

TEXAS AAA



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DEFYING THE WEATHER!

28 brave souls defied the weather and drove to Jerry and Barbara Pockrus's hanger at Clark Airfield for our March meeting.

The food was delicious and there was plenty of it! Just a sample of what we had was a crock pot of great chili and one of taco soup provided by Kathy and Bobby Jones. Barbara Pockrus had a platter of wonderful pork roast and Penny and Tom brought a tasty casserole. Many assorted other dishes and desserts were enjoyed also. Thanks to everyone who brought food!

I conducted the meeting which included a report from Don, Terry and Dick about the Casa Grande Fly In earlier this month. Dick talked about our web site (www.txaaa.org) which he helps maintain by sending info on to Russell Williams who does a great job on the national web site (www.antiqueairfield.com).

Terry made an appeal for members to send him information on their airplanes or articles that would be of interest to us in the monthly newsletter. We rely on you to make our newsletter interesting by sending pictures of your projects, airplane or items of interest pertaining to aviation. His e-mail address is wallacete@cs.com.

Rex Lake was our Meet Me Member of the month and told some interesting things about his life in aviation. Please let him know if you would like to be a future Meet Me member. His e-mail address is rex@lakesound.com.

We even had a new couple join the chapter on such a yucky day. Please welcome Darrell and Lorrain Irby from Keller. Darrell has a Cessna 172 at NWR and a project Comanche 250 at Propwash. Darrell has spent the last 20 years at Delta.

We need someone that would share the duties of towing our chair and table trailer to the monthly meetings. Terry Doyle has done a great job doing this but could use some help. Also we need a new place to store the trailer if you have space in your hanger for it. Please let me know if you can help. (972-989-3234).

Our next meeting will be April 17th at Ken and Linda Robbins located at Fairview. Please come and bring a guest! □



RANGER FLY-IN & AIRSHOW

As you know, our May meeting is scheduled to coincide with Ranger Airfield's (F23) Fly-In and Airshow on May 28-30. There is no entrance fee. The International Biplane Association and OX-5 Aviation Pioneers are also attending.

There is a fish fry (\$8) and airshow Friday evening and breakfast (\$5) Saturday morning by Ranger's Lions Club. A BBQ lunch will be served to pilots and passengers on Saturday beginning at 11:30 a.m. A concessions stand will be on site for the public.

Saturday's Airshow will begin at 1:00 p.m. The airfield will be closed from 12:50 to 3:00. There is a dawn patrol Sunday morning, briefing at 0700.

WHERE TO STAY

SHOWERS AVAILABLE TO CAMPERS AT RANGER COLLEGE

America's Best Value Inn

6750 I-20 Exit 349

Ranger, TX 76470

254.647.1176

La Quinta Inn & Suites

10150 I-20 Exit 343

Eastland, Texas 76448

254.629.1414 - front desk, 254.629.2235- fax

Discount code: Ranger Airshow *use this code when making reservations at La Quinta*
King Room \$70.00/night ~ Double Room \$79.00/night

This offer is only good thru May 21st

There will be a shuttle to and from the hotel and airfield (8 mi.)

The OX-5 Aviation Pioneers is providing a free Hospitality Hangar beginning at 7:00 p.m. on Saturday night at the La Quinta. Snacks, munchies, and sodas will be provided, if you want something stronger BYOB.

Visit Ranger Airfield's new website: www.rangerairfield.org

This will be great fun. Hope to see you there.



CASA GRANDE 2010

“TIME TO SPARE, GO BY AIR”

It's Monday, March 8th and I should be home in Bedford Texas by now after an uneventful week-end at the AZAAA Casa Grande Annual Fly in.

Instead I'm in a motel room in the big city of Pecos, Texas because severe thunderstorms in the DFW area has put a hold on our trip. If you have ever been to Pecos, Texas you know there is nothing to do here on a Monday but read a book.

Dick Ramsey and I left for Arizona last Wednesday, he in his Luscome and I in my C150. We had a great flight on both days getting to Casa Grande. The weather was beautiful all weekend.

On Sunday we left town in front of a storm approaching from the west thinking we would have good weather all the way home. Our normal overnight stay in Pecos was as expected but when we awoke to a weather report this morning we realized we were stuck in Pecos.

We were still glad we flew out to the fly in. It was a success with a large crowd on Saturday and many fine examples of flying machines. Included were two P-51's, a Corsair, a t-28, Fairchild's, Waco's, a flight of Stearmen, and assorted other aircraft.

Saturday evening's award dinner was hosted by the Casa Grande firemen explorer scouts. Steaks were served with beans and chips.

The Grand Champion award went to the only flying Luscome Phantom. Our chapter choice award went to a beautiful 1946 Aeronca Chief owned by Jerry and Kathy Furuas. The best Luscome award went to our own Dick Ramsey's N1201K.

Overall it was a great time for everyone in attendance. Besides Dick and me the only other TXAAA members there were Don and Ann Pellegrino. Now is the time to start planning our trip for next year. It is well worth the time and effort to fly out there and all our members are invited next year.

Terry □



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Are you looking for airport properties?
Contact Texas Chapter Member
Maybeth Nunn, Broker
The Real Team/Argyle
214-356-0383
nunn3@verizon.net.

1941 CULVER CADET

I am trying to find the elevator trim system complete with the trim tab for a 1941 Culver Cadet. Drawings or good photos would also be helpful.

I somehow got involved probably because I bought Lloyd Washburn's last project, a Culver Dart. The Cadet involved came out of Texas maybe 25 years ago (N34864). The new owner took it home to Florida, enjoyed it for a few years and then began a long restoration. He moved back to Ohio recently. He listed it for sale and a buyer called me to look it over for him. I found a beautiful little airplane with two major problems. During the restoration the owner modified the landing gear and the trim system so it no longer complies with the Type Certificate. I have a good relationship with the local FSDO and found the landing gear mod

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can be approved by 337 locally but control system mods will have to go to FAA engineering. The out come is uncertain and will certainly take a long time. The best solution is to find an original trim system.

Please pass this on to anyone you know who may be able to help. I would hate to see this little plane end up in a museum or worse a trash heap. I am trying to help to owner and am working gratis. I would love to see the Cadet flying again.

Gary Collins
1790 E Huntley Rd
Goshen, OH 45122
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CLASSIFIED

FOR SALE - 1950 Bellanca Cruisemaster 14-19. 190 Lyc., 80 hrs.. SMOH. 2987 tt. \$24,000. Contact: Sherman Oxford at (972)874-5050 or (214)704-1535.

FOR RENT - 2,500 sq. ft. hanger on beautiful Bird Dog Airfield full water, full electricity, stack doors, cement floors. Contact: Scott Sackett (940) 367-1992 Cell or e-mail: sackett@pobox.com.--11/09

FOR RENT T-HANGARS available at Bird Dog Airfield (TE58). Three left. Water, electricity and fully enclosed. Contact Scott Sackett (940) 367-1992 sackett@pobox.com 11/09

FOR SALE 1936 Stinson SR8C NC17116: Airframe time is apps. 1200 TT, engine and prop apps. 800 TT. We have \$35,000 in the project, but would take \$30,000. For additional information, please contact me on my cell phone Joetta Reetz @ 817-253-7295. 11/09

FOR SALE - 1 Jacobs R-755-9 245 Hp 165 Hr smoh, 1 Stearman 220 Cont. motor mount, 1 Leise nevell 50 amp gen. Contact at 940-367-4480 Bob Landrum 11/09

FOR SALE - 1940 Fairchild 24 with a fresh annual. Engine is 200 HP Ranger engine with 204 HRS SMOH. It has approx. 150 hrs since rebuild. Asking 85K. Contact Tom at 817-790-3190 11/09

FOR SALE - 1932 Fairchild 22 C7B. It has a 145 HP Menasco engine with a high wing and 2 open cockpits. This is a 100% rebuild of every piece of the aircraft. Asking 65K. Contact Tom at 817-790-3190. 11/09

FOR SALE - Five acres adjacent to, and with access to a 4000 ft. established grass runway. Located in Justin, TX \$85,000.00. Motivated seller. Maybeth Nunn, Broker, Realtor. Cross Texas Realty (214) 356-0383 www.Airportsoftexas.com 11/28

FOR SALE: Brand new set of Whelen Strobe and Nav lights. Never installed. All wiring and connectors are included. For more info call 817-596-3344 or 817-994-1546. \$300.00 Thanks, Charles Percy. 2/10

FOR SALE: 1948 Stinson 108-3 Station Wagon. \$29,000 S/N 108-4618 TTAF 1964 Engine: Franklin 165HP Model 6A4-165-B3, 386SMOH. Fresh Annual Inspection-always hangared covered with STITS fabric and dope. New Boston Maroon and Diana cream award winner. New Cleveland brakes, Whelen beacon, Scott 3200 tail wheel, new windshield, Genave GA 1000 radio, King KI 78A transponder, auto fuel STC, new concord RG35 AXC battery, wheel pants. Contact: Richard Zipperer 817/431-6960



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

APRIL MEETING

The April Meeting will be held April 17, 2010 at New Fairview Airport (7TS0). Kenneth and Linda Robbins will be our hosts. They request that people do not bring dogs (pets). The Noon Lunch will be Pot-Luck, so members are asked to bring a Main Dish and a Salad or Dessert to share. If you forgot to bring a door prize item (hangar junk) to the March Meeting, donate it as a door prize at this meeting so you don't have to guard it any longer.

For Flyers: New Fairview Airport (7TS0) is about 3 miles NE of Rhome, Texas. 33-05-4380N / 097-25-37.0760W. Runway 17/35 is 3300 by 100 Turf in good condition.

For Drivers: From US 287, 2 miles North of Rhome, TX go East on FM 407 to Dillavou Lane. Turn South on Dillavou Lane and the hangar is about 400 yards on your right. Dillavou Ln. is about 6 miles West of Justin, TX on FM 407.

REMINDER: Our Insurance requires that Monthly Chapter Meetings are for current Members and their Invited Guests Only.

Schedule of Texas Chapter Monthly Meetings 2010

Apr 17: New Fairview Airfield, New Fairview, Texas (7TS0)

May 29: Ranger, Texas (F23).

Jun 19: Edgington Ranch Field, Sanger, Texas (XA03)

Jul 17: Northwest Regional Airport, Roanoke, Texas (52F)

Aug 21: Northwest Regional Airport, Roanoke, Texas (52F)

Sep 18: Cedar Mills Airport (Turf), Gordonville, TX. (3T0)

Oct 8th and 9th: Gainesville Municipal, Gainesville, Texas. Annual Fly-In (GLE)

Nov 20: Propwash Airport, Justin, Texas (16X)

Dec 18: Gainesville Municipal, Gainesville, Texas. Annual Christmas Party (GLE)

Many Thanks to Members who have offered to host a meeting this year.

FLY-INS OF INTEREST: 2010

May 28 thru 30: Ranger Fly-In and Air-show, Ranger, TX. (F23)

June 4 and 5: Oklahoma Chapter AAA Fly-In, Pauls Valley. OK (KPVJ)

Sep 1 thru 6: National AAA Fly-in Blakesburg, IA (IA27)

Sep 17 and 18: Tulsa Fly-In Bartlesville, OK (KBVO)

Oct 8 and 9: Texas Chapter Fly-In, Gainesville, TX (GLE)

Oct 21 thru 24: Flying M Ranch, Reklaw, TX (7TA7)

Submitted for Rex Lake, Activities Coordinator, by Richard Ramsey



MEMBERSHIP AND DUES OWNERSHIP OF AN AIRPLANE IS NOT REQUIRED.

The only Requirement is a Love of Airplanes and the Fellowship of those who share that Passion.

Membership and Dues for the Texas Chapter of the Antique Airplane Association are \$25.00 per year. Visit our Website at www.texasantiqueairplane.org or www.txaaa.org for details and an Application Form.

NOTE: Membership expires on the date next to your name on the mailing label of your Newsletter.

Please send dues and address changes to:
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The Texas Chapter supports and encourages membership in the National Antique Airplane Association.

For Information about joining the National AAA, Visit their Website at www.antiqueairfield.com or Email antiqueairfield@sirisonline.com or you may write:

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