every listing, CubCrafters has included "Super Cub PA18" in the item title. For current listings, please visit: [www.cubcrafters.com/ebay](http://www.cubcrafters.com/ebay)

### **Next Meeting**

The December meeting will be held at Ben Brown's hangar in Pittsfield on Tuesday, the 18<sup>th</sup>. Because there will be food involved, the festivities will begin a bit earlier than usual, at 7:00 pm. Read the particulars following:

Hey all, we decided to host next month's meeting at my BLB Flight hanger at the Pittsfield Airport. We are going to have food, snacks and beverages, a mini Christmas party if you want to call it that. Please bring a guest, your spouse or any potential new member.

We are doing a pot luck type of food arrangement - meaning bring something but not a lot as I suspect we will have more than enough food for all. How about a reply to let me know if you can make it ([blbflightllc@midmaine.com](mailto:blbflightllc@midmaine.com)). I have all the paper plates, cups and plastic spoons, forks etc. needed. For those hunters among us I plan on having a large pot of moose meatballs, or moose balls as I call them!

My hanger is located to the right of the Curtis Air FBO office - about 150 yards or so west of Curtis Air - third row of hangers facing south, third hanger down. If you have any questions, call me at 745-0191.

Thanks, Ben Brown