<u>News Letter</u>: This newsletter was delayed because of the loss of our Cessna 172 N46492 March 20<sup>th</sup>. During a cross-country night flight from Bar Harbor to Portland the engine lost power and Flight Instructor Nate Jordon and his Student pilot ending up landing on Route 52 in Belfast. Fortunately there were no injuries however the airplane was destroyed during the accident. Nate did a fantastic job of flying during a very difficult approach to the road.

**Brunswick Fly-In:** Mark your calendar for Saturday and Sunday June 2<sup>nd</sup> -3 <sup>rd</sup>. This is the second annual fly-in at Brunswick (KBXM). Last year there were nearly 300 airplanes that attended the one-day event. With the event covering two days this year, there will be overnight camping, a concert and various seminars. Along with Cirrus Aircraft, Maine Coastal Flight will be a sponsor so make sure you stop by our table and say Hi. We will be providing scenic flights along with aviation talks at the event. There will also be a new Cirrus at the event.

## **Accomplishments:**

Congratulations to the following for their aviation achievements:

Chuck Bucklin: SR-20 VFR Transition Training

Jack Sanford: Purchased SR-22 Turbo R9, IFR Transition Training

<u>Viva America Award</u>: Scenic Flights of Acadia, our Scenic Flights from the Bar Harbor Airport has been chosen as one of five attractions to be a Viva America Pick! Viva America is a travel website that chooses just a few of the most popular and highest ranking attractions in each state. We are proud of being selected by them for this honor. Thank you Viva America. Visit their site at www.vivaamerica.com

<u>Building Your Own Airplane?</u>: Barry Buchanan, one of our students, has decided to do something about the high cost of flying. He is building his own fuel-efficient airplane. Barry is an avid motorcyclist and works on his own motorcycle and he has helped others repair their motorcycles through his popular blog posts. He is now building a Sonex, a small two-place airplane with a very detailed blog about the construction of it. If you want to follow him, see Barry's posts in his blog at <a href="http://sonex1504.com/">http://sonex1504.com/</a>. His posts are very interesting and informative. I am sure you will enjoy his progress in his highly detailed blog.

<u>Lewiston Airport Restaurant Renovated</u>: Looking for a place to fly to for breakfast or lunch? The Landing Strip Café at the KLEW airport has undergone a renovation recently. The restaurant is open Tuesday through Saturday from 6AM to 2PM and Sunday 7AM to 1PM. It is closed on Mondays. Let us know how you like the new café.

<u>New Airplane</u>: We have now bought another Cessna 172. N739JW is a 1978 180HP with a Garmin 430 GPS installed. It will be used as a scenic plane and rental as needed. This will be a good airplane to get that instrument rating in.