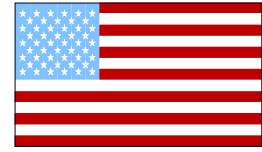
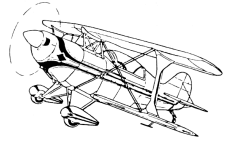




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Greetings to everyone and happy August...this is the time of year when not too much is happening here in Florida. That's why we chose to hold our first annual swap meet in the heat of summer, and it turned out to be quite the success (more for some than others).

We had a full flight line of goodies and even after several trips up and down the line you could still find something you originally missed. I hope that everyone that attended had a good time and plans on coming back next year.

I would like to especially thank Randy Leapley for taking the lead in organizing this event and also for his animated auctioning skills. Another special thank you goes to Dick Scott for making sure the grounds were in good shape and for providing the doughnuts and coffee for breakfast. Thanks guys!!!

Speaking of events and time flying, the Zephyr will soon be upon us and we really have to start planning the work schedule now. We need YOU!!! To date, this has been our biggest event and money maker for the club, thus keeping your dues down all the while allowing us to add amenities to our field.

Please consider helping us with this event and remember, for every 4 hours you volunteer, you will receive a \$5 coupon towards your membership renewal fee. Dick Scott will be coordinating the Zephyr again this year so please contact him with your work assignment preference.

The board has decided to hold more picnics throughout the year so I would like to invite all of you to the next one which is scheduled for September 12th after the general meeting. As before, the club will supply the drinks & meat, if you would like to share a dish please feel free to bring it along. I am looking forward to seeing you all there.

TSF & Have Fun

August Meeting Headlines

Mark Rosendale

The general meeting was held on August 8th and we had a good summer showing with about 18 people attending. The following topics were discussed.

This was a very abbreviated meeting due to the swap meet. Everyone wanted to get back to the deals and we really did not have much on the agenda to discuss.

The club library is still in its infancy and we will be working out the details of that project in the near future. I believe that it will become a great resource for information and building plans.

The only other topic discussed was the north south runway proposal which is explained in detail in a separate article in this newsletter.

Again, this was a very short meeting enabling everyone could get back to the swap meet action.

Board Position Open

The Safety Officer's position is now open. Below is an excerpt from the club rules explaining the responsibilities of the job.

If you are interested, please call, or email Mark Rosendale as soon as possible.

SAFETY OFFICER. The Safety Officer shall:

- (i) Be responsible for the enforcement of all safety procedures at the field.
- (ii) Recommend to the Board, for its approval, new safety requirements as needed.
- (iii) When present, observe the flying activities to ensure smooth and safe field operations.
- (iv) Investigate all alleged safety rule infractions and report such findings to the Board for its action.
- (v) Have the authority to suspend the flying, pending a Board review, of anyone he/she deems to present a safety hazard to either him/herself, to others or to property.

From the Editor,

I have received one article for the newsletter, but I will not be including it in this issue. So this will be much smaller than in the past few months.

If you have any pictures, articles, or article ideas, please email me at:

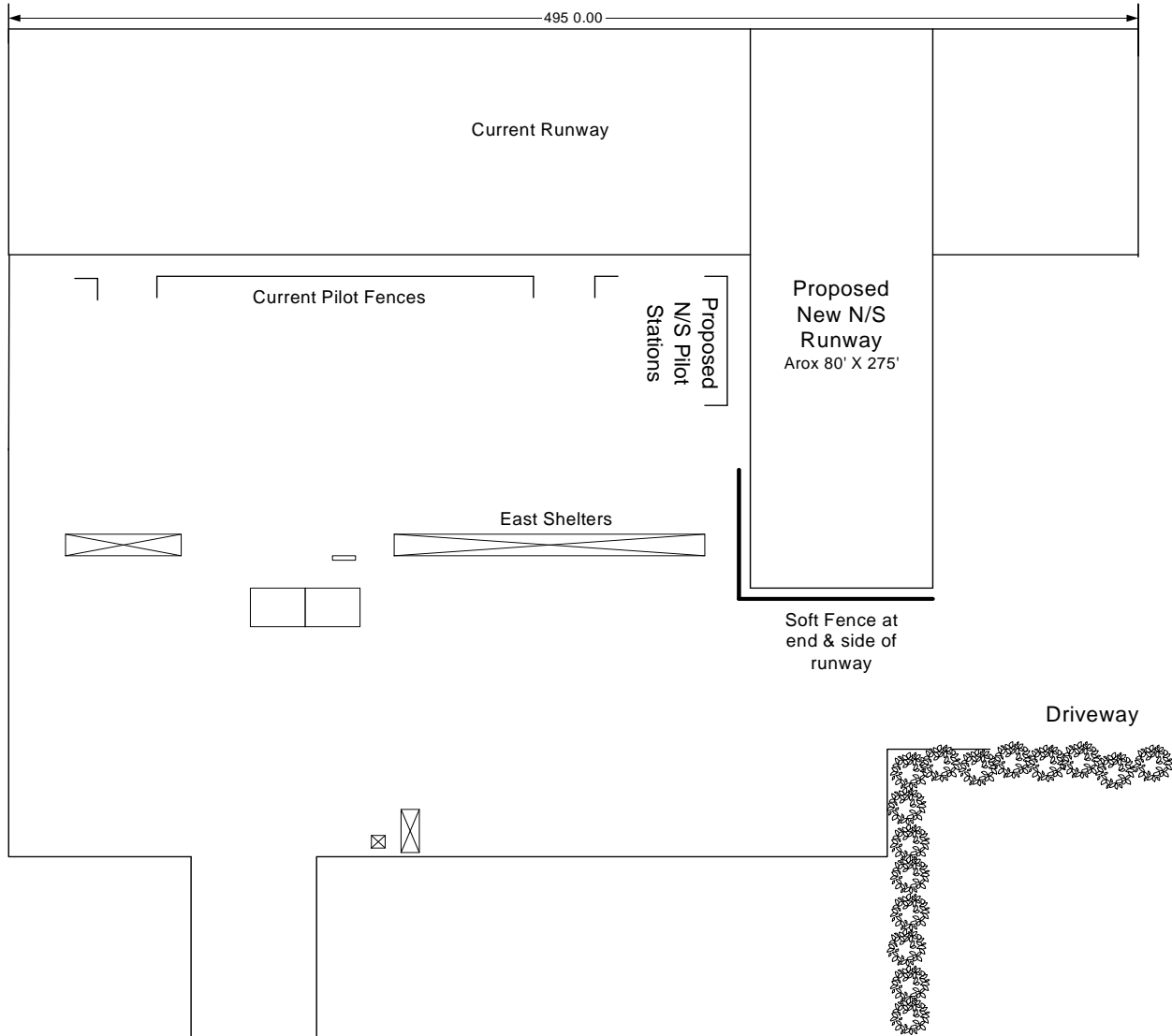
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North South Runway Proposal (Threepeat)

By Mark Rosendale

Greetings Can Am members. Recently, we have been discussing the possibilities of creating a North South runway at the field. There really is only one feasible area that we could fit this into without consuming more land which we are not at liberty to do.

You will notice in the diagram below that the new runway would run North and South at the end of the East shelters.



It would be a bit narrower and shorter than the main runway, but it would certainly be adequate for almost everything we fly at the field. There are a few downsides to creating this runway as follows:

- 1.) In the summer months when you are flying, you would be facing the sun in the early morning.
- 2.) Incoming and outgoing vehicle traffic would have to stop at designated areas when there were aircraft in the air and get clearance from the pilot before proceeding.
- 3.) We would need to establish daily flight traffic patterns based on wind conditions with no deviations (in other words, everyone would be required to fly either E/W or N/S for the day).

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North South Runway Proposal, cont'd.

We believe that we would be able to overcome all of the noted drawbacks and create a new flying area that would virtually eliminate our current cross wind flights.

I invite you to PLEASE PROVIDE FEEDBACK. This is certainly not planned for the immediate future and I would like to get a general feel of what everyone thinks regarding this runway before finalizing any details and bringing it to a club vote.

I encourage everyone to please e-mail your input to clrmsr@gmail.com, or call me in the evening at 352-588-7939, or come see me at the field on most Saturday mornings.

North South Runway Update:

By: Mark Rosendale

Greetings to all club members. About three months ago I threw out the idea of creating a new north south runway on the east end of the shelters. The intention was to expand the flying area and allow for fewer cross wind situations.

The board has met numerous times on this and has openly discussed all the pros and cons. I have also run a couple of consecutive articles in the newsletter asking for club feedback.

I was amazed that out of more than 85 members, only 3 responded via e-mail and a couple of members spoke to me at the field. To say the least, I was a bit disappointed in the lack of response and participation.

The board of directors held their final planning meeting regarding this proposal on Saturday, August 22nd. It was determined at that meeting that the club would not be pursuing a new north south runway.

In the end, there were more cons than pros including some important safety issues that would have increased the clubs liability for injuries. We as a club have survived numerous years without a north south runway option and the current layout of our facilities is not really conducive to having a new N/S runway put in.

Another influencing factor was the apparent lack of interest from the general membership as measured by the very small amount of feedback received by the board. I would like to thank all the board members for their effort on this proposal and those club members that did respond to the call.

Once again I encourage everyone to take an active role in this awesome club and participate in all the activities. You only get out of it what you are willing to put in. Now it looks like its time to sharpen those cross wind landing skills...simulator here I come.
