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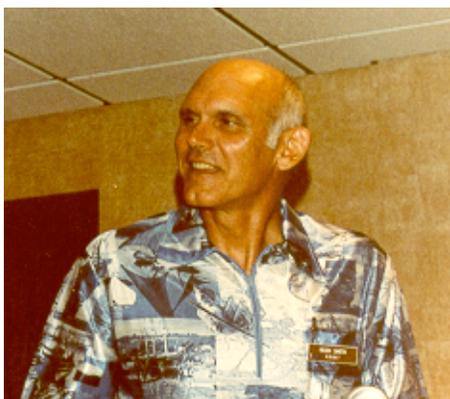
Dear Navioneer,

Life is bitter and sweet. There's no getting around it, it's life. For those of you who have not heard we lost Hugh Smith this past month. It was good to have seen him at the Pine Mountain Lake fly in February. I was fortunate to be able to attend the services for Hugh in Groveland. Many of Hugh's friends were there and shared their thoughts and feelings about Hugh with those in attendance. There was also gathering at the Pine Mountain lake airport and a missing man formation fly by. Hugh is survived by his 2 sons, 2 daughters and wife Kay. Our thoughts are with them and we know Hugh is flying somewhere in calm clear skies.

Dennis Dooley sent me the following piece which am I happy to include in the Newsletter.

I Remember Hugh

By Dennis Dooley



In my 60 years I have known a number of men who have had a very positive influence in my life, and Hugh Smith was one of them. I didn't know Hugh nearly as long as many others, but from what I hear, my experience was the norm with what others experienced with him.

After starting flying again after a 30 year layoff, I needed help and couldn't find the help I needed. Somewhat by accident I stumbled across Hugh's name and decided to give him a call. I expected a cool reception since I was calling out of the blue and because he had no way of knowing me from anybody. Hugh immediately jumped to my aid, and what I got was a cheerful reception and no time limit for his access. Hugh was ready to tackle heaven and earth to help me. This attitude existed the entire that I knew Hugh.

My first flight to Pine Mt. Lake, I expected to spend 5 minutes to give him a check and return home. Instead, he insisted on giving me the complete tour of his hanger, introduced me to all the people of the airport community, arranged for a private tour of the museum at the field, and treated me to lunch. I got in trouble for taking all day to do a 5 minute job, but I would gladly do it again no matter how much trouble I might get in.

In spite of his physical ailments, Hugh was always in good humor and eager to help, not only me, but everyone else wherever I saw him. I was always told that most people are either givers or takers. Hugh most assuredly was a giver. As far as supporting the Golden Gate Navioneers, Hugh and Kay would make almost any sacrifice not to miss a fly-in or to support this organization in any way it could, even right up to the end.

I know that Hugh's beautiful wife, Kay, also has had it hard these last few years with her own physical problems and taking care of Hugh when he needed it, and I pray for her healing from her ordeal and from her loss. Hugh wasn't complete without Kay, and I always sensed that he knew that.

I, and I believe everyone else, will miss you, Hugh. Seventy-four seems so young now, but you lived more in those years than many others who live much longer. You had a positive influence on many lives. I believe that you are in a far better place now, and now my prayers are with those who are left behind to carry on without you. I'll always cherish my memories of you.

- Dennis Dooley

Further Club News



We had a really nice fly in to Porterville on April 18th. We had 6 Navions and 12 people. But no drive-ins. Must be the gas prices... The weather in Porterville was mostly sunny with a few clouds but many other areas had rain and icing conditions. Thanks to those

who were able to make it. To those who didn't, I want to support you in your decision not to brave the bad weather. No fly in is worth violating your own personal minimums. If it doesn't feel right, stay on the ground.

I'll skip over the Maintenance Seminar later this month and get back to it at the end of the newsletter.

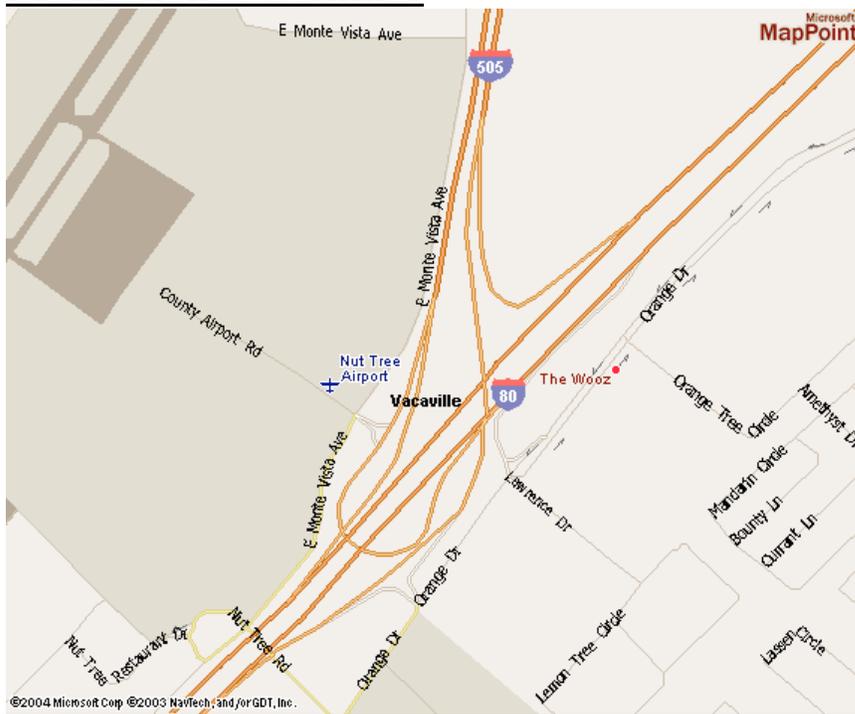
The next scheduled fly in June 12th and 13th was to be an overnight fly in and dance at Jim Turner's place in Lake Almanor. Just to prove you can't control everything, a water pipe break at Jim's has put this plan on the skids. If anyone has an alternative location available I'd be happy to take advantage of it.

There is no scheduled fly-in in July because of the ANS Nationals in New York. As of this writing I will not be able to go to the Nationals but I encourage any of you who can make the time to go. It's always a fun event and you'll never see so many Navions in one place at one time. Gail and I had a great time at Caldwell last year. It's just so much fun to talk to other Navion owners and swap stories and ideas.

If anyone is interested in having a get together in July for those of us who won't be making it to New York, I'd be happy to publicize it in the newsletter and on the web page. Just give me a call or drop me an E-Mail.

Remember the fly in hotline is 510-834-NAVI (510-834-6284) for all the late breaking Golden Gate Navioneer fly in updates.

Maintenance Seminar



The 1st Annual West Coast Navion Maintenance Seminar is coming together nicely. We have about 30 people signed up for it and we have capacity for about 10 or 15 more. Here's the line up so far:

Friday evening from 7:00 until ??? – Social gathering at Nut Tree Airport. War Bird Hanger tour.

Saturday morning 07:00 – 08:00

Breakfast snack w/coffee and juice at Bob Kelly's hangar.

Saturday morning 08:00 – 12:00

Ron Judy - Navion Annual in Bob Kelly's hangar

Saturday Noon – 13:00

Lunch sandwiches and soft drinks

Saturday Afternoon 13:00 – 17:00

Paul Milner (*Chevron/Texaco*) - The future of aircraft fuels and engines

Guy Minor (FAA OAK FSDO) – Parts, Parts Approvals and Airworthiness

Richard “Dilly” Dilbeck (FAA SAC FSDO) –

Owner/Mechanics Shared Maintenance Responsibilities

Guy Minor (FAA OAK FSDO) – Alterations

Saturday Evening 19:00 - ???

Dinner with guest speaker North American Aviation Navion team member Chan King

Sunday Morning 08:00 – 09:00

Breakfast

Sunday morning 09:00 – 12:00

Brad Hensley (Naviation) - Navion Rigging

Sunday Noon – Farewell

That's it for this month. Give me a call if you have thoughts or suggestions you'd like to share.

Bill Putney – President

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2004 Calendar of Events

- ♠ Golden Gate Navioneers Sponsored Event.
- Events sponsored by other groups.
- ◆ Display shows for a property tax exemption (Ask your taxman).

- ◆ *First Sunday Classic Aircraft Fly in Hollister (307) Dates [6/6, 7/4, 8/1, 9/5, 10/7, 11/7, 12/5] Contact Robin White 831-375-4943.*

- ◆ *May 15th and 16th – Planes of Fame Air Show – Chino (CNO)*
Contact Mark Foster 909-597-3722

- ♠ *May 21st thru 23rd – 1st Annual Navion Maintenance Seminar – Nut Tree (VCB) Contact Bill Putney 510-301-7666*

- ◆ *May 28th thru 30th – Watsonville Fly in and Air Show – Watsonville (WVI)*
Contact Dave Brockmann 831-763-5600

- *June 4th thru 6th – Navion Days – Visalia (VIS)*
Contact Raleigh Morrow – Navion Skys 209-367-9390

- ♠ *June 12th and 13th Lake Almanor Fly in Bar-B-Q / 50's Dance – Chester (O05)*
Cancelled

- ◆ *June 18th thru 20th – Golden West EAA Fly in at Yuba County Airport (MYV).*
Contact Mary Hansen 530-741-6463

- ♠ *July 4th – 10th the American Navion Society National Flyin* Glens Falls, NY.

- ♠ *August 7th Fly in to Shelter Cove (0Q5)*

- ◆ *August 28th and 29th – Wings Over Wine Country – Santa Rosa (STS)*
Contact Duane Coppock: 707-575-7900

- ◆ *September 9th and 10th – So. Lake Tahoe Air Fest (TVL)*

- ♠ *September 11th and 12th – Overnight to Sedona, AZ (SEZ) Details later*

- ♠ *October 3rd – Angels Camp Bar-B-Q Fly in – Calaveras County (CPU)*

- ♠ *October 31st – Mystery Fly in (Costumes required) Details later*

- ♠ *December 10th - The Golden Gate Navioneers Holiday Party - The Alamo*
Women's club will again host this event for us.

Classified Ads

1962 Navion G Rangemaster

\$79,000

Contact: Richard Scholl: 650-854-4182 or email rlscholl@pacbell.net

- ◆ Airframe 3800 TT
- ◆ 870 SMOH on 260 HP IO-470-H (1 new Continental cylinder in 2002)
- ◆ 500 SPOH (McCauley 2-blade).
- ◆ Gross weight increase kit
- ◆ Extended windshield
- ◆ PS Engineering - PMA 7000-MS audio panel
- ◆ Garmin - GNS-430 GPS
 - Enroute/Approach Certified
 - Nav-Com w/ GS
- ◆ Garmin-AT - SL 30 Nav-Com w/ GS
- ◆ Garmin - GTX-327 transponder
- ◆ Cleveland brakes & wheels
- ◆ Alternator
- ◆ Modern panel
- ◆ IFR certified.
- ◆ Logs from 1962
- ◆ Annual due 6/04
- ◆ EI - UBG-16 engine monitor
- ◆ JPI - FS-450 fuel flow indicator
- ◆ Davtron - D655-2 five function indicator (OAT, pres. & dens. alt.)
- ◆ Sennheizer - ANR a/c powered headset



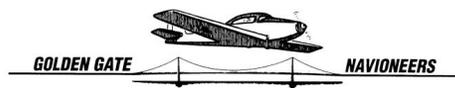
FOR SALE: 1950 Ryan Navion B

\$78,500

Call Robin White - 831-375-4934

- ◆ 1st Owner - Arthur Godfrey
- ◆ 2900 hrs since ground up restoration.
- ◆ 1007 SMOH on 295 HP Lycoming GO-480.
- ◆ Excellent oil analysis
- ◆ Excellent compression
- ◆ Amazing performance.
- ◆ Wool and leather interior (9).
- ◆ Always hangared,
- ◆ Paint very good (8).
- ◆ Polished spinner
- ◆ Polished Hartzell 93" 3-blade prop.
- ◆ King Air-style panel
- ◆ King Silver Crown
 - HIS
 - RMI
 - IFR certified.
- ◆ Single piece glass
- ◆ Factory underseat aux tank
- ◆ Speed mods.
- ◆ Gap seals, ailerons internally balanced.
- ◆ Shoulder harnesses
- ◆ Leading edge vents.
- ◆ Dual batteries.
- ◆ Folding split rear seat.
- ◆ Factory baggage door
- ◆ Rear avionics bay.
- ◆ All new sleeved hoses FWF.
- ◆ Airwolf oil filter
- ◆ X-large oil cooler
- ◆ Wing tip strobes.
- ◆ Rebuilt hydraulic actuators.
- ◆ Cleveland breaks
- ◆ Toe brakes
- ◆ New main wheel tires.
- ◆ APU plug.
- ◆ All logs.
- ◆ Annual due 11/04





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