

THE ACRONAUT

President's Post

Brad Oliver

Well another Oshkosh (excuse me...Airventure) has come and gone without me. I keep telling myself I will go next year but never seem to make it, as there is always some important family function to attend. Don't family and friends know about this stuff when they are planning weddings and stuff...I guess not. While I would like to fly my own plane to Wisconsin, but the thought of 1500+ nm at 100 knots makes me sore just thinking about it.

It has been a fun month with lots of fun social activities. We had a BBQ in July to Celebrate our very own Dick Rihn's ascendance to Master CFI...a very impressive accomplishment. We had a formation flight over the City of Tracy's 4th of July celebration, which ended with a big cheer from the crowd...way to go Chapter 38! Most recently, a small but rowdy band of us went to the Moffett airshow to support our very own member and airshow pilot Jim Leroy. If you have never seen Jim fly, you are missing some amazing stuff!!!

Speaking of airshows, did anyone catch last month's issue of Pacific Flyer? Our very own, airshow pilot and chapter member, Bill Stein was featured on the cover. Be sure to check out his web site <http://www.billsteinairshows.com> for more information and his 2002 schedule.

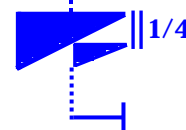
On the competition front, a few members are talking about making the trip to Pendleton Oregon. Last year, Chapter 38 sent a team and the report was positive... "a very good contest with lots of fun had by all ". If you are interested in going, let us know, everyone can caravan to Oregon together.

As we move into the later half of the year, the board still has much work ahead. As I have mentioned in previous postings, we need to find a suitable alternative to our aerobatic box at Tracy. This is not an easy task, with not many options close by (or far away for that matter). If you have any ideas we are interested in hearing from you.

Angie Niles (our cruise director) is talking about some fun activities throughout the next few months, so get involved and have fun. Sometimes these things, like breakfast flights, get thrown together at the last minute, so don't be afraid to contact us to ask if there is anything planned for the weekend. Or better yet, why not plan one yourself, and invite everyone along. I hear we have a fly-in to Cloverdale planned for the next few weeks. Sounds like fun, we hope to see you there.

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Chapter 38

Statement of Purpose

The purpose of Chapter 38 is to:

- Promote safety and education in sport aerobatics
- Promote and encourage individual proficiency and competition in sport aerobatics
- Promote and encourage aviation safety in the design, construction, and operation of all types of aircraft
- Foster and promote aviation education to the local community, particularly to school-age children
- Encourage research for the improvement and better understanding of aviation and the science of aeronautics.



IAC—Statement of Purpose

- The core purpose of the International Aerobatic Club is to promote and enhance the safety and enjoyment of sport aerobatics through the following core values:
- Openness and inclusiveness
- A passion and responsibility to educate and share our knowledge both inside and outside the IAC
- A commitment and responsibility to safety and excellence in every aspect of our sport
- Fair play and sportsmanship.



Chapter Meeting Agenda for 2002

- AUGUST:** August 18th. Fly-in picnic at Cloverdale airport 11am-4pm. Bring swimsuit, towel, picnic lunch, favorite pool toy, and shoes for wading. See article in newsletter for further details.
- SEPTEMBER:** September 8th. Meeting held aboard the USS Hornet anchored at the former Alameda Naval Air Station. Guest speakers Naval aviators husband/wife team Harry and Loree Hirshman will discuss:
1. Landing on an aircraft carrier (Loree was the Navy's first female "training LSO")
 2. Loree's book "She's Just Another Navy Pilot"
 3. Formation flying (can't really teach it, but can talk about how fun it is and maybe show some video)
 4. Crash flicks
- Cost: \$10. Arrive early to tour the USS Hornet prior to the meeting.
- OCTOBER:** Steve Wolf guest speaker. Date to be announced.
- NOVEMBER:** Tour of recently restored Bearcat, P-40, and possibly the latest P-51 hangared at Livermore. Paul McDonald and Tony are the guest speakers.
- DECEMBER:** IAC Chapter 38 Holiday party. Date and location to be announced.

IAC AUGUST CHAPTER MEETING
*FLY*FLOAT*FEAST*FEST*
PICNIC AT CLOVERDALE (O60) ON THE RUSSIAN RIVER
SUNDAY, AUGUST 18TH, 11AM-4PM.



Our chapter meeting goes on the road this month. Wives, husbands, significant others and kids, etc. are encouraged to come along too. Bring towels, swimming suits, inner tubes, air mattresses, picnic lunch, shoes for wading as we will cross the river to our picnic spot, and anything else that will fit into the turtle deck. We will have coals going for those who want to grill, a pump for inflatable toys, and soda & juice. Who wants to have a meeting inside anyway? It's summer and time to play!

Important Note: Fuel at Cloverdale can be hit or miss. Plan your fuel so that you don't *HAVE* to refuel at Cloverdale.

August Chapter Meeting/Picnic at Cloverdale Details:

Location: Cloverdale Muni Airport (O60)
CTAF/UNICOM: 122.8
Rwy: 14-32, 3155 ft x 60 ft

Date: Sunday, August 18th, 2002

Time: 11am-4pm (there is nothing magical about these times, it's not like they shut the river off or anything if you want to show earlier and stay later)

What to bring: Swimsuit, towel, inflatable inner tube or air mattress, picnic lunch – what ever fits into your turtle deck.

What we will bring: pump for inflatables, table, small BBQ

Give a call if you are interested. Angie or Alex 925-373-8786
It may also be fun to coordinate flight times

SEPTEMBER 8TH IAC CHAPTER 38 MONTHLY MEETING WILL BE HELD ABOARD THE U.S.S. HORNET.



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Guest speakers for this meeting will be Naval Aviators Loree Hirshman and Harry Hirshman. They're combat pilots for the U.S. Navy. Both are lieutenants and both have carrier landing experience. They're one of the Navy's first couples to fly combat planes at the same time. This should be a fascinating talk held in a historic location. Do not miss this! Visit their website at:
<http://www.harry.hirschman.com/>

How To Win Every Contest... ...Follow Up - To Better Your Best

To be or not to be better than your best, that is the question. Whether you finished in the top five or the bottom five or in between at Paso Robles and you want to have more fun, or be able to say, "I won," every time read on.

Consider the masters and their pathway to success and what do we see? Always present are the same checkpoints because success in anything leaves footprints. All of the great masters maintain awareness of the basics, continuously evolve themselves and their skills to the next level of proficiency, and maintain an absolute discipline when it comes to preparation and follow up.

Synergy Coaching Tip: Rule #1 for winning - choose your prize and never compromise. No matter where you are on the scale of proficiency today following that rule, and the following simple checkpoints will make every performance better than the one before and your level of enjoyment greater than ever before in this sport which we promote as, "fun with a purpose."

Awareness of the basics

Vince Lombardi, one of the greatest football coaches of this century, when assembling his team of top professional players in the locker room at the start of every season began with these words while prominently displaying a football in his hands, "This is a football," he said. Then came his speech about the basics.

Checkpoint #1 No matter how good you are maintain focus on the basics.

Now there is a problem if *all* we do is basics, nothing more. We'll never advance. So, just like the successful CEO who has a perfect long range vision of the future of the company as a whole, as well as a perfect short range vision which sees all of the basic happenings today contributing to that, in competition aerobatics we want to see the whole sequence, the whole maneuver, and the component parts of each maneuver respectively.

Checkpoint #2 Combine long range and short range vision for perfect balanced vision.
Evolve you and your skills

"O.K., got that, we're pretty much doing that now," someone says. Yes, and are you doing it purposefully? What I mean by that is does your approach to learning target knowledge or know how, information or application, understanding or proficiency? These distinctions can help put your learning on purpose to accelerate advancement

know how versus knowledge Knowledge is data, information, facts about a particular subject, yet you can possess all the knowledge that exists about flying an airplane and you still won't know how to fly an airplane, though you might say you know how. Know-how is a product of experience aside from divine revelation, that's the only way to get it.

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application versus information Information is factual data regarding a particular subject which, memorized, represents a sign of intelligence, yet may or may not be accompanied by skill in using the data. Application is the use of knowledge or information for a particular purpose. Information is in the head, application engages the information through actions in the body.

proficiency versus understanding A perfect understanding and comprehension of the laws of aerodynamics does not make you or me a pilot or an airplane builder it simply means we perceive the meaning of the facts related to the subject. Proficiency is a skill an expertise an ability that produces measurable results.

Checkpoint #3 The outcome of learning is not knowledge, but know how.

With the basics solidly in hand, turn to your learning curve to see how you are evolving in your aerobatic proficiency. New learning evolves best from what we already know, yet many seem to get stuck. To continue advancing take time to learn your own learning style and adapt your learning process to accommodate that. If you ever struggled in a school classroom chances are good the cause was a conflict between the teaching styled used and your learning style.

Checkpoint #4 Know your learning style and adapt your learning process to fit you

When we develop something we advance it toward a known destination. When we evolve something we can advance beyond the known into new dimensions previously unknown once we master that which is known. Development is mastery of the known sequence while evolution is mastery of the unknown. Both are necessary.

Question. Is it possible to master the unknown sequence? Ah, that is another level of mastery isn't it? A conversation with a competitor from the Russian Aerobatic Team some years ago made me aware that there are levels of mastery which are heretofore totally unknown to us. Personally, I prefer the term evolution because it opens the door to our true potential. To get to that we must confront our fears of the unknown.

While I'm here, in light of recent discussions on grass roots aerobatics and the basic sequence, let me interject a note of visionary balance. Proficiency and mastery may exist at every level, however, attempting proficiency in an unlimited maneuver in the basic category can lead to disaster instead of mastery for these are attempts to short cut the evolutionary process. "It's not nice to argue with mother nature," someone once said. Enough said.

Checkpoint #5 Mastering the unknown evolves from applying the known to the unknown

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August 9-10. Llano, Texas. South Central Region. The Hill Country HammerFest sponsored by IAC Chapter 107. CD Scott Poehlmann at 512/481-1608, scott-p@texas.net.

August 9-11. Springfield, Vermont. Northeast Region. Green Mt. Aerobatic Contest sponsored by IAC Chapter 35. CD George Coy at 802/868-5633, gesoco@together.net.

August 17-18. Columbus, Ohio. Mid America Region Ohio Aerobatic Open sponsored by IAC Chapter 34. CD Randy Dodge at 740/362-8132, iac34pilot@aol.com.

August 23-25. Aruora, Illinois. Mid America Region. 2002 Aurora - Heuer Classic sponsored by IAC Chapter 1. CD Richard Gaynor at 773/283-5353, rgaynor@aol.com.

August 30 - September 2. Delano, California. Southwest Region. Happiness is Delano sponsored by IAC Chapter 26. CD Gerrit Vanderziel at 805/481-1354, IACCD97@aol.com.

September 6-8. Monticello, New York. Kathy Jaffe Challenge sponsored by IAC Chapter 52. CD Ron Chadwick at 732/671-6809, bubbaron@bellatlantic.net.

September 7-8. Albert Lee, Minnesota. Mid America Region. North Central Aerobatic Contest sponsored by IAC Chapter 78. CD Gary DeBaun at 612/727-6055 (W); 952/892-7188 (H), B747Inst@aol.com website: <http://www.isd.net/chapter78>

September 7-8. Sterling, Colorado. South Central Region. Aspen Leaf Acro Challenge sponsored by IAC Chapter 12. CD Clyde Cable at 970/454-5469, jimmyfield@yahoo.com or www.IAC12.org.

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Contest Calendar

September 21-29. U.S. National Aerobatic Championships. The tentative schedule is as follows: Saturday, Sept. 21 will be practice and registration. Practice will be limited to those who pre-register. Sunday, Sept. 22 will be practice and judges/pilots briefing. Sept 23-28 will be competition in all categories. Saturday, Sept 28 will be the Unlimited 4-Minute Freestyle competition, public air show exhibition and banquet. Sunday, Sept 29 the Unlimited Team Selection contest will conclude.

October 26-27. Farmville, Virginia. Northeast Region. First Flight Aerobatic Contest sponsored by IAC Chapter 19. CD Darwin Jones at 828/696-3161, arcopilot@msn.com.

Oct. 31-November 2. Sebring, Florida. 46 Sebring Aerobatic Championships sponsored by IAC Chapter 23. CD Ann Salcedo at 305/434-4659, AnnSalcedoRN@aol.com or Mike Mayes at soarobatics@aol.com.

Oct. 31-November 3. Tucson, Arizona. Tequila Cup Aerobatic Contest sponsored by IAC Chapter 62. Contest Director Maryilnn Holland at 520/887-9399, m.hollandSAAC@worldnet.att.com.

CANADIAN

June 28-30. Ottawa, Ontario, Canada. Gatineau Open sponsored by Canada Chapter 5. CD Peter Ashwood-Smith at 819/595-9032, petera@nortelnetworks.com.

WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS

August 3-11. Slovenia. The 2002 Advanced World Aerobatic Championships (AWAC) will be held in Slovenia. The arrival of participants will be August 2, 2002, with competition beginning on August 3 and lasting through August 11, 2002. Competitors will depart on August 12, 2002.

HAPPINESS IS DELANO !

Chapter 26 is alive and well and anticipating a great contest at Delano. The Contest Director is Garrett Vanderziel (805) 481-1354. Contest dates are August 30 (Friday - signups and practice), August 31 (Saturday-contest), September 1 (Sunday-contest) and September 2 (Monday-fly home). This is always a fun contest and we're looking forward to seeing you there.

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Disciplined preparation and follow up

I know you already have these at your present level, but here is a challenge to go to the next level. If you are willing to revisit these in the context of evolving your self and your skills to ever higher levels of mastery you'll see immediate and accelerated advancement in your skills proficiency. The only exception to this is those who don't do the follow through.

What do you remember most about a speech? The opening and the closing.

What do you remember about a delightful buying experience? The sincere interest taken by the sales person before you bought and the enthusiastic way they followed up afterward, right?

What do you remember about your marriage? The courtship and the wedding/divorce, (ouch!) perhaps?

Recall your favorite subject in school at the high school level. Now reflect who was your favorite teacher and why? Recall your worst subject in school at the high school level. Now reflect who was your least favorite teacher and why? Most people have vivid recollections of the former and blank out on the later. Why? It's the same as the difference between the person we buy from and the one we don't buy from. It's how we were treated. More specifically, when the first and last impression received is positive we remember them and what they have to offer to us.

Checkpoint #6 Preparation and follow up advances your skill and your score

So, there it is. Champions focus on the basic, possess a balanced vision, learn the know how, fit learning to their style naturally, are able to apply the known to the unknown, and discipline their preparation and follow up in a way that guarantees they win every contest.

That's right, every contest. You see whether your objective is to be #1, or to learn to have more fun in any given classification and you look for and orchestrate your advancement in every practice session and every event, you win the prize of gaining what you need to better your best every time you fly.

Next time we'll go into depth on Checkpoint #1 How To Focus The Basics With An Unlimited Attitude For Winning

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Renewal

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