



FLIGHTLINES

Newsletter of the Texins Flying Club

November 2005

CLUB CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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

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

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.

Congratulations on these Member Achievements!

Member	Event	Date	Instructor
Joe Donaldson	PPSEL	09/26/05	Rich Graham
Michele Pharao	Solo	10/02/05	Hank Eilts
Jack Murray	Solo	10/08/05	Dick Stephens
Charlie Weinberger, Sr	Solo	10/08/05	Mike Baulch

TFC Elections!!

Officer elections will be held at the December 10 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 you nominations. Please consider increasing your club involvement by serving on the board!

Price Increase

Based on the continued dramatic increases in the price of aviation fuel, the hourly rates for club aircraft will be increased on October 8th, 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 \$3.90/gal and the increase on 10/04/05 brought our costs up to \$4.44/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 October 8th, 2005:

N6368K Cessna 150M Commuter	\$75/tach hour
N7929U Cessna 150M Commuter	\$75/tach hour
N737TY Cessna 172N Skyhawk	\$103/tach hour
N733NB Cessna 172N(180) Superhawk	\$108/tach hour
N7508J Piper PA-28R-180 Arrow	\$125/tach hour

Your off-site fuel expenses for purchases made starting October 8th, will be reimbursed at a rate of \$4.44/gal.

International Trash Management Fee

(Something to think about on your next non-stop flight in one of our club planes from either Mexico or Canada!!! ☺)

Dear Tenants & Users:

Federal Regulations 9 CFR Part 94.5 and & CFR Part 300.400 require that all foreign garbage and trash transported to the United States be collected, stored and disposed of in an appropriate (and expensive) manner.

The City administers the Foreign Garbage pickups to ensure compliance with regulations and to protect the airport and City of McKinney from civil penalties, which could be up to \$250,000 per violation.

To date, the airport has not passed this cost to users as part of the provision of US Customs Service. However, now that US Customs has been in operation at the airport for approximately three years and international traffic has increased, we believe it is prudent to initiate a fee to cover some of the cost associated with the collection process. Therefore, effective immediately, the City of McKinney will charge \$65.00 per international flight for this service.

If you should have questions or concerns, please contact me or any member of the airport staff.

Thank you for your continued support, understanding and cooperation.

Ken Wiegand, Airport Director

Performance (Glacier) Take-Offs and Landings

Submitted by Wolfgang Kemper

TFC member Wolfgang Kemper forwarded these links on "Glacier Flying" in the Swiss Alps.

The English version is found at:

<http://www.gletscherflug.ch/glacierlanding.htm>

But this is most awesome, almost an hour of video about mountain and glacier flying. Watch this:

<http://www.afpm.org/Videos/aeschorn-2.mpg>



This is breathtaking stuff! A good introduction is the story how the first Glacier flight was done. As a search and rescue operation to save the lives of US Military people crashed in the Swiss Alps:

"Fast-moving dark lines below the plane suddenly became a glacier. This did not immediately register. I just knew that we were very close to whatever it was. Later I discovered that the lines were crevasses. As I reached up and threw the throttles, propellers and mixture forward and pulled back on the yoke, I told my co-pilot, "we are in the mountains!" My copilot thought I had vertigo so he held his yoke, which kept me from pitching up. I reached over and forced him off the controls and, almost as quickly, I said: "we are on the ground."

This describes the experience of a 25-year-old US Air Force pilot, Ralph Tate, who in 1946 became lost while flying a DC-3 over Switzerland. On board were 12 passengers, high-ranking officers, and a few civilians including women and children. Two Swiss military pilots, Captain Viktor Hug and Major Pista Hitz, risked a landing in their Fieseler Storch. The dramatic and glorious birth of Swiss rescue flight operations was also the beginning of a grand tradition of mountain flying that continues today. Even though the helicopter has mostly replaced the airplane for mountain rescues, there are still about 60 male and female pilots who practice the extreme art of glacier landings.

The above description of the birth of Swiss Glacier Flying is slightly modified from that mentioned on the webpage.

Speaking of Noise Abatement...

Submitted by Keith Gutierrez

These pictures were taken of the phenomena that occurs only at the instant that aircraft break the sound barrier!!





Nov 22, Hooks 1st Annual Fly-In & Classic Car Show,
 Spring, TX, 281-376-5436, www.hooksflyincarshow.com
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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>

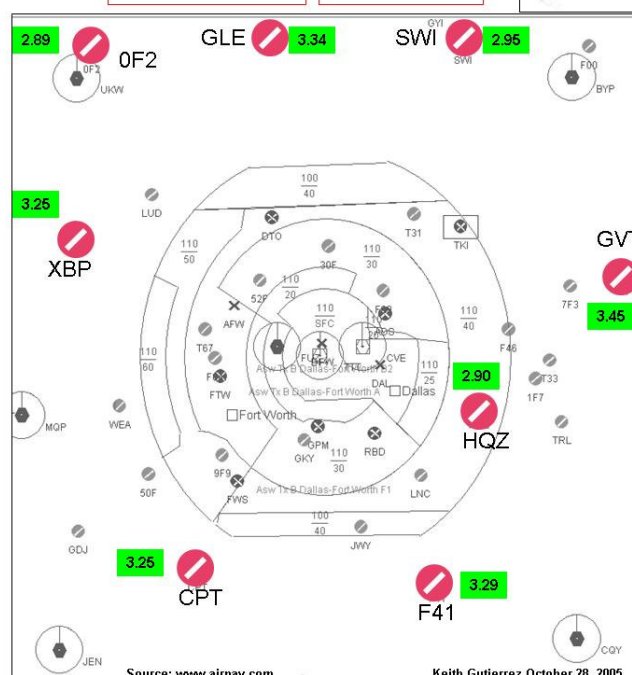
Low Cost Refueling Options Around DFW

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 pump price may be slightly different

TKI:	\$4.29	DAL:	\$6.19
ADS:	\$5.13	AFW:	\$4.55



2005 Aviation Events Calendar

Nov 5-6, Randolph AFB Airshow, Randolph AFB, TX, 210-652-3527.

Nov 5, EAA 614 Monthly Fly-In Pancake Breakfast, Pineville, LA, 318-445-1772, www.eaa614.org, margaretortigo@hotmail.com

Nov 5, EAA Chapter 971 Fall Fly-In, St. John the Baptist Parish (1L0), Reserve, LA, rivierja@cox.net **Nov 12, 54th Annual World's Oldest Free Fly-In and Airshow**, Fairview, OK. Free breakfast to fly-in's 7-10AM, airshow 1:30PM. 580-227-3788.

Nov 12, EAA Chapter 261 Annual Fly-In, Lakefront (NEW), New Orleans, LA, rivierja@cox.net

Nov 13, Lone Star Flight Museum Fly-Day, Galveston, TX

Nov 15-17, NBAA 58th Annual Meeting and Convention, New Orleans, LA, 202-783-9000, nbaa.org

Highlights from October Board Meeting -- 10/05/05

The board actually met twice in October. Minutes from both meetings are below.

Highlights of the October Board Meeting, Wednesday, 5 October 2005

Meeting called to order at 1842 by Fred Carvajal.

Attending were: Fred Carvajal, Don Essenpreis, Art Jones, Bill Moore, Bob Moran, Phil Rains, Dick Stephens, Bret Stewart, Rick Still, members Gene Robinson, Charlie Weinberger, and Doug.

Operations/Maintenance – Maintenance for September 2005 (See October Newsletter)

Chief Instructor – Keeping an eye nose strut of N7508J.

XC Maintenance – Reviewed capital wish list for 2006. Draft is due to Texins on Nov 14.

Trainer Maint/Training – 9 students total in ground school.

Communications – Checked out AirNav listing for TFC. Compiled and published October Newsletter. Normal communications notices and reminders.

Membership – About half a dozen new members from ground school have joined TFC. Still about 125 members. Fall picnic will not happen this year.

Controller – Dick – Forms for Texins, to be completed and turned in by Oct 14. Discussion on aircraft rate model. 75/75/108/103/125. 3.90-> 4.44, 10/4/05

Treasurer – Discussion on member flying patterns.

Safety – All members currently flying safely.

Gene Robinson – Discussion on shared office facility possibility with EAA, TFC, NTxFC, CAP.

Meeting adjourned at 2050.

Highlights of the 2nd October Board Meeting, Wednesday, 19 October 2005

Meeting called to order at 1837 by Roger Nordmeyer.

Attending were: Fred Carvajal, Don Essenpreis, Art Jones, Bill Moore, Bob Moran, Roger Nordmeyer, Phil Rains, Dick Stephens, Bret Stewart, Rick Still.

Capital Planning: Dick reviewed the 2006 financial statement forms for Texins. Covered proposed 3 year capital/improvements from 2006 to 2008. Motion made to accept and carried.

Discussion on rate sheet updates. Dick, Bob, Fred, Don, (and need Micah) to form a committee to update the rate sheet formulas.

Discussed upcoming officer elections.

Highlights from October Member Meeting -- 10/08/05

Submitted by Bill Moore

Membership Meeting Saturday, 10/8/05

Attendance consisted of eight officers and eight members for a total of 16 souls.

Ops VP - Covered the maintenance report.

Membership - 125 members. Some members may be leaving due to the high cost of hourly rates due to fuel prices.

Trainer Maintenance - Discussed Ground School. Have 9 students and possible 6 new members.

Controller - Discussed Financial model. Needs to fine tune entries in spread sheet. Club is financially OK at present. Dues don't cover all fixed expensed. Some funding for fixed expenses is coming from aircraft rental. Need crystal ball to project the future.

Treasurer - New accounting person at accounting office. She has quickly picked up information needed to work MYOP. Reconciliation with Texins Activity Center is needed. The new accountant hasn't completed this. Accounting firm says inputs need to be simpler or they may need to raise rates. The accounting firm has used two persons in the last 9 months.

President - Turned in comments to the Airport Board concerning the Minimum Standard Revision. The subject that Gene and CCAC brought up about joining with CAP, EAA, NTFC, & TFC, in constructing a building over the ditch at the north ramp close to taxiway C, for meetings and other activities of the clubs. TexDOT would provide 90% of the funds but 10% would be required from other sources including the clubs. TFC doesn't have any funds to play with at this time.

Financial Draft Forms for Texins Board is due Oct 14, 2005. Presentation in front of the Texins Board will be in November.

There was some general discussion about capital for new Transponders. FAA may change from 121.5 kHz to 406 MHz in the near future.

The presentation brought by Rick Still was Lost & Crossed. A good AOPA DVD presentation.

Meeting closed at 11:00 hrs.

TFC Fleet Maintenance Oct '05

6368K On-Line

10/04/05 Fuel cap changed. Need chain.

7929U On-Line

10/03/05 New battery installed.

10/17/05 Idle mixture adjusted. Tachometer Cable replaced.

10/20/05 landing light changed.

10/31/05 Instrument light changed.

10/31/05 Cowling screws replaced.

737TY On-line

10/08/05 Landing light circuit repaired.

10/20/05 Battery acid leveled.

10/21/05 New Voltage regulator installed.

10/25/05 Lower right door hinge pin replaced and 50 hour oil change.

733NB On-line

10/7/05 Transponder reseated and flight tested.

10/09/05 Transponder seated and checked by Bryon Wriston.

10/24/05 PTT button and cowl screw replaced.

10/31/05 50 hour oil change.

10/31/05 Vertical speed indicator adjusted.

7508J On-line

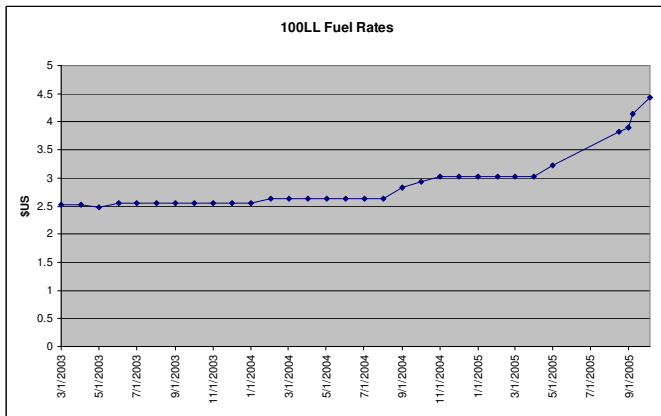
10/08/05 Landing light circuit repaired.

10/25/05 Starter bendix lubricated.

10/26/05 Com2 serviced.

10/28/05 New Battery Installed.

AVGAS Rates



TFC Fleet Statistics (2H '05)

	1H05	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD
Total	673.5	123.7	116.3	94.3	134.0	0	0	1141.8
6368K	107.0	19.3	24.9	9.6	32.2	0	0	193.0
7929U	121.7	18.2	21.8	34.8	35.4	0	0	231.9
733NB	176.2	26.5	16.4	16.0	20.8	0	0	259.9
737TY	174.1	34.0	35.6	24.9	32.5	0	0	301.1
7508J	94.5	25.7	17.6	9.0	13.1	0	0	159.9

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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	\$75.00
7929U	Cessna	150M Commuter	\$75.00
733NB	Cessna	172N(180) Superhawk	\$108.00
737TY	Cessna	172N Skyhawk	\$103.00
7508J	Piper	PA-28R-180 Arrow	\$125.00

- * Off-site fuel expenses are reimbursed at a rate of **\$4.44/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 **\$4.44/gal**).
- * All non-instructional flights require additional 8.25% tax.

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