



Breslau Flyers - COPA Flight 26

Minutes October 12th, 2021 Zoom Chat (hosted by Steve M)

Agenda

1. **Introductions:**
2. **Roundtable**
3. **Adoption of Minutes**
4. **Treasurer's report**
5. **Updates / Reports**
 - CIFIB update:
 - Burlington installation
 - Other sites
 - Newsletter
 - Website
 - Library
 - COPA 26 Clothing & Hammond update
 - Other news ...
6. **Up and Coming**
 - Speakers:
 - Oct Martin Keenan: aviation history
 - Nov Robert Kostecka: certifying the A380

We are looking for additional speakers for the winter and spring
7. **Any other business**

Break

Presentation: Martin Keenan – Aviation History

This will be Martin's third time as our COPA 26 speaker and will feature another of his great aviation history presentations.

Minutes

There was no 50 : 50 draw.

1. Introductions

There were 24 members present plus 1 guests. Gord was absent and Pat led the meeting and introduced Martin Keenan as our speaker.

The meeting was hosted on Zoom by Steve M with everyone taking part electronically.

2. Roundtable

Members introduced themselves along with the type of aircraft that they fly.

3. Adoption of Minutes

A motion to approve the minutes from the September meeting was moved by Bruce and seconded by Bob.

4. Treasurer's Report

The bank balance was \$4,213.94 plus an additional \$50 in petty cash. This past month we reimbursed Steve for the costs covering our Zoom account for the COPA 26 meetings and the costs of the IFR Mastery series that Steve uses for the Pilot Decision Making workshops. The was \$396.19

5. Updates / Reports

- **CIFIB Update**

The Burling station is now operating along with Stratford and both stations broadcast weather (Environment Canada radar, METAR's and TAF's) and will soon include some traffic information (Nemo Scout and FLARM / OGN.

There has been interest from a group of pilots in Alberta. CIFIB is now in discussions with pilots from Springbank and High River about possible installations in the Calgary and southern Alberta areas.

- **Newsletter**

Geoff is continuing to produce the COPA 26 newsletter on a bi-monthly basis. If you have stories, photos or things to share ... get in touch with Geoff and contribute to future editions. You can contact Geoff at: geoff.gartshore@gmail.com

- **Website**

The COPA 26 website provides information for members (newsletters, minutes, previous COPA for Kids events) and explains for potential members how you can join COPA 26 and how you can pay your dues on-line. <http://www.copaflight26.com>

Presentation: Martin Keenan: the A - 12 Reconnaissance Aircraft

Martin presented the development and history of the A-12 reconnaissance aircraft

The **Lockheed A-12** was a high-altitude, Mach 3+ reconnaissance aircraft built for the United States Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) by Lockheed's Skunk Works, based on the designs of Clarence "Kelly" Johnson. The aircraft was designated A-12, the 12th in a series of internal design efforts for "Archangel", the aircraft's internal code name.

The A-12 was produced from 1962 to 1964 and flew from 1963 to 1968. It was the precursor to the twin-seat U.S. Air Force YF-12 prototype interceptor, M-21 launcher for the D-21 drone, and the SR-71 Blackbird, a slightly longer variant able to carry a heavier fuel and camera load.