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TEXAS CHAPTER • ANTIQUE AIRPLANE ASSOCIATION • NEWSLETTER • FEBRUARY 2011

CHRISTIE'S EXTREME BURGERS

The January meeting was held at Christie's Extreme Burgers in North Richland Hills and we had 35 members present.

A Mexican buffet lunch was enjoyed by all. Thanks to Christie's for the hospitality. Our guest speaker was Charlie Mohrle. He told us about his experiences during WWII flying the P-47 Thunderbolt. Everyone enjoyed his humor and photos. Thanks again to Charlie who has invited everyone to visit the Frontiers of Flight museum at Love airport where he is a volunteer. A vote was held on the changes to the Bi-laws changing the term of office for our board members. The changes were passed.

As you can tell Barry's computer is back up and running and thus the newsletter is looking good again.

The February meeting will be held on the 19th at the air museum at Meacham, field so plan to attend.
See ya'll there
Terry



THE ROSE PARRAKEET

Rose Aeroplane & Motor Co.
Chicago, Ill.

The Rose Parrakeet is a small, open cockpit bi-plane, built with a classic wood truss rib and spruce spar wing, with fabric covered steel fuselage and tail surfaces. It sports a 20 foot wing span and is approximately 17 feet from spinner to tail wheel. Empty weight of those being built as "Experimental" is around 600 lbs. with a gross weight of 900 lbs. Fuel capacity is about 13 gallons. Most builders use a Continental O-200 engine of 100 hp. Those built by Jack Rose weighed about 570 lbs. and with the smaller engine had a more than adequate fuel supply.

The Parrakeet is fun to fly; at least I think so. Controls are light, but not overly sensitive. Aileron control has some slop in stick movement before you start getting results. This is probably the one thing no one has figured out a way to correct this. It has to do with all the rod end bearings actuating the ailerons. Getting used to it takes about two minutes.

In terms of performance, my example is on a par with other owners I've talked to. Roll out onto the runway and add power. In the same motion push the stick forward and you are on the main gear. Take a couple of breaths and pull back and its airborne. Climb out is brisk and the feeling of the fresh air is exhilarating. Talk about finding peace in an instant--I am there. The sky is so blue when seen with no plexiglass between. Clouds and billow, white and sharply defined. On a calm day you seem to float.

Climb to altitude and level out. Trim back to 2500 rpm and establish yourself on the step. Cruise is about 100 to 105 mph. Landing is a snap. Many small biplanes fly like a crowbar with power off. I would describe the glide as similar to a Tri-Pacer. I usually carry about 1200 rpm around onto final and try to spike the airspeed at 65 mph. When I see the field clearly made I chop power and stall in the 40s. Landing and roll out are also short with a good landing completed in 600 ft. At least that is what I have done on a couple of occasions. For me open cockpit is the only way to go, although in the winter I might change my mind.

The ship was designed by Jennings W. "Jack" Rose beginning in 1927. Jack spelled Parrakeet with 2 "R"s in the English style. I think he called it

the Parrakeet because of its size for the day. There were a lot of Eagles, Eaglerocks, Condors and other big birds in the aviation inventory. His was a very small bird by comparison. Jack flew the first one with a 25 hp Heath Henderson engine. This had too little power so he upgraded to 37 hp A-40 Continental. This version was certified by the CAA in 1935 as the A-1 and went into production. Over the next five years he tested the Poyer 50 hp 3-cylinder radial, a Scott 40 hp, Menasco 50 hp, Franklin 50 and 60 hp and a Model A4 with Continental A-65 and A-85 engines. The Franklin 50 hp was certified as the A-2F. He designated the 60 hp Franklin version as the A-3F but did not go for certification. In 1940 he came up with the A-4C with a 65 hp fuel injected Continental, but did not get that certified either.

All told, Jack Rose built and sold 8 airplanes and had the fuselages for 5 more in his shop. Many of those originals are still flying and the others are under restoration. He suspended production during the war to build small parts for the military. Post war he licensed the Blackhawk Aircraft Co. to build the Parrakeet. They finally completed one, using one of the fuselages built by Jack and licensed it as "Experimental." Blackhawk sold this airplane and the four fuselages to Foster Hannaford.

In 1948 Jack Rose licensed Foster Hannaford of the Hannaford Aircraft Company to build the Parrakeet for a small royalty on each one sold. This did not last. Hannaford put his name on the plans and called it the Hannaford Bee. Jack sued to keep Hannaford from gaining certification as the Bee and eventually was successful. Later study by Parrakeet enthusiasts show that Hannaford did not make the changes in design that he claimed but merely put his logo over that of Jack Rose. Some drawings were redone by Stan Dzik. During the Hannaford years he sold plans to the public. Those plans are the ones commonly in use today by home builders. My bird came off those plans. Hannaford managed to sell one Bee (sold to Stan Dzik) and a second on was later finished by a builder who bought the parts of one that had not been completed.. Certificated production stopped for a few years.

In the 1965 Jack Rose sold the rights to Doug Rinehart of Farmington, New Mexico. The contract allowed him to build five Parrakeets with possibly more in the future. Doug upgraded the



engine to the O-200 Continental, strengthened the spars and cabane struts and made some other small changes. It was certified by the FAA as the A-4C. This is the version that has been adapted by later home builders using the Hannaford plans as the basis. Doug Rinehart died in the crash of his Luscome in 1978 after having finished the five Parrakeets. He had parts for two more and those were later obtained and finished out as "Experimental."

Today, there may be as many as 20 flying with an unknown number under construction. I have been informed that some airline pilots in San Antonio have three under way using some of the jigs and fixtures built by Doug Rinehart.

At the annual Parrakeet meeting in Blakesburg, Iowa each year at the AAA Fly-in there usually a nice mixture of flying owners, restorers and enthusiasts. We all sit around and share information and experiences. Friendships are renewed and new friends appear. We all love the Parrakeet,



both for its appearance and its performance. Jack Rose was an early Barnstormer, Air Corps cadet and eventually an Air Transport Pilot. His first love was always his little bird, the Parrakeet. I'm with Jack on that.

Don Staats



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

FEBRUARY MEETING 2011

February Meeting: February 19th 2011 at the Vintage Flying Museum adjacent to Ft. Worth Meacham International Airport.

Chuckie Hospers will be our hostess. The Meeting and Noon Lunch will be held in the main hangar of the VFM. The Lunch will be Pot-Luck, so members are encouraged to bring a favorite Main Dish and a Salad or Dessert to share. This is an excellent chance to visit the Museum and see the many planes as well as a number of other attractions and memorabilia they have on display.

For Fliers: Ft. Worth Meacham is located just north of Downtown Ft. Worth, Texas and all necessary information can be found on the DFW Sectional or Terminal Area Charts. The Tower Controllers will assist us in any way needed. If you do not have a Transponder, advise them on first contact. Non-radio equipped can be accommodated as a flight of two with a radio equipped plane. After landing advise Ground Control you wish to taxi to the VFM parking area off taxiway M.

For Drivers: From Interstate Loop 820 West of IH35W go South on Hwy 287 also called North Main Street to NW 38th Street. Go West on NW 38th Street until the Dead End at the Airport Fence, then turn left. The VFM hanger is the last Large Hanger on your left.

Schedule of Monthly Meetings: 2011:

- Feb 19: Ft. Worth Meacham Airport, Ft Worth, TX. (KFTW)
- Mar 19: Clark Airport, Justin, TX. (3T6)
- Apr. 16: Northwest Regional Airport, Roanoke, Texas (52 F)
- May 21:
- Jun 18: Cedar Mills Airport, Gordonville, TX. (3T0)
- Jul 16:
- Aug. 20: Northwest Regional Airport, Roanoke, Texas (52F)
- Sep. 17: New Fairview Airfield, New Fairview, Texas (7TSO)
- Oct 14 & 15: Gainesville Municipal, Gainesville, Texas. Annual Fly-In (GLE)
- Nov 19: Propwash Airport, Justin, TX. (16X)
- Dec 17: Gainesville Municipal, Gainesville, Texas. Annual Christmas Party (GLE)

Fly-Ins of Interest 2011:

- Mar 4 & 5: Arizona Chapter AAA Annual Fly-In, Casa Grande, AZ
- Aug 31-Sep 5: National AAA Fly-In, Blakesburg, IA.
- Oct 14 & 15: "Fall Festival of Flight" TXAAA Annual Fly-In, Gainesville, TX.
- Oct 28-30: Flying M Ranch, Reklaw, TX.

Submitted for Terry Doyle and Darrell Irby, Activity Coordinators, by Richard Ramsey.

CLASSIFIED

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

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

FOR SALE - 1941 Fairchild 24, 15 hours on a 185 Warner, with an Airomantic or Curtis Reed prop. Beautiful airplane, good fabric. Asking 85K with 185 Warner or 65K with 165 Warner. 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 45K. 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: Pietenpol airframe with mostly intact metal parts, minor rib damage, Continental mount, struts OK except one bent and one clevis broken, instruments and good centersection with tank and main tank. All papers included, no engine. \$1400, jbkhays@centex.net, 325 646-0154, 647-9644 cell, at Flying S, 3 east of BWD. 8/10

FOR SALE: Building site for house & or hangar 2.39 Acres - North-South 2400' grass runway New Residential Airport-FLATBUSH ESTATES-Decatur- \$49,900 Sharon Sanden, Owner/Realtor - Coldwell Banker Residential Brokerage ssanden@airmail.net - 817-676-7458 8/10



DECEMBER MEETING FOOD CHALLENGE

PAT YOURSELVES ON THE BACK: The non-perishable food collection at our Christmas Meeting was an outstanding success. Terry Doyle delivered the items to the Vista Food Bank in Gainesville and reported that the total weighed in at 428 pounds. Congratulations to all of you.

Dick Ramsey



NEWSLETTER STORIES

I know this subject has been discussed in these pages but I need to ask again for our members to please take photos of their airplanes and write a few paragraphs about them so the newsletter will be more interesting for our readers.

This is your newsletter and it's getting harder to make it interesting for everyone. So, please, contribute to your newsletter. Send photos and articles to my E-mail address.

Thanks,

Terry



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TEXAS CHAPTER ANTIQUE AIRPLANE ASSOCIATION
Minutes of the General Meeting held: November 20th, 2010

The General Meeting was held at Propwash Airport in Randy and Maybeth Nunn's Hangar and was called to order at 12:00 Noon by President Terry Wallace. There were 55 members and guests in attendance. The attendance list is in the Chapter Records.

Terry thanked Randy and Maybeth for hosting the meeting location and also those who assisted with the set up and food service.

AGENDA:

Announcements

A Memorial Service for our Previous Member Mark Burke, will be held in Tom and Penny Richards' hangar on Gainesville Municipal at 3PM following this meeting. Members are invited to attend.
The next meeting will be our Christmas Party to be held at noon Saturday December 18th, 2010 in the Tomlinson Aviation Hangar on Gainesville Municipal. Cost and further information will be placed in the December Newsletter.
Members were advised that the Board of Directors is planning amendments to the By-Laws to change the Fiscal Year of the Chapter and to add a Fly-In Chairperson to the Board of Directors. The proposed amendments are made due to the change in the Annual Fly-In date and will be published in the December Newsletter. There will be a discussion period at the December meeting followed by a vote of members present at the January 2011 Meeting.

Treasurer's Report

Joetta Reetz presented the Treasurer's Report indicating a current balance of \$9,324.61.
Joetta also reported that the Annual Fly-In in October ended with a net loss of only \$31.89. Details are elsewhere in this Newsletter.

Previous Meeting Minutes

Richard Ramsey read the Meeting Minutes from the last general meeting of the Chapter on September 18th, 2010.

Old Business

Terry Wallace presented the New Officers and Board of Directors. He also indicated that if the proposed By-Law amendments are incorporated, they will serve thru December 2011.

New Business

A proposal was made to the members that the cost of the meal at the Christmas Party be paid for by the Chapter as a thank you for all the hard work by the members in making the Fly-In a success. At first the members were all in favor, but after a protest and discussion requested by Don Pellegreno, the matter was voted down, with members deciding to pay their own way and finding better use of the Chapter Funds, such as refurbishing the Tables, etc.
Don Pellegreno also made it a point to object to having to listen to the Secretary orally present the Minutes of the past meetings, because the Secretary "mumbles". It was pointed out to him that he could avail himself of the method of requesting a vote that the Minutes be accepted as printed in the Newsletter, thereby eliminating the need to read the minutes.
Linda Robbins stated that she and others appreciated that the minutes were read and preferred that it continue.
Richard Ramsey reminded members that he tries to place important information concerning the Chapter on the Chapter website. He is able to post urgent information on the Home Page immediately. He suggested that members check this source.

A motion to adjourn was made by Kenneth Robbins and seconded by Dick Ramsey. The meeting ended at 1:00PM .

Respectfully submitted
Richard Ramsey
Secretary, Texas Chapter AAA



TEXAS CHAPTER ANTIQUE AIRPLANE ASSOCIATION

Minutes of the General Meeting held: December 18, 2010

The General Meeting was held at Gainesville Municipal Airport, in the Tomlinson Avionics Hangar and was called to order at 12:45PM by President Terry Wallace. There were 53 members and 1 guest who signed in. The attendance list is in the Chapter Records.

Although our host Bill Morrow was not present, Terry made note of the fact that it was Bill Morrow who made it possible to have our Christmas gathering in such a nice hangar. Terry also thanked those who assisted in setting up the tables and chairs for the meeting. The meal was catered by Dieter Bros. of Lindsay, TX. The meal was Salad, Turkey and Ham, Sides, Dessert and Beverage.

A generous amount of non-perishable food items were collected and will be donated to Vista, a Gainesville area food bank.

AGENDA:

Announcements

The January Chapter meeting will be held at Christies Extreme Burgers.

The February Chapter meeting will be held at the Vintage Flying Museum.

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer Joetta Reetz read her Treasurer's Report stating that the balance on hand is \$9,453.67.

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Previous Meeting Minutes

Terry Wallace called for discussion regarding reading of previous meeting Minutes at each meeting. As the Minutes can be printed in the Newsletter, most members felt that it was not necessary to read them orally at meetings. Motion made by Dick Ramsey, and seconded by Jim Dougherty that Minutes be printed in Newsletters and the practice of reading them orally be stopped. Approval vote was unanimous. It was noted that changes or amendments could be called for at the next meeting.

As the November meeting Minutes were not printed in the December Newsletter, they will be included in the January issue.

Old Business

The annual "Service Award" was presented to Don and Shirley Swindle for their lengthy and continuing service to the Chapter. Presentation was made by the previous recipient, Terry Wallace.

New Business

Discussion was held regarding the proposed By-Law Amendments which were published in the December Newsletter. As there were no objections to the proposed amendments, they will be voted on at the January meeting.

Terry Wallace reiterated the plea for members to contact Terry Doyle, Darrell Irby or himself in regards to hosting meetings for this coming year.

Some nice door prizes were drawn for and received.

A motion to adjourn was made and seconded and with no objections the meeting ended at 1:30PM.

Respectfully submitted

Richard Ramsey

Secretary, Texas Chapter AAA

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TEXAS CHAPTER ANTIQUE AIRPLANE ASSOCIATION

Minutes of the General Meeting held: January 15, 2011

The General Meeting was held at Christies Extreme Burgers, in North Richland Hills, TX. and was called to order at 12:45PM by President Terry Wallace. There were 32 members and 4 guests in attendance. The attendance list is in the Chapter Records.

Terry acknowledged Christies for hosting the meeting location which is much appreciated in these colder winter months. Christies had also provided an extensive Taco Buffet, which members seemed to enjoy.

AGENDA:

Announcements

The February meeting will be held at the Vintage Flying Museum.

The March meeting will be held at Clark Airport.

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer, Joetta Reetz, read the Treasurers Report and it was accepted by acclamation.

Previous Meeting Minutes

The Minutes of the previous meeting will be published in the Newsletter and are no longer read at meetings.

Old Business

Terry explained that the lack of the usually professional looking Newsletter for January was due to the Editor's system being down for renovations to his work area. Terry was able to get out a much abbreviated version which was sent to members, but would not be on our Website.

The By-Law amendments previously posted in the Newsletter and discussed at the December meeting, were voted on. The amendments carried with no negative votes.

New Business

Stan Price suggested that making the actual monetary amount of the Treasurers Report available in the Newsletter, and therefore on line on our Website, might pose a security risk. After discussion, members voted to eliminate showing the monetary amount in the Newsletter or Secretary's Meeting Minutes. The amount will be presented during the Treasurer's Report at General Meetings and can be obtained by any member by contacting the Treasurer or Secretary.

Phil Cook had arranged for Captain Charles D. Mohrle, from the Frontiers of Flight Museum, to make a presentation about his, and others, experiences of flying Thunderbolt Fighters during the latter part of World War II. He made a very interesting and informative presentation which was extremely well received by our members.

A motion to adjourn was made and seconded and with no objections the meeting ended at 2:15PM.

Respectfully submitted

Richard Ramsey

Secretary, Texas Chapter AAA



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

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