

Lakeathon 2011, February 20-23 at River Ranch

We will return to Florida in late February for our 23rd Annual Fly-in and Safety Seminar. The one-of-a-kind meeting will be held at River Ranch, February 20-23, 2011. This is the gathering that Lake enthusiasts return to year after year. There is no other place or activity at which you can learn so much from so many veteran Lake pilots and experts. Emphasis will be on Lake Amphibian safety, knowledge, proficiency, and fun.

Each year, up to 200 Lake fans attend from all over the world, bringing with them roughly fifty Lake airplanes. But you don't need a Lake to attend. For numerous reasons, many people don't come by Lake, but rather by car or airline. Those who wish to arrive by airlines will find that River Ranch is an easy drive from the Orlando airport (MCO), which is about 90 minutes away by car. Before and after the event, or for accompanying family members, most of Florida's major tourist attractions are only an hour or so away by car.

If you are lucky enough to be able to arrive by Lake or other private aircraft, you will land at River Ranch's 5000 foot paved and lighted runway, right on the resort grounds! Fuel is available at competitive prices, and the airport is literally within minutes of many fine fresh water landing and practice sites. River Ranch is also just a short hop away from two of the world's best Lake service facilities, so if you need a little work done to your bird, you will be in the right place. Aircraft Innovations (863-299-4655) in Winter Haven and Amphibians Plus (863-534-8025) in Bartow will be very busy that week, so schedule in advance if you can.

We have programmed three days of intensive Lake Learning Sessions during the mornings of Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, with a scheduled Thursday morning departure. Experts will be there to advise and educate us on all aspects of Lake ownership and flying. Depending on program schedules, varied overlapping evening sessions will provide smaller focused discussions on timely topics for Lake enthusiasts. In the afternoons, we will go flying, exploring and share our flying experiences with others. Instructors will be on site and appointments may be made for instruction or recurrency training.

Sunday February 20th will be a day of arrivals. Watch the Lakes arrive from near and far at the airport. The first scheduled event will be an opening evening cocktail party and banquet beginning at 5:30 PM on Sunday. Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday will feature daily morning seminars, and afternoons of flying. Some special activities will be planned, including a ladies activity program. Casual attire is appropriate for all activities.

This year will feature the first-time arrival of the very first Lake airplane ever built. John Staber WILL attend with his beautiful newly-restored Colonial Skimmer, serial number one. Be there for this historic event.

Reserve now for Lakeathon 2011!

Up to \$20 savings per person is available for early registration! Take advantage of this and mail your registration fee and reserve your rooms now. Otherwise, you may miss the December 20th deadline for the \$20 early registration discount—and possibly even the January 20th deadline for the \$10 discount. As always, we would much rather have your early registration than your extra money.

Don't miss out. To reserve your place at the Fly-In, you must take two steps:

1. Mail your registration/badge fee of US\$100 for each person (\$80 if received not later than December 20th, \$90 if received by January 20th) to Lake Flyers Club in Wellington, Florida. Make your check payable to Lake Amphibian Flyers Club. A registration form is available online at <http://tinyurl.com/LAT2011>. NOTE: Each person must be registered and wearing a badge to participate in any of our technical or social activities. If you want an acknowledgement, send an e-mail address with your payment and a confirmation will be e-mailed to you.

2. Call River Ranch reservations now to reserve your room at the special Lake Filayers rate of \$89 per night plus tax. Superior rooms are available at higher rates. In order to get our special room rates, call River Ranch at 863-692-1321, mentioning the "Lake Amphibian Filayers Conference" and our reservation code which is 14-431. Special rate is available only as long as our block of rooms is available. If in doubt, reserve now any way as there is no penalty for cancellation up to 6PM day of arrival.

Those who may have subjects for presentation or discussion at Lakeathon, please contact us right away as we are beginning to fill the program schedule. We look forward to seeing old friends and meeting new ones at the 23rd annual Lakeathon.

See Registration Form on next page.

Lakeathon 2011 Registration Form

Use this form to register for our Fly-in Convention
River Ranch, Florida, February 20-23, 2011

Name:

Address 1:

Additional Attendee Names:

Address 2:

1.

City, State, Zip:

2.

Telephone:

3.

Email:

4.

Member of LAFC?

Convention Registration and Badge Fees:

Badge is required for attendance at all Lakeathon sessions or events.

If postmarked by December 20, 2010: _____ persons X \$80 = _____

If postmarked by January 20, 2011: _____ persons X \$90 = _____

If postmarked after January 20, 2011: _____ persons X \$100 = _____

Total Convention & Registration and Badge Fees: _____

(Payment must be enclosed in US funds.)

Please send this form with your payment to:

Lake Amphibian Flyers Club
15695 Boeing Court
Wellington FL 33414-8359
(Telephone 561-948-1262)

If you have not yet done so, reserve your room by calling River Ranch Resort at 863-692-1321. Tell them you are attending the "Lake Amphibian Flyers Conference, Code 14-431".