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Meeting

September 12@ 10 AM

Lakefront Hangar



From the Left Seat

David Capo,

The COVID-19 Virus is Never-ending (seems like)

As the summer rolls on, more and more events are being cancelled, one after the other. We learned this week that the very much anticipated Hammond Air Show was postponed until October 16 and 17, 2021. That was a real heart breaker. We here at the Big Easy Wing were really looking forward to that amazing event. We certainly understand their reasoning but are most disappointed.



Also cancelled is the "Best Little Air Show in the World" held in Tallulah, MS. This great show has not been rescheduled but they are planning on holding their "Warbirds, Wings and Wheels" on October 17 of this year. I hope they can pull it off!

Locally here at KNEW Lakefront, the airport has decided to postpone their open house (in which we were invited to participate) until mid-November. No firm date yet.

As for some really good news, our great pilot, Ben "Evil" Cook, will be retiring from the United States Airforce with a big party to be held in the Big Easy Wing hangar on Saturday, September 5. Attendance is by invitation only but some of the cool aviation stuff may be available for viewing. We will keep you posted as I am aware of some of the cool planes coming in for it. His party will be amazing. Congratulations Evil!



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Safety Officer's Report-Dave Cantin



Anytime you talk about safety and risks these days personal health is quickly near the top of the list. Regardless of whether it's about what or how much you eat or drink, where you go or what you do, or what you breath. What you breath used to relate to smoke or other pollutants but now it's also viruses. This is a reminder to reduce the risk of being infected by viruses by taking a few precautions...stay 6 ft apart and wear a mask. You're doing this for others as much as for yourself. And for the younger, invincible members in the group, do it for us old farts.

On another note, Terry Clausing deserves a big THANKS for removing the one foot square concrete raised squares on the walkway behind the hanger. He did that with a sledge hammer...in July heat! It took several days and I get sore just thinking about it, but he succeeded in removing a bad trip hazard. Thanks, Terry!!

Lastly, the BEW has an official Safety Manual that everyone should be familiar with. It covers safety around the hanger, at events, flying, fires, etc. It's available to all members on KASTrack under Documents, Safety. Please take a moment to review it and help us make this an accident free organization.

Membership—Shirley Colomb

Welcome to our newest members:

Mike Scott from New Orleans- Mike is a fighter pilot. Thanks to Ben Cook for recruiting Mike.

Alex Johns from Alaska- Alex is a helicopter pilot and an A&P

Kelley Mackenroth from New Orleans- Kelly is a financial representative. Thanks to Dave Capo for recruiting Kelly.

We are looking forward to meeting you all at our September 12 meeting. And, getting you involved with our wing.

Full membership (\$50) Active military membership (\$25) Cadet membership for students between the ages of 13-23 (\$10) Online Payment are accepted: BEW website [online store](#)

Checks mailed to:

CAF Big Easy Wing
c/o Colonel Harold Buchler, Adjutant
3014 Metairie Rd Metairie, LA 70001



CAF BEW KAstrack Review—Robert Claypool

Please join my meeting from your computer, tablet or smartphone.

I will host an **information session on August 11th, at 6:00 PM**. Please feel free to send me any questions ahead of time that you may have.

The login details are in the newsletter for the website at <https://cafbew.kastrack.com>.

CAF BEW KAstrack Learning Session:

Agenda:

Logging In

What can I see

What can I do

Documents

Answer Questions

Link to the meeting:

<https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/775213605>

You can also dial in using your phone. (For supported devices, tap a one-touch number below to join instantly.)

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Tue, Aug 18, 2020 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CDT)

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PX--Shirley Colomb

The [Hammond Air Show](#) which was scheduled for September 19 & 20 has been cancelled. The Lakefront Open House and the Belle Chase show still may happen. If these events do happen, PX requires a minimum of 2 people per shift. Three would be better. One to handle the money box and 2 for sales. And, we will normally 3 shifts per day.

We will need to find regulars members who want to be involved in the PX operations. So look for Donald Allen or Glenn at the upcoming meeting. If you are unable to attend the upcoming meeting you can shoot me an email. We need a few dedicated people who will commit and learn the operations and the Square.

The PX requires people to bring set up items and sale items in their car. The tent supplies will be handled by Glenn Metzger unless he is unable to attend. So Glenn will be looking for someone to back him up.



Youth Protection Article-- Dave Cantin

The CAF Child Protection Program is a requirement for participating in any CAF event. It consists of taking a short on line course, taking a test and having a background check. Everything is done on line so if you haven't done so please take a minute to complete this important requirement.

It's for the protection of both the minors who attend our events and for yourself. The website to do this is below, and when you're finished email Dave Cantin and let him know at caf@cantin.org. Dave will get all the information he needs to set this up on KASTrack to show you as a certified "Event Participant". You can also contact him if you have any problems completing this.

SAFE PLACE



A youth program is an essential component of the CAF-BEW

<https://www.cafeducation.org/youth-interaction-and-protection>

Wing Leader's Report Continued

Hangar Updates

Our Stearman, *The N'Awlins Lady* will be going into her annual checkup this month so don't be alarmed if don't see her the next time you visit. We may also keep her safely away from the South-shore for the balance of hurricane season. That is to be determined.

We have received some very nice donations lately. Our XO, Robert Claypool, donated a beautiful copier and scanner for the office. This is a much-needed addition to our working facility. Tom Slack donated an amazing plotter that will allow us to make our own signage saving us a fortune! Thank you, Robert and Tom.

Speaking of signs, we finally are going to have professional graphics on our hangar announcing our presence, not only at Lakefront but also at Hammond Northshore Reginal Airport. We have recently been granted office space at Hammond which we will soon renovate for our weekly operation there. The signage will be large enough and contain our logos so we will be

visible, even from the terminal.

That's it for this month. See you at our September meeting.



Upcoming Meetings and Events for BEW

General Membership	August 8	10 am	hangar
General Membership	September 12	10 am	hangar
General Membership	October 10	10 am	hangar
General Membership	November 14	10 am	hangar
General Membership	December Social		hangar



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Upcoming Events

[Stearman Flyin](#)— October 1-4— Jennings, LA

[Wings over Houston](#)—October 9-11-Houston, TX

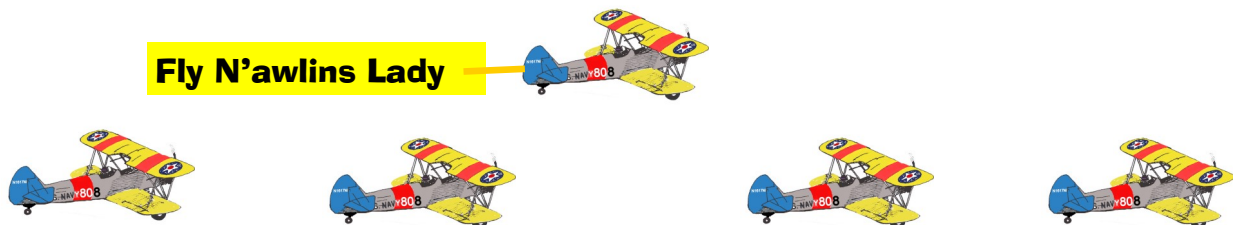
[Blue Angels Homecoming Show](#)—Oct. 16-17— Pensacola, FLA

Lakefront Open House-

[New Orleans Airshow](#) ([Thunderbirds](#)) November 7-8, 2020 - Belle Chase, LA

<https://commemorativeairforce.org/events/206> Corsicana Airshow – Nov 7, 2020

Fly N'awlins Lady



Congratulations!

David Miller, a BEW member, soloed on July 12th at the

Gulf Coast Aviation in Cessna 65447.

Hope to see at our next meeting.



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REGISTERING YOUR ACCOUNT

For those that need to register, the easiest way is to go to our public page <https://bigeasywing.org/about/application/>, scroll down to the end, and click on the “[New Member](#)” link.

LOGGING IN TO YOUR ACCOUNT

First, choose your weapon! I suggest using the Edge, Chrome, or Firefox Browser. Internet Explorer users will find many websites do not render correctly, KAStrack included. Our KAStrack website is located at <http://cafbew.kastrack.com>.



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