



FLIGHTLINES

Newsletter of the Texins Flying Club

December 2005

CLUB CALENDAR OF EVENTS

7 December (Wednesday): TFC Board Meeting, 6:30 PM, TKI Conference Room. All members welcome.

10 December (Saturday): General Membership Meeting and Officer Elections!, Donuts 8:30 AM, Meeting 9:30 AM, TKI Conference Room. Program.

11 January (Wednesday): TFC Board Meeting, 6:30 PM, TKI Conference Room. All members welcome.

14 January (Saturday): General Membership Meeting, Donuts 8:30 AM, Meeting 9:30 AM, TKI Conference Room. Program.

TFC Elections!!

Officer elections will be held at the December 10th general membership meeting, 0930, TKI conference room. The president, membership vice-president, controller, cross-country maintenance officer and communications officer positions are up for election, and will serve a one year term, beginning on January 1st. The remaining officer positions are up for election in six months. Nominations are currently open. Please contact any board member with your nominations. Please consider increasing your club involvement by serving on the board!

The following nominations have been received so far:

President – None

Membership VP – Keith Gutierrez

Controller – None

Cross Country Maintenance – Phil Rains

Communications – None

Treasurer – Charlie Weinberger, Sr.

Security Gate Code Change

The old security gate access code change will expire at 0800 on Monday, 12/12/05. We have placed the new access code (noted below by XXXX) on the TFC web-site, under the password controlled Aircraft Scheduler section. To access it, go to the TFC web-site at:

<http://www.texins.org/flyingclub/>

Click on "Schedule a Plane"

Log on with your Member ID Number and password.

Click on "Gate Access Code" at the bottom of the left hand column.

The new security access code is currently in place and is XXXX. The existing codes will expire on Monday, 12/12/05 at 8 AM. Distribute the gate codes on a "need to know" basis only. This code will provide access to the following:

- * Pedestrian gates (#5, 6 & 9)
- * MHOA vehicle access gate (#1)
- * Crossmark/WingsPoint vehicle access gate (#3)
- * McKinney Aerospace vehicle access gate (#12)

Access to the Air Traffic Control Tower gate (#8) will only be provided (using the same code) when either gate #3 or #12 is inoperative for an extended period of time. The Airport Administration encourages everyone using the vehicle access gates (# 1,3,8 & 12) to stop and ensure the gate closes behind you. Not only will this help to identify a malfunctioning gate, but it will prevent unauthorized persons from gaining access to the Air Operations Area.

Thank you once again for your efforts to improve the security of CCRA.

Price Decrease

Yes, you read the subject line correctly!

Based on the continued dramatic fluctuations in the price of aviation fuel, the hourly rates for club aircraft were DECREASED on November 11th, 2005. The board reviews on a monthly basis the per gallon price which we are charged by our supplier, and modifies rates as appropriate. The current rates were based on a cost of \$4.44/gal and the decrease brought our costs down to \$3.90/gal. We include a chart of our aviation fuel costs per gallon in each monthly newsletter, in order to better inform club members of changes.

The hourly flight costs are as follows, effective November 11th, 2005:

N6368K Cessna 150M Commuter	\$71/tach hour
N7929U Cessna 150M Commuter	\$71/tach hour
N737TY Cessna 172N Skyhawk	\$89/tach hour
N733NB Cessna 172N(180)Superhawk	\$94/tach hour
N7508J Piper PA-28R-180 Arrow	\$119/tach hour

Your off-site fuel expenses for purchases made starting November 11th, will be reimbursed at a rate of \$3.90/gal.

Club CFI Breaks Sound Barrier!!!

This just in!!! Prompted by last month's newsletter photos of fighter jets breaking the sound barrier, TFC CFI Ace "Speed-is-my-middle-name" McGhee replied, "Ah, that's nothin' man! I've personally broken the speed barrier in a Super Cub!", and he has provided the photo below as proof.



Speed-Demon McGhee claims that he has found the sweet-spot in the Cub power-curve, "It turns out the Cubs have a negative drag curve similar to a tunnel diode. If you get on the wrong side of it, your airspeed can build pretty fast. I've attached a pic for you." When queried about the photo, and the fact that the propeller tips don't also exhibit the characteristic barrier-breaking "wall of sound", he responded, "Rocket science, man! Too difficult to explain to a slow-poke like you!"

Expressing concern for fellow club members who fly Cessna 150s (which purportedly have a similar speed avalanche spot), Ace reminds all pilots to remember to observe the 200 knot speed restriction inside of Class D airspace, and the 250 knot speed restriction when flying below 10,000 feet MSL. In addition, please follow KTKI noise abatement procedures, which discourage sonic booms within 1/4 nautical mile of our neighbors in Fairview.

Tall-Tales McGhee is also interested in finding TFC members interested in investing in his perpetual motion machine and shares of the Brooklyn Bridge.

Air Show at Edwards AFB Submitted by Fred Carvajal

Here's a great link with photos from the October airshow at Edwards Air Force Base:

<http://edwards.airshowjournal.com/2005/>

Instrument Ground School

To all NTxFC members:
Hello Everyone -

Barry Beeson asked me to help spread the word that he will be holding an Instrument Ground School beginning in late January. The classes are open to all pilots, not just NTXFC members. Here are details:

IFR Ground School – Wingspoint, Jan 27-28 (Friday evening and Saturday) and Feb 3-4. Friday evenings 1830-2200. Saturdays 0800-1600. Price \$100. The Wingspoint conference room has been reserved.

Contact Barry at 972/562-2420 or bainc@texoma.net

Or, if you want a longer, more traditional, 3 month class, then check this out:

Instrument Rating Ground School

Description: Learn flight instrument systems, altitude instrument flying, Federal Aviation Regulations, air traffic control system, instrument charts, instrument approaches, weather, graphic weather products, high altitude considerations and IFR flight planning. All instruction is designed to assist students in passing the examination and certification as an instrument-rated pilot. To earn credit for the class, participants must attend 90 percent of classes and pass written exams. After satisfactory completion of the course, participants can sit for the FAA written exam. Tuition does not include the FAA exam fee.

Materials Needed: Text

The course starts this next Wednesday night, 1/10/2006 at 18:30-21:30 and meets each Tuesday through 4/25/06. Cost is \$219.00. For more information go to:

<http://www.ccccd.edu/cs/areasofstudy/conted/courselistings/aviation.html>
Course # 06B.AIRP1051.002

Classes will be held at the Courtyard Center (CYC) of Collin County Community College
4800 Preston Park Boulevard
Plano, TX 75093
972.985.3790

Reminder to only fly with CLEAN wing surfaces!

Submitted by Calvin Coffey

Now that it's getting cold enough to have frost, here's a friendly reminder to always remove ALL traces of frost, snow, and ice from the aircraft wings prior to flight.

NTSB Identification: ANC06CA006.

Accident occurred Sunday, October 23, 2005 in Naknek, AK

Aircraft: Cessna 172, registration: N6832A
Injuries: 2 Uninjured.

The private certificated pilot was departing uphill from a 1,950 feet long runway on a Title 14, CFR Part 91 local area personal flight. The pilot indicated that prior to departure, the upper wing surfaces of the airplane had a layer of frost, but he smoothed the surface with a broom. During the takeoff roll, the pilot said the airplane became airborne in ground effect to an altitude of about 2 feet, about 300 feet before the end of the runway. The airplane then descended and collided with alder bushes about 75 feet beyond the end of the runway. The airplane received damage to the wings, fuselage, and engine.

2005 Aviation Events Calendar

Dec 3, EAA 614 Monthly Fly-In Pancake Breakfast,
Pineville, LA, 318-445-1772, www.eaa614.org,
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Dec 12, Slipstream Session – A Remembrance of War Seminar Series at Commemorative Air Force Headquarters, Midland, TX, 432-563-1000
<http://www.commemorativeairforce.org>

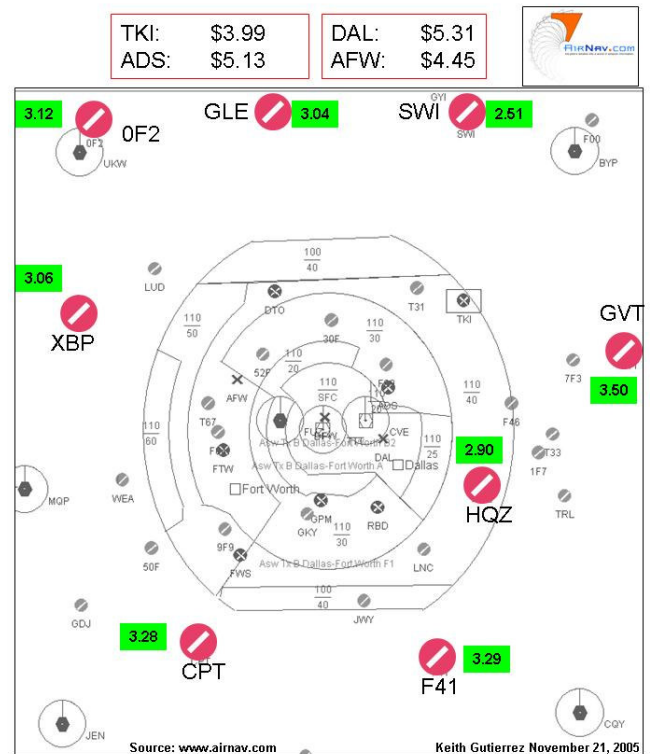
May 13-16, The EAA Texas Fly-In [EAA SW Regional]
Hondo/San Antonio TX, 830-889-8802,
www.eaatexasflyin.org info@swrfi.org

Low Cost Refueling Options Around DFW

Submitted by Keith Gutierrez

Low Cost Refueling Locations around DFW

Always check hours of operation and notams before planning a fuel stop
Prices are changing rapidly so your actual price may be different



TFC Fleet Maintenance Nov '05

6368K On-Line

11/11/05 New cowling fasteners.

7929U On-Line

11/18/05 100hr inspection and left strobe repair completed.

737TY On-line

11/04/05 New alternator installed.

733NB On-line

11/07/05 Beacon and landing light repaired.

11/18/05 Right brake master serviced.

7508J On-line

11/21/05 50 hour oil change.

Highlights from November Board

Meeting -- 11/09/05

Submitted by Bill Moore

Attending were: Fred Carvajal, Don Essenpreis, Art Jones, Bill Moore, Bob Moran, Roger Nordmeyer, Phil Rains, Dick Stephens, Rick Still, and member Charlie Weinberger.

President - Discussed Membership Meeting for Saturday with Sports Aviation presentation schedule. There will probably be 8 to 10 aircraft to checkout and possibly fly. Charlie Weinberger is nominated to be Treasurer. President, Communications, Membership, Controller and Cross Country officers are open for nomination starting Saturday. The wording of Standards for TKI may put a strain on flying clubs at the airport.

Operations/Maintenance - Maintenance for October 2005 (See November Newsletter)

Chief Instructor - The standard rules for Flying Clubs is now down to one paragraph. Art will talk to the airport manager, Ken, for clarification of the paragraph's meaning. The paragraph came out of the FAA suggested requirements. Art has been reinforcing the fasteners in the cowlings of the aircraft.

XC Maintenance - While waiting for the Texins Board to make a contribution to the club, we will get quotes on transponders and other proposed equipment.

Trainer Maintenance/Training - Instrument school still in planning process. Will talk with Russ and Hank to prepare a syllabus. All ground schools, VFR & IFR, have cost issues due to number of students.

Membership - Still have 125 members. One member lost because he moved out of area.

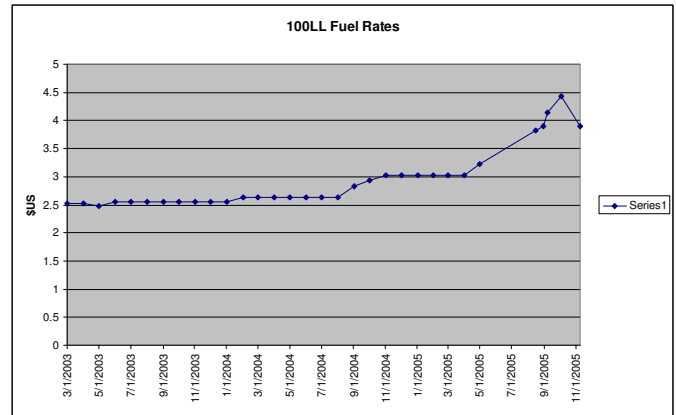
Controller - Discussion on aircraft rate model. Price of fuel went down. Rates for aircraft will go down Friday Nov 11, 2005. The meeting with Texins went well.

Treasurer - Bob, Don, & Dick will meet to go over Finances.

Safety - All members currently flying safely.

Meeting adjourned at 2035

AVGAS Rates



TFC Fleet Statistics (2H '05)

	1H05	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD
Total	673.5	123.7	116.3	94.3	134	70.4	0	1212.2
6368K	107	19.3	24.9	9.6	32.2	10.9	0	203.9
7929U	121.7	18.2	21.8	34.8	35.4	11.8	0	243.7
733NB	176.2	26.5	16.4	16	20.8	16.5	0	272.4
737TY	174.1	34	35.6	24.9	32.5	15	0	316.1
7508J	94.5	25.7	17.6	9	13.1	16.2	0	176.1

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(M) TFC Member/Instructor **CFII** - Certificated Flight Instructor, Instruments; **MEI** - Multi-Engine Instructor; **Conv** - Conventional Gear (Taildragger) Instructor; **SES** - Single Engine Sea; **CFIG** - Certificated Flight Instructor, Glider; **ATP** - Airline Transport Pilot-rated. **Note:** All instructors are assigned by TFC's Chief Flight Instructor (Art Jones).

ABOUT THIS NEWSLETTER: *Inputs are encouraged! Of particular interest are flying experiences that others can learn from. Forward inputs to Bret Stewart, email bstewart@ti.com*

TFC AIRCRAFT AND RATES

Tail No.	Make	Model	Rate/Hr
Simulator	ATC	610J	\$ 0.00
6368K	Cessna	150M Commuter	\$71.00
7929U	Cessna	150M Commuter	\$71.00
733NB	Cessna	172N(180) Superhawk	\$94.00
737TY	Cessna	172N Skyhawk	\$89.00
7508J	Piper	PA-28R-180 Arrow	\$119.00

* Off-site fuel expenses are reimbursed at a rate of **\$3.90/gal.**

* For off-site fuel shopping see www.airnav.com

* Detailed aircraft features are listed in Club Handbook

* Monthly Dues: \$35.00 for regular members

* Instruction: \$21.00 / Hr

* TFC measures aircraft rental rate using tachometer hour.

* Rate includes cost of fuel (currently **\$3.90/gal**).

* All non-instructional flights require additional 8.25% tax.

KEY CONTACT INFORMATION

McKinney & TFC

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 TKI ASOS Land Line (972) 542-9659
 Airport Manager (972) 562-6080 ext 4053
 WingsPoint @ TKI (972) 562-5555
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