



Meeting Notice Sept 9, 2008

FPA Member Profile this Month

Louise Anderson



UPCOMING EVENTS

Sept 9 – FPA Meeting

Special guests – Discovery Flight recipients will be attending this meeting.

Short movie – FATV's Flight over Fitchburg

2nd EAA Young Eagles planning session

Dinner @ 6:00PM

Meeting@ 7:00PM

Sep 10 - FIT Airport Commission

Meeting @ 6:00PM

Sep 17 – Holiday Inn Marlborough

Mastering Takeoffs & Landings

Oct 14 - FPA Mting – Ron Godin CFI II

Dinner @ 6:00PM,

Meeting@ 7:00PM

Oct 15 – FIT Airport Commission

Meeting @ 6:00PM

Oct 18 – Young Eagles Program

Nov 11 - FPA Meeting – Elections!

Dinner @ 6:00PM,

Meeting@ 7:00PM

Nov 12 - FIT Airport Commission

Meeting @ 6:00PM

Charlie's New Plane



From the Presidents Cockpit:

Every Wednesday night the FPA members fly out to various places for dinner... Recently we've been to Marshfield for oceanfront dining, Barnes for runway dining at their new facility, Laconia for dining on the lake and a boat ride, Oxford, Hartford, The Block and many other short hops... These usually involve a night flight back and we've been known to rattle a few towers and controllers with out "Flight of Seven".

Sign up NOW at!!

<http://aviation.meetup.com/94>



Louise in her Cherokee

FPA Member Profile: Louise Anderson

Occupation:

Self-employed: Financial management for small businesses, bookkeeping and desktop publishing.

Past Flying Positions:

Inverted, straight and level, steep turns

Types of Aircraft Flown:

Cessna Skyhawk, Piper Cherokee, Piper Arrow, Super Decathlon, Piper J-3

Total Hrs:

802.5

Ratings:

Private Pilot, tail wheel endorsement

How long flying:

I was a student pilot for about two years, and got my license in 1996.

Where did you get your training?

At Marlboro Airport (9B1).

What sparked your interest in aviation:

I took my first airplane ride in college (Penn State). I didn't know the pilot and had no clue what kind of airplane he flew. I only remember that it was a high-wing and I sat in the back. I'll never forget it. I knew then that I wanted to fly an airplane; I just never thought I could or would. Many years later when I met my husband Tom, he learned of my interest in aviation and gave me a certificate for a flight lesson at Marlboro for a wedding present in 1989. The gift called my bluff; it took me a while to figure out whether I wanted to talk about it or do it. My motivation was strong and I finally did it. Later, when I began flying annually to Lock Haven, PA for the Piper fly-in, I stopped at Bellefonte airport where I had that first ride. I felt like I had come full circle.

Times at OSH:

None, but I'd like to change that.

Sun N' Fun.

Never been there.

Memorable story about flying, either training or otherwise, that comes to mind:

After I got my license, all I did was fly around Marlboro and not much else. I didn't know much about radio work and unusual attitudes; I was pretty much a white-knuckle pilot. A ride in a Starduster at Fitchburg that included an aileron roll was a life-changing event. I desperately wanted to understand what pilot Tom Manell and the airplane had just done. I knew I wanted to do be able to fly that way, but also knew I was too frightened to do it myself. So I faced the devil of fear, went to Executive Flyers and talked to Mike Goulian. He suggested an unusual attitude course. The moment I buckled myself into a Super Decathlon and took the stick I knew I was hooked. I had to work through the nausea, but the motivation was very strong. Within a month I was hooked up with aerobatic instructor Rob Holland and he opened up my life to dancing with an airplane. In that year, I learned about tower communications, tail wheel aircraft, grass runways, spins, rolls and loops and how to have fun with an airplane. Rob would spend hours teaching me the aerodynamics of a maneuver on the ground and then we'd take off and do it. He was the most relaxed person in an airplane and the best instructor I have ever known.

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When Rob cut me loose in the Decathlon to fly on my own, I spent glorious hours over Route 3 near Nashua practicing aerobatics, then fly to Fitchburg for tail wheel take-off and landing practice (no flaps; I found the fun of coming in sideways in a slip could be). Later, when I was able to do spins in my Skyhawk (approved!) with the aerobatic guru Rich Stowell I knew I had reached some sort of personal aviation pinnacle...

Famous Flights with famous people or places:

I flew with Rich Stowell when he came to Lawrence several years ago to talk and provide spin instruction.

I didn't fly with Sean Tucker, but I held a pole for him (he flew inverted and the aircraft tail cut the ribbon between two poles across the runway) at a show at South Weymouth Naval Air Station the year before it closed. Now THAT was fun...

Aviation has taken me to wonderful places and introduced me to incredible people, some famous, all great.

Additional Comments about this person:
When we think of an aviator, or a real enthusiast, we think of Louise.
Her commitment to aviation is remarkable and reliable. Louise is an

asset to the FPA in so many ways. She's our PR gal for anyone who walks onto the field. Louise has been our girl-Friday and does it all. Any questions about EAA Young Eagles, membership, annuals, our fly outs, or just need a co pilot, feel free to ask her, she's a whirlwind of good answers.

PHOTOS OF SOME RECENT FLYOUTS



Help YOUR Association

A. Renew Your Membership **OR** Donate to a Scholarship Fund!

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: ____ ZIP: ____

B. Decide how to receive Your newsletter.

MAIL: _____

EMAIL: _____

Email distribution saves quite a bit of money, and is our preferred method of delivery. Notices will be provided in PDF format.

C. Donate to one of Our Scholarship Funds

FPA Scholarship Fund: \$_____

Charles Schwartz Fund: \$_____

Send to Russ Hume,
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Leominster, MA 01453

Treasurer's Report:

Opening Balances Apr 30,2008

Operating Fund :	2,131.52
FPA Scholarship Fund:	3,604.09
Charles Schwartz Scholarship	3,757.00
Total	\$ 9,492.61

Income:

Food	241.00
Raffle	185.00
Memberships	00.00
Hats/Mugs	52.00
Scholarship Donations	0.00
Total	\$ 478.00

Expenses:

Food	\$160.00
Web Site	\$0.00
Flowers	\$0
Total	\$160.00

Ending Balances: May 31, 2008

Operating Fund:	\$ 2,264.52
FPA Scholarship Fund:	3,789.09
Charles Schwartz Scholarship	3,757.00
Total	\$ 9,810.61

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