



Big Easy Wing

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Membership Meeting

Saturday, 10 A.M.

November 10

Lakefront Airport

BEW Hangar
8550 Lloyd Stearman Blvd
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From the Left Seat

David Capo, Unit Leader

Greetings Big Easy Wing,

WWII Air Sea and Land Festival (ASLF)

We are on the eve of the National WWII Air Sea and Land Festival this weekend, October 12-15. Our Unit is excited to participate in a big way for the first time. Our new Stearman is not yet approved for the rides program but we will have the aircraft on static display. This year, we will need every able-bodied member to come out and volunteer. Please see the sign-up roster posted in newsletter.

The set-up day is Thursday, Oct. 11 starting at 8am and running all day. We will set up in two places, the main hangar with an information table and our tent with the PX. We will also assist the WWII folks and the visiting CAF crews as needed.

On show days, I recommend that all AM volunteers (those arriving before the gates open at 9) report to our hangar to receive your airshow credentials. **PLEASE WEAR YOUR BIG EASY WING KASTRACK BADGE.** This identifies you as a wing member. If you have not received one and are eligible, we should have provisions to get you yours during the show. As for the WWII credentials, they will be available at the hangar before the gates open and at the PX tent after that. Those will be assigned daily and must be returned at the end of your shift. This is important since we have only a limited number of them.

Parking is available in the Ball Park area as in previous years, or for early arrivers, outside the gate in front of our hangar. Parking is FREE.

Our unit duties will include manning an information tent in the main show hangar (like last year) and running our PX tent. This will allow for great exposure for our unit. Last year, we recruited 21 new members at this event alone. One can only imagine, now with two hangar spaces, two planes and nearly 100 members, what we can do with your help this year.

On Saturday night, our unit will host a small meet and greet in the hangar after the show around 5 or 6 pm. We are looking for donations of food, wine and soft drinks. All members of the wing, family, friends and potential members are invited to attend the party. This will be a great opportunity to meet the new CAF president, Hank Coates and his officer corps. We will also have visiting CAF crews from around the country. A great opportunity for us!



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Date: Friday, October 12, 2018

School Day

COMMEMORATIVE
AIR FORCE

Flight PT-17 Stearman Sales/PX/Education Table		
8 am – 11 am	11 am-2 pm	2 pm-5pm
Name: Terry Clausing	Name: Terry Clausing	Name: Terry Clausing
Name: Tom Fierke	Name: Carol Olson Frank Christopher	Name: Rick Kiser
Name: David Cantin	Name: David Cantin Bill Mattheessen	Name: David Cantin

Shirley Colomb, Jeff Segner. Harold Buchler, Don Clausing, Jim Helms
David Capo, and Jim Buchler will be there all three days.

Date: Saturday, October 13, 2018

PX Sales Table		
8 am – 11 am	11 am-2 pm	2 pm-5pm
Name: Doug Webb	Name: Donald Allen	Name: Donald Allen
Name: Bill Mattheessen	Name: Frank Christopher	Name:
Name:	Name: Carol Olsen	Name:



COMMEMORATIVE
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Date: Saturday, October 13, 2018

Flight PT-17 Stearman Sales Table		
8 am – 11 am	11 am-2 pm	2 pm-5pm
Name: Donald Allen	Name: Robert Claypool	Name: Wayne Breaux
Name:	Name: William Triay	Name: Frank Christopher
Name:	Name: Paul Cutrer	Name

VIP Tent/Hangar Table		
8 am – 11 am	11 am-2 pm	2 pm-5pm
Name: Terry Clausing	Name: Terry Clausing	Name:

Date: Sunday, October 14, 2018

PX Sales Table		
8 am – 11 am	11 am-2 pm	2 pm-5pm
Name: William Mattheessen	Name: Mary Ann Clemons	Name: Mary Ann C.
Name:	Name: Jim Riviere	Name:
Name:	Name:	Name:



Date: Sunday October 14, 2018

Flight PT-17 Stearman Sales Table		
8 am – 11 am	11 am-2 pm	2 pm-5pm
Name: Jim Moreau	Name: Donald Allen	Name: Donald Allen
Name: Jim Riviere	Name: JD Olsen	Name: Jim Riviere
Name:	Name:	Name:

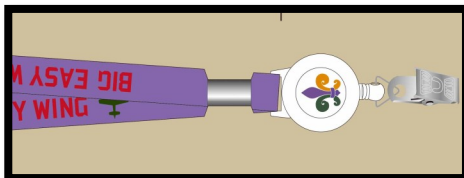
Date: Sunday, October 14, 2018

VIP Tent/Hangar Table		
8 am – 11 am	11 am-2 pm	2 pm-5pm
Name: Richie Gray	Name: Terry Clausing	Name: Wayne Breau

PX Report—Shirley Colomb

We are ready for this weekend, thanks to the help of Mary Ann Clemens and Carol Olsen. We have several new items for sale. You can see them on the website. The new Stearman t-shirt will be available by the Hammond Show. For the membership, the lanyards with sleeve are available at the hangar for \$5. Many of the Kastrack badges have been printed and are also available at the hangar. See you all at the Airshow.

Check out the sign-up form for both WWII ASLF and the Hammond Show to see what time you are scheduled to work. We still have spots left if your schedule has changed. Contact me. Thanks!





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Unit Leader Message continued

During the show, please wear your CAF or Big Easy Wing uniform. That consists of the navy CAF or purple BEW shirt with tan/khaki pants or shorts. Remember your comfortable shoes. There has been food and drink available for volunteers in the past and one can assume that will again be the case this year.



My cell number is (504) 416-4917 should you need help. I will be at the show all four days. Thank you for your participation.

Hammond Airshow - Aviation Then and Now



The Hammond Airshow will be held the following weekend at KHDC Hammond Airport on Saturday and Sunday, October 20-21. Once again, we will need volunteers to man our PX tent. We will have the Stearman on static display only. We will need 4-6 volunteers for each day of this show. Hopefully our Northshore members can really come out for this.

Airplane News

Jim Helms, our OPS Officer is interested in putting together a group of folks who would like to go in on purchasing a small, civilian tail wheel airplane so that members who want to attain a tail wheel endorsement can earn it prior to training in the Stearman or Stuka. If you are interested, I know I am, please contact Jim at (210) 601-0906. As always, it is a pleasure and joy to represent this amazing wing, especially at times like this! See on the field(s). David!

Hammond Air Show

	Saturday, October 20	Sunday, October 21
8 a.m.-Noon	Dan Cantin David Capo	Jim Riviere
Noon-4p.m.	Shirley Colomb Dave Cantin David Capo	Shirley Colomb Don Clausing Jim Riviere JD Olsen Carol Olsen



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KUDOS

Thanks to all the volunteers over the past several months. We have accomplished so much, and the officers are so thankful for having such involved members. There have been numerous hangar projects completed: repairs to the bathroom, renovations to the kitchen, re-wiring of the hangar, cleaning office, air-conditioning office, painting office floors, pressure washing the entire hangar, removing chicken wire, removing insulation in several rooms, and finally creating the owl nest lounge. The hangar looks great! Check it out sometime this coming weekend. Our hangar looks sharp with several planes in it. Thanks to all the members that have worked on and with the planes. Check out the video of its flight home—

<https://youtu.be/JB6aHrHiQco>



Safety Officer's Report– Don Clausing

Airshows are always hectic. There are people and kids everywhere. We just need to be alert to our surroundings and be willing to keep others aware of all the movement that will be taken place. As wing members, we are much more knowledgeable about moveable and non-movable areas. And, at this show there are planes that move directly through the crowds. Be Alert!



Upcoming Events

October 12-14 [WWII Air, Sea & Land Festival- Lakefront Airport](#)

October 12-13 [SHAF Vicksburg- Tullalah Regional Airport](#)

October 19-21 [Northshore Regional Airshow](#) Hammond

November 3 [Cajun Fly-in](#) Houma

November 10 **BEW Meeting @ BEW Hangar 10 AM**
Nomination for four Officers

December 15 **BEW Holiday Party @ BEW Hangar and Election of Officers**