

## THE TEXINS FLYING CLUB

### SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

- Board Meeting May 7— Schimelpfenig Library
- Chris Rozansky— May 10 Membership Meeting
- Annual Spring Picnic—May 10 at the TFC hanger

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# TFC Flighlines — May

MEMBER NEWSLETTER

MAY 2008

## Airport Update

Join us at the May membership meeting as Collin County Regional Airport Operations Manager Chris Rozansky gives us a briefing on the progress of construction and future plans at the airport.

In the past 24 months, the airport has completed the following projects:

**Taxilane—E** is a concrete taxilane providing aircraft access to a corporate hangar (EDS) as well as 52 acres of private land to be developed.

**Taxilane—C** provides access to 8 hangar pad sites, approximately 70 acres of adjacent private land.

**Taxiway—A** Fillet Widening have allowed us to accommodate larger aircraft to include the B-737.

**Airport Sewer Line Extension and Relocation**—providing utilities to the airport's southwest quadrant and relocating a sanitary main line that runs through the airport's West Hangar Area so that area can be developed.

**Wash Rack** - Public wash facility for tenants/users that will be self-serve managed by the FBO, Cutter Aviation. Project completed 12/2007.

**Taxiway & Runway Pavement Rehabilitation** will extend the life of the existing pavements by 20 years and increase the weight-bearing capacities to 150,000+ lb DWL. Construction began end of September 2007; runway closure for 31 days beginning October 30,

2007. Runway reopened November 30, 2007.

**Collin County Hangar Owners Association** - 24 private hangars (4000 to 5000sf) as condominium group to store private aircraft. Project completed March 2008.



## FAA Wings Program

Safety Officer Bill Moore has a presentation on the FAA Wings Proficiency Program. For those of you who aren't aware of the FAA Wings Program, it is a pilot proficiency program based on safety.

Regular proficiency training is essential to the safety of all pilots and their passengers. Each pilot must take a personal interest in their safety and that of their passengers. The WINGS - Pilot Proficiency Program is designed to help each

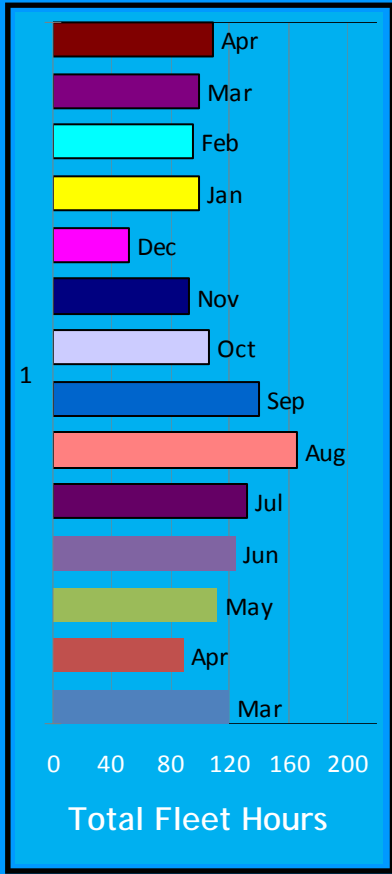
pilot construct an educational curriculum suitable for their unique flight requirements. It encourages pilots to continue their aviation educational pursuits and requires education, review, and flight proficiency in the Areas of Operation found in current Practical Test Standards (PTS), that correspond with the leading accident causal factors.



# TFC Fleet Statistics

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

	2007	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	YTD
TOTAL	1371.2	99.2	94.5	98.5	108.8	0.0	0.0	401
N6368K	304.4	17.0	13.0	18.8	14.5	0.0	0.0	63.3
N7929U	251.9	32.2	31.1	28.9	26.0	0.0	0.0	118.2
N737TY	373.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	29.7	0.0	0.0	29.7
N733NB	337.5	38.6	43.7	42.3	27.4	0.0	0.0	69.7
N7508J	103.9	11.4	6.7	8.5	11.2	0.0	0.0	37.8



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

### 6368K

04/14/08 Air speed indicator tested. Pass side vent reset.  
04/25/08 Two bad cylinders replaced.

### 7929U

04/14/08 50 hour oil change.  
04/23/08 Flap indicator cable lubricated.

### 737TY

04/05/08 Aircraft expected to returned to TKI.  
04/11/08 10 hour oil change, new ELT, rudder pedal replaced.  
04/14/08 Garmin 430 install begins.  
04/21/08 430 install complete.  
04/25/08 Transponder swapped and checked.  
04/27/08 Nose strut O ring replaced. Landing lamp replaced.  
04/28/08 Com2 and aux antenna connection repaired.  
04/30/08 Garmin GPS antenna cable replaced. Transponder altitude calibrated.  
AI and DG will be removed for rebuild.  
Artizone will fix barking brake handle mount.

### 733NB

04/14/08 Left main tire changed. Brakes serviced.  
04/21/08 Annual inspection. Door latch fixed, ring lights on instruments. Vents fixed, windows sealed. Brakes rebuilt. Wing tip repair.  
04/27/08 Nose wheel steering repaired. Right landing gear fairing replaced. Left fairing on order. Engine rebuild for 733NB will be at 2000 hours.

### 7508J

04/22/08 Left rear window replaced. 50 hour oil change.  
04/28/08 Left wing tie down loop on order. Aircraft in hanger.

## Earn One Month of Free Dues

By successfully completing an FAA Wings certification program, you will receive a safety "bonus" of one month's free dues. Members are eligible to do this once every years.

# TFC Board Meeting Updates

## Safety Reminders

Always get a weather briefing this time of year. If you haven't been flying or haven't had a club annual, now is a great time to schedule a flight with an instructor for a "tune up".

## Texins Flying Club Shirts

Order will be delivered at the May picnic for club shirts and caps. Shirts will cost \$32, caps \$15. Both will feature embroidered TFC logos.

## Cessna 172 Rate Updates

The hourly rate for both N737TY and N733NB are now the same: \$121.50/tach-hour. The increase to 7TY is due to increased insurance costs and the avionics upgrade.

## Reservations

All club members are reminded to only reserve an aircraft for the amount of time they expect to use it. A good rule of thumb is to book no more than 2 hours for a typical one hour training flight. Also, please remember to clear your reservation as soon as you know you won't be making the flight. Even if you're canceling due to weather, an instrument pilot or student may be able to use the aircraft.

## Aircraft Cleaning

Maintenance officers Doug Lainart and Darren O'Rourke are assembling a crew to help wash our aircraft during the busy flying season. It's a great opportunity to learn about the correct methodology and to help keep our planes looking smart

and flying well. Contact Doug, Darren, or Fred Carvajal. (see officers list, page

## Board Elections

The positions of Operations Vice President, Flight Safety Officer, Trainer Maintenance Officer and Treasurer are all up for nomination. The vote will be during the June meeting.

If you have ever wanted to find out what keeps your flying club running, you should consider running for one of the positions.

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 McLeod.

# Regional Aviation Events Calendar

## May

**May 10 — Corsicana, TX.** C. David Campbell Field (CRS). 10th Annual Corsicana AirSho. WWII Aircraft flying and displayed. Formation flying, Classic cars, RC models, Food, Vendor booths. Airport open all day. Contact John Ausley, 972/279-0033

**May 10 — Granbury, TX.** Pecan Plantation Airpark (OTX1). Pecan Plantation Spring Fly-IN. Time: 9:30—16:00 (Rain date if needed is 17 May 08) -----Free Admission----- Sponsored by EAA Chapter 983 Everyone is invited and there is something for all ages. "Lunch served for a small fee." Military Displays "Showcase Of Airplanes. Contact Doug Crumrine, 817 559-4665

**May 15 - 17 — Addison, TX.** Addison Airport (KADS). Parade of Pistons. Piston aircraft manufacturers and dealers will exhibit a representative sample of aircraft including exciting new Light Sport Aircraft to high-performance piston singles and twins. Tax advisors, finance specialists, insurance agents and brokers willon site. Contact Susan Bolinger, 218/525/6228

**May 17 — Grand Prairie, TX.** Grand Prairie Municiple (GPM).

Wings over Grand Prairie. Semi annual fly-in Flight Service 21 FAA Wings Seminar. Contact Maj.Russell Miller C.A.P., 469/446-2281

**May 30 - 31 — Fort Worth, TX.** Vintage Flying Museum (KFTW). Cowtown Warbird Roundup. Free Admission to this Fort Worth event at Meacham Airport hosting over 50 aircraft with airplane rides, a Fun Run, Car and Motorcycle Rally, Children Activities and more. Parking fee \$10 per car or airplane! . Contact John Zapp, 817-501-3641

## June

**Jun 7 — Midlothian/Waxahachie, TX.** Mid-Way Regional Airport (KJWV). Annual Pancake Breakfast Fly-In. Breakfast tickets \$6, children under age 8 free with adult. Classic Airplanes & Fighters, Flight Demonstration Trojan Phylers T-28s, Remote Control Model Flyers. The Classic Swing Band, Midlothian Classic Wheels, other attractions. Contact Tammy Bowen, 972/923-0080

# TFC Member News & Notes



**Welcome to our newest club member!**

- **Marcia Taft**

Paul Koch passed his instrument rating practical test on May 2. Sherman Ratliff is Paul's instructor. Paul Koch is relocating to Singapore on May 5. Paul has identified 3 flying clubs in Malaysia as potential venues to commit aviation. Paul can be reached at [chili4way@hotmail.com](mailto:chili4way@hotmail.com)

Jim Gwisdala and Paal Reichelt soloed in the month of April. Their instructor is Dinu Catona.

As we are coming upon our Spring Picnic we wanted to share some goodwill with those around us, so we have invited the McKinney fire department along with our friends at Cutter and the guys from the tower too.

For those who missed the last meeting, Nick and Robert from US flight Academy are returning with 2 aircraft this time for us to look at. This time they can at least enjoy a meal and talk about airplanes.

## 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		
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**Legend:**

CFI: certificated flight instructor

CFII: certificated instrument flight instructor instrument

MEI: multi-engine flight instructor

SES: single engine seaplane instructor



## President's Corner

Spring is back with a vengeance! We were very fortunate when a tornado came through the middle of the airport a few weeks ago. Several hangars and local aircraft were not as lucky and were damaged as the winds blew at more than 85 mph. Here's what else happened this last month:

- 7TY has finally returned to service!! Check out its freshly overhauled engine, new firewall, GPS avionics, windshield, and glare shield.
- The spring ground schools have nearly completed. Most of the students have started their flight training, which has increased the aircraft demand.
- Unfortunately, fuel costs for airplanes has resumed its upward climb. Fuel is now over 50% of the cost of flying our airplanes. To keep the club solvent, we will have to continue to adjust the rental rates as they change (up or down).

Spring picnic will be held in the club hangar after the May membership meeting at MPAC.

See you at the airport!  
Calvin



## Remos G3

Last month we had the opportunity to inspect (and some of us got to fly) a Remos G3 brought to us from the US Flight Academy in Denton. The 2 lucky winners of the drawing for a flight were Aileen Duc and Charlie Weinberger. Both had nothing but good things to say about their experience.

*Aileen Duc says,* "After getting in the cockpit, I was very surprised that it was even roomier than a C172. The most obvious differences from a Cessna were the stick instead of yoke, a center console, no toe brakes (just a small hand brake in the center console) and the amazing amount of visibility from windows in the door that start at your leg level, glare shield that goes up into the overhead wing, and the "moon roof" over the baggage area. My major impression of flying the Remos was the visibility it afforded. I felt like I was in a helicopter. You are really so aware of the amazing view...like flying in a bubble. It was a real thrill. As you fly the Remos, you are also so aware of the winds, and Saturday they were blowing. We had a great tail wind going south and were quite slow going north. As we turned base, we were definitely blown south much, much more than in a 172 or 150. The instructor landed the plane and I was really glad. "



# 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!

## 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.

If you have a basic level of experience in creating / updating websites and familiarity with desktop publishing or word processing software, you have the necessary background. Recent communications officers: Paul Koch, Bret Stewart,

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

## Aircraft Security Reminder

Remember to complete the aircraft security items on our post-flight checklist. The busy flying season is here and there are more people at the airport and on the tarmac. Keeping our aircraft secure is a priority for all club members:

- confirm electrical items are off (ignition, master, lights, radios, etc.)
- install gust lock(s) or secure yoke / pedals as appropriate to the aircraft.
- seat belts and harnesses secured (keeps them from hanging out the door)
- windows closed and locked
- passenger door closed and locked
- pilot door closed and locked
- tie downs attached

# Hourly Rates for TFC Airplanes

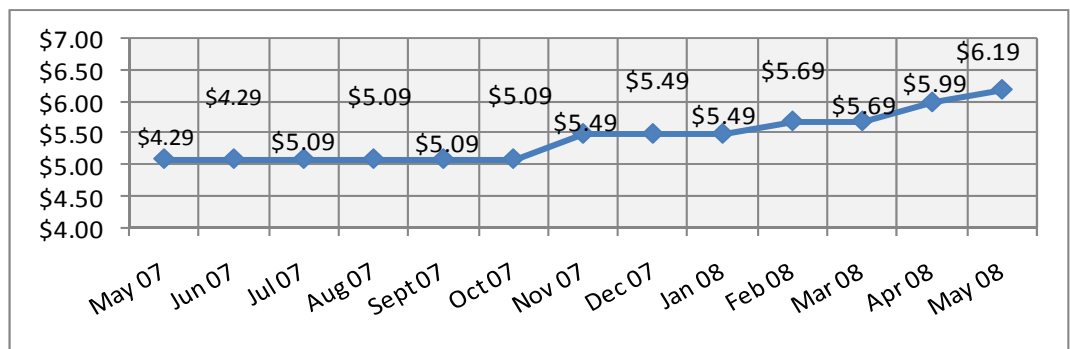
The fuel prices at McKinney Airport went up to \$6.19/gal. The hourly rates to the right became effective 05/06/2008. Average 100LL prices in the 6-state region is \$5.02/gallon. Check 100LL.com and AirNAV.com for current regional fuel prices when planning your next crosscountry flight.

Tail Number	Make/Model	Ratw/Hr
N6368K	Cessna 150M Commuter	\$94.25
N7929U	Cessna 150M Commuter	\$94.25
N737TY	Cessna 172 Skyhawk	\$121.50
N733NB	Cessna 172N/Superhawk	\$121.50
N7508J	Piper PA-28R-180 Arrow	\$148.00



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**

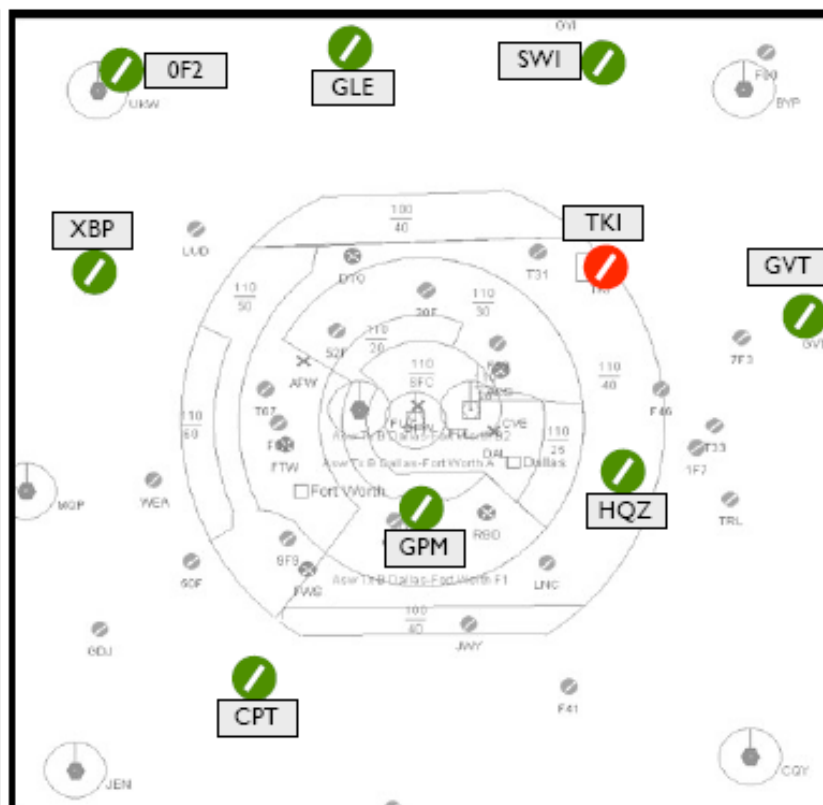
information from **100LL.com**

As of 05/07/08

TKI	6.19
ADS	\$6.74

GPM	\$4.32
GVT	\$4.00
XBP	\$3.64
SWI	\$4.21
CPT	\$4.20
HQZ	\$4.10
GLE	\$4.25
SLR	\$3.95



**Fuel Reimbursement**

Offsite fuel purchases are currently reimbursed at \$5.89/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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## Club Calendar of Events

May 7 (Wednesday): TFC Board Meeting, 6:00 p.m., LER Schimelpfenig Library, 5024 Custer Rd, Plano, TX. All members welcome.

May 10 (Saturday): TFC Monthly Meeting at McKinney PAC, beginning at 9:30 AM. Our guest speaker will be Chris Rozansky, Operations Manager for the McKinney Airport. This will also be our club's **Spring Picnic!**

June 11 (Wednesday): TFC Board Meeting, 6:00 p.m., LER Schimelpfenig Library, 5024 Custer Rd, Plano, TX. All members welcome.

June 14 (Saturday): TFC Monthly Meeting at McKinney PAC, beginning at 9:30 AM. Our guest speaker will be Keith Gutierrez, speaking about weather.

July 3 (Thursday): Kaboom Town, Addison Airport (details to follow)

July 9 (Wednesday): TFC Board Meeting, 6:00 p.m., LER Schimelpfenig Library, 5024 Custer Rd, Plano, TX. All members welcome.

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

## Airport Update

Join us on Saturday, May 10 for an informative presentation about the future plans for the airport given by Chris Rozansky.

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.

