



CONDOR AEROGRAM

Spring!



Presidents Corner

Wind

As our flying ramps up with the warmer weather, remember that spring also brings its own challenges in the form of storms & wind.

So if the winter had you grounded for a while, be sure to get with an instructor first.

Fly safe, Fly often, Fly Condor!

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Currency

Take a moment to review your logbook to see if you are current to fly. If not, get with an instructor first.

You need 6 hours in the past 6 months and 1 hour in the past 90 days with 1 hour in type in the last 6 months.

Safety

Please give some thought how you taxi the aircraft. Taxi speed should be a brisk walk. Remember to use wind correction techniques.

Please also remember to fill in the comment box with your flight intentions. At a minimum: Local, Flight instruction, or list your destination or TBD and follow-up before flight with destination.

ADS-B Out Deadline - 9 Months

The Condor fleet will be prepared for the 1/1/2020 ADS-B Out deadline. To date, we have updated the following aircraft.

The following aircraft are compliant now:

- N684SP ADS-B In and Out
- N2806M ADS-B In and Out

The next one up is N1963T ADS-B In and Out. The rest of the fleet will also be updated with Out only in the coming months.

Night Checkout

The Board decided that all new members, regardless of experience, ratings held, hours flown, or night currency, will be required to have a night flight checkout by a club instructor before being signed off for night flight in Club planes. This will ensure all pilots are familiar with night operations at PJC and Condor night policy.

The sign-off should be recorded on a Condor aircraft checkout form.

Jake Vagias,
 Condor Chief Instructor

Welcome New Members!

- Elizabeth Grambo
- Brandon Wood
- James Moser Jr.
- David Vanik

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Condor Meeting- April 2nd at 8 PM at Jason's hangar.

Sun n Fun - April 2nd - 7th, Lakeland Florida

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Aircraft Rates

N89549 - \$80 N98887 - \$105

N96573 - \$105 N62104 - \$105

N2806M - \$110 N684SP - \$110

N1963T - \$120

Off field Fuel reimbursement \$5.19

Quotable

"Mix ignorance with arrogance at low altitude and the results are almost guaranteed to be spectacular."

- **Bruce Landsberg**

March 2019

APPROVED FLIGHT INSTRUCTORS

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(Primary, Advanced, BFR, Currency)

Please remember to Cancel your reservation if you aren't flying!

A friendly reminder that if you can't take your scheduled flight, try to remove your name from it's reservation. I just looked and there are almost a dozen within the last month. Be nice and give someone else the chance to fly if you can't. Also, I mentioned at the last meeting about minimum charges. I just found 4 within the last 2 months. For any flight scheduled for at least 6 hours there is a minimum charge of one hour during the week and two on the weekends. Any flight scheduled after 6 PM and before 6 am is not charged minimum. Big Brother is watching! - **Ron**

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

N98887

N98887 is now online!

There will be no private training or student solo in this aircraft at this time. Please enjoy the addition to our fleet. The Aircraft is located in our hangar next to the Arrow.

Preflight

The last person to fly a plane before damage is noted will be held responsible. We recommend taking a picture of the damage and the Hobbs meter and emailing both pictures to Jason before flying (assuming it's airworthy) to document that the damage was identified prior to your flight.

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.

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.

CONDOR AERO CLUB REGULAR MEETING

Jason’s Hangar

February 5, 2019 - 8:00 PM

CALL TO ORDER

Vice President Jake Vagias called the meeting to order at 8:00 p.m.
Jake welcomed the visitors and asked them to stand and introduce themselves.

MINUTES

Ed Sattely moved and Tim Weber seconded, “The Minutes of the January 2019 Condor Aero Club meeting are approved.” - Motion carried.

READINGS - 2nd Reading: James Paul Smith
Scott Szuhay

TREASURER’S REPORT

Bob Miladinovich reported the following Account balances for Treasurer Chris Miladinovich as of January 31, 2019:

Cash Flow 1/1/2019 to 1/31/2019	
Accounts Receivable	- \$ 2,050.07
Total Checking Cash Accounts:	
Beginning Balance	- \$ 204,379.90
Inflows	- \$ 43,082.39
Outflows	- \$ 17,904.38
Net	- \$ 25,178.01
Balance 1/31/2019	- \$ 229,557.91
First Commonwealth Bank Loan	
Balance	- \$ 276,819.67
Rate	- 4.93%

Dave Brand moved and Phil Kriley seconded, “The January 2019 Treasurer’s Report is accepted as read.” - Motion carried.

MAINTENANCE

N2806M - had a 50-Hour Inspection; repaired left fuel gauge and entry step; replaced fuel pump switch, cabin door seal; aft vent ducting and overhead trim; refinished aft bulkhead and panel overlays.

N62104 - Nose tire tube was replaced.

N96573 - had a Super 50-Hour Inspection.

N1963T - The fuel pressure gauge was replaced; the parking and right brake master cylinders were rebuilt.

N89549 had an Annual Inspection. The nose gear was rebuilt; brake disc and linings replaced; elevator bearings and bushings replaced.

86.9 hours flown in January. 77.3 In January 2018.

SAFETY

Safety Officer Bob Miladinovich discussed pilots' "Personal Minimums." Flying less in winter months can lessen flying proficiency. February and March often have challenging weather so reviewing personal minimums is wise.

Bob reminded pilots to plug in the engine heaters.

Pilots should remember to clean the airplane when finished.

Flight intentions must be entered in the comment field as the club must know where the airplanes are.

Flight Intentions should be marked in the comment field as follows: Local, a Destination, or Flight Instruction. Intended flight destination can be entered at time of flight.

PROGRAM

Chris Koman talked about his experience flying into a controlled area in Washington D.C. Chris showed a slide presentation and told of the strict regulations he had to comply with to fly into that area.

It was a very interesting presentation and appreciated by all present.

ADJOURNMENT

Larry Schaefer moved and Phil Kriley seconded, "The January meeting of the Condor Aero Club is adjourned." - Motion carried.