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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE...

Due to the rain and drizzle the day of the March meeting, everyone drove to Al Hilton's hangar at Clark Field. President Lee Truitt was under the weather that day and ask me to step in for him. The temperature was comfortable inside and we had 39 members and guests for another great lunch. Three members admitted to having birthdays around March, Ona B. Reed,

Ed Parrott, and Lynn Hearn. The Board members have been working on the annual fly-in and has been scheduled for October 9th and 10th at the Gainesville Airport and if you would like to help with this years fly-in, there are committee chairmen who need people to help. Contact a board member listed in the newsletter to find the chairman responsible for the area you would like to help. The more people we can get to help, the less of a load for those who volunteer, and it makes for a more successful fly-in. Also regarding the fly-in, if you have airplane stuff you would like to get rid of start collecting it for the Fly Market held during the fly-in. If you have something you would like to give away for door prizes, bring them to the next meeting. As a reminder the next meeting will be at the Texas Regional Airport in Sherman, Texas. Bring someone new along with you. Plan on being at the May meeting for a guest speaker, Jay Miller. Jay is a professional aerial photographer and it is very interesting to listen to how he gets his photos,

and the equipment he uses. I have heard him before and know you won't want to miss this opportunity.

Until next time, keep them flying and keep safe.

Gary Sublette











# 57TH ANNUAL CACTUS FLY-IN, CASA GRANDE, AZ

The 57th annual Cactus Fly-in was held at Casa Grande, AZ, on March 6 and 7, 2015. Weather was sunny and warm. Although high winds kept attendance down on the Friday, there was a steady stream of arriving aircraft on the Saturday. My estimate, based on photos taken, is that about 250 aircraft came in for the event, a good turnout.

Pre-WWII (pre-1942) aircraft were relatively few in number: a 1931 Waco QCF (NC11481, cn: 3561), two Spartan 7W Executives (1938 N17617, cn: 16 and 1940 NC17659, cn: 22), a 1938 Aeronca 65-C (N21091, cn: C-1068), a 1941 Stinson SR-9B (NC38922, cn: 5115), a 1941 Monocoupe 90AL-115 (NC38922, cn: A-845), and a 1941 Boeing Stearman A75N1 (N56099, cn: 75-0873).



WWII-era (1942-1945) aircraft included: a Waco UPF-7 (29926, cn: 5423), a North American T-6/SNJ-5 (N3680F, cn: 88-16574), two Boeing Stearman A75N1 (N5046V, cn: 75-5422 and N9923H, cn: 75-7477), and a Ryan ST3KR (N56017, cn: 1722).

Thirty aircraft constructed from 1946 thru 1949 were present: two Aeronca 7AC, two Beech Bonanza 35, one Bucker 131, one Cessna 120, four Cessna 140, one Cessna 170, two Commonwealth 185, five...



Ercoupe, one Fairchild 24R, one Funk B85C, two Globe GC-1B, two Luscombe 8E, one Luscombe 11A, one Piper J3C-65, one Piper PA-12, one Stinson 108-3, and two Taylorcraft BC12-D.

The longest distance travelled to the fly-in was that by Rand KR2 (G-BYLP) built and flown across the Atlantic from Great Britain by Colin Hales on a World Tour. The most-heavily "armed" aircraft was undoubtedly the "1929XF, Ghost Ship, XF9-1" (N29XF) built by John Pike in 2010. It carried a large 'bomb' under the center fuselage and 'guns' under each wing. A group of Nanchang CJ-6's, T-34's, a Yak 50 and a Pilatus P3

performed formation fly-bys, with the Pilatus showing off a smoke system with a good oil supply. A pair of Aero Commanders also made spirited fly-bys.

TXAAA participation was very low, the only members I recognized were Don and Ann Pellegreno, who arrived in their Piper Arrow. I must assume that while the weather was sunny with temperature in the 70's and 80's at Casa Grande, the weather in Texas was not nearly as clement.

G R Dennis Price























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## CHAPTER CHOICE AWARD AT CASA GRANDE, ARIZONA

Don and Ann Pellegreno attended the Casa Grande Flyin last march and awarded the Chapter Choice award to Globe Swift N78103 belonging to Karl S. Johanson from San Diageo Ca. thanks Don for representing our chapter.

Terry  $\Box$ 



OUR MEMBER MARK SINGLETARY SENT US THESE PICTURES OF HIS STINSON 108 PROJECT. IT'S ALMOST READY FOR PAINT.



## CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2015 APRIL MEETING:

April 18th, 2015 on North Texas Regional Airport, Sherman/Dennison, Texas (KGYI). We are invited to the Main Terminal at the North Texas Regional Airport/Perrin Field for our Meeting and Lunch at Noon. The lunch will be pot luck. Members are asked to bring a Main Dish and a Salad or Dessert to share.

For Fliers: (KGYI) is on Sectional and Terminal Area charts about 4 miles west-northwest of Sherman, TX. NTR is a towered airport. After landing tell controller you are going to the terminal building.

For Drivers: From Gainesville go East 35.5m on US-82 to Tx289. From US-75 in Sherman, go West on US-82 about 4m to Tx289. Go North on Tx289 to Refuge Rd. Turn right (East) on Refuge Rd. about 1m to Airport Dr. Turn right (South) on Airport Dr. and enter terminal parking.

May 16th. - Fairview Airport, Rhome, TX. Pellegreno's hangar. 12:00pm.

June 13th. \* - Kezer Airfield, Springtown, TX. Weiland's hangar. 9:00 am. brunch.

July 18th. - Pelican's Landing, Cedar Mills TX. Airport, Lake Texoma, TX. 12:00pm.

August 15th.- Northwest Regional Airport, Roanoke, TX. Jim Austin's hangar. 9:00am. pancake breakfast.

**September 19th.** - Bowie Municipal Airport, Bowie, TX. Mark and Megan Breeding's hangar. 12:00pm.

October 9th. and 10th. - AAA 52nd Annual Fly In, Gainesville Municipal Airport, Gainesville, TX.

November 21st. - Fairview Airport, Rhome, TX. Ken & Linda Robbins hangar. 12:00pm. Bert Mahon Annual Chili Cook Off

December 19th. TBA

All meetings are covered dish except January, July, October

## MINUTES OF THE GENERAL MEETING

March 21, 2015

The General Meeting was held at Al Hilton's Hangar on Clark airport. The meeting was called to order at 1238 by past president Gary Sublette. There were 39 members and guests in attendance. The attendance list is in the Chapter Records. Gary thanked Al for hosting the meeting, guests were introduced, birthdays and anniversaries were announced.

**Agenda:** It was announced that the next meeting will be at Texas Regional Airport, Sherman, TX. Treasurer's Report: The January Treasurer's Report was presented by Joetta Reetz and was approved as read. An annual audit of the chapter financial books was accomplished by members Joel Meanor and Gary Sublette as required by the chapter by laws.

Previous Meeting Minutes: Minutes from the February meeting were published in the March issue of the Newsletter and were approved as written by the members.

Old Business: None

New Business: Phil Cook Announced that at the May meeting Our speaker will be Jay Miller, famous aviation photographer.

The dates for our October 2015 fly in have been confirmed. It will be October 9th and 10th at Gainesville, TX.

A motion to adjourn was made and seconded. The meeting ended at 12:50.

> Respectfully submitted Terry Wallace, Secretary Texas Chapter AAA

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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 a printable Application Form. New Members Dues are PRO RATED, contact an Officer for correct amount.

NOTE: Membership expires on September 30 each year. Send dues and address changes to TXAAA Treasurer, 5209 Glen Canyon Rd., Ft. Worth, TX 76137.

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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