

Minutes of The Villages Aviation Club meeting

Monday Oct. 10, 2023

The meeting was held at the Seabreeze Regional Recreation Center in the Daytona Beach / New Smyrna Beach rooms.

The meeting was called to order by Pres. Jim Waymire, and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. There were 53 members and guests in attendance.

Jim requested first time attendees to introduce themselves.

The Secretary, Donald Field, summarized the Minutes of the Sept. 11 meeting. A motion was made, seconded and a vote to accept followed.

The Treasurer, Bill Stafford, read the Treasurer's report. A motion to accept was made, seconded, and a vote to accept the Treasurer's report followed.

Web Site

Our **Web Site** is up and running under the leadership of our Webmaster, Richard Woods. Richard's Webmaster Email address is tvwebmaster1@gmail.com.

The Web Site address is www.villagesaviation.weebly.com. Check the Web Site for information on upcoming Aviation Activities in the area.

We need photos of any recent Fly Outs. Anyone having photos of recent Fly Outs is requested to send them, as attachments, to tvwebmaster1@gmail.com. Additionally, anyone that has a photo of their airplane which they would like to have on the Web Site, please send them to Richard.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

If anyone has any questions regarding the upgrade status of Freeflight Intl. Airport, 2FA6 in Coleman, please contact Don Buckey at cell 919-662-6360, or don.buckey19@gmail.com.

Christmas Party.

The Pres., Jim Waymire announced that this year, we will be holding a Christmas Party in place of our regular Dec. monthly meeting

The Party will be held in the Seabreeze Rec. Center on 12/11/23, starting at 6pm.

All dues' paid Aviation Club members are invited and may bring one guest. The price will be 15\$ PP, or 30\$ per couple. Tickets must be paid for by the 11/13/23 Meeting.

The Sit down, Buffet style, meal will be catered by Roberto's Ristorante & Pizzeria.

The entertainment will be a Barbershop Quartet provided by the Heart of Florida Barbershop Chorus.

We will be circulating a Christmas Party Sign Up Sheet, on a Clipboard, during the Oct. and Nov. meetings.

If you do sign up, see the Treasurer, Bill Stafford, and pay him, after the meeting.

Nametags

All of our Dues Paid Members have Nametags. If you have not already picked yours up, please do so when you check in at the door. We are NO LONGER collecting them at the end of each meeting. Please take the Nametag home and **bring it with you to every meeting.**

The Nametags are in a clip-on plastic sleeve. Everyone is urged to personalize their nametag. Feel free to write on them or put a small picture of your favorite airplane in the

nametag sleeve. That will enable the other people at the meeting to see what your Flying Background or Interests are and could lead to some interesting conversations.

SAFETY BRIEFING

We did not have a Safety briefing.

Cres Wise, a FAA Safety Team (FAAST) Lead Member, and our club Safety Officer, arranged for tonight's Safety Seminar to be a FAA sanctioned "Wings Seminar".

Past monthly Safety Briefing presentations are available to see on the Club Web Site, www.villagesaviation.weebly.com. On the Home Page, Click on About and then Safety briefings.

NEW BUSINESS

FLY OUTS:

The Fly Out for Sept. to Albert Whitted (KSPG) in St. Petersburg was Cancelled.

The Fly Out for Oct. is to Venice Airport (KVNC) on 10/16 with lunch at Sharky's on the Pier.

A signed Aviation Club Waiver of Liability Form is required for all Fly Out or Drive Out participants. You only have to sign the waiver once, and it is kept in the Club's files.

The waiver form is now available on our Website www.villagesaviation.weebly.com. On the Home page, click on MORE, and then click on WAIVER FOR FLY OUTS. Print the form, sign it and bring it to the Secretary, Don Field, at the next meeting. If you are unable to print the form, contact the Secretary, Don Field, at the meetings, to sign a waiver.

GUEST SPEAKER

The VP, Tweet Coleman, introduced the Guest Speaker for the meeting, **Ron Timmermans**. Ron is a CFI from Orlando, and the 2021 National CFI of the year. He is a host for the Florida Aviation Network where he interviews aviation notables and was also a speaker at the Oshkosh Airshow 2023.

His presentation was an AOPA Safety Seminar entitled "Am I Losing Control of my Aircraft?"

The Safety Seminar was an FAA sanctioned "**Wings Seminar**", with Wings credit for anyone that registered for it.

OTHER:

We held a 50 – 50 drawing.

The next meeting of The Villages Aviation Club will be on Monday, Nov. 13, 2023, at 7 p.m., in the Seabreeze Recreation Center.

REMINDER:

The Villages Aviation Club Caps and Shirts may be ordered and picked up at Custom Apparel & Gifts at 3451 Wedgewood Lane, The Villages Fl. 32162. Their telephone number is 352-750-1600.

Minutes submitted by Donald Field,
Club Secretary