



TaleSpins

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Hawaiian Adventure

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I had the fortunate pleasure of going on a business trip to Hawaii the first 2 weeks of October. Last time I was there I noticed a flying field on the way to work. At the time, my interest in the hobby was just a thought in the back of my head. However, I made an effort to stop by the field and talk to some of the members.

The guys at the field were great. They had no problems with me stopping by and chatting for a while. I noticed that the winds were around 20 mph but that does not stop these diehards. In fact, that was considered to be a good day!!

They told me that when the local base closes the runway, they are allowed to fly on the base. And as luck would have it, they were flying my last weekend in Hawaii.

That Saturday, I was treated to a something special. I came to realize that many of the members of the two clubs (Aloha State Flyers and the Paradise Flyers) were into turbine powered planes. I was like a kid at Christmas. There were 2 people with 3 jets. Duke had his F-15 and Woody brought his F-16 and F-15.

Duke was the first to have his plane prepped. I was unsure what to expect as he started his F-15. When he started his jet, I thought I was at Dulles Airport. The smell of the exhaust reminded me of burning lighter fluid on your charcoal grill. He taxied out to the runway and he was airborne before I could turn on my camera.

The jet soared and could climb at an unbelievable rate. He made several high speed, 10 ft passes and didn't even flinch. Woody had fired up his plane and took to the sky. The two F-15's flew in formation around the field. What a site!! They looked so real.



Turbine Powered F-15
Flown By Duke of
Paradise Flyers

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BillDerego's P-38



P-40 and P47

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After they had landed, Woody fired up his F-16. He got that bird in the sky and dazzled that crowd. The plane flew great and had plenty of power. I wasted several movie clips trying to capture it on film. This bird was fast!!!! The only flaw in the flight was when he landed and was taxiing back, his wheel came loose and fell off.

Sunday brought the majority of the club. There were some more turbines and some old war-birds. The highlight of my day was to see a twin Cheetah 42 cc gas powered P-38 Lightning. This was a great flying plane. After take off, it was joined by a P-40 and a P-47. They flew for several minutes in formation. See these planes in action will bring you back to WWII. Especially since it is so close to Pearl Harbor.

This was definitely a trip I won't forget. I met a bunch of nice people. Learned some new things and got one heck of a sunburn doing it. Videos and pictures will be available on the website soon.

Officer Elections

On October 10 2002, the club held its annual Officer Elections. The Club Officers for year 2003 are:

President—Jim Chandler
Vice President—Jim Braithwaite
Treasurer—Wayne Nelson
Secretary— James Bingham

On Jan 12 2003 at 3:00 pm, we will hold our annual dinner. Please contact Sam Homrighauser at (540) 371-3319, if you will be attending. Please respond no later than December 6.

Club Raffle

Don't forget about the Monthly Raffle!!! At every monthly meeting we will be holding a raffle where you have a chance to win prizes and/or some CASH!! At our last meeting, we held a 50/50 raffle. Half of the proceeds goes to the winner and half to the club. David Hoe won \$14 at our last raffle. You could be next!!! Sorry no big cardboard checks or balloons accompany your winnings.

Meeting Information

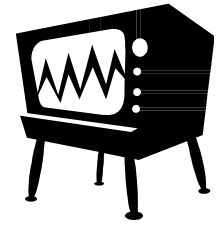
The next Club Meeting will be on November 14 2002. We will meet at VTS Productions at 7:30 pm. Don't forget your MONEY!!!!



**“Hail to the
Chief”**

What channel are you on?

Have you every purchased a new radio or changed to a different channel only to find that 10 other club members have the same one? Well, to reduce the chance of this happening, please let us know what primary channels do you use when you got to the field. Contact Ed Russell at (540) 786-5454



Same Bat Channel?

Construction Zone

Try drilling a hole in the handle end of your small Xacto knife holder. Thread a key ring into this hole. Now you have a knife that won't roll off the work bench and has a built in hanger, as well.

Safety First

Safety Tips

1. DO NOT Fly over Mr. Wright's House.
2. When two or more planes are airborne at the same time, ensure there is a designated spotter to help prevent one of those unfortunate situations.
3. Check your Batteries!! Unless you carry a set of tree gaffs with you to the field.
4. Take your glow starter off before priming the engine. OUCH!



"I flew Over Mr. Wright's House"

Flight Line Funnies

A student helicopter pilot was taking his first lesson.
At a point near the end of the first lesson the flight instructor decided to see if the new student had any knowledge of helicopter aerodynamics.

Instructor says to Student:

The spinning blades on top of the helicopter, do you know what it's exact purpose is?

Student reply:

"Yeah," the new pilot to-be confidently sounds out..... "It's a fan"

Instructor's horrified reply:

No it's not a fan, the seasoned flight instructor mouth's into the mike; and adds silently to himself,
"you dumbo"!

Student reply:

"I bet you'll start sweating big time if I turn it OFF"



Why are they called minutes anyway?

Meeting Minutes

The Fredericksburg Aeromasters met at VTS Productions on Thursday, October 10. The meeting were read and approved. The Treasurer's report was given (funds in checking \$648.96) and approved.

Old Business

- Discussion was held about Painting and locking the storage shed. Jim Chandler, President, announced that he would make the necessary arrangements to paint and lock the shed.
- Sam Homrighauser donated a weed-eater to the club
- Elwood Goerlitz will provide the wood material to make a step for the outside lavatory

New Business

- Jim Chandler announced that the club financial balance will be shown in the minutes and published in the newsletter
- Jim Chandler announced that members must not purchase items for the club without express approval of the Chairman, Executive Committee.
- Jim Chandler asked for a volunteer to locate a source for the purchase of club hats. Bernard Arnold volunteered to locate a source for club hats.
- Scott Somers made a suggestion to place the newsletter on the web site. Members owning a computer can receive a copy through their computer, thereby saving mailing costs. Other members will receive a copy by mail. The issue will be taken under consideration by the Executive Committee and brought before the members at a future meeting.
- Dave Hoe, Safety Committee Chairman, suggested that spotters be used at each flight station when there are more than two planes in flight. This will be taken under consideration.
- Joe McCary suggested that numbers be placed on the fence at each flight station. This will be taken under consideration.

- It was suggested that the member's radio frequency numbers be included in the published members roster. This will be taken under consideration.
- Don Rhamy made a suggestion to present a wing pin to all members when they complete solo proficiency. Don will donate the first set of wing pins.

Elections

The election of officers for the 2003 Fredericksburg Aeromasters Club was held. The results of the election were as follows:

President: Jim Chandler

Vice President: Jim Braithwaite

Ed Russell announced that he would not run for Secretary.

Secretary: James Bingham

Treasurer: Wayne Nelson

Members at large to serve on the Executive Committee: Don Rhamy and Dan Cox

Nominations for the Modeler of the Year was held by secret ballot. The nominees were Harry Swain and Bill Varney. The vote will be announced at the annual dinner.

Scott Somers made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Dave Hoe, so voted, meeting adjourned.

Treasurer's Report

Balance from September meeting:	\$469.48
Income-Membership renewals	\$196.00
Income-Jacket Sale	<u>\$22.00</u>
Total Income	+\$217.00
Expenses-Postage	\$72.52
Weedeater	<u>\$50.00</u>
Total Expenses	<u>-\$122.52</u>
Balance reported at October meeting	\$563.96
To be added to the report for next meeting:	
Income from 50/50 Drawing	\$14.00
Income from Raffle	<u>\$29.00</u>
Total	<u>\$43.00</u>