

The Cascade Flyer

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[Submissions may be edited for length, content, and clarity.—Ed.]

Places to Fly: Point Roberts

by Gary O'Donald

Last fall Jeremy, Chet and I took 2608R up to Point Roberts, Washington (1RL) on Tim Walsh's recommendation. Point Roberts is a small peninsula of US territory that extends down below the 49th parallel, located approximately 28 miles northwest of Bellingham and 22 miles south of downtown Vancouver. The only ways to get there are driving through Canada or taking a private boat or airplane. The US area is about 2 miles north to south and 3 miles east to west. There is a lunch counter and espresso bar a short walk from the field.

Flight Plan

With flight following from Whidbey, we headed up the coast past Bellingham. At that point we contacted Victoria to tell them our intentions and continue

flight following to Point Roberts. North of Birch Bay we turned west and stayed on the US side of the border. We could see the Peace Arch to the north where I-5 crosses into Canada.

Arriving

A retired Canadian airline pilot named Robin owns and lives on the field. The grass strip (16/34) is well mowed, so it is usable all year round. He will most likely come out to greet you if he is around. Fly a west pattern over the water and

land to the north if winds permit. Depart to the south if possible; if not, an early turnout will keep you out of Canadian airspace.

Flight time was about an hour each way. Since it is part of the US there are no issues with customs. I would caution, however, that with increased border surveillance filing a flight plan would be good insurance.

Have fun and fly safe.

FREQUENCIES

Whidbey Approach East: 120.7
Victoria Terminal: 132.7
Point Roberts CTAF: 122.8

Aircraft News

March improvements

Decreasing fuel prices allowed the board to lower the hourly rates to \$89 for 1383U and \$119 for 2608R as of March 1.

A new 406 MHz ELT was installed and the front

seats were refurbished in the Cessna 182. The new red seats feature comfort foam with spring cloth.

FYI: Airport management changed both key locks on the hangar doors.

April ideas

Handy members could use an aftermarket kit to refurbish the interior of one plane in about 40 hours, says Regal.

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Our next board meetings are June 10, July 8 and August 12 at 7:30 pm in the PAE Terminal Building.

Upcoming Flying Events

June 6	Wally Peterson Memorial Fly-In	Chelan (S10)
June 14	Florence Fly-In	Florence, OR (6S2)
June 19-20	Apple Cup Aerobatic Competition	Ephrata (EPH)
June 20	Tonasket Father's Day Fly-In	Tonasket (W01)
June 26-27	Richland Fly-In and Cool Desert Nights	Richland (RLD)
June 20-21	Olympic Air Show	Olympia (OLM)
July 8-12	EAA Fly-In	Arlington (AWO)
July 17-19	2009 NW Biplane Fly-In	Spokane (SFF)
July 24-26	No. Cascades Antique Airplane Fly-In	Concrete (3W5)
Aug 7-9	Abbotsford Air Show	Abbotsford, BC (YXX)
Aug 7-9	2 nd Annual Prosser Fly-In	Prosser (S40)
Aug 14-16	50 th Anniversary NWAAC Fly-In	Vancouver (VUO)
Aug 21-23	Wings over Republic	Republic (R49)
Aug 29-30	Hillsboro Air Show	Hillsboro (H10)
Sept 5	Bremerton Blackberry Fly-In	Bremerton (PWT)

Washington Pilots Association maintains a comprehensive listing of Northwest flying activities at: <http://www.wpaflys.org/calendar.html>

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Member News

Club member **Tony Impala** recently earned his commercial ticket after a season full of building time and boring holes through the sky. Like any good pilot, he was harder on himself than the examiner was. Tony flew a Cardinal from Regal with Bob Roetsch-soender (our local retired SR-71 Blackbird pilot) and did a top-notch job with the maneuvers on a blustery day. Tony's on his way to earning a CFI and wants some time "getting the picture" in the right seat, if you're willing to let him tag along on your next flight.

Club Resources

The members' section of the website has some great resources we hope you're familiar with. Remember to type the username **casfly** and the hangar combination for the password. You'll find:

- **Maintenance Cheat Sheets**
- **Minutes**
- **Application Procedures**
- **Membership Application & Transfer Forms**
- **Corporate Bylaws**

Cascade Flyers Caps!



These attractive custom-stitched ball caps are available to members. If you're interested, show up at a board meeting or send \$10 per hat with your next month's dues payment.