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Presidents Corner...

Hello All,

We had a good time at our April meeting at Trey and Brandi's Hangar last month despite the windy weather that kept anyone from flying in. Thanks again to Trey and Brandi. Trey asked me to mention he has some butyrate dope and thinner he would like to give to anyone needing it for their project. His E-mail is treyhayden3@gmail.com.

The May meeting will be on the 21st at noon in Jim and Betty Austin's hangar on the Northwest Regional Airport. Please Bring your usual pot luck lunch items for all to enjoy.

This month's Member Project C-180A, N9763B Belongs to Chuck and Stephen Smith. Thanks for sending the story and photos.

To our members, please send me pictures and stories about your airplane, or project, for the next member project article in upcoming issues.

Just a reminder if you are coming to the May meeting to bring an aviation themed T shirt for Laurie's quilt project which we will be raffling off at the October fly in.

Our member Sherman Oxford is selling his hangar at NWR airport and taking bid's. Please contact Lia Rardin at 214-354-1855.

Bruce Putney, our fly in chairman is busy planning for the October fly in and will need volunteers to make it happen. So, let him know you will help this year. His e-mail is bruce0739@att.net.

Fly Safe, Terry



Pioneer Flight Museum; Olde Kingsbury Aerodrome, TX [85TE]. May 7, 2022.

The Pioneer Flight Museum at Olde Kingsbury Aerodrome holds two "Wings & Wheels Fly-in" events each year, one in late April/early May and the other close to Armistice Day (November 11). The museum has a large collection of aircraft, military and civilian vehicles, bicycles, and motor cycles that date back to the beginning of aviation and World War I. At the two events there are also numbers of re-enactors. The museum includes an old-style auto garage, a working area for aircraft restoration and replica building and overhaul (with a Fokker DR.1 in for repair/overhaul); an engine shed, a large hangar for post WWI aircraft, and, most recently a museum building to house the pre-war and WWI aircraft and museum shop.

Among the collection in the new museum hangar are replicas of pre-WWI aircraft such as a flying 1909 Bleriot XI and a 1911 Valkyrie Type B (a two seater in canard-pusher configuration). WWI aircraft include flying replicas of a Thomas-Morse S4C, a Fokker Dr.1, a Fokker D.VII, and a JN-4C Canuck and non-flying incomplete fuselages of an Albatross D.III and a 2-seat Sopwith. A post WWI non-flying Penguin ground trainer is also present.

Between-the-Wars aircraft include a 1924 Dormoy Bath tub, a Waco GXE, a Great Lakes, a Curtiss Wright Jr CW-1, a Rearwin 7000, and a Luscombe 8A. Also present are a 1941 Meyers OTW and a Piper J3C-65.

Yesterday morning started misty with somewhat changeable and gusty winds leading to a sunny afternoon with a high of about 100F, that reduced the number of aircraft flying in though there were a number of WWII warbirds and post-WWII general aviation aircraft. Photographing aircraft took all of my time and energy and I did not look at all of the various vehicles, car club drive-ins, and garage and re-enactor displays.

I can only hope that some of our members will avail themselves of this great facility either on the two fly-in days or other open hours. For more information please check the Pioneer Flight Museum at www.pioneerflightmuseum.org.









MEMBER PROJECTS

Charles and Stephen Smith

This month's featured airplane belongs to Charles and Stephen Smith. Late in the summer of 2015, we (including my sons Stephen and Michael) formed our LLC* in order to purchase '63B from Charlie Davis. At that point it had about 5360 hours on it. It looked much as it does today, Charlie having had it painted and polished and the interior reupholstered (in 2001), the panel upgraded when he acquired in 2000 and the engine overhauled in 2006. In 2012 he added the wheel pants and changed to the 3-bladed Hartzell prop. Since we've had it we've had the Garmin radios overhauled, added ADS-B and had it professionally polished and sealed. Today it has 5500 hrs TTA with just over 200 hrs SMOH.



When new '63B went to the Michigan State Police. They operated it out of Marquette, Fleet City and Grand Rapids over the next 20 years, accumulating just over 2500 hours. In 1978 MSP sold it to a partnership in Montana and they owned it until the spring of 2000. While they had it they had an O-470-R engine installed (in 1985).

This is a great airplane, a true classic. We've enjoyed traveling around Texas and Oklahoma with it. Stephen's even flown it to South Carolina once.



Minutes of the General Meeting March 19th

- Terry Wallace, President of the Texas Chapter of the Antique Airplane Association, called the April meeting together.
- Thank you to Trey and Brandi Haydon for hosting our meeting!
- Thank you to the ladies who organized the potluck food!
- We wished all members born in April a Happy Birthday. A motion was made and seconded to not sing the "Happy Birthday" song.
- The Treasurer's Report was presented and approved as read. The Report will be held to be audited.
- The Secretary Minutes from the March meeting were published in the Monthly Newsletter for everyone to review. A motion was made and seconded to approve the March Minutes as published.
- Thank you to everyone who donated aviation T-shirts for Laurie Mitchell to make an aviation themed quilt for raffle at the 60th Fly In! Reminder: We still need more T-shirts to make the quilt. Please bring T-shirts to the May meeting.
- Trey Haydon mentioned that he has some butane supplies for recovering an airplane. Contact Trey if you are interested.
- Bruce Putney, 60th Fly In Chairman presented an update.
- United Caterers has guaranteed to have a food truck at the Fly In. Pricing example: \$5 hamburgers. We

pay \$400 guarantee to be returned when food sales reach \$1000. United Caterers will donate 10% of sales over \$1000.

- Colonel Schroder, CAP, has offered their services to pass out free fuel cards and help with parking.
- Trey and Brandi will be working with Bruce for a commemorative T-shirt for our 60th Year of Texas Chapter AAA Fly Ins.
- Lifetime memberships will be initiated and offered at the Fly In.
- \$250 one-time membership fee for everyone under 80 years old.
- \$125 one-time membership fee when you reach 80 years old.
- Terry W., Bruce, Brandi and Trey will be working on an polo shirt for all lifetime members.
- The Chapter will set aside lifetime membership monies to be invested for the future.
- The return on investment is Great!
- Let's all plan to get a lifetime membership!
- Fly In Committee will be meeting June 25, 10 am, at Joel Meanor's office at Northwest Regional Airport. Reminder: All Chapter Officers have to be members of the National Antique Airplane Association.
- The next meeting will be May 21 at Northwest Regional Airport in Jim Austin's hanger at noon. Everyone please bring a dish to share for the potluck lunch.

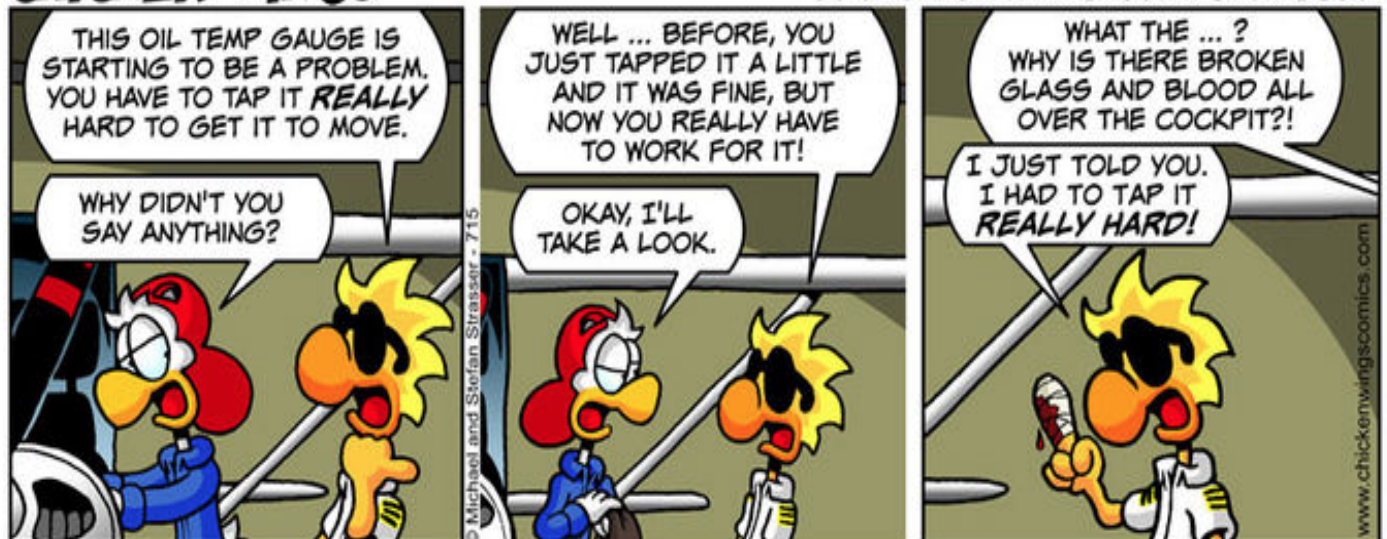
The meeting was adjourned after door prizes were handed out.

Submitted by Joetta Reetz, Secretary and Treasurer, Texas Chapter of Antiques Airplane Association

Reetz, Secretary / Treasurer □

CHICKEN WINGS

BY MICHAEL AND STEFAN STRASSER



CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2022

Next Meeting: The May meeting will be on the 21st at noon in Jim and Betty Austin's hangar on the Northwest Regional Airport. Please Bring your usual pot luck lunch items for all to enjoy.

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.

DRIVERS: From Hwy 35W take Hwy 1171 exit and go East on 1171 about 1/2 mile 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 2022:

June 18th - Bobby Jones hangar, Tailwheel Acres Airport

July 16th - Charlie and Lynn Davis' Airport north of Gainesville

August 20th - Jim Austin's hangar, Northwest West Regional Airport

September 17th - Mathew and Theresa Hood, Propwash Airport

October 7th -8th - Ayers Aviation / Annual fly-in, Gainesville Airport

November 19th - Trey & Brandi Hayden hangar, Fairview Airport

December 17th - Christena's Mexican Restaurant, Flower Mound

Fly-Ins of Interest 2022:

July 24 - 31: EAA Air Venture, Oshkosh, WI (OSH)

August 30 - 5: National AAA Fly-In, Blakesburg, IA.

October 7-8: "Fall Festival of Flight" TXAAA Annual Fly- In, Gainesville, TX.

October 21 - 22: Flying M Ranch, Reklaw, TX



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TEXAS CHAPTER ANTIQUE AIRPLANE ASSOCIATION Membership Application - Renewal Form

Name: _____ Spouse: _____

Address: _____

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.
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 Web site at www.antiqueairfield.com or E-mail antiqueairfield@sirisonline.com or you may write:
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our web site at www.txaaa.org**



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