



# CONDOR AEROGRAM

## First Flight Party!



### Presidents Corner

#### Happy Holidays!

Hi everyone, and happy holidays! I was glad to see everyone at our First Flight holiday party! Thanks to all who helped put this together. 2019 was a great year for Condor. We had 32 new members this year, putting our total membership at 171, with 123 full flying members. We also have all hangars filled, which is helping with the financials. Wishing you and yours a joyous holiday season, and a safe and happy 2020.

We wish everyone a Happy Holiday Season!

**Fly safe, Fly often, Fly Condor!**  
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### First Flight Party

Thanks to *Carrie Matvey, Chip Vignolini, Heather Sweesey, John Muller, Big Don Wentz, and Judy Volker* as our committee for the First Flight party!



### Pilot Report

All Condor member pilots to include students are required to fill out a pilot report as a requirement for membership and insurance. This year, completion by the requested date of 12/31/19 is mandatory due to insurance compliance needs.

The 2020 Pilot Report form is now available to be submitted. You can find a link on the SkyManager login page or in the NOTAM's Section of SkyManager. To access the form here, Click on the link provided below.

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfttUR-p0ayj1LQBk5J0qUujN6ZXrR3EDOwxgvsrowoDtGB2A/viewform>

Additionally, Dues and Insurance costs will remain the same as last year. Dues and Insurance is tentatively scheduled for November 16, 2019. The costs are as follows:

Dues Full Flying Member	\$250.00
Dues Social Member	\$100.00
Insurance Flying Member	\$400.00
*Insurance College/Military	\$200.00

\*College/Military Rate is for members that are out of the area for extended periods of time due to distant college or military obligation. All requests are at the discretion of the board.

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**Condor Meeting-** January 7th at  
8PM in **Jason's hangar.**

**First Flight Party** - December 7th

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Follow us on Twitter:  
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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**

"Navigating by the compass in a sea of clouds over Spain is all very well, it is very dashing, but— you want to remember that below the sea of clouds lies eternity."

- **Antoine de Saint-Exupery**

December 2019

**APPROVED FLIGHT  
INSTRUCTORS**

**John Vagias, LLC.** (P, A, B, C)

**Chief Flight Instructor**

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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 the 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

### Fuel Purchases

Please **use your personal credit cards for 'off field' fuel purchases**. Our 'wet' aircraft rates are designed to accommodate fuel at the KPJC prices only.

If you purchase fuel, **please submit the receipt with your name and date of flight on it in the full slip box in the office** so that we can apply the appropriate credit (reimbursed at the KPJC rate).

Any purchases other than fuel at Zelienople Airport made with the club credit cards are not authorized.

Thanks in advance for following the club procedures!

The Condor Board of Directors

## 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/#!/](http://www.1800WXBrief.com/Website/#!/) - Online version run by Leidos
- ForeFlight - Brief and file in the iOS App
- AOPA Flight Planner - [www.aopa.org/flightplanner](http://www.aopa.org/flightplanner)
- Flightplan.com - <https://www.fltplan.com>

### 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.**

**ADS-B Out Deadline - 1 Month**

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

- N684SP ADS-B In and Out
- N2806M ADS-B In and Out
- N1963T

The rest of the fleet will also be updated with Out only in the coming months.

CONDOR AERO CLUB REGULAR MEETING

**N684SP Condor Hangar**

October 1, 2019 - 8:00 PM

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CALL TO ORDER

President Keith McPherson called the October Meeting to order at 8:07 p.m. President McPherson welcomed the visitors and requested them to stand and introduce themselves.

MINUTES

Secretary Dorothy Meeder read the September Condor Aero Club Minutes. Tom Collins moved and Glenn Kaiser seconded, "The October Minutes of the Condor Aero Club Meeting are approved." - Motion carried.

- READINGS:
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|---------------|---|
| 1ST Reading - | Aaron Sutton<br>Russell Taylor, Jr.   |
| 2nd Reading - | Brandon Alexander<br>Denis Carleton<br>Andrew Driscoll<br>Vincent Grossi<br>Robert Keenan<br>Delia Mannen<br>Brandon Markle<br>John Muller<br>John Pizzella |

TREASURER'S REPORT

Bob Miladinovich reported the following account balances as of 9/30/2019.

Accounts Receivable:	-	\$ 20,149.52
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Total Cash Checking Accounts:

Beginning Balance	-	\$150,999.39
Inflows	-	\$40,264.08
Outflows	-	\$24,976.27
Net	-	\$15,287.81
Balance	-	\$166,287.20
First Commonwealth Bank Loan	-	\$185,643.35
Rate	-	4.93%
Line of credit	-	\$25,000.00
Balance	-	\$0.00

Delia Mannen moved and Don Kendrick seconded, "The September Treasurer's Report is accepted." - Motion carried

MAINTENANCE

N1963T had a Super 50-hour Inspection. Brake linings were replaced.

N96573 had the right main tire replaced.

N62104 had a 50-Hour Inspection. A magneto was replaced; carburetor heat control was repaired; nose gear shimmy dampener was serviced.

N684SP had an Annual Inspection; replaced starter, brake linings, and strobe light switch.

N2806M had an Annual Inspection; replaced EGT probe, nose tire, and left gear attachment bolts. Seals in both main gears were replaced and old antennas were removed.

N89549 had a 100-hour Inspection. The compass mount, left magneto and crankshaft seal were replaced. The shimmy in the nose gear was serviced.

Flying hours for September 2019 were 271.7; 330.4 for September 2018.

SAFETY

The annual Winter Seminars will be held Saturday, October 12 at 10:30 a.m., and Saturday, October 26. All new member pilots must either attend one of the seminars or get an instructor to go over the material with him/her. Members who have completed the

seminars in the past can go to the Condor website and review the Winter Safety Seminar, then notify the Safety Officer it has been completed.

All pilots must get credit for the seminar to be eligible to schedule an airplane between November 1st and March 31st.

Pilots were reminded to plug in the engine heaters after putting the aircraft in the hangar. Flight intentions must be in the comment field before departing.

The American Express credit cards are for use at Zelenople only. Receipts from other airports should have the pilot's name on it and then be placed in the box in the pilot lounge.

A reminder was given to clean the airplane after putting it away.

POKER RUN - Jason's Poker Run will be Saturday, October 5, 2019. Cards have been distributed to the five airports and may be picked up any day prior the event. Dinner is scheduled for approximately 6:00 p.m.

FIRST FLIGHT PARTY - The annual First Flight party is scheduled for Saturday, December 7, 2019, at 6:00 p.m.

ELECTION - The members on the ballot for the election of officers for the ensuing 3 years are:

Jason Jodkin, Keith McPherson, and Chip Vignolini. President Keith McPherson asked for nominations from the floor. There were none. Ed Sattely moved and Bob Belsterling seconded, "The Nominations for the election of officers is closed." - Motion carried.

President Keith McPherson directed the secretary to cast the ballot for the nominees. The ballot was cast and Jason Jodkin, Keith McPherson, and Chip Vignolini were elected for the ensuing three years.

#### ADJOURNMENT

Larry Schaefer moved and Tom Collins seconded, "The October Meeting of the Condor Aero Club is adjourned." - Motion carried.