

## THE TEXINS FLYING CLUB

### SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

- Board Meeting Sept 10— Schimelpfenig Library
- Flying the SR-71 Blackbird
- Pilot's Companion Seminar
- Regional Fuel Prices

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# TFC Flighlines — Sept

MEMBER NEWSLETTER

SEPT 2008

## Flying the SR71 Blackbird



If you've ever wanted to go on a Mach 3 flight in an SR-71, now is your chance to experience what it was like. From the mission briefing, through the air refueling, climb, cruise, and descent for landing, you'll hear first hand from Rich Graham what a thrill it was to fly the Blackbird.

It remains today the world's fastest and highest flying plane. Once shrouded in total secrecy, the aircraft and its missions are now declassified. You'll be able to ask Rich anything about the once SECRET plane and its highly classified missions. A short DVD of the aircraft flying and refueling will be shown.

Rich will bring along copies of his recently published third book on the SR-71, "Flying the SR-71 Blackbird" for those who would like to purchase autographed copies.

Rich has over 12,000 hours

(3,000 as an Instructor Pilot) flying in the USAF for 25 years and at American Airlines for 13 years. He's flown combat in the F-4 Phantom along with Mach 3+ in the SR-71. He also volunteers as a Flight Examiner/Check Pilot for the Dallas Civil Air Patrol "Stealth" Squadron 391.



## Pilot's Companion Seminar



**The Ninety-Nines  
International Organization  
of Women Pilots**

The Dallas chapter of the Ninety-Nines (sponsored by NTxFC) will be having a day long Pilot's Companion seminar on Nov 8th, 2008 at the Cutter FBO. The single-day seminar costs \$60.00 and includes lunch, and a copy of the book *The*

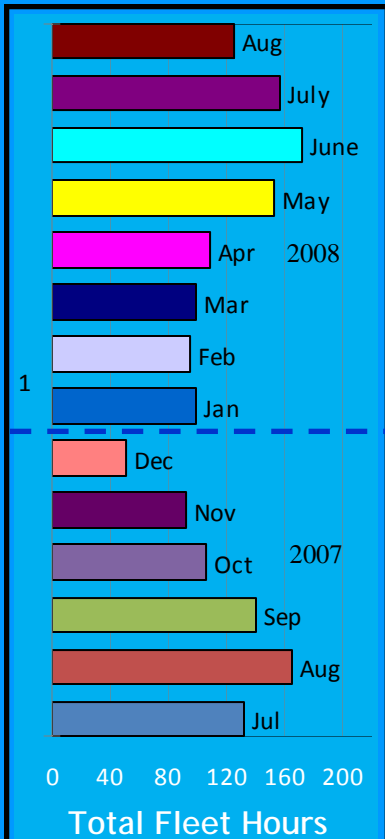
*Cockpit Companion*. Space is limited to 15. Check-in will be at 8:30 am. Class will start at 9:00 and will be over at 4:00. NTxFC has priority scheduling on this one. If you would like to send your favorite flying companion to this excellent seminar, send an email at [calvin.coffey@sbcglobal.net](mailto:calvin.coffey@sbcglobal.net) to get on the reserve list.

The Ninety-Nines was founded in 1929 by 99 licensed women pilots for the mutual support and advancement of aviation. For more information about the Ninety-Nines, visit [www.ninety-nines.org](http://www.ninety-nines.org).

# TFC Fleet Statistics

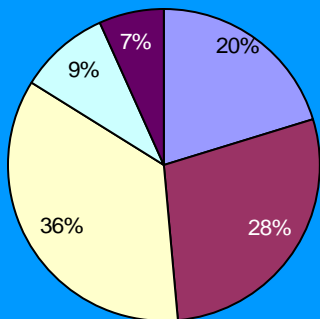
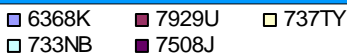
This table shows the total logged tach-hours for each of the TFC aircraft.

	2007	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	YTD
TOTAL	1371.2	98.5	108.8	153	172.1	156.3	125.3	726.1
N6368K	304.4	18.8	14.5	26	21.1	42.4	25.5	110.4
N7929U	251.9	28.9	26.0	34.4	58.5	51	35.3	211.1
N737TY	373.5	0.0	29.7	50.9	30.8	59.4	44.4	111.4
N733NB	337.5	42.3	27.4	30.3	45.1	0.1	11.7	227.4
N7508J	103.9	8.5	11.2	11.5	16.6	3.4	8.4	65.9



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

Hours Flown By Aircraft



# Fleet Maintenance Statistics

## 6368K

Off-Line Failed Mag check

- 08/03/08 Strobe power supply and parts on order.
- 08/05/08 Pilot seat pin handle repaired. Radio removed for repair. Spare installed.
- 08/07/06 Repaired radio installed.
- 08/08/08 New strobe power supply installed.

## 7929U

On-Line In hanger until lock is fixed.

- 08/06/08 Fixed ground wire to alternator.
- 08/26/08 landing light repaired. Nose strut rebuilt.
- 08/27/08 Door lock parts ordered.

## 737TY

On-Line. Artificial horizon to be removed for repair.

- 08/16/08 Pitot static system cleared.
- 08/22/08 100 hour inspection completed.

## 733NB

On-line break in period.

08/14/08 First flight after rebuild.

08/28/08 Alternator field wire replaced. Rudder trim.

## 7508J

Off-line Pitot static system in-op.

08/03/08 Brake line parts hose and clamps on order.

08/07/08 Brake and brake line repaired.

08/16/08 GPS FAA approval for enroute VFR documented by Calvin.

## Pitot Tube Bootys

N6368K, N737TY and N733NB now have pitot tube bootys on them. This will keep water from getting into the pitot static system when it rains, and from the look of things to come, we will be getting a lot of rain. Please remember to make sure that the bootys get taken off before and put back on after each flight.

# TFC Board Meeting Updates

## Ground School

The fall ground school registration begins September 11 at the Texins Activity Center. Classes start September 16 and run through November 11th. The cost is \$40 for members plus \$160 for the materials and \$190 for non members plus \$160 for materials.

## N733NB New Engine

733NB has it's new engine and is flying great. It is still in the break in stage so no touch and goes or stalls, plus it need to be run at 75% cruise.

You may have noticed that it is missing from the flightline and

grounded. This is because it is also getting a new interior. It should be back on line by September 13.

## Fuel Prices

Fuel prices have held steady for the last 3 months.

## N6368K

N6368K is scheduled to get a new engine in the fall.

## Instructor Rates

Beginning October 1st, the instructor rates will be going up to \$32/hr. These rates are still some of the most economical rates for flight instruction to be

found.

## Tax Exemption

There is an article on page 6 that explains what is going on with the state and tax exemp status for students persuing a rating.

We still need someone for the position of Communications Officer. If you are interested or know someone who is, please contact Calvin Coffey or Robert Mc Leod.

# Regional Aviation Events Calendar

## September

Sep 17 — Odessa, TX. Far Mor Aviation (ODO). Texas Aircraft Expo. 2008 TEXAS AIRCRAFT EXPO -- 10AM - 2PM. Come see all of the major general aviation aircraft manufacturers on the same ramp. New airplanes, finance and insurance experts, and 30 minute tax seminar beginning at 12PM. Light lunch will also be served.. Contact Premier Aircraft Sales, 800-564-2463

Sep 18 — Lubbock, TX. Lubbock Aero (LBB). Texas Aircraft Expo. 2008 TEXAS AIRCRAFT EXPO -- 10AM - 2PM. Come see all of the major general aviation aircraft manufacturers on the same ramp. New airplanes, finance and insurance experts, and 30 minute tax seminar beginning at 12PM. Light lunch will also be served.. Contact Premier Aircraft Sales, 800-564-2463

Sep 19 — Amarillo, TX. TAC Air (AMA). Texas Aircraft Expo. 2008 TEXAS AIRCRAFT EXPO -- 10AM - 2PM. Come see all of the major general aviation aircraft manufacturers on the same ramp. New airplanes, finance and insurance experts, and 30 minute tax seminar beginning at 12PM. Light lunch will also be served.. Contact Premier Aircraft Sales, 800-564-2463;

Sep 25 - 28 — Waco, TX. Flying Physicians Southwest Chapter Meeting. Waco Hilton Hotel During the Waco Cultural Arts and Music

Festival. Contact Fred Rader, MD

Sep 27 — Hilltop Lakes, TX. Hilltop Lakes Airport (0TE4). Annual Fly-in. Come join us for fun, food, and hangar flying 9:00am to 1pm. Door prizes throughout the morning. Lunch at noon, followed by category prizes. . Contact Dave Wagner, 936/855-2948

Sep 29 - 30 — Rockdale Tx., TX. Apache Pass Air Park 3500' Grass- (NA). Fly to the RIVER. Music -MusIC AND More Music - and some - Food - Fun - Motorcycle Rally - Camping -too! - Folks are having fun... . Contact Michael D Klanke, 832-338-6060

## October

Oct 4 - 5 — Denison, TX. North Texas Regional Airport (GYI). Grace Flight Airshow & Air Race 2008. Benefit Airshow for Grace Flight/Angel Flight South Central.. Contact Cindy Palmer, 214/906-5188

Oct 21 — Fort Worth, TX. AOPA Pilot Town Meeting. Join AOPA President Phil Boyer for this free, interactive multimedia presentation. You'll hear the latest news that affects GA and what AOPA is doing to keep flying safe, fun, and affordable.

# TFC Member News & Notes

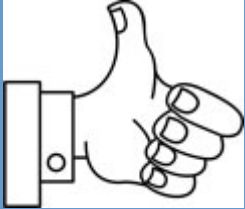
**Welcome to our newest club members**

**Glenn Gaustad**

**Mark Williams**

**Sean Charnock**

For those who aren't aware, N7508J has had the GPS IFR enroute certified. Thanks to Calvin, all of the paperwork has been filed with the FAA and the log books updated.



The TFC Fall ground school class will begin registration on Thursday September 11 at 6:30 PM at the Texins activity center. Classes begin September 16. If you know of anyone interested in learning to fly, please go to the website and go to the Learn To Fly section. A course outline, schedule and directions are all there, plus a PDF is available for download for posting in your work area.

## TFC Instructors

Instruction rate is \$25/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	469-214-7549 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

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



## President's Corner

Hopefully you have been out and enjoying the end of summer flying between hurricanes. It has been challenging the last month flying around the country in various aircraft at 90 -100 knots with winds up to 40 knots along the route. As they say, "If you have time to spare, go by air!" Seems like the winds aloft are most generally on my aircraft's nose...by the way, which way does the wind supposed to go around a hurricane?

The club officers have been busy reading for the fall ground school and continuing upgrades of the fleet. 3NB now has a nice new factory overhauled engine and is currently getting a new interior as I write this. The fall weather is usually some of the best of the year, so I hope you will be able to get out and enjoy it!

See you around the airport!  
Calvin

## MMOPA Fly-In at TKI

The week of September 22—28 2008, the Malibu/Mirage Owner's and Pilot's Association will be hosting their annual convention in Dallas. The MMOPA is expecting about 100 aircraft and Cutter Aviation—TKI is the fly-in location for this event.



All of the north ramp tenants will be temporarily relocated to other areas of the airport in order to accommodate all of the MMOPA aircraft in one location. If MMOPA attendance exceeds expectations, other areas of the field may have to be used.

As of now, we will be moved to tie-downs grouped together on the south ramp. During this time, we need to return our planes where we find them so not to confuse the other displaced aircraft. In the event those spots get used, then park on the ramp and have Cutter park them as necessary.

# TFC Officers



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Chief Instructor	Richard Klein	972-424-2307	<a href="mailto:rsklein@tx.rr.com">rsklein@tx.rr.com</a>

Want to learn more about airplane ownership or help guide the direction of the TFC? Consider joining the TFC Board of Directors!

## Board Position Open

The TFC Board of Directors has an opening for the communications officer. The communications officer is responsible for the club website, the monthly newsletter, taking minutes of board meetings, and communicating information to our membership. While serving on the board, your club dues obligation is suspended.

We are pleased to announce that Dick Stephens has accepted the position of Safety Officer. Dick is also one of the club's instructors.

For more information about the communications officer position, contact President Calvin Coffey or Robert McLeod.

## Tax Exemptions

In the past, only dual training flights were considered training flights and the Flight Instructor would endorse the flight log indicating this to be a dual flight. Texas allows all (dual and solo) training flights for a License or Rating to be tax exempt. Because of the confusion that has existed by some, the following action has been taken by the Board:

The Bylaws have been modified to add a section under ARTICLE VIII - DUES AND FLYING RATES. The new section is SECTION 5 - TAX EXEMPTION CERTIFICATION. This section describes the process for achieving tax exempt status for training flights that meet Texas tax law. The Student must fill out the Texas Sales and Use Tax Exemption Form (Form 01-339 - see website for form), sign and submit it to the TFC Controller. When flying, the aircraft log sheet must be initialed by the student and the instructor's club number must also be entered, certifying that the flight is a training flight for a License or Rating. For audit purposes, the student's logbook must contain enough documentation that will prove that each flight claimed is a training flight for a License or Rating. It is the responsibility of the student to see to it that this documentation is truthful. For dual flights, the instructor can still sign the log as in the past but it is only necessary for the student to sign the flight log.

# Hourly Rates for TFC Airplanes

The fuel prices at McKinney Airport went up to \$6.09/gal. The hourly rates to the right became effective 07/01/2008. Average 100LL prices in the 6-state region is \$5.61/gallon. Check 100LL.com and AirNAV.com for current regional fuel prices when planning your next crosscountry flight.

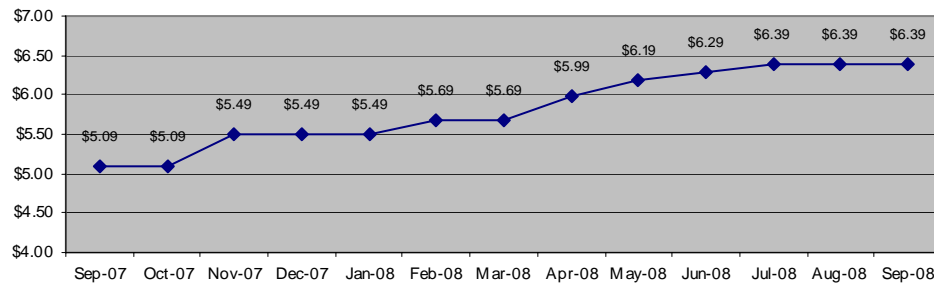
Tail Number	Make/Model	Ratw/Hr
N6368K	Cessna 150M Commuter	\$90.00
N7929U	Cessna 150M Commuter	\$90.00
N737TY	Cessna 172 Skyhawk	\$116.50
N733NB	Cessna 172N/Superhawk	\$116.50
N7508J	Piper PA-28R-180 Arrow	\$141.50



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.

TKI Fuel Price Trend



Fuel Savings Locator

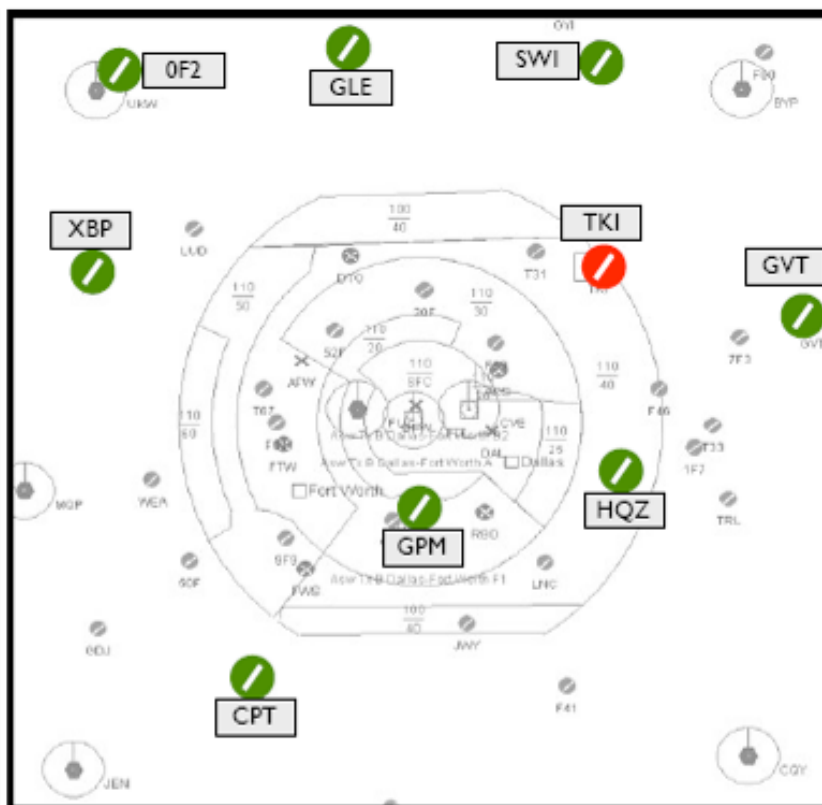
Comparative Fuel Prices Around DFW

information from 100LL.com

As of 07/11/08

TKI	\$6.39
ADS	\$7.04

GPM	\$4.76
GVT	\$4.76
XBP	\$4.68
SWI	\$4.75
CPT	\$4.65
HQZ	\$4.60
GLE	\$4.90
SLR	\$4.94



Fuel Reimbursement

Offsite fuel purchases are currently reimbursed at \$6.09/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.



## THE TEXINS FLYING CLUB

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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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[http://www.texins.org/flyingclub/reference/TFC Contact Card.pdf](http://www.texins.org/flyingclub/reference/TFC%20Contact%20Card.pdf)

## Club Calendar of Events

September 10 (Wednesday): TFC Board Meeting, 6:00 p.m., LER Schimelpfenig Library, 5024 Custer Rd, Plano, TX. All members welcome.

September 13 (Saturday): TFC Monthly Meeting at the McKinney PAC, beginning at 9:30 AM. Flying the SR-71 Blackbird with Rich Graham.

October 8 (Wednesday): TFC Board Meeting, 6:00 p.m., Maribelle Davis Library 7501 Independence Pkwy #B, Plano TX. All members welcome.

October 11 (Saturday): TFC Monthly Meeting at the McKinney PAC, beginning at 9:30 AM. Emergency procedures with Dick Stephens. The fall picnic will follow immediately afterward.

November 5 (Wednesday): TFC Board Meeting, 6:00 p.m., LER Schimelpfenig Library, 5024 Custer Rd, Plano, TX. All members welcome.

## Fall Picnic

Join us on Saturday, October 11 for our fall picnic at the TFC hangar immediately following the monthly membership meeting.

The meeting begins at 9:30 AM at the **McKinney Performing Arts Center**, 111 N. Tennessee in downtown McKinney.

Join some of our members for breakfast at **Spoons Cafe**, 100 E. Louisiana beginning at 8:30 AM.

