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F4U-4 Corsair 1:1 scale Wings of the North Museum

Wings of the North Museum Tour

After the June club meeting, members were treated to a special tour of the Wings of the North Museum at Flying Cloud Airport, in Eden Prairie. On display were an F4U-4 Corsair, the P-51D "Sierra Sue II", a B-25 Mitchell, an N2S Stearman, and other planes and aviation items.

These and many other planes are expected to fly at the Air Expo 2018 Airshow at Flying Cloud, the weekend of July 14-15.



Museum/Airshow Photo Issue P-40 "Aleutian Tiger" - Fagen Fighters 2018 Airshow



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TCAH This Month

The monthly meeting will be held July 14, at Fleming Field, South St. Paul, beginning at 12:30 pm. Vendor baiting will begin about 12:00, so come early.





From the Prez

by Bernie Kugel

Hey Guys,

Not much of a report this month. Just a couple of things.

At our June meeting, it was lightly attended, but we managed to have a good time.

We presented our B-25 Doolittle builds to the CAF manager and he was extremely pleased with our work. Mark Rossmann was present at his final meeting and we gave him a Lifetime membership. The meeting was short due to the roadtrip to the Wings of the North Museum.

At our July meeting, the monthly theme is "Animals". So Mustangs, Tigers, and all of those goofy British FAA aircraft. The demo is on Pastel Weathering.

Hope you are all enjoying your summer.

Model on



Airline Chatter

by Terry Love

UPS will hire 1700 workers for their Utah distribution hub.

Boeing announced that their future 777-8 and 777-9 would have folding wingtips, reducing the wingspan from 235 feet to 212 feet.

Boeing is estimating that 246.1 million people will fly this summer. June 1 through August 31.

Southwest Airlines is considering f lights to Canada and Europe.

Boeing announced that they sold 16 BBJs in 2017. So far this year, Boeing has sold 4 more BBJs. All are the 737-800 model.

Singapore Airlines will begin the longest commercial flight in the world this October. It will be from Singapore to New York City. It is 8,277 nautical miles or about 10,000 miles. The flight time is a little more than 19 hours. The flight equipment will be an Airbus A-350ULR. Singapore is also adding a flight from Singapore to Los Angeles.

Qatar Airways presently is operating the world's longest flight from Data to Auckland, New Zealand which is 7,843 nautical miles.

Qantas is considering buying the Airbus A-350ULR on a Boeing 777ER to fly from Sydney to London which is 9,200 nautical miles.

Hawaiian Airlines is adding Honolulu to Long Beach, California route.

American Airlines is adding Chicago to Venice, Italy and Dallas to Reykjavik, Iceland.

Southwest Airlines now operates from Oklahoma City to Washington, DC.

Emirates Airlines has parked 20 airliners for the summer. Loads are way down in the summer. Who wants to travel to the desert in the summer? Most will be back to service by October. Also, they have a shortage of pilots.

Wizz Air, the airline of (Continued on page 3)

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Hungary, took delivery of its 100th Airbus A-320. Wizz Air has 141 destinations in 44 countries - mostly in Europe.

Air Canada now flies Vancouver to Zurich and Vancouver to Paris.

Minneapolis is the 16th busiest airport in the U S and 50th busiest airport in the world with service to 155 destinations. The busiest international destination is Amsterdam. Delta

Airlines has 51% of the flights from MSP.

Spirit Airlines will add 11 new destinations from Orlando to the Caribbean and Latin America for the winter season.

Sun Country Airlines has changed their color scheme. The orange letter S and the sun on the tail remains the same, but in a sweeping line, the fuselage is half orange and half white.

Treasurer's Report by Dennis Strand

TCAH had no financial activities during the last 30 days. The total cash assets remain at \$5313.72





The Business End of the P-38 Lightning Fagen Fighters 2018 Airshow

(Ryan PT-26 in the Background)



B1-B Photos from Oshkosh 2017 by Mark Rossmann



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Fagen Fighters 2018 Airshow SBD Dauntless; FM-2 Wildcat; AeroShell AT-6 Aerobatic Team

Final Doolittle Project Update by Dennis Strand

All completed model B-25s were gathered at the June TCAH meeting. Todd Lofquist, The Museum Officer from the CAF was in attendance to accept the presentation of the models for

the Doolittle Project. He spoke about his plans, passed around a photo of the scratch built USS Hornet flight deck that he has been working on and invited TCAH members to visit the CAF hangar as soon as the display is completed.

Again, I wish to thank all the modelers who took part in this group build. Below is a list of the B-25 models, their tail numbers and the builder who completed the kit.



Doolittle Project – B-25 Builder List

A/C number	Serial Number	Personal Markings	Builder
1.	40-2344	none (Lt. Col. Doolittle's plane)	Bob Maderich
2.	40-2292	none	Dennis Strand
3.	40-2270	"Whiskey Pete"	Jeff Campbell
4.	40-2282	none	Bob Ferreira
5.	40-2283	none	Mark Rossmann
6.	40-2298	"The Green Hornet"	Paul Burpee
7.	40-2261	"The Ruptured Duck"	Bernie Kugel
8.	40-2242	"3"	Randy Koivisto
9.	40-2303	"Whirling Dervish"	Dave Herbert
10.	40-2250	none	Ken Hornby
11.	40-2249	"Hari Kari-er"	Erik Zabel
12.	40-2278	"Fickle Finger"	Bob Ferreira
13.	40-2247	"The Avenger"	John R. Ross
14.	40-2297	none	Bob Arko
15.	40-2267	"TNT"	Marty Agather
16.	40-2268	"Bat out of Hell"	Dave Perzel
Duplicate models	for backup as needed		
	40-2344	Doolittle's plane	Terry Sorg
	40-2268	"Bat out of Hell"	Keith Brustin

Directions to the Club Meeting Location

Where: South St. Paul Municipal Airport, a.k.a. Fleming Field, located on the southern extremity of South St. Paul, south of 1-494, west of Concord Street and East of Highway 52.

If coming from the western Twin Cities going east on 494:

- Exit at the 7th and 5th Avenue exit (Exit No.65)
- Turn right (South) on 7th Ave and go approximately .6 miles to a 4-way Stop sign. This is South Street W. To your left there will be a McDonald's; to your right front there will be a Walgreen's.
- Turn left (East) at the 4-way Stop onto
- South Street W and go approximately .6 miles. Along the way you will encounter three more Stop signs—the third Stop sign (Henry Avenue) will be a "T" intersection. At the "T" intersection on your left will be homes and on your right softball fields.
- Turn right (south) onto Henry Ave. and go approximately .2

 miles toward the Fleming Field airport terminal building.

If coming from east Twin Cities on westbound 494:

- Exit at the 7th and 5th Avenue exit (Exit No.65)
- Turn left (South) on 7th Ave and go approximately .6 miles to a 4-way Stop sign. This is South Street W. To your left front there will be a small strip mall; to your right there will be an Amoco station.
- Turn left (East) at the 4-way Stop onto
- South Street W and go approximately .4 miles. Along the way you will encounter two more Stop signs—the third Stop sign (Henry Avenue) will be a "T" intersection. At the "T" intersection on your left will be homes and on your right softball fields.
- Turn right (south) onto Henry Ave. and go approximately .2 miles toward the Fleming Field airport terminal building
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The Twin Cities Aero Historians (TCAH) meet the second Saturday of every month at 1:00pm.

See above for the new meeting locations and directions.

Mail Newsletter material and address changes to the treasurer.