

TEXAS AAA



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Presidents Corner...

Hello All,

If you haven't visited the CAF museum in Dallas, I would recommend a trip there. We had about 20 members last month and a free tour of the exhibits.

Our next meeting will be at Clark field in Al Hiltons' hanger on the 18th. We will eat at noon. See the calendar of events in this issue for directions to Clark Field. We might finally get some flying weather so plan on flying in.

Check the update to Member Projects article in this issue for pics of Gary Sublette's Cub. I would like for any member that is working on a project to send me pictures and a history of your airplane. Not necessarily a project but any photos of your flying machine and a brief story about it would be great.

We are working on an updated flyer for the October Fly in, look for it in next month's issue.

**Fly Safe,
Terry**





TXAAA Historians Month by G R Dennis Price.

The February TXAAA monthly meeting held at the Commemorative Air Force HQ at Redbird Executive Airport in Dallas provided a welcome relief from editing over 3,000 airliner photos taken by a friend at O'Hare Airport in 2022.

The facility for the meeting was ideal for the number of participants and was nicely warm. I think that all whom attended had a good time. There was a little disappointment with the number of CAF aircraft on view (just Boeing B-29 'FiFi', undergoing maintenance, and Beech 18DS, 'Bucket of Bolts'); however, the World War II nose art salvaged from the post-war scrapping of B-17s and B-24s (with panels from 15 aircraft) were definitely worth the visit. In addition, a post-luncheon trip to the restoration hangar revealed another six aircraft (N2995C, Ryan L-17B, msn NAV-4-1727, ex USAF 48-1021; N53768, Taylorcraft L-2A, msn 5135, ex USAAF 43-25823; N60727, Fairchild (Howard-built) PT-23A, FAA serial HO-0352; N801F, Cessna 305: L-19E, msn 24712; N9141L, Citabria 7ECA, msn 808-71; and N30U ex-presidential Aero Commander L-26B, msn 560A-247, US 55-4638) and at least a couple of members were inveigled to perform tasks of manual dexterity on N30U.

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"FiFi", NX529B, Boeing B-29A, msn 11547, ex USAAF/USAF/USN 44-62070.



"Bucket of Bolts", N70GA, Beech D18S, msn A-177, ff 1946.



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"Sack Time" WWII nose art salvaged from USAAF B-24M, 44-50797.



N2995C, Ryan L-17B, msn NAV-4-1727, ex USAF 48-1021 in restoration hanger.

Grand Champions Years Past



Member Projects

Gary Sublet's 1940 Piper J4 Cub Coupe project update.

Gary's cub restoration is moving along with the flight controls and stabilizers covered and painted to silver Poly spray and one wing covered and ready for final ironing.

Gary



Calendar of Events February 2023

Next Meeting: March 18th, 2023 on Clark Field TX (3T6) just north of Justin, TX.

We are invited to Al Hiltons' hanger for our Meeting and Lunch at Noon. The lunch will be potluck. Members are asked to bring a Main Dish and a Salad or Dessert to share. Got spare junk in your hangar, bring it as a door prize.

For Fliers: (3T6) is on Sectional and Terminal Area charts about 3 miles north of Justin, Texas. Elev. 705ft, runway 17- 35 is 1800x22 ft asphalt. Use 122.9 to announce.

For Drivers: Halfway between Ponder and Justin on FM156 turn West on Eakin Cemetery Road and go 1/2mile west to the Airport. Turn South (left) on Clark Airfield Road and follow it to the (second hangar) on left.

Upcoming Texas Chapter Events For 2023

April 15th – Charlie Davis's airport, Denton

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

June 17th - Bobby Jones hangar, Tailwheel Acres Airport

July 15th - Trey & Brandi Hayden hangar, Fairview Airport

August 19th - Jim Austin's hangar, Northwest West Regional Airport

September 16th – Open

October 13th -14th - Ayers Aviation / Annual fly-in, Gainesville Airport

November 18th - Trey & Brandi Hayden hangar, Fairview Airport

December 16th – Christena's Mexican Restaurant, Flower Mound

Fly-Ins of Interest 2023:

August 30-September-3: National AAA Fly-In, Blakesburg, IA.

October 13-14: "Fall Festival of Flight" TXAAA Annual Fly- In, Gainesville, TX.

October 27 – 28: Flying M Ranch, Reklaw, TX (7TA7)

Thanks, Terry (817-706-3173) □



True N. "Jim" Putney III, age 94, of Pantego, Texas passed away on Saturday, February 25, 2023.

Jim was an EAA member since 1963 and a long-time member of the TXAAA. He built/owned a Stitts

Playboy, Thorp T-18, Piper Tripacer, Challenger Ultralite, and a deHavilland Tiger month. He will be missed.

Terry □

CHICKEN WINGS

BY MICHAEL AND STEFAN STRASSER



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Phone: _____ Email: _____

Aircraft Type: _____ National AAA No. _____

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NOTE: Membership expires on September 30 each year. Send dues and address changes to TXAAA Treasurer,
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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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