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SUBJECT: Lessons learned

1. If your fuel gauge flutters excessively while you are working out in the A. O., be sure to have it fixed because running out of POL out in the boonies could be tragic.
2. When flying always check the gauges once in a while. That way you might be able to catch trouble before it catches you.
3. Try not to fly over the scheduled maintenance of your aircraft. You might be by-passing something which can kill you before the next one.
4. Before you take off, make sure each member of the crew knows his job. It will make for much smoother flying.
5. When making a final approach to land, check for other aircraft in the same area to avoid a mid-air collision.
6. If you hear a funny noise from your aircraft while flying, have it checked out as soon as possible because it might be serious.
7. Try not to fly with your aircraft overloaded. It is not only dangerous but it puts an unnecessary strain on the aircraft.
8. Be sure to give the aircraft a good pre-flight before taking off. If possible, give it a post-flight after shutting down for the day.
9. Keep Flight Operations informed on the status of all aircraft. This would save a lot of time.
10. When going out on a mission in a OH-6A, make sure the M-60 MG and M-16 work BEFORE you take off. This would save a lot of time and possibly your life.

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