



CONDOR AEROGRAM

MAY 2015

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SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

- Please remember to check out/in your aircraft
- Check **SkyManager** for your Statement

Fleet News

The Board decided to install a Garmin 430 with WAAS capabilities in the Arrow.

Downtown

There is a Unicom frequency for Downtown. It is 123.025. Please monitor this frequency in addition to Flight following.

Civil Air Patrol

Condor would like to thank the Civil Air Patrol for the presentation at the May meeting.



Congratulations!

Ken Benner was presented with the FAA Wright Brothers Master Pilot award at the May meeting.

This award recognizes maintaining safe operations for 50 years of flying.

Chief Pilot's corner

Did you ever stop to think what it takes to be a pilot? In the Military/Professional world it takes a lot of investment of time and money to train a pilot to meet the requirements needed to fly professionally. Researchers began looking into finding definitive traits of successful pilots back in the 80's, because too many



(approximately 20%) students were washing out of Military pilot training, and a smaller amount from the airline training centers. So what did they find? Of course the obvious traits of intelligence, grace, charm, wit, and handsomeness/beauty were present in all who wanted to be pilots (LOL). So there had to be at least ONE defining trait that a pilot had to have to be successful. So what was this trait?

The Ability to Make a Decision— Sounds simple doesn't it. But think of your ability to make split second decision when you

fly. Pretty impressive isn't it? As a Former military flight instructor a student who made a wrong decision could be trained to make a better decision. Through training and ground education that student could eventually learn the proper way to fly a particular maneuver. But how do you train someone who is hesitant to make a decision? Or worse yet can't decide! Well the answer is you can't. So, you're a pilot, stop and think about all the times you had to make a critical decision when flying. Kinda like doctors, or Bomb defusers. One wrong decision could really ruin your day. So do you find yourself making some major or minor not good flying decisions? We all do at one time or another. Training and keeping current really helps in honing your ability to make the right decision. You getting this far as a safe pilot is quite an accomplishment. - **Ed Sattely**

THE PRESIDENTS CORNER



Watch out for high density altitude.

"When the temperatures start pushing 80 and 90 degrees Fahrenheit, that 2,500-foot runway you typically have no trouble flying out of suddenly might not be long

enough for your takeoff roll." according to an article from AOPA. Hot summer days equal high density altitude, which means aircraft performance will decrease with the less dense air, the takeoff roll will eat up more runway, and the rate of climb won't be so hot.

Check out AOPA's density altitude subject report for tips on safe flying in high-density-altitude conditions. <http://www.aopa.org/members/files/topics/density.html>

Fly Safe, Fly Often, Fly Condor!

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**Condor Meeting –
June 2nd at 8 pm** at our new
hangar!



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Aircraft Rates

Current Rates as of June 5, 2013

N89549--\$82
N62104--\$108 N96573--\$108
N684SP--\$114 N2806M—\$114
N1963T--\$124

Off-field reimbursement \$5.85

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Quotable

"Never fly the 'A' Model of anything."

Ed Thompson



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