

**Florida Sport Aviation Antique and Classic Association
E.A.A. Vintage Division, Chapter One**

“FSAACA”

The Scud Runner

December 2015 Edition

Our next touchdown will be at the American Aero Hangar at New Smyrna Beach (KEVB) on **Sunday January 10th**. This will be a one day Sunday only event. For information, contact Jennifer Santorelly at 386-690-8557 with any questions that you might have.

If you're driving there, the address is: 1501 Airway Circle
New Smyrna Beach, FL

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Our first event of 2016 will be on **Sunday, January 10th** at the American Aero hangar in New Smyrna Beach. Due to a heavy workload, American Aero decided to hold their open house on Sunday this year. If you are a warbird buff, this event is a must attend. This time of year, they typically have the Collins Foundation warbirds in for their yearly inspections and maintenance. Come and get a closeup look at the bomber and fighter aircraft that helped The Allies win WW II. American Aero will also be taking up collections for the local Humane Society. So don't forget to bring a bag or box of cat or dog food to donate.

PAST EVENTS

On December 5th, we held our home field fly in at our Lakeland club house. In spite of the weather, it was a success. Due to windy conditions and low ceilings around the state, there was no one brave enough to fly in. Nearly a dozen members did however show up in their four wheelers, with some driving over 2 hours to get there. Dean Tilton, Aviation Hall of Fame inductee took center stage when he presented a very interesting history of his life in aviation, along with some historic facts about the beginnings of Sun N Fun and FSAACA's role therein. Thank you Dean for the information and entertainment.

2015 IN REVIEW

A very busy 2015 is coming to a close and we are gearing up for a even busier 2016. We started out the year with a rash of minor administrative problems from a need to upgrade our by laws to getting compliant with the IRS to a shrinking membership base. I am happy to report that we now have our upgraded by-laws in place. The work with the IRS is 90% complete with only 90% to go. (We are current, but are still processing a mountain of paperwork). Our membership roll is expanding in spite of the fact that more than a half dozen of our older members flew west this year. Our member numbers, are in fact beginning to approach record levels and new members are joining us nearly every week. This is a good time to encourage all of you to urge your friends, neighbors and associates to get involved with FSAACA. Bring them to an event, introduce them to other members, help them fill out a membership application, whatever it takes to help grow FSAACA.

FSAACA will be continuing it's policy of instructors showing up at fly-ins with a student pilot will eat free.

We had 16 events scheduled this year, with 15 of them going off without a hitch and one being canceled at the last minute. The 3 day events at Arcadia, Thomasville and Blackwater seemed to be the high points of the year. Everyone attending the 3 days events came away with nothing but praise and there were no complaints to be heard. For years, I heard that FSAACA members are aging and don't like tent camping because it's "uncomfortable".....B.S. As an old fart myself, I have found that a good light weight tent, a warm sleeping bag, a soft air mattress and a cooler full of beverages and snacks makes for an excellent and comfortable camp out weekend with friends. Everything you need to get geared up can be purchased at Walmart for less than \$300.00 total. That's less than a week's worth of groceries. And it will all fit in the back of a Cessna 150.

Randa Johnston, the recipient of a FSAACA flight training scholarship is getting very close to taking her private certificate check ride. Keep up the good work Randa. We are all looking forward to the day real soon when you show up at a fly-in as pilot in command of something other than that old Stearman that you always drag Clark around in. We are also looking forward to the day when you meet your passengers with the greeting of **"Good morning ladies and gentlemen. I'm Randa Johnston and I'll be your captain today."** Keep working and it'll happen sooner than you think.

UPCOMING IN 2016

Our second event will be held at Melrose Landing on January 29th thru 31st. This is a joint FSAACA/RAF event. This is already shaping up to be reminiscent of the Blackwater event last September. Jack Tyler reports that a recent email to RAF members produced 14 RSVP'S within 3 days. The RAF, thus far, will be represented by attendees from 5 states with participants coming from as far away as California, Texas and North Carolina. The festivities start on Friday when you arrive. There is plenty of room for tent camping and Rvs. There are personal showers and rest rooms on sight. All meals will be coming out of Kim's kitchen. (and you know what that means) There will be live music throughout the weekend and a campfire at night. Jack Tyler has invited a group of professional tree climbers that will be training the more adventurous among us how to properly climb a tree without killing yourself. **Let's not let the RAF show us up FSAACA members. Whether you come for the weekend or just the Saturday lunch, you need to show up and be counted.** Get your RSVP's in to Kim at fsaaca@aol.com ASAP.

There will be a FSAACA director's meeting after lunch on Saturday. It is very important that all officers and directors be there for the meeting.

We have been in contact with the folks at Everglades City and they have promised to reserve camping space for us on the North end of the runway and have even given us approval for a small campfire. We will be going there for the Seafood Festival on the weekend of February 12th through 14th. Mark it on your calendars and show up. It'll be a lot of fun. Our outgoing VP, Bobby Capozzi has scheduled 17 events for 2016. And he's not done yet. He's still coming up with ideas for even more events. Stay tuned for possibly more events and fly outs.

Sun N Fun will be held April 5th through the 10th this year. Kim is already busy preparing for the event and accepting requests for credentials. If you plan to volunteer at the Vintage Building during the show, you need to contact Kim at fsaaca@aol.com so that she can put your name on the list for credentials and a camp sight if you intend to camp during the week.

We will be taking advantage of the new campground at Arcadia twice this year. Once in March for the Arcadia rodeo and again in November for a camp out weekend. George Chase and crew will be working their backsides off to make both of these events a success and keep us entertained. They will have nearly double the camp sights this year over last year so let's work to fill them all.

Jack Tyler and the RAF will be hosting their annual Blackwater event some time in April. Jack is presently in negotiations with the weather man trying to get assurances that the event won't get rained out like last year. Once Jack and the weather man get the details worked out, a date will be set. Stay tuned.

FSAACA will be hosting a 3-4 day event at Blackwater in September. Bobby has ordered the same weather that we had last year. Blackwater, being one of the high points of last year promises to be even better in 2016. If you missed it last year, don't make the same mistake this year.

We have heard so many good reports on the Maule Homecoming Fly-in in Moultrie Georgia that we decided to put it on the list this year. The folks at the Maule factory will be providing food and refreshments throughout the weekend, transportation to town and factory tours of the Maule Aircraft plant. Camping is available or you may stay in town. During your visit there, it will be a great time to see a legendary American built airplane being manufactured, and also place your order for one.

We at FSAACA hope that everyone had a very Merry Christmas and will have the Happiest of New Years. We hope to see everyone at New Smyrna next week.

HUMOR

Captain Jim came in a little hot and thus had an unusually long roll-out after touching down. **San Jose Tower:** "Continental 751, make a hard right turn at the end of the runway, if you are able. If you are not able, take the Guadalupe exit off Highway 101, make a right at the light and return to the airport."

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Due to Bill Kilborn's illness, we will be unable to post the 2016 schedule on our web sight until further notice. Keep Bill and his family in your prayers and let's wish him a speedy recovery.

2016 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Jan 10 (Sunday)	(KEVB)	New Smyrna Beach (American Aero hangar)
Jan 29, 30, and 31	*(FD22)	Melrose Landing – RAF, Camping, Eating, Music.
Feb 12, 13, 14	(X01)	Everglades Seafood Festival – Camping, Eating, Music.
March 11, 12, 13	(X06)	Arcadia Rodeo, Camping.
March 19	(5FL7)	Twelve Oaks – George Read Memorial Fly-in
March 26	(24J)	Suwannee County – Catfish Squadron Fly-in
April 5 th through 10 th	*(KLAL)	Sun n Fun “Expo”
April (TBD)	(8FD3)	Blackwater - RAF Camping
May 14	(X60)	Williston – Pig Roast (camping available)
June 11	(42J)	Keystone – Stay tuned for details
July 16	*(8FL3)	Back Achers
August TBD	(FL10)	Little River/(X60) TBD
September 16, 17, 18	(8FD3)	Blackwater – FSAACA/RAF Camping
September 23, 24, 25	(MUL)	4 th Annual Maule Homecoming Fly-in -Camping, Factory Tour
October 7, 8, 9	** (TVI)	Thomasville – Annual Meeting, Camping
November 11, 12, 13	(X06)	Arcadia – Camping
December 3	(KLAL)	Lakeland – Annual Home Field Gathering

*Quarterly meeting

**Annual Meeting

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