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President's Message
BY HARRY K. COFFEY, President
National Aeronautic Association

All members of the National Aeronautic Association, oldest national aviation group in the U.S.A., are cordially invited to attend the Association's 48th annual meeting, to be held October 8-9-10 at Portland, Oregon, home of your president and of NAA's largest member club, The Aero Club of Oregon.

In this 50th anniversary year of powered flight, it is fitting to recount that the Aero Club of America, predecessor of NAA, was organized in November, 1905, less than two years after the Wright Brothers made man's first successful controlled powered flight. Objectives of NAA are generally the same today as then: to disseminate aeronautical knowledge; to encourage formation of local and state Aero Clubs to provide a common meeting place for those interested in advancing aeronautics; to supervise in an unbiased capacity the conduct of sanctioned aviation competitions and aircraft record trials as the U.S. representative of the Federation Aeronautique Internationale; and to award trophies and awards of national renown in recognition of outstanding achievement in the development of all phases of aviation. Your Association, as the overall U.S. coordinator of constructive aviation projects and consistent promoter of sound aviation legislation, has since its beginning championed the causes of the aircraft manufacturers, the airlines, the fixed-base operators, the air arms of the military services, and the personal aircraft owner or user, NAA's No. 1 mission being to "Keep America First in the Air."

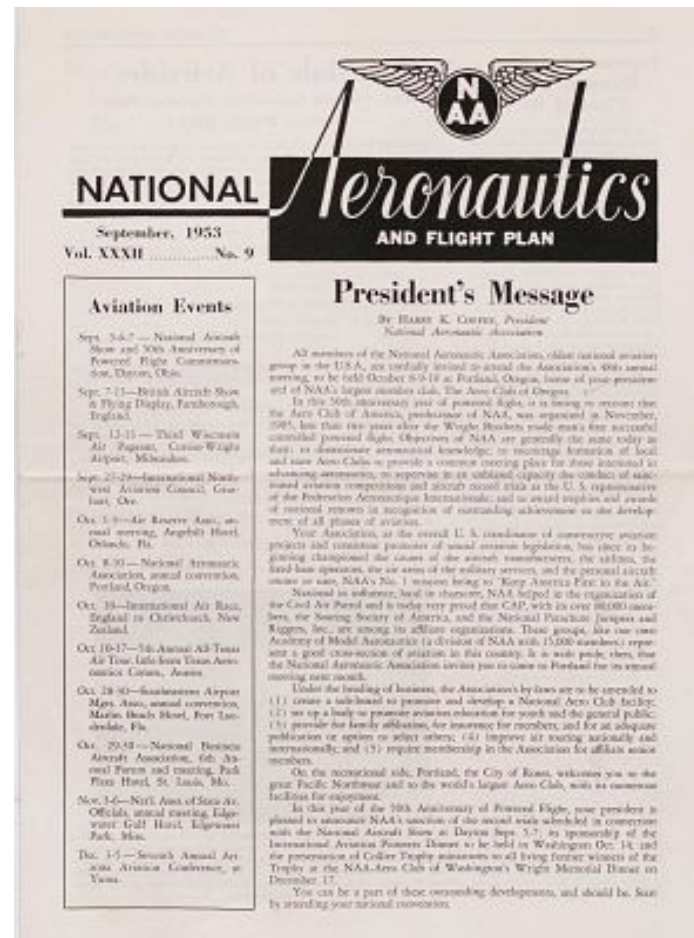
National in influence, local in character, NAA helped in the organization of the Civil Air Patrol and is today very proud that CAP, with its over 80,000 members, the Soaring Society of America, and the National Parachute Jumpers and Riggers, Inc., are among its affiliate organizations. These groups, like our own Academy of Model Aeronautics (a divisions of NAA with 15,000 members) represent a good cross-section of aviation in this country. It is with pride, then, that the National Aeronautic Association invites you to come to Portland for its annual meeting next month.

Under the heading of business, the Association's by-laws are to be amended to

(1) create a sub-board to promote and develop a National Aero Club facility; (2) set up a body to promote aviation education for youth and the general public; (3) provide for family affiliation, for insurance for members, and for an adequate publication or option to select others; (4) improve air touring nationally and internationally, and (5) require membership in the Association for affiliate senior members.

On the recreational side, Portland, the City of roses, welcomes you to the great Pacific Northwest and to the world's largest Aero Club, with its numerous facilities for enjoyment.

In this year of the 50th Anniversary of Powered Flight, your president is pleased to announce NAA's sanction of the record trials scheduled in connection with the National Aircraft Show at Dayton Sept. 5-7; its sponsorship of the International Aviation Pioneers Dinner to be held in Washington Oct. 14; and the presentation of Collier Trophy miniatures to all living former winners of the Trophy at the NAA-Aero Club of Washington's Wright Memorial Dinner on December 17.



You can be a part of these outstanding developments, and should be.
Start by attending your national convention.

Aviation Events

Sept. 5-6-7 — National Aircraft Show and 50th Anniversary of Powered Flight Commemoration, Dayton, Ohio.

Sept. 7-13—British Aircraft Show & Flying Display, Farnborough, England.

Sept. 12-13 — Third Wisconsin Air Pageant, Curtiss-Wright Airport, Milwaukee

Sept. 27-29—International Northwest Aviation Council, Gearhart, Ore.

Oct. 1-3—Air Reserve Asso., annual meeting, Angebilt Hotel, Orlando, Fla.

Oct. 8-10 — National Aeronautic Association, annual convention, Portland, Oregon.

Oct. 10— International Air Race, England to Christchurch, New Zealand.

Oct. 10-17—5th Annual All-Texas Air Tour. Info from Texas Aeronautics Comm., Austin.

Oct. 28-30—Southeastern Airport Mgrs. Asso., annual convention, Marlin Beach Hotel, Fort Lauderdale, Fla.

Oct. 29-30—National Business Aircraft Association, 6th Annual Forum and meeting, Park Plaza Hotel, St. Louis, Mo.

Nov. 3-6—Nat'l Asso. of State Av. Officials, annual meeting, Edgewater Gulf Hotel, Edgewater Park, Miss.

Dec. 3-5 — Seventh Annual Arizona Aviation Conference, at Yuma.

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