



HIGH FLIGHT *Newsletter*
Lakeway Airpark, Inc.
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A Word From Your Airpark Board

All seems quiet on the Airpark front as I take over the presidential reins from Ken DeBower. There aren't really any new developments on our regular issues, so I won't belabor those points.

We are all looking forward to the upcoming Benefit Golf Tournament (**Saturday, September 20, 1:30 at Yaupon Golf Course in Lakeway** -- see further details, right). This is a great opportunity to play golf, visit with friends, have some fun, and most importantly, raise more money for the new Terminal Building. I'd like to emphasize that this golf tournament is NOT just for Lakeway Airpark Members or Lakeway residents. We are hoping to have at least 100 participants, so I encourage you to not only show up yourselves, but to bring all your friends and acquaintances as well.

We'd like a minimum of \$50,000 in the building fund before we break ground, so your support is critical. The state of the Airpark says a lot about the folks who maintain it (hey, that's you and I!), so I hope we can count on your continued participation in seeing this project through.

Special kudos go to Bill Thompson and his charming wife, Bonnie, for taking on this project and sticking with it. Show your support for Bill's hard work -- and your Airpark -- by coming out to Yaupon on September 20. Hope to see you on the greens!

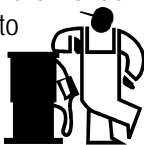
The Lakeway Airpark Board
 Joe Byrd, President

FUEL UPDATES

...Joe Bain

Thanks to all of you who are remembering to close the cover on the fuel pump [number pad]. This will help save us money in the long run.

I hope you were able to take advantage of the wonderful fuel price we had for so long. Unfortunately, it had to end, as all good things must. As of August 18, the price went up to \$2.15 per gallon, still a pretty good deal if you've checked av gas prices around the U. S. lately. Had we waited a week, it would have been \$2.40! Remember, if you use your AOPA credit card, you can get a 5% rebate, which makes it even better!



MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

The next regular **Airpark Work Days** (2nd Saturday of each month) are **Sept. 13** and **Oct. 11** at 8:30 am. Come on out and lend a hand! Help is *always* needed -- and appreciated -- for Work Days. As always, an **Airpark Board meeting** follows at 9:30. All Airpark Members are encouraged to attend.



SIGN UP NOW FOR FUNDRAISER GOLF TOURNAMENT!

DON'T FORGET the upcoming Benefit Golf Tournament whose proceeds all go to the fund for Lakeway Airpark's new terminal building.

The Tournament is scheduled for 1:30 p.m. on **Saturday, September 20, 2003**, at the **Yaupon Golf Course in Lakeway**. The entry fee is \$100 per player, and includes green fees and cart. *You -- and your friends -- are encouraged to join in, regardless of your level of play.* Remember, the goal is to have a good time and raise much needed dollars for the building fund. Your handicap isn't nearly as important as your participation.



For more information on the Benefit Golf Tournament, or to sign up, please **contact Bonnie Thompson at 266-3227.**

MEANWHILE, BACK AT THE AIRPARK...

We still need your help contacting Lakeway area businesses re: donations or sponsorships for the new Building. If you know anyone who might be interested in helping out, please let Bill Thompson know (512-266-3227). Better yet, consider calling on that person or business yourself.

Remember you can also go on *motor glider flights* (call Horst Stratmann 512-266-7823) and *Citabria off-airport landings* (call Robert White 512-914-6682) for donations to the building fund. Naturally, if you have some other fund raising ideas, we'd like to hear them!

REPORT FROM BIG DAVE'S DAM SALOON ...Joe Bain

It was a beautiful sight! At last count, 27 Airpark folks were at the table at Big Dave's on August 7th. We had the juke box going, big screen TV, and food and drinks to spare. Conversation included Airpark issues, Members' adventures at Oshkosh, and even some talk unrelated to aviation! I hope the size of the group grows again this month when we venture out to **The Oasis on September 11th** for dinner overlooking Lake Travis. Don't be shy; join us there!



Other Dates to Remember:

- Sept. 6-7** - New Braunfels Air Show (BAZ)
- Thrs., Sept. 11, 6:30 pm** - Lakeway Airpark Social Gathering at **The Oasis** off of 620 North
- Sat., Sept. 20, 1:30 pm** - Lakeway Airpark Benefit Golf Tournament - Yaupon Golf Course - call Bonnie Thompson 266-3227
- Sept. 27-28** - Midland CAF AirSho (MAF)
- Oct. 18-19** - Wings Over Houston AirShow - Ellington Field (EFD)
- Oct. 25** - Highland Lakes Squadron CAF Hangar Dinner/Dance in Burnet, Texas (BMQ)
- Nov. 8** - CenTex Squadron CAF Hangar Dinner/Dance at San Marcos (HYI)



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THE WAY IT WORKS

...Joe Bain

The Board of Directors received an email from a non-flying resident about a tree that had blown down on his property. Since it was on the northwest end of the runway, I called Gordon Lingle to see if he would take a look at it and let me know what needed to be done. The next day, I got a call back from Gordon... not to tell me what needed to be done, but to say he had taken care of the problem. Thanks, Gordon!

We have needed new rope for tie downs on the ramp for some time. I contacted Del Waters (new Airpark Member and owner of the Ski Dock) to see if he would sell us some rope at his cost. He said he would look into it for me. About a week later, I walked into my hangar to find a large coil of rope had mysteriously appeared. Thanks, Del!

This type of interest is what keeps our Airpark going and looking good. When you see these folks around the ramp, please tell them how much you appreciate their contributions!

WHAT'S HAPPENING?

On any given weekend around the State and nation, there is almost always something going on that's related to aviation in some way. It's how to find out about them and keep up with it all that's the problem. Or, at least, it used to be. Below are a number of web sites you can utilize to find out "what's happening" in aviation events coming soon to an airport near you! There now, wasn't that easy?

<http://www.aerovents.com/>

<http://www.aopa.org/pilot/calendar/>

<http://www.flyingevents.com/>

<http://www.fly-low.com/>

<http://www.generalaviationnews.com/calendar/>

<http://www.openairnet.com/>

<http://www.swaviator.com/html/constants/calendar.html>

<http://www.trade-a-plane.com/unprotected/cgi-bin/evcal.pl?method=evcal>

<http://www.dot.state.tx.us/AVN/calendarofevents.htm>

EDITOR'S CORNER

- I hope you're planning to come on out to **Yaupon Golf Course on September 20** for the **Terminal Building Fund Benefit Tournament**. What a great way to socialize while raising money to replace our sad shack at the same time!

- Special thanks to Bonnie Thompson for all her planning efforts for the Thursday-Before-the-Work Day get-togethers. Although I've been MIA at the last couple, I hope to make it out to the **Oasis on September 11**.

- I somehow ended up as Chairman of the **Highland Lakes Squadron's Hangar Dinner/Dance** scheduled for **Sat., October 25**, from 7pm to 11 pm at the **HLS hangar in Burnet**. It would be great to have a big contingent of Lakeway Airpark Members at the dance. The theme is "**Let Freedom Swing!**", and features big band **Charlie St. George and The Memory Makers**, a dance contest, great barbeque (BYOB - set ups will be available), and a silent auction. Tickets are \$15 per person, and Reserved tables of 10 are available at \$125. You can contact me (see below) or the HLS Hangar (512-756-2226) if you're interested in tickets or donating a silent auction item.

- As usual, if you have an anecdote, article, interesting web site, or other contribution for a future issue of *High Flight*, please give me a holler. See you on the ramp!

- Ginger S. Baldwin, Editor

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