

HIGH FLIGHT



LAKEWAY AIRPARK
MAY 2007



MESSAGE FROM YOUR PRESIDENT

Many of us were rudely awakened around 11pm on Wednesday the 11th. The sound was from a Baron aborting one takeoff, and then succeeding on the next try. Thanks to several alert neighbors and quick police response, the takeoff was witnessed by many. The police stopped the person who dropped off the pilot and got the pilot's identity and destination. My understanding is that the pilot received a citation. Let's hope this example will demonstrate our intention to enforce the City and Airpark rules. If you see suspicious activity at the Airpark, the police non-emergency number is 314-7590.



Jeff Klaas
Airpark President

The dead cluster Oak trees behind Snipe Court has been removed. Thanks to Harvestree Arbor Care for prompt service and an excellent job at a good price.

The members at the last board meeting extend a big thanks to Don Karges and Bob Neighbors for providing donuts. Unfortunately the only one who exercised enough to compensate for the extra intake was Charles Edwards. The board approved the expenditure for the tree removal. We also approved runway access for the Molloy residence on Triton Count. Bill Thompson presented the Ercoupe log books, so now we are the owners of a plane on a stick (as described by Robert White's grandson).

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HAMBURGER COOKOUT THURSDAY—MAY 10TH—6:30

Fantastic turn out to the Lazy Fork in April. Everyone got a seat and served.... This month we meet on May 10, 2007 @ 6:30 at the airport. We are going to grill hamburgers. The airport will furnish the meat and buns... it's up to us guys to do the rest. Jessie Beckett has already volunteered to bring his grill..... I will need volunteers to bring, lettuce, tomatoes, onion, pickles, mustard and mayo and chips. Please email or phone me with what you plan to bring. You may also volunteer to bring a dessert.

May 10 I will need some help in setting up the tables so if you can't slice and dice come help me set up!!!!

WE have so many new faces at the airport. Come out to meet and get to know your neighbors!!!

Email me @ Bonbonthom@aol.com or give me a call @ 266-3227

Bonnie

MEETING AT THE FUEL PUMPS



Pictured above are Charles Edwards with his Navion and Robert White & Harry Phillips Cessna 172 as they are putting fuel in the planes.

MEET JEFF BRINKMAN



I grew up right here in the Lakeway area and graduated from Lake Travis High School in 1997. I spent my high school years playing golf on the Lake Travis High School golf team and working part-time for the Yaupon and Live Oak golf courses. In September 2004, I began my career as a police officer for the City of Lakeway. As a patrol officer, one of my daily duties included checking the airpark every hour. I had been interested in airplanes and flying since I was a child and I found myself spending more and more time watching the planes come and go. Soon the Airpark became my favorite spot to park when I had to complete paperwork or when I just needed to stretch my legs.

While sitting at the Airpark one day with my supervisor discussing work-related matters, he suggested that I should take lessons. Shortly thereafter, I scheduled a discovery flight. It was the first time I got to look out of the front of an airplane. I scheduled my first lesson on December 1, 2006 (payday), and it seems like it was yesterday. On Tuesday April 10, 2007, I received a Temporary Airman Certificate for Private Pilot, Airplane Single Engine Land from Robert White.

Learning to fly has been one of the most challenging and rewarding experiences in my life. My logbook is already filled with great memories—my first solo, my first \$100 hamburger from the airport diner in Fredericksburg while on my first cross-country solo, and my first flight with a passenger—my mom. I've met quite a few great people throughout this endeavor and look forward to meeting many more.

SHARP LOOKNG L-19 BIRD DOG



Many of you may have seen this plane on the ramp. I found out that it belongs to Mike Collier and wrote and asked him to tell us about it. The following is his reply:

I just obtained the airplane and haven't had a lot of time to research it yet. The plane is an L19 Bird Dog built by Cessna for the military in 1951. They were used for liaison and as a spotters for fighter/bombers in Korea and Vietnam by the Army, Air Force, and Marine Corps. The first civilian records start in 1981, so I assume it came off the military books sometimes just prior to then.

I will be trying to research its military records in the future.

I also fly a WW II fighter and have flown it into Lakeway. It is a Bell P-63 King Cobra (a single seat fighter aircraft built in 1943).

Thanks for the interest.

Mike

JUNE NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

Please have articles in by May 23rd.

**Airpark Workday
Saturday**

May 12—8:30 AM

**Board Meeting will immediately
follow workday**

**Message From Your President
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Looking ahead, the board approved the purchase of burgers and buns for a cook-out on May 10th, which will be our monthly dinner event.

The nominating committee has completed their work. Three board positions are up for election this year. The terms for Jimmy Anderson, Kim Clonts, and myself are completing. The other for board members, Jesse Beckett, Ken DeBower, Roger Haney, and Robert White, continue through the next year. The three nominees are Clint Beacham, Keith Durio, and me. Yeah, I am dumb enough to do it again.

The annual meeting is set for June 4th at the Activity Center. Let's start gathering at 6pm and get the meeting started around 6:30. Membership renewals will be going out with this newsletter. Please send your payment promptly.

Thanks to Terry Priestap, Clint Beacham, and Shawn Mack for doing ramp checks the last month.

My calendar says the next workday/meeting is May 12th. See you there.

Jeff

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