

# TEXAS AAA



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## Presidents Corner...

Hello All,

Well, thanks Bruce Putney our fly in chairman and to the hospitality of Ayers aviation and to all the efforts of the volunteers at our "fall Festival of flight" and we had a successful event.

We had about 80 airplanes fly in during the 2 days and many arrived for the pancake breakfast. We all enjoyed the Friday night hamburgers and Saturday night dinner. Lunch on Saturday was provided by

..... lunch truck. The demonstration of the LeRhone rotary engine was fun and gathered a crowd. We had new members join and current members paid their dues. Joetta is working on the financials and I will update everyone at the next meeting.

Our next meeting will be on November 18th at Trey and Brandie's hangar at Fairview airport for our annual Chili cookoff so bring your best offering for the great prizes.

**Fly Safe,  
Terry**











## ***Fly-In Chairman Report***

Hello everyone, I am extremely pleased at the outcome of the Fall Festival of Flight event this year. But most of all I am thankful for all the volunteers and attendees that made the Fly-In possible. First the City of Gainesville so eager to accommodate the event and the Ayers for hosting us in their hangar once again. Dave Vinton airport manager was able to secure \$250 dollars of free fuel vouchers we gave in raffle prizes. We had a lot of support beginning with Edward Chmiel and Rob Davis of the Civil Air Patrol who volunteered their time to park aircraft, and Terry Wallace with Bo Case who mowed the field in preparations. It was great to see Al Hinton and his family show up with the hayride tractor to add vintage ambience to the show. Then there was David Moore Productions that provided the DJ to share his music for an upbeat atmosphere.

The event highlights began with the hamburger dinner on Friday night provided by Jim and Maria Dougherty and the Beer Garden provided by Terry Wallace and Jake Bilstad Saturday, we started with the pancake breakfast headed up by Stan Price, Terry and Mary Doyle and supported by Bob Neal, Mike Clark, Michael Daniels, and the rest of the chapter volunteers. We had the food truck for lunch provided by B and B Catering, then later the Banquet Dinner was delivered by Dieter Brothers Restaurant. I feel we had a good feed during the whole event.

Other thanks go out to Joetta Reetz, Laurie Mitchell and Lorraine Irby for managing the registration table and Mary Doyle who ran the Chapter Shirt Sales this year. We had Doreen Wallace on book sales and a big thanks to Harold Stieber who ran the Fly-Market again so graciously. Our Judging was led by Gary Sublette and his support team with fabulous results.

Daryl Irby and Stan Price gave their Aviation 101 presentation this year as well as some of our attending vendors. Big thanks to Kip Aero for their display on WW1 aircraft with his presentations with actual engine runs and demos. iFly EFB who shared information on their product and gave two free subscription services as raffle gifts. Other vendors attending were Victory Aviation Supply, Mission Aviation Fellowship, Bleakley Aviation Books, Tim Talmage Aero, and Cigars of Valor.

I can't thank Terry Wallace enough for all he has done in all aspects of the fly-In and to secure the Trophies then give the presentations at the awards dinner. The winners of the free fuel certificates are: Darrell Lynch, Mark Cohch, Tom Ferraro, Kerry La Fleur, and Bruce Putney. The winners of the silent auction items are: Propeller – Joetta Reetz, P&W Clock – Stan Price, Kinner Clock – Farooq Tayab.

Big recognition for my wife Karyn and her support of me and our chapter, I look forward to seeing you all next year!

***Bruce Putney  
TXAAA Fly-In Chairman***

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# TXAAA Historians Month by G R Dennis Price.

Another busy fly-in month, attended fly-ins at Louise, Lockhart, Ranger, Reklaw, and our own TXAAA Fall Fly-in at Gainesville [GLE], on October 13th and 14th. Despite the windy and cool conditions, I photo'd 131 aircraft during our event. Not all were there for the fly-in; 24 (and possibly a few more) were based or stored, commercial or training flights, or just taking advantage of the reduced gas prices. Thus, about 100 aircraft were there for the fly-in. I also heard that a lot of people drove in. Barry has put up photos of the award-winning aircraft on the TXAAA.org web page, and I am repeating them, and others that caught my eye, below:



**Grand Champion: N77842, Luscombe 8A, msn 3569, ff 1946; owned by Darrell Lynch.**



**Best Antique: NC22388, Aeronca 65-C, msn C-3879, ff 1939; owned by Jaden Stapleton.**



**Best Classic: NC4128E, Aeronca 11CC, msn 11CC-37, ff 1947; owned by Alan Alsup.**



**Best Neo-Classic: N7830T, Cessna 172A, msn 47430, ff 1960; owned by James Bridges**



**Best Home-built: NX533, Spacewalker II/PT-28A, msn 20814, ff 2021; with a North American T-6 canopy, PT-19-looking fin, and Continental O-200A engine. Built and owned by Patrick Long.**

**Other aircraft present:**



**NC21104, Stinson SR-10J, msn 5830, ff 1938; very shiny past champion.**



**NC31674, Waco VKS-7F, msn 6115, ff 1942, another past champion.**



**N2904B, Beech Bonanza D35, msn D-3549, ff 1953. Another very shiny polished aircraft.**



**N2935D, Cessna 170B, msn 26878, ff 1955. Another highly polished and reflective aircraft.**



**N1563D, Cessna 195, msn 7785, ff 1952.**



**N3110W, Nanchang CJ-6A, msn 1332014, ff 1965.**



**N3581B, Beech B50, msn CH-41, ff 1954.**



**N89FA, originally a Douglas C-54B, msn 27249, ff 1945, ex USAAF 44-9023, N88816, XA-MAA, HP-256, HP-268, CP-682, N9326R, converted by Aviation Traders to ATL-98 Carvair (#9 of 21) G-ASHZ. Parked where accessible for all to view.**





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# CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2023

## NEXT MEETING

**November 18th** - Trey & Brandi Hayden hangar, Fairview AP ---- Annual chili cookoff!

**Fliers:** Fairview Airport (7TS0) is about three miles NE of Rhome, and four miles West of Propwash Airport. The 17/35 nice green runway is 2500 feet.

**Drivers:** From I-35W go west on 407 to the red light just over the railroad tracks in Justin. Take a left and go south to the next red light. Take a right (still 407) and go west about eight miles as you enjoy the many curves. There is a Dillavou Lane sign on the right side of the road. Take a left to the Hayden's hangar. Look for the crowd.

## Upcoming Texas Chapter Events For 2023

**December 16th** – We will have our December meeting on December 17th, at Christina's Fine Mexican Restaurant, 6424 Cross Timbers Rd. Flower Mound, TX 75022. 817-430-3669 at 11:00 to 1:00. Come early to visit if you would like.

Instead of unwrapped toys bring cash or gift cards for the Denton County Santa Cops.

Fly-Ins of Interest 2024: TBA



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(Ownership of an aircraft is not required)

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National AAA No. \_\_\_\_\_ Please circle: New, Renewal, Lifetime

Please submit the above information with your \$25 payment (\$250 lifetime) to Texas Antique Airplane Association, 5416 Catlow Valley Rd., Ft Worth TX 76137 If paying by check, please make payable to: Texas Chapter of the Antique Airplane Association.

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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](http://www.texasantiqueairplane.org) or [www.txaaa.org](http://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,**  
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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](http://www.antiqueairfield.com) or E-mail [antiqueairfield@sirisonline.com](mailto:antiqueairfield@sirisonline.com) or you may write:  
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