



The One Claw

Boston Retired Pilots Newsletter

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• Spring Fly-IN 1999

"The date is set and the weather has been ordered. Forecast= Mostly sunny high of 66 with a light breeze from the NW at 5 to 7 Kts. Place is Pemi Riverside just off Route 93 Exit 24 in North Ashland NH (N43 44.4, W71 40.0). The date Tuesday June 1st. Hope to see more of you attend. The number at the Airdrome is 603-536-9808, the recorder is working If you have not attended a Fly-In, Come On UP (PEMI-RIVERSIDE Airport Elevation 474), local frequency 122.8 and we can listen enroute to 122.75." The above quote is from the spring 98 Issue #23, only the date has been changed. Ed!!

• Stamp Fund and Letters

Hi, Some stamp and whatever money enclosed.
Ric & John Duell

Hi, George & Pete, enclosed find a few Lire for the stamp fund and an E.Mail address to add to the list. No news on this end to write about. Happy Holidays. marylou@midmaine.com. Mary Lou Johansson

Dear Pete & George, You are doing a great job to keep this cast of characters together. Stamp money enclosed. Son Dan, NWA, flew out from MSP to WVL, we trounced the super cub to Pemi Riverside. No reunion has ever been so appreciated! Happiest of Holidays. Lee Trenholm, 8834 Bay Pt. Dr., Tampa, FL

Dear George, Enclosed shekels for stamps. Hello to Miss Annie! Are you going to bean town retirement? Helen and I are planning on going. Walt Schneider

George, Just back from the snows of Moscow to the heat wave in Boston. Thanks for the One Claw news, enjoyed the reading. Dave Jansen called (due to info from you or Pete) and wants to include me in the last hurrah. It is much appreciated by me as I feel it is an important part of the separation process as we leave the most important phase of our lives and move on to gentler times. Also enclosed a small contribution to the stamp fund. Thanks again, Dave Carson

Dear Pete & George, I was very sorry to have missed the October Fly-In, but Dick & Joan Kennelly joined Joan & I on a trip through the Canal on the "Ryndam", most enjoyable 15 days. Boarding at SFO & terminating at FLL. We are now planning on Hawaii 9/21/99 on the "Statendam". Can't say enough about the great service on these Holland-American Vessels. Saw Bill Pitts today & he is now studying the 777 ground school syllabus before school in Feb. DAL now gives the required schooling on the computer to make things easier when facing actuality. Sorry about the scribe but my printer for some reason is spitting blanks. Somewhat like me, I might add. You're doing a great job & it is appreciated. Enclosed is an addition to your mail treasury. Best wishes, Bill Waters

Dear George and Ann, I was going to go on line to thank you for another great party but I checked our e-mail first and found this message, so George please help this poor guy out!, (George did help) Now I'll thank you for this wonderful evening. We could not find nicer friends any where. Arn't we all lucky?

Thank you. We love you both, Have a Merry Christmas and A Happy New Year Houley and Kay

Hi George, This address is correct, (DGroff1212@aol.com). I just got the MacAuley message, what an incredibly tragedy. Best Wishes to you guys..Doug Groff

George, Finally got into the 20th century..(greenshipoint@clinic.net)... Please add me to your "E" mail list!!! I'm sure your aware of what happened to Bill Macaulay and his wife.....See you at the retirement party in Jan.....Thanks, Roger/Wilda Green,

George would you please add me to your email addresses. <grcinotto@aol.com> Thanks, Gary R.Cinotto

Hi George, Frank Keefe said that he was talking to you the other night and said that Carl Beatrice was inquiring about my current health, and wanted my address, and Frank said to relay this information to you, and you would perhaps pass it along to Carl. As you may or may not know, I have been diagnosed with

lung cancer, and have been going through Chemotherapy for the past four months, and the treatment is going to continue into March. At that time I am to undergo several tests to see if the treatment is to continue. My address is: 402 Candlelight Drive, Staunton, VA 24401. Phone: 540-886-9701. Thanks George, I really appreciate it.
Ralph Hackley

George, Please pass on. 1. I visited Morgan at the Mass General hospital. He was successfully operated on about a week ago (12/11/98) for pancreatic cancer. He returned home to Rockport ME this Weds. (12/16/98) 2. My e-mail address has been changed to tguyer@wans.net as of Dec 18th. Thanks, Tom Guyer

George, End of the year is coming fast! snow on the ground and haven't got the xmas tree up yet...two days ago the temp made the 70's and folks were playing golf! Getting itchy to make the trek south....want to leave behind what I know is coming here! to start 1999 (or shortly thereafter) Marge and I will be at 287 Morristown Cay, Vero Beach, Fla 32966-7117 PH (561) 563-0360. same email applies. Hey! Everybody! Merry Xmas & Happy New Year, George Voedish

Dear George: Thanks for the winter edition of the one-claw. It sure is much nicer to receive it this way and print it out rather than in the regular mail box where at times it has been thoroughly ruffled up and parts of it almost unreadable. It seems to be chock full of good information like usual. You gentlemen sure do a fantastic job with everything. Always nice to see the names of some of the people I haven't talked to or heard about in years. Always have wondered why there is never a mention of Staff Short or Bill Becker. I guess they never have bothered to try and make it to one of these fly-ins. Also just wanted to say that my address should simply say cwlarrison@msn.com and forget about the part about "email" in the original address. It works fine in the short version. Well, thanks again. Carl Larson

Hi, George - Hope you had a good SantaDay. I sent you an e-mail months ago, to add my name to your list, and kind of wondered why I never heard back. Finally I asked Houle what was going on, & it turned out I had referenced your old address from a back issue of the Claw. So he gave me this one. It is strange enough that I'm suspecting I didn't get it right, so will keep this short. Any updates on Bill MacA? I assume not, but maybe....My e-mail address for the list is YakDvr@aol.com (but what did you expect?). Finally, do you have the address of long-ago retired buddy of mine, Bill Bronson? After several moves, I think he's somewhere in ME - I'd like to get back in touch. Many thanks for any assistance. See you at The Party. Mike Wood

Hi Guys, Everything in Lakeville is fine. Put 125 hrs on a Kolb ultralite. The most fun you can have with your clothes on. Finally got a E.mail address; J.p.bessette@tmlp.com also some stamp funds. You folks do a splendid job on One Claw. Keep up the good work. Joe Bessette

Hi George, Just a note to go with a check for stamps. Think I'm a little behind on stamps. Enjoy E.Mail - been in touch with Dick Pazolt, Bob Smythe, Frank Keefe and you. Thanks for putting me on the E.Mail list. Hope all is well. Ed Holland

• **The stamp fund thanks you.**

Bill Arnold, Joe Bessette, John Caldwell, Dave Carson, John Duell, Ed Holland, Mary Lou Johansson, Frank Keefe, Courtney Lundquist, Walt Schneider, Lee Trenholm, Tom Tutton and Bill Waters

• **Congratulations to the Birthday BOYS**

We have eight octogenarians; George Baldwin, Claude Cox and Charlie Liebman are 85, Bob Carroll, Ralph Furbush, Bob Mudge, Gray Newman and Bill Waters are 80. We find eight of our group that crossed the 75th year; Don Graf, Ray Halloran, Ed Holland, George Place, John Plack, Paul Quilty, Howie Rotchford and Karl Wallace. We count three at the 70th year; Bob Bishop, Courtney Lundquist and Ted Roberts. HAPPY BIRTHDAY YEAR to one and all and may you have many more

• **Notes from AT&T or Other Phones Co.**

This has been going on for over 6 months. I received a telephone call from an individual identifying himself as an AT&T Service Technician who was conducting a test on our telephone lines. He stated that to complete the test we should touch nine (9), zero (0), the pound sign (#) and then hang up. Luckily, we were suspicious and refused. Upon contacting the telephone company we were informed that by pushing 90# you give the requesting individual full access to your telephone line, which allows them to place long distance telephone calls billed to your home phone number. We were further informed that this scam has been originating from many of the local jails and prisons. I have also verified this information with UCB Telecomm. Please beware. This sounds like an Urban Legend - IT IS NOT! I further called GTE Security this morning and verified that this is definitely possible. DO NOT press 90# for ANYONE!!!! This was E.Mailed to me Tom T

• **Speedy Retirement**

On July 25, 1997 Captain Dick Barnes on his last flight from Rome, Italy to JFK set a NAA speed record over a Commercial Air Route in a Delta 767-300ER of

482.04 MPH in 8 hours and 51 minutes. Good show Dick.

• **Traveling and Parking**

Call BOS-Sta-MGR (617-634-4570).for parking lot stickers. \$50 per month at old BOS parking lot in Chelsea. Linda is the person in charge.

• **Latest E. Mail address/Feb-99**

One year ago we had 55 on the list, 94 now.

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- The list gets longer. Thanks to Guito!!

• **Hunting & Fishing**

Three Hunters chartered a local bush pilot to fly them for a hunting weekend. Upon returning on Sunday afternoon the young pilot noticed additional cargo waiting for him. Camping gear, rifles, three large grinning hunters and each toting a deer from their weekend spoils. The pilot quickly explained the small aircraft was already going to be overweight and the deer were going to have to be left behind. The hunters protested dismissing the importance of being overweight and said "Last year we loaded all of this stuff and the deer!" The pilot, not to be outdone, caved to the excess load. The poor aircraft bumped and weezed down the short grass strip and inevitably ended pranging the bushes

at the end. Picking weeds off himself, the pilot asked the hunters: "are you sure you guys loaded all this stuff?" They replied "oh YES we did, but last year we crashed over there!"

• Retirement Party for Class of 1998

Boston retirement party convened at the Sheraton Colonial Hotel with the standard social hour. The exchange of old and new war stories of the by gone days of, you had to be there. We will not try to name all 242 folks that attended the retirement party. The honored retiring twenty one pilots that attended and gave a short thank you; Frank Anglin, Dick Barnes, Donald Champagne, John Duell, Dave Dutton, James Fletcher, John Fraser, Thomas Guyer, Bruce Haedrick, Robert Kelly, Chuck Kiklis, Dave MacEachern, Charles Marcin, Thomas O'Brien, Jon Palsson, Guy Paris, John Parker, Robert Rioux, John Roquet, Pat Whitehouse and Bob Ziminsky. The remaining fifteen retiring pilots that could not attend; Joe DeVelis, Ed Lacroix, Robert Campbell, Allen Hines, Steven King, James Mitchell, Lawrence Brackett, Noel Hill, Peter Martin, Mathew McCarthy, Raymond Sikoski, Robert Hobbs, Gerald Chapman and Jim Rut land. We welcome one and all to the brotherhood of retired older pilots. The evening was topped off with the big band music of "Soft Touch" and the very funny stories by our own Captain Dave Beaulieu. We noticed the presents of a few earlier, 1970's, retirees (hope I do not over look someone); Austin Briggs, Jim Dodge, Bob Lebewohl, Gray Newman and George Wright. A great time was had by all and the attending folks voted to hold another event in the year 2000, but will not be intimidated by the Y2K problem. See you then

• Retired Delta Pilots Christmas Party 1998

" Go East Until you hit the beach then hook a left. Take another left when you get to the Rye Beach Club. You've arrived when you see a bunch of Yellowbirds in on and about the first house on the left." It was the kind of place that looked so posh I naturally headed for the kitchen door at the rear of the house. Trade people and deliveries- that sort of thing, you know. Closer inspection revealed that the front door was barricaded with festoons of roping, wreaths , and regalia . Standing back a bit, I could drink in the warm ambiance of this home in sight of the sea. An ancient mariner , no doubt, conceived this safe harbor after a life at the helm .Wouldn't it be fun to have him join our party tonight and exchange accounts of voyages past? George greeted me with a glass of champagne and took me on a tour. After selling their Danville, NH eighteenth century farm, George and Ann found this place for rent. The present owner had run through the rooms in his youth when visiting grandpa, and now

after mucho money in renovation didn't have the time to enjoy it. A serendipitous event ! The Chaudoins would like to stay here until the nursing home beckons! Three floors , front and back staircases, everything that Ann had collected over the years could continue to be displayed. Family gatherings in a million dollar rendezvous ! The time flew. We raised our glasses for those that had gone for their last check ride, and Martha McCarthy mentioned the name of Bobby (Roberta) Dipersio to be added to the list. Why is it, the good die young? I flashed back to her smiling face on many a flight, always a kind word, re-assuring the uneasy, sitting with an unescorted child until they could be placed in the arms of loved ones. So many memories. So many wonderful human beings. I am so grateful to have served with them and now reminisce with a few survivors in this wonderful season. Christmas party goers were; John& Madeline Stumpf, Norm & Kay Houle, Frank & Joan Keefe, Bill & Dot Donahue, John & Ginny Gitzus, Guy Paris & Connie Beauregard, Arnie & Linda Kenneson, George & Ann Chaudoin, Pete Kallander & Julie Blanche, Margie Peck, Dave & Caroline Newkirk, Howie & Judie Pennock, Barry & Sherry Watkins, Dave & Barbara Hancock, Carl & Pat Beatrice and Jack & Martha McCarthy.

Happy Holidays! Pete

• Some People are Like Potatoes

1. Some people are very bossy and like to tell everyone what to do, but of course they do not wish to soil their hands. You might call that type "Dick Tater."
 2. Some people never seem to be motivated to participate. They are content to watch while others do. They are "Speck Taters."
 3. Some people never do anything to help, but they are gifted at finding fault with the way others do things. They might be called "Comment Taters."
 4. Some people are always looking for ways to cause problems. They look or others to agree with them. You call them "Aggie Taters."
 5. Then there are those who always say they will, but somehow never get around to doing anything. They are "Hezzie Taters."
 6. Some people put on a front and act like they are someone they are not. They are "Emma Taters."
 7. Still, there are those who live what they talk. They are always prepared to stop what they are doing to lend a hand. They bring real sunshine into others' lives. You might call them "Sweet Taters."
- Kay Houle

• "In-flight safety lecture"

And from the pilot during his welcome message: "We are pleased to have some of the best flight

attendants in the industry... Unfortunately none of them are on this flight...!

Heard on Southwest Airlines just after a very hard landing in Salt Lake City: The flight attendant came on the intercom and said, "That was quite a bump and I know what ya'll are thinking. I'm here to tell you it wasn't the airline's fault, it wasn't the pilot's fault, it wasn't the flight attendants' fault.....it was the asphalt!"

Another flight Attendant's comment on a less than perfect landing: "We ask you to please remain seated as Captain Kangaroo bounces us to the terminal."

After a particularly rough landing during thunderstorms in Memphis, a flight attendant on a Northwest flight announced: "Please take care when opening the overhead compartments because, after a landing like that you can bet that everything has shifted."

Weather at our destination is 50 degrees with some broken clouds, but they'll try to have them fixed before we arrive. Thank you, and remember, nobody loves you, or your money, more than Southwest Airlines."

An airline pilot wrote that on this particular flight he had hammered his ship into the runway really hard. The airline had a policy which required the first officer to stand at the door while the passengers exited, smile, and give them a "Thanks for flying XYZ airline." He said that in light of his bad landing, he had a hard time looking the passengers in the eye, thinking that someone would have a smart comment. Finally everyone had gotten off except for this little old lady walking with a cane. She said, "Sonny, mind if I ask you a question?" "Why no Ma'am," said the pilot, "what is it?" The little old lady said, "Did we land or were we shot down?"

• A Walk in the Forest

We all remember the story we heard in physics about a tree falling in the forest and no one is around to hear it. Therefore, it made no noise. A man walking in the forest came upon a fallen tree. The man makes a statement. No woman is around to here the statement. Is the man still wrong?

• A Lawyer Joke

A man walks into a friend yard and sees that his friend's car is total-loss and covered with leaves, grass, branches, dirt and blood. He asks his friend, "What's happened to your car?" "Well," the friend responds, "I ran into a lawyer." "OK," says the man, "that explains the blood... But what about the leaves, the grass, the branches and the dirt?" "Well, I had to chase him all through the park."

A guy phones his lawyers office and says: "I want to speak to my lawyer." The receptionist replies

"I'm sorry but he died last week." The next day he phones again and asks the same question. The receptionist replies "I told you yesterday, he died last week." The next day the guy calls again and asks to speak to his lawyer. By this time the receptionist is getting a little annoyed and says "I keep telling you that your lawyer died last week. Why do you keep calling?" The guy says, "Because I just love hearing it."

• A Parrot Joke

David received a parrot for his birthday. The parrot was fully grown with a bad attitude and worse vocabulary. Every other word was an expletive. Those that weren't expletives, were to say the least, rude. David tried hard to change the bird's attitude and was constantly saying polite words, playing soft music, anything he could think of to try and set a good example... Nothing worked. He yelled at the bird and the bird yelled back. He shook the bird and the bird just got more angry and more rude. Finally, in a moment of desperation, David put the parrot in the freezer. For a few moments he heard the bird squawk and kick and scream -- then suddenly, there was quiet. Not a sound for half a minute. David was frightened that he might have hurt the bird and quickly opened the freezer door. The parrot calmly stepped out onto David's extended arm and said, "I believe I may have offended you with my rude language and actions. I will endeavor at once to correct my behavior. I really am truly sorry and beg your forgiveness." David was astonished at the bird's change in attitude and was about to ask what had made such a dramatic change when the parrot continued, "May I ask what the chicken did?"

• Bill's Fly Drive In

This is just a brief note re: the fly/drive in at Bill Donahues. I talked to him and it will be on the 18th of March the next day after St. Patricks day. He was going to call the Wellesley Inn in Jupiter and try to block rooms and get a yellowbird rack rate for us. A lot of us stayed there after the get together at Bills. Last yr. we had dinner together afterward. There are nice restaurants right next door and the food and atmosphere is very nice. Then a lieisurely breakfast in the AM and we had a nice drive after to get home. I went back several days later and collected the Baron. The ground was soft and it took everyone there and a jeep to get it out and over by Bills Hangar apron. Fun and laughter was had by all. (mine was the only ship there) Judy and some of the girls will drive over and WX permitting I will fly, probably with Don Craig and Angus Perry. There will be an open seat for another brave soul. Hope to see you there. Karl Wallace

• Last Flights

George Smith died about January 22nd. he had entered the hospital with the flue. George was 83 years old.

Ralph Hackley died on February 4th after being hospitalized and treated for lung cancer. Ralph was 70 years old.

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