



BLUE SKIES FLYING CLUB
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MEETING NOTES

Recorder:	Steve Hughes	Next Meeting:	TBD
Date, Time:	9/19/25 3:00 PM	S50 Conference Room	3:00 PM
Location:	S50 Conference Room		
In Attendance:	Steve Hughes Mark Potter Michelle Littleton Steve Bivens	Dale Sinnott CFI Jason Hewitt Scott Swicord Owen Rogers	
Distribution:	Steve Hughes Mark Potter Michelle Littleton Steve Bivens	Alexander Kaplan Owen Rogers Scott Swicord Eddy Randrianarivelo	Jason Hewitt BSFC Website Cesar Villicana Peter Sauerwein
	Dale Sinnott CFI		
Meeting No:	008		

AGENDA

Mtg # Item # **ISSUE:** Membership and Waitlist

1	.11	Jason Hewitt brings our membership to nine, and one additional applicant has board approval. He wants to check to see if he can fit two car seats into the plane in order to be able to fly his wife and two young children in the plane. SH is working on meeting with him to verify.
	Who:	Steve Hughes
	Due	9/19/25 !!!!
	Update:	Cesar Villicana joined the first of September bringing the club to full membership at ten members.

Mtg # Item # **ISSUE:** Maintenance

4	.02	Annual is scheduled for 10/20. SB said that he thought the disk brakes and gear retraction springs should be addressed at the same time so we should be prepared for more than the budgeted amount. Budget for the inspection alone is \$3,482 with an additional \$4,200 budgeted for repairs required by found issues, totalling \$7,700.
	Who:	Steve Hughes Steve Bivens Mark Potter
	Due	10/19/25 !!!
	Update:	9/19/25 SB provided a list of items he felt should be addressed at annual. List is attached to meeting notes. Mark Potter will deliver the plane to Evergreen on 9/19. SH will get delivery instructions, including tiedown and key drop locations.

Mtg # Item # **ISSUE:** Oil Change Frequency

6	.02	SH said it has been 42 flight hours since the last oil change on July 15. Discussion on how frequently we should have it done and what should prompt the timing. DS said we could probably extend the time if the appearance of the oil remains clean. SB will coordinate as he determines oil quality needs
	Who:	Steve Bivens
	Due:	Next Meeting !!
	Update:	9/19/25 SB felt we could wait until annual for our next oil change, but will monitor in case it appears to be unusually dirty before then. It appears we have an oil leak in the front of the case and at the bottom of the dip stick/filler tube. SB requested members not overtighten the dip stick to avoid loosening the tube.

Mtg #	Item #	ISSUE:	
			Safety Briefing
7	.01	DS held a safety discussion regarding the standard GUMPS (Gas, Undercarriage, Mixture, Prop, Seatbelts & Switches) checks, emphasizing the importance of checking on the way into the pattern, in the pattern and on Final. "Gas" in our Mooney should refer to the boost pump, not fullest tank. Tanks should be switched at altitude during the approach to the airport due to the location of the valve on the floor. For the "P", members should roll the knob in rather than pushing it in to reduce stress on the	
	Who:	Noted	
	Due:	TBD	!!!!
	Update:	9/19/25	
		SH requested someone to volunteer to be safety director for the club. No volunteers stepped forward.	
			Financial Report
7	.02	SH presented a year-to-date Profit and Loss for the club. Maintenance and upgrades thus far is above budget at about \$9,000; budget for the period was about \$5500. Current net positive cash flow is ~\$7,400.	
	Who:	Noted	
	Due:	TBD	!
	Update:		
			Broad Aviation
7	.03	Due to the DG precessing excessively and the AI not spinning up very quickly, SB had Broad Aviation do an inspection. They found that the seal of the fittings to the DG to be defective and upon attempting to fix it, broke the instrument. They removed it and taped over the hole in the panel. They reported the fixing or repairing the instrument would cost just over \$1,000 and offered a credit/remuneration in that amount however the BOD decides to receive it. SH told them he would get their input and let them	
	Who:	Steve Hughes	
	Due:	TBD	!!
	Update:	9/19/25	
		SH will ask Broad to reimburse us for the broken DG in cash.	
			Avionics Upgrade
7	.04	With the AI and DG either not performing well or being removed, plus the club approaching full membership SH asked if it is time to upgrade the instruments to digital avionics devices. When the plane was in to replace the PTT, SH had Spencer Aircraft make a proposal for installing dual GI275's and a GMA345 audio panel. Total quote included 30 man/hours totalling \$16,867. Members agreed we should move forward with this instalation and that a special assessment for the funds should be made. Discussion about replacing the GPS at the same time but was decided to put that off to another time SH and SB will coordinate with Spencer.	
	Who:	Steve Hughes Steve Bivens	
	Due:	11/3/25	!!!
	Update:	9/19/25	
		The club approved upgrading to dual GI 275s, a GMA 345 audio panel, a GNC 355 GPS/Comm, which should improve the plane to be IFR compliant. A special assessment will be required to cover the cost of this upgrade; see Item #8.01.	
			Ground Tool Box
7	.05	SH said AK had asked if the ground box could be placed to the side of the plane instead of behind it to allow for drive in parking the plane. SH was concerned about striking it with a wing or main gear, but members agreed it would not pose an undue risk and the advantage of not pushing the plane back into the tiedown space would be nice. Relocating is approved.	

Who: Noted

Due: TBD

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Update: 9/19/25

Ground box has been relocated. Be sure not to drive over the tail tiedown rope. Place it in or near the box after disconnecting it.

Mtg # Item # ISSUE: Shares, Buy-Back

7 .06

SH told JH that he will issue 100 shares of equity in the club upon receipt of the Buy-in funds. Founders were originally issued 250 shares for a total of 1,000 total issued shares. As new members have been accepted, the club has been buying back shares from Founding Members so at full membership each member will hold an equal 10% share. SH has been using the form on the back side of the share certificates for the redemption process and keeping a shares transaction log, and will re-issue the original certificates to Founders upon full membership or full reimbursement.

Who: Steve Hughes

Due: Noted

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Update: 9/19/25

SH issued 100 shares to CV for his equity in the club.

Mtg # Item # ISSUE: Avionics Assessment

8 .01

A special assessment will be required to cover the upgrades to the avionics. SH estimates it should be \$2,700 per member. Spencer Avionics will require a 50% downpayment to cover the cost of purchasing the equipment by Sept. 30. SH will prepare the special assessment paperwork and issue. Members will need to contribute prior to EOM.

Who: Steve Hughes Members

Due: 9/29/25 !!!!

Update:

Mtg # Item # ISSUE: Messaging

8 .02

CV set up a WhatsApp group for BSFC to use for group communication, which should provide additional functionality over the Messages app. Thanks!

Who: Noted

Done

Update:

Mtg # Item # ISSUE: iPad Holder

8 .03

SH fabricated an iPad clamp that adhered to the non-functioning timer on the yoke using Dual Lock fasteners. The clamp may be pulled off and reset and rotated at the pilot's discretion. If you remove it to use something else, please replace after flight.

Who: Members

Due: Ongoing

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Mtg # Item # ISSUE: Title

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Who:

Due: TBD

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Update:

	<i>Next Meeting New Business</i>
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ANNUAL INSPECTION REPAIRS LIST

- Donuts on main gears
- Brake discs
- Gasket for base of dip stick tube (was leaking, tightened and leak fixed)
- Gasket for front of case (still leaks)
- Move exhaust a little farther from fire wall
- Fix gear up warning alarm
- Inspect Johnson bar, gear up/down switch/sensor, springs, grease (folks still struggle with it)
- Re-calibrate left fuel gauge
- Landing light occasionally out... haven't seen it happen lately
- Loose string threading around vent tubing. We just wrapped around the hanging strands and tied into knots.
- Remove Vacuum/Gyro systems for Avionics Upgrade