

CONDOR AEROGRAM

Club Picnic



Presidents Corner

Hi Everyone, Hopefully you've been enjoying the great flying weather this

summer. We've had some great events, with over a dozen Condor members making the journey to AirVenture Oshkosh this year, as well as a great turnout for our summer picnic. Thanks again to Carrie Matvey and Chip Vignolini for their help with the picnic and golf!

We have the C-152 back online, and additionally, we have another C-172 ready to be put on the schedule. Both should help with the scheduling and availability of aircraft.

With the days getting shorter, your weekday after-work flight may end in dusk or darkness. If you haven't flown at night in a while, please get with an instructor to get night current. Also remember that there are NOTAMs that affect night flight. The runway end lighting on both 35 and 17 are out of service, and runway 17 is still closed for landings sunset to sunrise. Please note that this NOTAM is Sunset, not legal night, so although there may be light, if the time is after sunset, runway 17 is closed.

Coming up, please consider running for a Board position. We have the elections at the October meeting.

Also looking forward to the Poker Run on October 6th.

Fly safe, Fly often, Fly Condor!

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Club Picnic!

The club picnic was held on August 18th at Strawberry Ridge. Special thanks to *Carrie Matvey*, who coordinated the food, and *Chip Vignolini*, who coordinated the golf.

Thanks to all who helped with the picnic this year!

Annual Elections

The annual elections will be held at the October meeting. If you are able to give back to the club a few hours a month, the board needs you!

You only need to be a member in good standing with a desire to help promote aviation through our club. Each year 3 of the 9 board members are up for re-election.

Poker Run

The annual Poker run is scheduled for Saturday, October 6th. The game is to fly to five airports and pickup a poker card at each airport. Winning hands will be high poker hand, low hand, and Jason's Joker.

We will be flying to New Castle (KUCP), Greenville (4G1), Franklin (KFKL), Butler County (KBTP), and Zelienople (KPJC).

Following the flying, refreshments and a steak dinner will be served starting around 7PM, followed by the opening of the poker hands. Due to weather, we've had a couple years that we couldn't fly. For that reason, the cards will be distributed to the 5 airports by September 29th. This will allow you to fly earlier in the week. The only requirement is that after your flight, you must register the cards with Jason.

The cost is \$20 per person, which includes the main course and beverages. Please bring a side dish or dessert to share! For those who do not fly, the cost will be \$10 for dinner. Looking forward to see everyone there! Zelienople Airport Jason's Hangar 1A6. jasonav@hotmail.com

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Condor Meeting - September 4th at 8 PM Picnic at Jasons hangar.

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Aircraft Rates

N89549 - \$80 N98887 - \$105

N96573 - \$105 N62104 - \$105

N2806M - \$110 N684SP - \$110 N1963T - \$120

Off field Fuel reimbursement \$4.83

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Quotable

"Ignorance is the curse of God; knowledge is the wing wherewith we fly to heaven."

- William Shakespeare

Prepayment Incentive

Condor Aero Club has made the "pre-payment incentive program" permanent. The program is a tiered bonus payment plan that presents great benefits to both the membership and the club. Make a deposit to your account and receive a bonus payment on account **good for flight time only.** Of course, certain conditions below apply.

- Program is currently effective and may be cancelled at the discretion of the Board of Directors at any time.
- Member must be in good standing, registered and have completed a pilot report in the past year. Dues and Insurance must be paid first.
- Member must have a ZERO balance before any deposit applies towards a bonus tier.
- Payments under the program DO NOT apply to Dues and Insurance.
- Payments under the program DO NOT apply to Hangar rent.
- Payments under the program only apply towards Flight time.
- Bonuses are only applicable to prepaid flight time. Payment must be made before flight fees are incurred,
- Bonus payments are not refunded under any circumstance.
- Any condition outside of these circumstances will be resolved by the Board.

Tiers: \$1000- \$1,999.99 - 3% Bonus \$2,000 -\$3,999.99 - 4% Bonus \$4,000 or greater - 5% Bonus

How to Participate:

- Ensure you have a zero balance
- Write the Check or Money order to Condor Aero Club, Inc.
- Send it to:

Condor Aero Club, Inc.

PO Box 143

Zelienople, PA 16063

Please Clean up after your Flight

The club now has an avionics upgrade in the Archer, and a new interior in 104.

Recently we had an incident in 104 with a large dark stain on the carpeting on the pilot's side, as well as ink pen marks on the upholstery - all of this in an aircraft that was back in service only a month.

If you spill something, please clean it up after your flight. If you can't clean it, squawk it. Please also remember to clean the leading edges and the windscreen after your flight. If you get in an aircraft, and see gross negligence, please squawk it so the board can take action. If you don't, the next person may.

Archer is back Online!

The Archer is back online. To be able to fly, you must have attended a seminar, or get with an instructor to get signed off prior to flying.

There is a training program available for the iPad: iPAD GTN Trainer

Reminders

There has been a notable increase in the number of instances where proper shutdown procedures are not being followed.

Please remember to turn the radio master off, the lights off, and the fuel pump (if applicable) off BEFORE you pull the mixture, wait, then when the engine is stopped turn the mags off and then shut off the Red Master switch.

These simple steps help ensure our equipment stays in optimal working performance.

If you have any questions concerning airplane operations, please do not hesitate to ask or, as always, you can reference each specific plane's POH.

Please note your destination of your flight into your SkyManager reservation.

Briefing Options

With the changes this year to decommission DUATS, here is a summary of your available briefing options:

- 1-800-WXBrief Call Flight service station
- www.1800WXBrief.com/Website/#!/ Online version run by Leidos
- ForeFlight Brief and file in IOS App
- AOPA Flight Planner www.aopa.org/flightplanner
- Flightplan.com https://ww8.fltplan.com/AwViewWx.exe?a=1

Keep them Clean!

Please remember to wipe down the leading edge of the wing when you return the plane. Please also clean the windshield with the yellow micro-fiber cloth only. There is spray wax and window cleaner in the hangar.

There are also cleaning supplies and trash bags in the office in the utility room to the left of the computer. Please take a moment before you leave to help keep the pilots lounge clean.

DON'T LEAVE THE OFFICE WITH THE TRASH FULL. TAKE OUT THE TRASH WHEN YOU LEAVE.