

## THE TEXINS FLYING CLUB

### SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

- Monthly Meeting  
June 13th – WWII  
Veteran Charlie  
Mohrle
- Board Elections This  
Month
- Regional Fuel Prices
- Regional Aviation  
Events

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# TFC Flightlines – June 2009

MEMBER NEWSLETTER

JUNE 2009

## Monthly Meeting - Charlie Mohrle

Charlie Mohrle was unable to make it to the May meeting, but he will be here for the June 13th meeting!

In December 1941, Charlie Mohrle volunteered for military service and was assigned to the newly formed 510th Fighter Squadron of the 405th Fighter Group. He was deployed Europe, entering battle in England flying bomber-escort missions, area patrol flights, and interdiction flights.

Mohrle flew 13 escort missions. After the June 6, 1944 Normandy invasion, Mohrle and his Group crossed the English Channel to a small tar-paper strip at Picauville, France. Their new duty was air support for General Patton's Third Army. Dive bombing, skip bombing, and strafing attacks on German battle tanks, trucks, trains, artillery and infantry, they destroyed enemy mobility and weaponry in front of the 3rd Army forces - clear across France and into Germany. In one three day engagement, the 405th Group completely destroyed an entire German army, receiving personal recognition from General Elwood Quesada, commander of the Ninth Tactical Air Command.

It was a dangerous duty. Of 24 pilots in the 510th squadron, 18 were killed. Mohrle completed 97 combat missions, was awarded a Distinguished flying cross and an Air Medal with 16 Oak Leaf Clusters, European Theater Ribbon with 4 Battle Stars and is entitled to wear a Presidential Unit Citation ribbon. Join us for the monthly meeting Saturday, June 13th AT 9:30 AM at the McKinney Performing Arts Center to hear Charlie's story live and in person.



## June Board Elections

The following positions are up for election this month. Being a member of the TFC board is a great way to learn what aircraft ownership is all about. It's also a great opportunity for a leadership position where you'll have the opportunity to guide the direction of our flying club. The following positions are up for election during the June 13th monthly meeting:

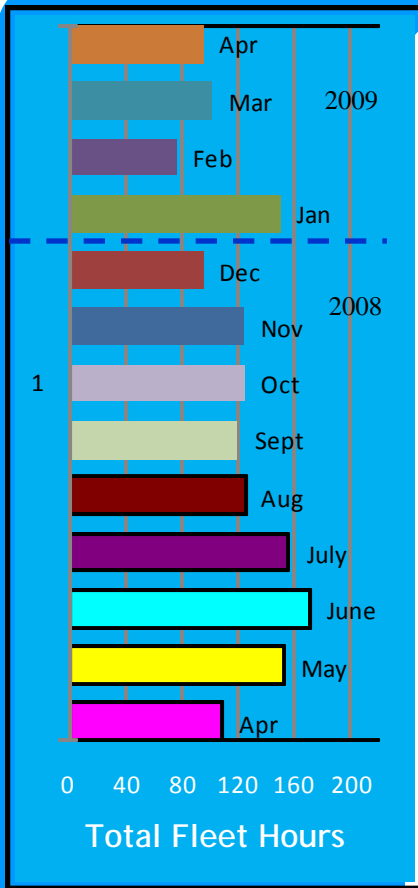
- Operations Vice-President
- Safety Officer
- Trainer Maintenance Officer
- Treasurer

If you're interested in any of these positions, then join us this Saturday, June 13th, at 9:30 AM for the monthly meeting at the McKinney Performing Arts Center in downtown McKinney.

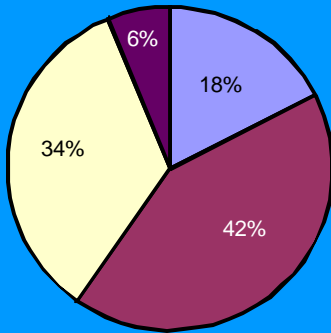
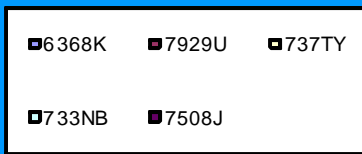
# TFC Fleet Statistics

This table shows the total logged tach-hours for each of the TFC aircraft.

	Oct	Nov	Dec	2008 Total	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	YTD
TOTAL	125.2	124.1	95.4	1472.2	150	76.4	100.5	94.9	103.3	525.1
N6368K	5.8	0	0	208	13.5	8.9	19.5	16.7	20.5	79.1
N7929U	22.1	34.2	30.4	409.6	48.7	27.5	25.6	40	37.2	179
N737TY	60.7	45.9	31	402.3	61.8	30.4	45.8	32.3	40.7	211
N733NB	30.4	38.8	30.6	351.6	12.9	0.7	0	0	0	13.6
N7508J	6.2	5.2	3.4	100.8	13.1	8.6	9.6	5.9	4.9	42.1



Updates on the maintenance work done on our aircraft over the past month.



# Fleet Maintenance Statistics

## 6368K

On-Line

4/19/09 50 hour oil change. Left exhaust stack repaired.  
4/20/09 New alternator cooling tube installed.

## 7929U

On-Line

4/9/09 New landing light installed. New lower cowl fastener installed.  
4/15/09 Fixed loose exhaust stacks, left and right sides.  
4/19/09 New landing light circuit breaker installed. Rear position light wire repaired.  
4/25/09 Circuit breaker still trips - landing light lead unplugged to cowl and switch taped to the on position to help isolate the problem.

## 737TY

On-Line. DG has been rebuilt again and reinstalled.

4/11/09 Seat tracks passes inspection.  
4/28/09 50 hour oil change.  
4/29/09 Returned DG for repair.

## 733NB

Off-line

3NB is in the paint shop and is due out soon, date TBD.

4/29/09 New Plexiglas windshield installed.  
5/1/09 Primer paint begins.

## 7508J

Off-line for muffler repair and instrument cooling fan install.

4/23/09 Garmin 430 install was completed and test flown.  
4/24/09 Altitude hold problem identified to be a clogged pitot tube. Once cleaned, autopilot works well.  
4/27/09 50 hour oil change.

# TFC Board Meeting Updates

## Fuel Prices

The TKI fuel price has increased slightly. It recently changed from \$4.49 to \$4.59, effective June 1st, 2009. See Page 6 for fuel prices and aircraft rates.

## N733NB

3NB is back on-line! This month, we're planning to touch up some places on the new paint job, put the TFC decals on the tail, and install some much needed new plastic on the ceiling of the plane.

## N7929U

New plastic has been installed on the right side of the instrument panel. Remember, now that the warm humid weather has arrived, be alert for carb ice.

## N737TY

We're going to adjust 7TY's compass this month. The compass indications have been slightly off, which may have been to the DG issues we've been seeing. Also, with the

hot weather, don't forget...the O-320 runs rich. You should lean for taxi as part of your after start-up routine. If you forget, then at runup, go up to 1800rpm, lean to get an increase on the TAC, go back to 1700 and do the mag check.

## N6368K

68K will get a 100 hour inspection this month. We are also planning to re-cover the seats in 68K for your flying pleasure. There is currently an AD out for Cessna 150's requiring additional rudder stops. Until the AD is completed in the near future, no spins allowed. Just a reminder, 29U is not approved for spins.

## N7508J

The Arrow is currently in the shop with the engine torn down waiting for input from the insurance company after last months prop strike. So far, we know that the prop and hub will need to be replaced.

## Regional Aviation Events Calendar

### June

**Jun 13 — Lufkin, TX.** Angelina County Airport (KLFK). Fajita Fly-In. EAA Chapter 1219 monthly fly-in from 10-2 with great fajita lunch for \$5 donation to the Young Eagles Program.. Contact Don Lymbery, 936-225-0422

**Jun 19 - 20 — Ada, OK.** Ada Municipal Airport (KADH). Ray Stout Memorial Warbird Fly-In and Pigs Can Fly BBQ Contest. This annual fly-in and air show features WWII War Birds and other special interest aircraft, aerobatic air show, and a state championship-KCBS sanctioned BBQ contest. Come enjoy the spectacular air show and delicious food! . Contact Don Childers, 580-436-0770

**Jun 19 - 20 — Ada, OK.** Ada Municipal (KADH). Ada Air Expo. Annual Air Show and BBQ competition. Featuring the Lima Lima Flight Team in 2009. Contact Bruce Huddleston, 580-436-2803

**Jun 19 — Baton Rouge, LA.** Baton Rouge Metro Airport (BTR). SE Aircraft Expo. Come see all the GA aircraft in one place! From Diamond to TBM and everything in between.. Contact Misty Moore, 770-452-0727

**Jun 20 — Houston, TX.** William P. Hobby Airport (KHOU). Wings & Wheels Saturday - Business Aviation Day. Air Museum open house fly-in, celebrating Business Aviation and its important contribution to the community. Includes aircraft displays, attractions, lunch and more. Contact Megan Lickliter, 713-454-1940

**Jun 27 — Gladewater, TX.** Gladewater Municipal (07F). Pancake Breakfast Fly-In. EAA Chapter 972 members will be rounding up HOT "Pancakes" from 0800 to 1000 w/round & long meat pieces w/ liquid. Donations welcome. Lies and Chatter expected. New very close plane parking to the event area. Coooooome on down. Contact Bob Tippens, 903-574-3641

**Jun 27 — Horseshoe Bend, AR.** Horseshoe Bend Municipal (6M2). Fly and Drive, Planes and Putts. Fly in and play golf at Turkey Mountain; course is adjacent to 6M2, carts available at Pilots Lounge. Three person "Las Vegas scramble" format tournament fund raiser for 6M2. Complimentary clubs for fly in friends, free lunch for participants and free var. Contact Golf Info-Chuck McNeight, A/P Info-John Mosser, Chuck @ 870 670 5252, John @ 870 404-3486

**Jun 27 — Mountain Home, AR.** Ozark Regional (KBPK). Wings, Waves and Wheels Airport Open House. Airport Open House and Air Show. Free admission. Contact Bill Zimmer, 870-425-1040

**Jun 27 — Tyler, TX.** Tyler Pounds Field (TYR). Pancake Breakfast. Hosted by members of the Tyler Civil Air Patrol squadron from 8-11 AM--fourth Saturday of the month. East side of the field. Contact Rich Dyer 903 849-2785. Contact Rich Dyer, 903 849-2785

# TFC Member News & Notes



Welcome to our newest club members

- Karen Quiroz
- Warren Chiu
- Robin Clark
- Ezeldin Elredy
- Megan Jarman
- Kyle Morgan
- Justin Scott
- Valis Houston

All new members come to us from our Spring Ground School. Everyone except Justin Scott and Karen Quiroz is new to flying.

Congratulate the following people for their Aviation Milestones next time you see them around the airport!

Rob Clark completed his first solo on May 31st. His instructor is Hank Eilts

Liz Kooymans passed her instrument checkride on June 2nd. Her instructor is Calvin Coffey.

## TFC Instructors

Instruction rate is \$32/hour

Name	Instructor Ratings	Contact	Schedule
Richard Klein	M CFI, CFII, CONV	972-424-2307	7 Days a Week.
Bobby Anderson	M CFI, CFII, MEI	772-532-2089	
Mike Baulch	M CFI, CFII, CONV, SES	972-843-2208	
Dinu Catona	M CFI, CFII, MEI	972-866-3593 619-925-1118	
Calvin Coffey	M CFI, CFII, MEI, SES, ATP	972-547-6711	weekends and some weeknights
Douglas Cranfill	CFI, MEI, ATP	817-480-5025	
Hank Eilts	M CFI, CFII, CONV	214-480-3581	weekends and weekday evenings
Jim Evans	CFI, CFII, CONV, SES	214-284-9467	
Rich Graham	M CFI, ATP	972-491-0011	7 days a week
Art Jones	M CFI, CFII, MEI, CONV	972-346-2646	
Robert Niedwiecki	M CFI, CFII, MEI, ATP	972-390-3363	
Sherman Ratliff	M CFI, CFII	469-220-5283	weekends and some evenings
Mark Seglem	M CFI, CFII, MEI, CONV, ATP	972-727-3465	
Dick Stephens	M CFI, CFII, CONV	972-517-1647	

Legend:

- CFI: certificated flight instructor
- CFII: certificated instrument flight instructor
- CONV: conventional gear (traildragger) instructor

- MEI: multi-engine flight instructor
- SES: single engine seaplane instructor

# TFC Officers

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**Want to learn more about airplane ownership or help guide the direction of the TFC? Consider joining the TFC Board of Directors! Contact any board member if you're interested.**

## President's Corner



Pilots should be like Boy Scouts...**BE PREPARED!** I hope this will motivate you to review your "in case of" procedures for the aircraft you fly. Urgencies can become emergencies if not dealt with as they start.

- 1) A subtle tapping noise heard in the cockpit during climbout could be a seatbelt outside the door, or worse yet, a loose fuel cap hanging on the chain as the fuel is being vacuummed out of the tank! Best solution is return to the airport and check it out on the ground now.
- 2) How about a early morning flight where the engine seems like it is taking more & more throttle to taxi, but takeoff seems normal, till the engine coughs and power is reduced at 400 feet AGL. Not a great time to try to find the checklist!
- 3) Oil pressure in the airplane engine is just like blood pressure to you. Without it, you will soon stop operating and will need a place to land. Pilots should include the engine instruments in their traffic scan to verify the engine is operating normally. If a gauge indicates something is amiss, a change of plans is required now.
- 4) Finally, a loss of radio communications in a towered traffic pattern should not rattle an experienced pilot. Follow the traffic, squawk 7600 and watch the tower for light signals. Only a solid green means cleared to land. Continue flying the airplane, perform GUMPPS checks and verify your landing gear is down for landing again.

Unfortunately, all these happened to members in our club in the past couple of weeks!

See you around the airport.  
Calvin

# Hourly Rates for TFC Airplanes

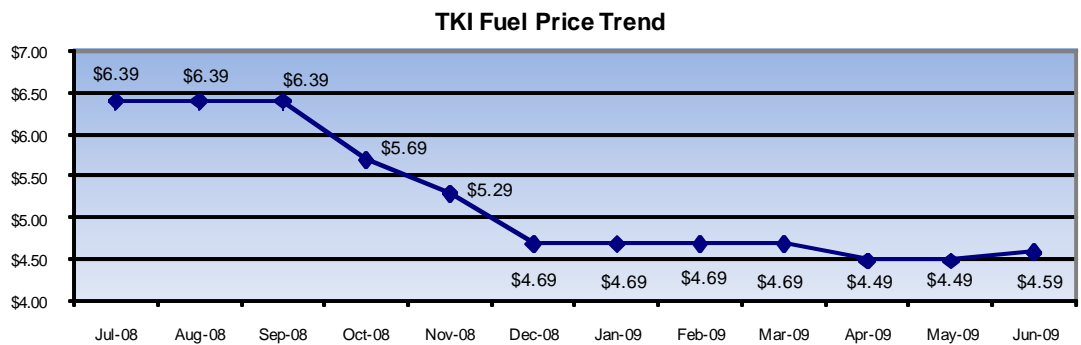
The fuel price at McKinney Airport is currently \$4.59/gal. The hourly rates to the right were updated this month, effective 6/1/2009. Average 100LL prices in the 6-state region is \$4.14/gallon. Check [100LL.com](http://100LL.com) and [AirNAV.com](http://AirNAV.com) for current regional fuel prices when planning your next cross country flight.

Tail Number	Make/Model	Rate/Hr
N6368K	Cessna 150M Commuter	\$80.80
N7929U	Cessna 150M Commuter	\$80.80
N737TY	Cessna 172 Skyhawk	\$104.25
N733NB	Cessna 172N/Superhawk	\$104.25
N7508J	Piper PA-28R-180 Arrow	\$128.70



TFC hourly rates are “wet tach hour” meaning fuel and oil costs are included and you pay based on engine usage, not on wall clock time.

Cutter Aviation at McKinney fuel price trends.



**Comparative Fuel Prices Around DFW**

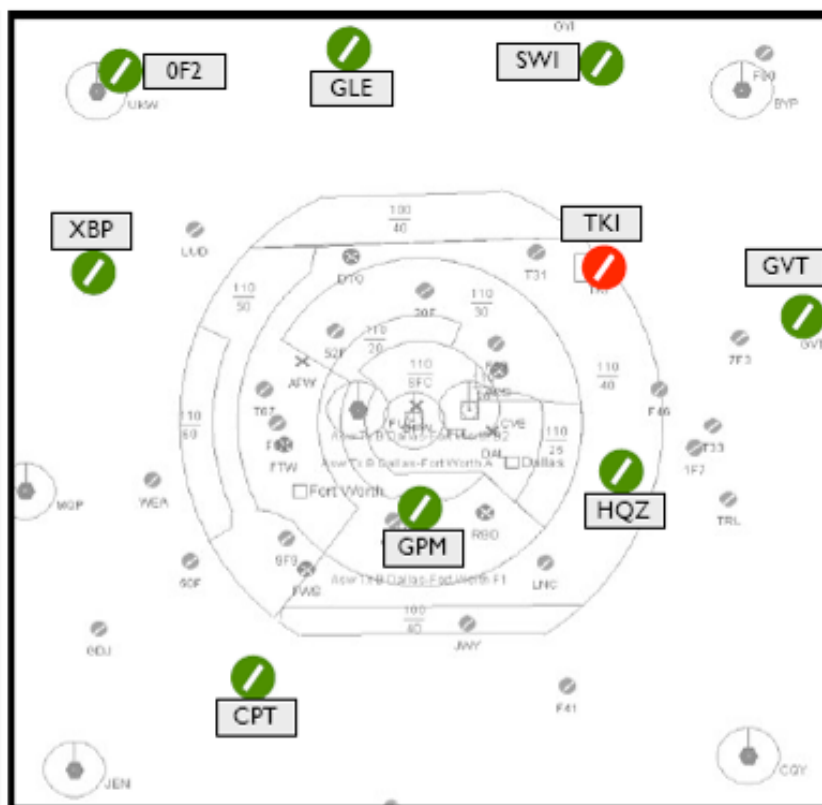
information from **100LL.com**

As of 4/8/09

TKI	\$4.59
ADS	\$5.65

GPM	\$3.37
GVT	\$3.26
XBP	\$3.20
SWI	\$3.05
CPT	\$3.66
HQZ	\$3.25
GLE	\$3.40
SLR	\$3.26



**Fuel Reimbursement**

Offsite fuel purchases are currently reimbursed at \$4.59/gal. If you refuel at a lower price, you pocket the savings!

Remember to enter the gallons purchased in the log book and write your member number on the receipt and place it in the box in the key locker.



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**Make your dreams of flight come true!**

The TEXINS Flying Club is a subsidiary organization of the Dallas TEXINS Association, a non-profit organization. Our purpose, as stated in our Constitution is "... to encourage interest in aviation, to advance the knowledge of the members in aeronautical and navigational subjects, and to bring to more people the social benefits and pleasure of flying."

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## New Web Address for Texins Flying Club

Texins Flying Club has obtained a new and improved web address: [www.texinsflyingclub.org](http://www.texinsflyingclub.org). The old web address, [www.texins.org/flyingclub](http://www.texins.org/flyingclub) will continue to be active for a while, but go ahead and update your links to the new web address. The new web address will be easier to remember and will make us much easier to find online by those searching for a flying club.

[www.texinsflyingclub.org](http://www.texinsflyingclub.org)

## Club Calendar of Events

Saturday June 13th: TFC Membership Meeting, 9:30 a.m. at the McKinney Performing Arts Center. Charlie Morhrle, a WWII pilot will share some of his amazing experiences. Join some of our members for breakfast at [Spoons Cafe](#), 100 E. Louisiana beginning at 8:30 AM before the membership meeting.

Wednesday July 8th: TFC Board Meeting, 6:00 p.m., LER Schimelpfenig Library, 5024 Custer Rd, Plano, TX. All members welcome.

