

Aircraft Locations

- Comanche 9014PCHD
.....T-Shades, spot #2
- Archer 47601CHD
.....T-Shades, spot #10
- Arrow 31386.....DVT
..... West Hangar #7-12
- Archer 30749.....DVT
.....East Hangar #9-9

The next rotation of the Arrow and Comanche will be in early April.

Maintenance

BOB SKALKA

30749

- Skin and window damage due to seatbelt hanging out of door on flight

31386

- Electric trim switch cleaned and lubricated

47601

- RT fuel tank sensor inoperative

9014P

- Airspeed indicator error due to static system hookup corrected
- Intermittent landing gear down-light corrected
- Windshield and door leaks when flying in the rain
- Flaps do not lock in up position
- Occasional raw fuel smell in cockpit

New Members

We welcome Mitch Meldrum and Doug Boys to the club this month. The roster is full at 54 members.

Next Board Meeting

The next meeting of the Board of Directors will be held at Deer Valley Municipal Airport in the Westwind pilot's lounge on Tuesday, March 22nd, at 7:30 PM. As always, members and guests are welcome to attend.

New Lock Combination

TOM LESSOR

The aircraft lock combinations will be changed during the weekend of March 12th – 13th. Members that have completed their checkrides and are not grounded received the new combination with this month's billing statement. Make sure you have the new combination if you are flying during the weekend of the change lest you come back and can't open the boxes or hangars.

Remember that if you have not completed the annual checkride, you are not authorized to fly club aircraft. Our insurance will not cover you.

Not all members that have completed a checkride received the new combination. What if you completed your checkride but did not get combination? Check your flying status on the statement. It will probably show you as being grounded, meaning that our records do not reflect your most recent BFR or medical. You should always update your BFR and medical status through our Web site so that the Treasurer gets notified of the changes. A third reason for being grounded is having a past due bill of more than \$250.

Member Information Sheets

Member information sheets were included with this month's statements. Please review them for accuracy and notify the Treasurer with updates via email or the online update tool.

Please update your birth date if we don't have it on file. It helps us to determine the expiration date of your medical. We have also added emergency contact information if you would like to provide a name and phone number the club should contact should you have an flying emergency. Please don't list the FAA!

We are also looking for AOPA members. We want to get an insurance quote from AOPA Insurance this year. They offer a 5% discount if all of our members belong to AOPA.

Use email to update emergency data, birth dates and AOPA information.

The Safety Corner

AL GALVI

It is common knowledge that weather is the cause of a great percentage of general aviation accidents. Many of those lamentably result in fatalities.

It is therefore a compliment to those who have been sending Flight Scheduling emails notifying of weather cancellations. Add the thoughtfulness extended to those who may wish to use the plane!

Nice going, guys and gals!

Happy Flying

Aircraft Replacement Plan

At the March 1st meeting of the board of directors a motion was passed to replace the Arrow with a Piper Dakota, Cessna 182 or Cessna 182RG. We now need to price the Arrow and begin a search for a replacement aircraft.

Committees

The board would like to form a couple of committees to assist in the sale of the Arrow and obtaining a replacement aircraft.

Neil Tracht has volunteered to lead the search for a replacement aircraft. Please contact Neil if you would like to help out. If you would like to participate in the fun and non-monetary rewarding task of selling the Arrow, please send an email to board@phoenixflyers.org.

Financing

Financing a replacement aircraft will need to be considered. The club has financed aircraft previously with Stockmen's Bank where we maintain our business accounts and we will contact them again.

The board would also like to investigate member loans. Previous loans have been made with members at a 6% interest rate. Financially solvent members that may be able to assist should contact the board to discuss details.

It's estimated the club will need to finance in the neighborhood of \$90K through bank and member loans.

Financial impact to members

Please don't panic yet. Nothing has been determined. We'll keep you advised.