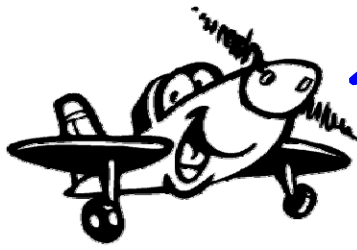


Tale Winds



August 2014 Chapter 187 E-Newsletter Dan Badwey, Editor

The Hangar Hop

A new and very enjoyable aviation event at Cross Country Estates



Richard Boyer, manager and secretary of Cross Country Estates served as the chapter's co-host with member Randal Rossi. To add interest to the event, Richard arranged for many residents to display their airplanes and to be on hand to answer related questions. Randal made his hangar available for Rudy's catered Barbecue lunch. Food, fellowship and flying machines were the pleasures of the day.

The lunch bunch, seated in Randal Rossi's hangar, which is attached to his home. Most, if not all residences in Cross country estates are hangar/homes.



Here are three of the many luxurious hangar homes on CC Estates. The one shown above is owned by a sail plane pilot and has a hangar with a 50-foot plus door. On the left is a home located at the approach end of runway 17. The owner of the upper left home keeps his low-winger and gyrocopter in the hangar.



Here's Pete Christensen with the Kitfox he built. He's the only member who flew in.



Dan Weyant is building an RV-9 in his hangar which, like most of the others, is attached to his house.



Bob Falstad who Also lives in Cross Country Estates spent time describing in detail the full panel in the Glaser he built. It houses ;a Grand Rapids EFIS, auto pilot, engine monitor and other devices that enhance the safety and precision of flight.



John Nunn and Pete are obviously enjoying their day at the Hangar Hop.



Others having an enjoyable day are , from the left, Don Vanderveer, Dick Gossen, Jimmy Cox (and his girl friend) and Mark Stefanaov.

Tuesday, Aug 12th, 2014 Meeting: Ken Wittleklend, "Alaska"

In August, Ken will talk about his flying experiences in Alaska to cool us off in the midst of the hot Texas summer!



The meeting will be at Wells Branch Community Library on Tuesday, August 12th, starting at 6:45PM. The library is located at [15001 Wells Port Drive, Austin, TX 78728-4596](#). We will also have a pre-meeting dinner at TACO CABANA located at [15002 Farm to Market 1825 Pflugerville, TX 78660](#) at 5:30pm.



From Chip Cotton: We are having a Young Eagles Rally Saturday, August 2 at the Rockdale Airport. Eight a.m 'till noon is the plan. All volunteers are welcome. Also, if anyone wants to demonstrate sheet metal work, that would be helpful.

Also, I have acquired an RV-6 empennage kit and want to get kids involved in building and, hopefully, the rest of the plane after that. Would anyone be interested in giving a class on drilling, riveting and such to help us out? The Young Eagles rally should give me some interested students for it.

Las Saturday I flew 12 kids and one kept saying he wants to build an airplane.

Jimmy Cox also gave EAA young Eagles rides to 12 kids and 4 adults Saturday Morning, July 12 at the Rockdale airport. All the kids finished their rides with big smiles on their faces. Officer Shriver's 3 boys had a blast and even donated to Jimmy one of their fund-raising T-shirts. Several parents posted videos on Facebook.

In August, Jimmy plans to give more free rides to kids. When a date has been set information will be given to the Rockdale Reporter and Facebook. More information about the Young eagles program is available on the chapter web site, EAA.org.

In addition to his flying, Jimmy is starting a free aeronautical class that will build an airplane and help high school kids and adults learn to fly. All who are interested can reach Jimmy by phone or on the internet. His phone is 512-429-0230. On the internet, go to Facebook at Jimmy Cox or jcox@extremecomposites.com.



The photos depict Jimmy flying kids at Rockdale. Their names are Dakota, Camden and Davin Shriver, sons of officer Shriver mentioned in the text above.

Jerry Stofer's trip to Alaska



Jerry reported: I made the trip in my RV-8A. It covered some 6,900 nm, lasted 46 flight hours, (T74 to Fairbanks), then side trips to Nome, Talkeetna (float plane and bush plane flying) and Denali with return via same route. Route of flight was flatlands to Ft. Nelson, BC via Sheridan, WY, and Cut-Bank, MT, – then in the mountains to Fairbanks. Weather combined with mountains became a real problem both ways in the vicinity of Whitehorse, Yukon. Stay tuned - next year back to AK via the coastal route. Please check out my you tube video: https://WWW.youtube.com/watch?v=3YwELELF2k&feature=em-upload_owner#action=share.



Jerry's shown catching fish from a float plane. Probably a Salmon.



Christianson Lake at Talkeetna. According to Jerry, it's a base for float planes, especially those flying to Denali national Park..



Flying in Alaska rewards pilots with strikingly beautiful scenery. Above left is a view of the Alaska Range which is the home of Denali National Park. The right-hand photo pictures mount McKinley, the highest peak in the USA. The view is a rare one because the mountain is usually shrouded in clouds due to its height.

It's a busy year for Falcon flight



On 20-21 Jun, Falcon Flight of 9 made our bi-annual trek to Snyder Airport (KSNK) for the Snyder Airshow. We rendezvoused the members of the formation from Central and North Texas over Abilene and headed to Snyder where we conducted our practice at the airfield prior to landing. After an on-airfield Performers Dinner, we headed to the lodging provided. Next morning we cancelled our planned "Dawn Patrol" because of storms with rain in the area. But after the Pilots Briefing the skies cleared and we were able to conduct our normal performance and

On 5 July, Falcon Flight of 8 flew up to Athens Airport (F44) where we staged to perform at the Thunder over Cedar Creek Airshow. They provided cars for us to drive from Athens Airport to the Pinnacle Golf Club on the SE shore of the Cedar Creek Reservoir, the site for the airshow. After lunch and a Pilots Briefing, we drove back to the airport and waited for our takeoff time to make our spot time for the airshow, just about an hour before sunset. The Airshow Box

was over the water off shore from the Golf Club, so there was a big open water box with no boats surrounded by hundreds of boats from the many boaters who enjoy the lake. After doing our normal 15 minute routine with Bomb Burst and Photo Pass, one of our members

Also, on 11 July, four members of Falcon Flight (Stu McCurdy, Scott Card, Bobby Lucroy, and Steve Richmond) had the honor of flying over to Nacogdoches (KOCH) to perform a Missing Man Flyover at the Sunset Cemetery for a prominent Departed Airman. Long way over and back but an honor to perform a meaningful flyover for the family and friends, and we ended up on the front

On 26 July Falcon Flight will make our annual trek to Oshkosh (KOSH) by flying to Lees Summit (KLXT) to join some of our fellow formation flyers for an over night. Then on Sunday we will brief a 16-ship flight and arrival at AirVenture14, where we will perform some 16-ship routines and conduct a Pink Smoke Pass to celebrate Women in Aviation on Thursday.

Stu McCurdy (Falcon)

Tony Bengelis honored...again



As most chapter member know, especially long-standing ones, Tony Bingelis founded Ch. 187 back in the 60's.

On Friday night, 9 November 2002, Tony Bingelis was inducted into the Texas Aviation Hall of Fame located in the Lone Star Flight Museum, Scholes Field, Galveston, Texas. His wife, Morene, along with his daughter Sandra accepted the award.

\$100 Hamburger

If you plan to fly to any of the following destinations post your intentions on lister@lists.eaa187.org. Others may wish to join you.

- Brenham (11R)—café on the field
- Giddings (GYB)—barbecue, 2nd Saturday, but must be confirmed
- McGregor (PWG)—lunch every Thursday, pancakes every 1st Saturday
- Sonora (SOA)—Tex-Mex and barbecue a short walk away
- Fredericksburg (T82)—50's style diner on the field
- Stephenville (SEP)—Tex-Mex and barbecue nearby
- Llano (AQO)—Coopers Barbecue, courtesy cars available.
- Hamilton (MNZ)—Deli in town, courtesy car available.
- Port Aransas Mustang Beach (RAS)—great seafood, trolley into town. Call (361) 749-4008 for the combination to the air conditioned trolley waiting room.
- Hilltop Lakes resort. This is a private field, but open the public. A buffet lunch is served daily. The field is on the Houston Sectional , about 35 miles north of the College Station VOR on the 20-degree radial.

RV 7A wings for sale

Deal L. Eiland has RV-7(A) wings he removed from a plane he purchased for the engine and instruments. The wings are quick build and are completely finished including control surfaces (not painted). The wings have capacitive fuel sending units and the Aircraft Extras low fuel warning system. He has removed the fuel tank access plates to check for SB on the fuel pickup tubes so those covers will need to be reinstalled. If someone is interested please email him at deiland77@eranch.us This email address is being protected from spambots. You need JavaScript enabled to view it. . The wings are located just north of Dallas/Ft Worth.



Stinson model 108-0

Some details:

SN 108-611; Mfd. 1946; Registered in 1947; Franklin engine, 6A-4, ; McCauley prop, DM 7653, TTAF, 2639.3 hours; TSMO, 511.6 hours; May 2013 annual; last flown May-June; hangered at GTU; Cleveland brakes (overhauled during annual); Maul tail wheel; spotless tinted wind screen.

Condition

The last owner had all the fabric removed, the airframe sand blasted and epoxy coated per an FAA STC. It was inspected in 2013. The new fabric on the fuselage, empennage and ailerons is Ceconite and Polyfiber. The wings and flaps have been metalized. As for the interior, seats and side panels have been replaced. With regard to the engine, the compression, May 2014 was 65.2; 63.3; 63.4; 60.5 62.6 and 65. Some \$15,000 has been spent in upgrading the 108.

The asking price is \$23,000. Offers will be considered.

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