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Newsletter of the Beltzville Flying Machine Society

December, 2016

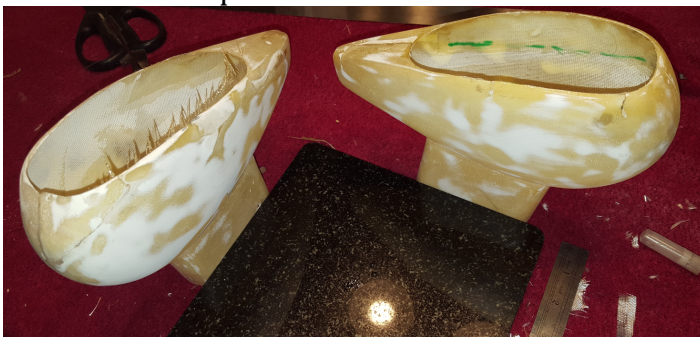
COCKPIT CORNER – by Brian Sherman, did4ways@aol.com



Yes, it is that time of year again. A time for good spirit, relaxing with family and celebrating the joys of the season with great friends. It's also the time to remember the less fortunate amongst us and to keep in our thoughts the military personnel that will not be home for holidays as they fight to protect us in countries around the world.

As usual I have not even started to think about Christmas shopping. Each year I seem to procrastinate longer and longer until it gets to the point where I tell my nieces to get the gifts for their kids and just send them the money. Somewhat mercenary but it works! LOL

The repair bug is still with me and I just finished up gluing all the parts from the Percival Mew wheel pants back together after which the hard part started. My skill in stripping, filling and prepping fiberglass for painting leaves much room for improvement. But after unsuccessfully searching the web for over a year for a set of replacements, I had to bite the bullet and give it a go. If you don't look to close, the final result is almost passable.



I hope many of you will come to our December meeting and participate in the election of the 2017 club officers. It is with both joy and sadness to see John Carrigan finally getting one of his fondest wishes over the past few years. December will be John's last month as club secretary as Scott has graciously accepted the nomination for that position

John has done a great job over the years and provided the club not only with his time and skills but has also been a guiding force in keeping the club focused on the issues that matter. **THANK YOU** John from all the BFMS members!

Until next time keep the cockpit up and be safe.

B.F.M.S. Elections

The election of officers for the year 2017 will take place at the December meeting. Nominees are Brian Sherman for President, Jack Mertz for Vice President, Scott King for Secretary and Scott Voth for Treasurer.

Please come to the meeting on Saturday, December 10th and let your vote show your support for these volunteers.

Hunting Season

Hunting continues in the area of our field. Use caution when you fly. It would not be a bad idea to wear an orange hat and vest when you go to the field. Remember that the hunters have the "right of way." Do not fly if you know that hunters are in the area.

Club Meetings

This month, December, our meeting venue continues at Platz's, that is, P. J. Whelihan's Pub and Restaurant, 101 Harritty Road, Lehigh, PA 18235. The time of the meeting remains the same, 12:00 PM (noon). Come early, any time after 11:30PM, to place your order for Lunch.

Yes, Saturday December 10, 2016 at noon, is the date and time of the meeting.

Dues

Your 2017 club dues can be paid at the next meeting. The amount remains the same, \$35.00. If you desire to mail your check for that amount, you can address the envelope to: Scott Voth, P.O. Box 74, Palmerton, PA 18071.

Greetings from the Bermuda Triangle

I am not sure this Newsletter will reach you this month. My wife and I are returning from a cruise to the Eastern Caribbean. At the time of this writing and e-mailing, we are in the northern part of the Bermuda Triangle on our way back to New York, the departure point. Hope to see you at the meeting on Saturday.

Any corrections or
questions can be
addressed to
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Next Meeting
Saturday, December 10, 2016

P. J. Whelihan's Pub
(Platz's)
about
12:00 PM (Noon)



St. Thomas, U.S. Virgin Islands