

TEXAS AAA

TEXAS CHAPTER • ANTIQUE AIRPLANE ASSOCIATION • NEWSLETTER • MAY 2018

Presidents Corner...

Hello friends, and welcome to another great Texas Chapter Newsletter. Be fair, or foul, or rain, or shine, our chapter possesses the spirit of continuing, and getting together. If you attended our April 21st, 2018 meeting, you were one-of-thirty-or-so members that braved the soggy Saturday conditions. Can't keep a good group down, and we even had a couple of visitors!

Our host, Decatur Jet Center delivered on their promise of providing a nice venue for us to gather. Thank you, Fabio La Brada. Feel free to shoot Fabio a thank you at fly@decaturjetcenter.com or stop in and visit the next time you're at the Decatur Municipal Airport. Fabio and crew are certainly friends, like to have visitors, and provide a neat place to chill and talk airplanes.

Well, I would guess that all of us pilots know that formation flying looks like fun but is inherently dangerous when you are flying with another aircraft only a few feet apart! Our April speaker (and flight leader) was Mr. Mike Nebrig. Mike gave us a great presentation about the proper training and discipline required in flying a formation. We were all very interested and enjoyed his speech, PowerPoint, and pictures. Thank you, Mike. Feel free to reach out to Mike, with a thank you and "welcome aboard" to our chapter at mike@nebrig.com.

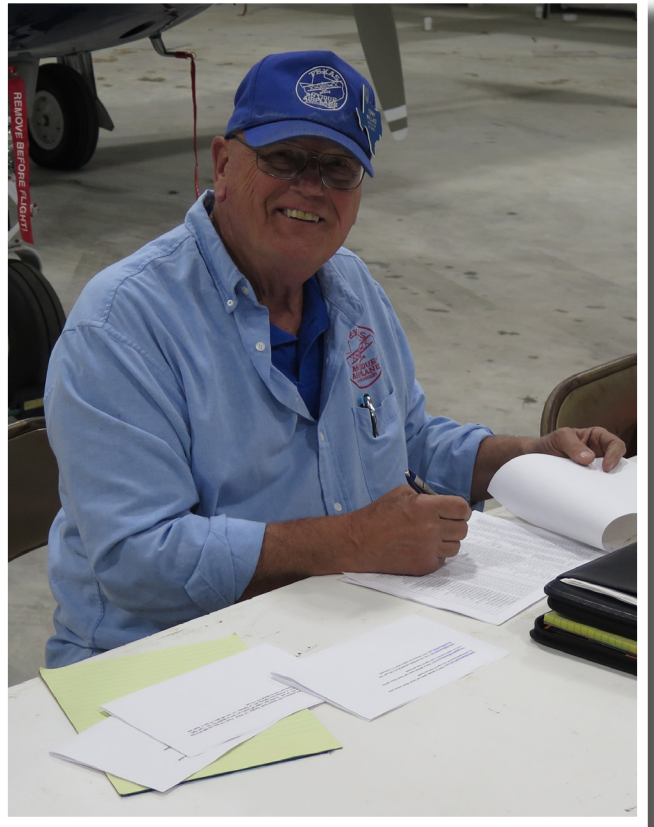
Thank you to our faithful group of volunteers. And, I'll see you May 19th at Propwash Airport in Justin, TX!

Keep the antiques flying!

Joel







SAVE THE DATE!!

Saturday June 2nd, 2018, 11:00 AM, Texas Chapter Antique Airplane Association and invited guests will meet at the Mid America Flight Museum at the Mount Pleasant Regional Airport to view the largest vintage flying aircraft in East Texas.

We'll be able to enjoy historical vintage flying aircraft such as a Ford Trimotor that was based at Pearl Harbor, a Travel Air 6000 that was one of Delta Airlines first airliners, and more...

Whether you fly or drive over, pack your car or airplane with friends. We will snap a group photo for the archives and have a pizza lunch around noon that day!

Mount Pleasant Regional Airport (KOSA), Mount Pleasant, TX



HOMECOMING 2018 75TH ANNIVERSARY

Saturday, May 26, 2018

Honored Guests: Women Airforce Service Pilots

Luncheon | 11 a.m.
at Texas State Technical College
West Texas Campus
featuring speaker Col Andrea E. Themely
USAF

Dinner and Memorial Service | 6 p.m.
at National WASP WWII Museum
featuring speaker
Gen Linda Hemminger USAF (Ret)

Gold Table: \$600
Silver Table: \$450
Dinner Ticket: \$50
Lunch Ticket: \$40

Reserve your table or tickets today!
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NATIONAL WASP WWII MUSEUM HOMECOMING 2018 75TH ANNIVERSARY

SATURDAY 26 MAY 2018

We Remember



9:00-4:00
Museum open

Book Signings, WWII Military Exhibits,
WASP - the Untold Story Photograph Exhibit
Warbirds on exhibit and in the air (weather permitting)

9:00 - 1:00
EAA Young Eagles Fly Kids 8 - 17 FREE
Each child must be accompanied by parent or legal guardian

10:00
Official WASP greeting by Military Escorts
at Wishing Well on TSTC Campus

11:00
Luncheon at TSTC Student Center - tickets required
Speaker: Col Andrea E. Themely USAF
Commander 80th Flying Training Wing, Sheppard AFB

11:00 - 2:00
Hangar Burgers and Fifi Fries in Hangar No. 2

2:00 - 4:00
Greet WASP in the Hangar No. 1
Liberty Jump Team

4:00
Museum closes to ALL VISITORS

6:00
Doors Open in Hangar No. 1 - tickets required
Reception, Memorial Service, Dinner,
WASP Forum and Silent Auction
After Dinner Remarks: Gen Linda Hemminger USAF (ret)
Music provided by the Sweetwater Municipal Band

For tickets go to waspmuseum@yahoo.com
or call 325-235-0099

American Airlines 



Vintage Airplanes of Texas -

By Dan Linn

When Jake Bilstad purchased his 1940 Taylorcraft BL-65 (N27652) in 2001 at Spinks Airport in Fort Worth, Texas it was in need of some serious attention. It was just a big pile of parts. It last flew in 1970, then it was disassembled for restoration.

When I first met Jake he passed me in the hallway at work. He had a bag full of parts over his shoulder and I caught site of the large diameter tachometer. So I just had to ask what it was for! Being a former Taylorcraft owner myself I knew it might be from an early model Taylorcraft. Over the years Jake and I exchanged emails as I checked in on the progress of the rebuild.

The slow but steady rebuild was finished in 2013. Jake said he loves flying it "It performs really well with the C85 engine." When asked what the biggest challenge was in the restoration Jake said "Finding the time, space, and money to finish it." The logbooks told a story that took the history all the way back to 1940. It spent most of its life as a trainer at a flight schools based in Minnesota and Wisconsin. As the photos featured here show it is now a pampered cream puff based in Gainesville, Texas.

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Taildragger Taildragger

Taildragger, I hate your guts,

I have the license, ratings and such.

But to make you go straight is driving me nuts.

With hours of teaching and the controls in my clutch.

It takes a little rudder, easy, that's too much.

You see. I learned to fly in a tricycle gear.

With one up front and two in rear.

She was sleek and clean and easy to steer.

But this miserable thing with tires on struts

Takes a little rudder, easy, that's too much.

It demands your attention on the takeoff roll.

Or it heads towards Jones as you pour the coal.

Gotta hang loose, don't over control.

This wicked little plane is just too much.

With a lot of zigzagging and words obscene.

I think I've mastered this slippery machine.

It's not that bad if you have the touch.

Just a little rudder, easy, that's too much.

I relax for a second and from the corner of my eye,

I suddenly realize with a gasp and cry.

That's my own tail that's going by.

You ground looping wreck; I hate your guts,

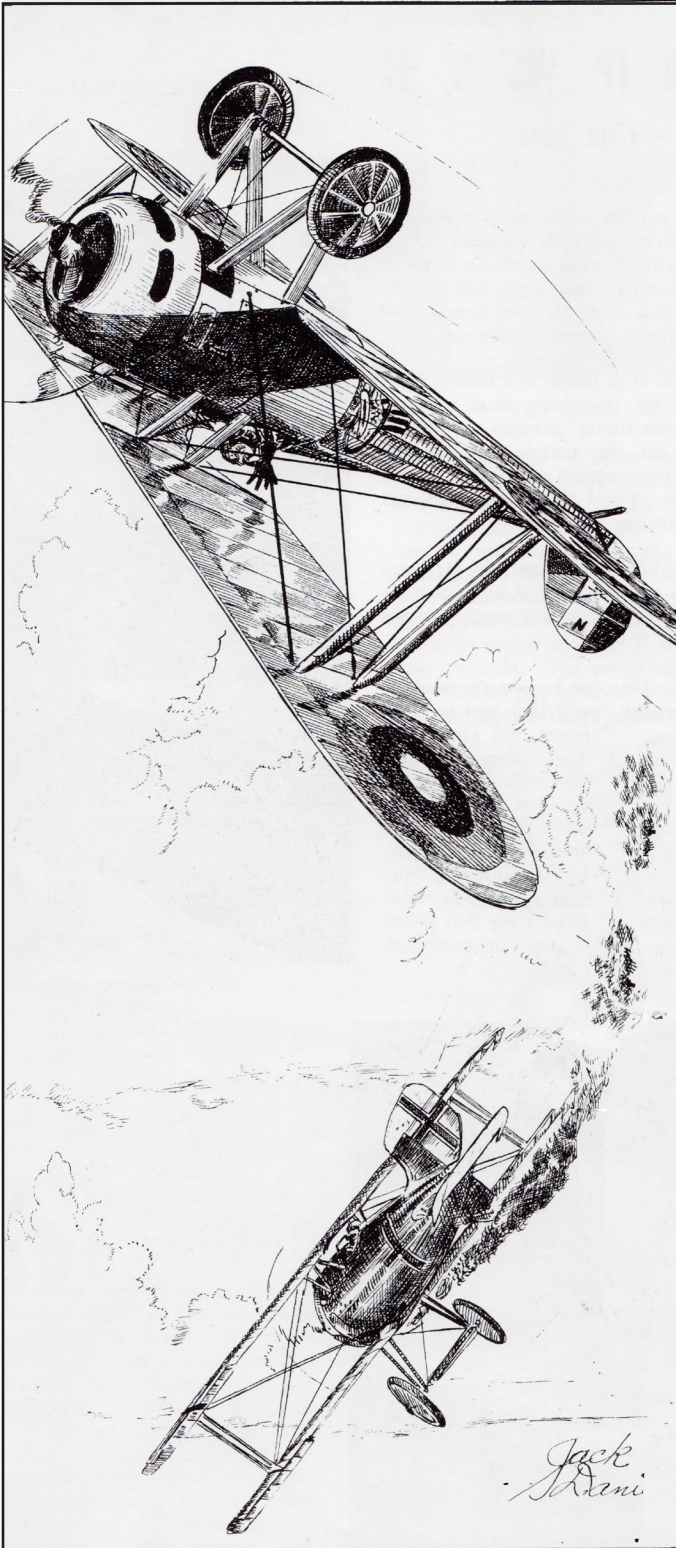
Give a little rudder, Great Scott,

THAT'S TOO MUCH!

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94'S NIEUPORT 28
VS
UDET'S BAVARIAN
"BLUE TAILS"
SIEMENS - SCHUCKERT D-IV

Minutes of the General Meeting April 21, 2018

The meeting was called to order at 12:40 by President Joel Meanor. Due to the Rain, no airplanes flew in but there were 29 members and guests in attendance.

Agenda:

Our speaker this month was Mr. Mike Nebrig who gave a interesting talk on the Ins and outs of formation flying. After his presentation, Mike was presented a certificate of appreciation from our chapter.

Happy birthday and anniversary to the April members.

Treasurer's Report:

Joetta gave the treasury report. A motion was made for approval and seconded by the members.

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 still working with Butler Brown Insurance to get our chapter insurance. We are waiting to hear from the other chapters because the more chapters on the policy the lower the cost.

Joel is planning a drive/fly-out to visit Scott Glover's Museum in Mount Pleasant on June 2nd. Please let him know if you're interested.

New Business:

It was announced that the next meeting will be May 19 - Lanny Parcell's at Propwash Airport

A motion to adjourn was made and seconded.

The meeting ended at 1:27

Respectfully submitted by
Terry Wallace, Secretary
Texas Chapter AAA



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CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2018

Next Meeting: May 19 -

Lanny Parcell's, Propwash Airport

FOR FLYERS: Propwash (16X) is just west of Justin and north of AFW. The elevation is 804 ft. for the 3000 foot x 60 runway. 17 is a right hand pattern, and 35 is a left hand pattern. The Unicom frequency is 122.9 and is common with Northwest Regional. You may wish to use AFW Awos 126.92 for weather. The best bet is to look more than you talk. Taxiing is on the east side of the hard surface. The Parcell's hangar is on the west side, look for the open hangar and all the airplanes.

FOR DRIVERS: Get off I35W at exit 176 (Rt 407) the one for Justin and Argyle. Head west about four miles to the red light in Justin and take a left on 156 to the next red light at which you take a right. Go about four miles to Bill Cook road and take a left. The road turns to the west and keep going west to the airport on your right.

Upcoming Meetings 2018:

- **Jun 16** - Bo Case's, Fairview Airport
- **Jul 14** - Frontiers of Flight Museum, Love Field
- **Aug 18** - Jim Austin's, Northwest West Regional Airport
- **Sep 15** - Pelican's Landing, Cedar Mills Airport
- **Oct 12 / 13** - Annual Fly-In, Gainesville Airport
- **Nov 17** - Laurie Mitchell's, Fairview Airport
- **Dec 15** - Golden Corral, Keller TX

Fly-Ins of Interest 2018:

- **Jul 23 - 29** - EAA AirVenture, Oshkosh, WI (OSH)
- **Aug 29 - Sep 1** - National AAA Fly-In, Blakesburg, IA (IA27)
- **Oct 5 - 7** - Ranger Airfield, Fly-In & Airshow, Ranger, TX (F23)
- **Oct 12 - 13** - Fall Festival of Flight, TX AAA Annual Fly-In, Gainesville, TX (GLE)
- **Oct 24 - 25** - Flying M Ranch, Reklaw, TX (7TA7)



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Name: _____ Spouse: _____

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City: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____

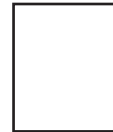
Phone: _____ Email: _____

Aircraft Type: _____ National
AAA No. _____

(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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2417 Stonegate Dr. N.
Bedford, TX 76021



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**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 Web site 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, 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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