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Presidents Corner...

Hey there friends and fellow classic airplane lovers. We had a nice meeting in July, at The Frontiers of Flight Museum in Dallas. The museum continues to provide an enjoyable place for us to meet each year and appreciate the history and progress of aviation.

Everyone really enjoyed our speaker, Mr. Dwayne Lee. It did not take very long to feel Dwayne's passion for passing on interesting insight, and great photos regarding Normandy, the D-Day invasion as well as current tours of the region. If you'd like to contact Dwayne regarding "Re-visiting the D-Day beaches of Normandy", reach out at 817-300-4477 or southernflair@sbcglobal.net. At a minimum, shoot Dwayne a thank you.

Now - the whole world knows life is better with a pancake breakfast. And our next meeting is a "breakfast meeting". Chapter members Terry Wallace and Dean Hollis will cook for us again this year so please come and enjoy fluffy pancakes, bacon, juice, and coffee in Jim Austin's historical hangar at Northwest Regional Airport!

As always, thank you to our faithful group of volunteers. I'll see y'all at Jim Austin's place August 18th!

Keep the Antiques Flying!
Joel





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I attended the air show at Oshkosh last month and had a great time. The airport was full of aircraft by Friday night and many airplanes ended up at other airports in the area. As usual there were thousands of human beings tromping the airport grounds and the free trams were always full. However, the Vintage area was full all week with antiques and classic aircraft, some of which I hadn't seen before. Yep, wall to wall aircraft of every shape and size, what a sight!

Terry



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GRAND CHAMPION
2017



Vintage Aircraft of Texas - North American Yale

When hangar flying discussions turn to rare airplanes I pay attention. Especially when the word prototype is tossed in! While visiting a friend's hangar he said he had completed the fabric and paint work on the rudder of a North American Yale. Not just any Yale but the prototype NA-64. The fixed gear trainer from the T-6 family of aircraft. The project was coming together after about two years of refurbishment and I wanted to see it!

It was an odd Thursday afternoon in February 2017 that I had taken off work to spend time with my son. He loves to visit the local airports so we drove around Hicks Airfield in Ft. Worth. After stopping to visit a few friends and asking about the Yale we were coming up with no clues on its whereabouts. Feeling pretty bummed we started to leave the airport. At the last taxiway I looked over my shoulder and spotted the Yale! It had just been pulled out of the hangar for an engine run! We found it!

The owner, Mark Cyrier, told me the story of finding the airplane, Yale #3464 NX13397, and its refurbishment. Through a connection with Mark's brother he found out about a World War Two airplane that was stashed in a South Texas hangar. Contact was made with the owner, Ray Kirkpatrick, a veteran pilot of World War Two, Braniff Captain and CAF pilot who told them about his North American Yale. He kept in touch with the family and when Ray passed they had the opportunity to purchase the Yale. Mark researched his Yale and learned that it is the first NA-64, so it is the prototype!

Two years of blood, sweat and tears were invested in the refurbishment of the Yales polished aluminum, Wright engine and flying systems. It has been flying in the skies over North Texas since the Spring of 2017 and was recently campaigned at the Breckenridge, Texas Warbird Airshow and Oshkosh 2018. A rare ship saved and returned to the skies!

Some observed differences in round engines vs. jets

1. To be a real pilot you have to fly a tail dragger for an absolute minimum of 500 hours.
2. Large round engines smell of gasoline (115/145), rich oil, hydraulic fluid, man sweat and are not air-conditioned.
3. Engine failure to the jet pilot means something is wrong with his air conditioner.
4. When you take off in a jet there is no noise in the cockpit. (This does not create a macho feeling of doing something manly)



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By Dan Linn
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CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2018

The August Meeting will be August 18, 2018 at Northwest Regional Airport (52F) Terry Wallace will be our host for a 9AM pancake breakfast, just bring your appetite or other breakfast items if you prefer. Jim Austin has graciously offered the use of his hangar as Terry's hangar is full. Jim Austin's hangar is on the north west side of the runway. Follow the signs to aircraft parking.

For Flyers: Northwest Regional (52F) is about 3 miles Northwest of Roanoke, Texas. 33-02-59.44 N /097-13-56.05 W. Runway 17/35 is 3500 X 40 ft Asphalt in new condition. Use 122.9 for advisories.

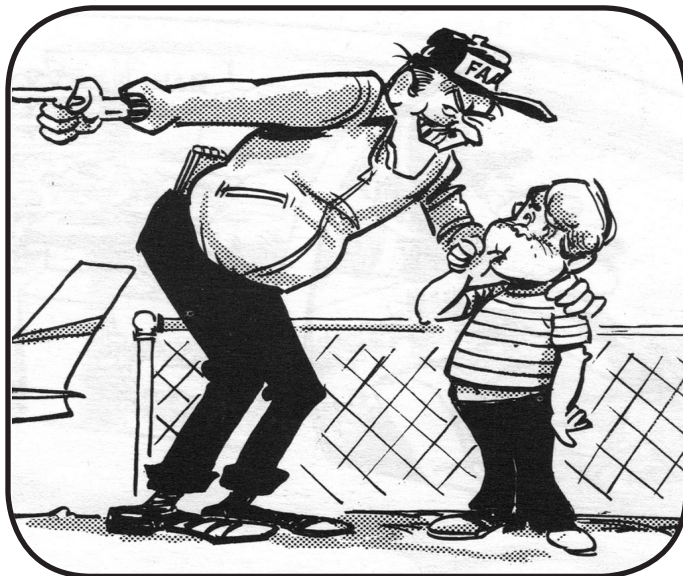
For Drivers: From IH 35W take Hwy 1171 exit and go East on 1171 to Cleveland- Gibbs Road. Turn South (right) on Cleveland- Gibbs Rd. The Austin's hangar is at 100 Stinson Way. As you come into the Airport on Cleveland-Gibbs Rd. take a right at the stop sign and go north to the dead end. Turn left and their hangar is the sixth one. Terry's cell phone # is 817-706-3173

Upcoming Meetings 2018:

- **September 15** - Pelican's Landing, Cedar Mills Airport
- **October 12 / 13** - Annual Fly-In, Gainesville Airport
- **November 17** - Laurie Mitchell's, Fairview Airport
- **December 15** - Golden Corral, Keller TX

Fly-Ins of Interest 2018:

- **August 29 – September 1** - National AAA Fly-In, Blakesburg, IA (IA27)
- **October 5 – 7** - Ranger Airfield, Fly-In & Airshow, Ranger, TX (F23)
- **October 12 – 13** - Fall Festival of Flight, TX AAA Annual Fly-In, Gainesville, TX (GLE)
- **October 24 – 25** - Flying M Ranch, Reklaw, TX (7TA7)



AIR FRAME - An FAA inspector sending his kid out to ask a student pilot for an airplane ride.

Minutes of the General Meeting July 14, 2018

The meeting was called to order at 12:27 by Joel Meanor.

Agenda: Joel thanked the Frontier's of flight museum for the use of the conference room. Joel discussed the insurance for the chapter. Dwayne Lee presented a slide show about Operation Overload, revisiting the D-Day beaches. He is organizing a group to return to Normandy in 2019. Happy birthday and anniversary to the July members.

Treasurer's Report: Joetta gave the treasury report. A motion was made for approval and seconded by the members. Thanks to Cindy Case and Lori Mitchell for doing the treasure's audit.

Previous Meeting Minutes: A motion to approve the last month's meeting notes, as published in the Newsletter was submitted, seconded, and approved by the members.

Old Business: Joel is starting to plan for the October fly in and a call out was made for volunteers to help out. Please contact him if you can help.

New Business: A discussion was held regarding the possibility of our chapter starting a scholarship for a young aviator. Details are in work.

It was announced that the next meeting will be on August 18 at Northwest Regional Airport (52F) for a 9AM pancake breakfast.

A motion to adjourn was made and seconded. The meeting ended at 1:35

Respectfully submitted by
Terry Wallace, Secretary
Texas Chapter AAA

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5. Landing a jet just requires a certain airspeed and altitude --- at which you cut the power and drop like a rock to the runway. Landing a round engine tail dragger requires finesse, prayer, body English, pumping of rudder pedals and a lot of nerve.

6. After landing, a jet just goes straight down the runway.

7. A radial tail dragger is like a wild mustang --- it might decide to go anywhere. Gusting winds help this behavior a lot.

8. You cannot fill your Zippo lighter with jet fuel.

9. Starting a jet is like turning on a light switch --- a little click and it is on.

10. Starting a round engine is an artistic endeavor requiring prayer (curse words) and sometimes meditation.

11. Jet engines don't break, spill oil or catch on fire very often which leads to boredom and complacency.

12. The round engine may blow an oil seal ring, burst into flame, splutter for no apparent reason or just quit. This results in heightened pilot awareness at all times.

13. Jets smell like a kerosene lantern at a scout camp out.

14. Round engines smell like God intended engines to smell and the tail dragger is the way God intended for man to fly.



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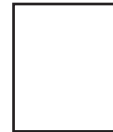
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(Ownership of an aircraft is not required)

To start or renew membership in the Texas Chapter of the Antique Airplane Association please furnish the above information and send it with \$25.00 (payable to Texas AAA) to: Treasurer, Texas Antique Airplane Association, 5416 Catlow Valley Rd., Ft. Worth, TX 76137

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NOTE: Membership expires on September 30 each year. Send dues and address changes to TXAAA Treasurer, 5416 Catlow Valley Rd. Fort 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 Web site at www.antiqueairfield.com or E-mail antiqueairfield@sirisonline.com or you may write:

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