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Photo Credit: Chris Vermilya

Summer Celebration!

Thanks to everyone who joined us for our Annual Summer Picnic and Corn Roast! We had a great time at the Zelienople Community Park on a beautiful afternoon. Contrary to the above picture, we did not go for helicopter rides, but we did enjoy cornhole, horseshoes, awesome company, and an incredible spread of food (including corn on the cob of course). Thanks to everyone who brought their favorite dishes, our amazing chefs, and all those who planned the logistics of this event. Finally, also thank you to everyone who donated prizes and purchased raffle tickets, we raised \$282 for the Lewis 'Freedom of Flight' Scholarship! Looking forward to next year already!

Cleveland National Air Show – 9/4-5

The summer air show season isn't done yet! This weekend, the U.S. Navy Blue Angels will be performing at the Cleveland National Air Show out of the Burke Lakefront Airport (September 4th and 5th). Grab the family and head up to the lake for some fun! Details can be found at <https://www.clevelandairshow.com/>.

And, not that you need another reason to go, but our own Jeremy Schenk will be there as a presenter to showcase the Boeing 737 Max that will be on display. Here's your chance to learn about this beautiful aircraft and get up close and personal.

See you there!!



U.S. Navy
Blue Angels

First Cleveland Demo with
the NEW Super Hornets!



Cleveland National Air Show
Featuring U.S. Navy Blue Angels
SEPTEMBER 3, 4 & 5, 2022
Photo Credit: Cleveland National Air Show

PURCHASE TICKETS / SEATING OPTIONS

★ Tickets Available ONLY in advance, online – NO GATE SALES ★

General Admission

- ★ Box Seats
- ★ Sponsor Box
- ★ Barnstormer Club
- ★ Flight Deck Loge
- ★ Corporate Loge

Cleveland National Air Show

President's Corner

by Keith McPherson

Happy Summer!

Hopefully, everyone is enjoying the nice weather, and getting a chance to go fly. It was great seeing everyone at the picnic this month! Thanks to all who worked so hard to make it a success.

Looking forward, we are catching up on maintenance, and should have the entire fleet back online soon. Also, we have the October elections on the horizon. If you or someone you know would be interested in serving on the Board, please nominate them at the September meeting.

Fly Safely, Fly Often, Fly Condor.

Earning Their Wings!



That first solo... the first checkride... adding ratings... and more, these pilots are celebrating, and we share in their excitement. CONGRATULATIONS!!!

- Jay Patrikar – Private Pilot ASEL – July 11th, 2022

General Club Meeting

The Condor Aero Club will meet on **Tuesday September 6th at 8pm at KPJC**. Please plan to attend for information on club business, introductions to new members, maintenance and financial updates, and more!

Come early to catch up with old friends, make some new ones, and enjoy some delicious eats provided by our own Cindy and JP! Our social kicks off at **7:30pm**, don't miss it!

Sky Manager Tips



Please be considerate of other club members! Only schedule a plane for the time you plan to fly. Reserving a plane for 4+ hours then only flying for 1 blocks others from being able to plan a flight. Also, if your plans change, update your reservation! Condor does not charge a cancellation fee so what's stopping you from cancelling your hold if you can't fly? Please plan accordingly to allow others to fly!

Currency – Condor requires a base level of currency to check out aircraft. You must have logged (1) hour of flight and (3) landings in the previous (90) days to be able to check out an airplane. Schedule time with an instructor if you are not current.

Winter Seminar – To fly from November 1st to March 31st, each member must attend a Winter Seminar or obtain a sign-off from a club instructor. Please meet with an instructor if you do not have signoff on the winter seminar.

Dues and Insurance – 2022 dues and insurance have been billed to your account and were due on December 31st, 2021. Please ensure your account is paid for full flight privileges.

Flight Medical – Don't let your medical expire! Condor maintains copies of your medical certificate and when it expires, flight privileges are revoked. Send a copy of your new medical to Dorothy to have your records updated.

Flight Review – FR dates are also maintained by the club. If your review date passes, flight privileges will be revoked until you complete your FR and provide an update to Dorothy.

Contact Us

Have a question for the club?
Interested on joining?
Have something to share?
Reach out anytime!

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[Join us on Facebook!](#)

Feel free to contact any board member below if you have a specific question

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From the Right Seat

Our club instructors have seen a lot in their time sitting in the right seat. Through their experience, and randomly yelling 'more right rudder' in their sleep, they have much to share that we all can learn from to be better pilots.

Looking for somewhere fun to fly? Did you know we maintain a list of places to check out around our area (and beyond)? Well, we do! Within the Condor Google Drive, Chip Vignolini maintains a lengthy list of airports, their locations, and notes from people who have been. Whether you're looking for a new destination on Saturday morning, or a new challenge with your instructor, check it out!

Most importantly, please add your own comments! This list is meant to be a living document and we'd love to have input from anyone having experiences they'd like to share. [Condor Google Drive](#)

Airport Recommendations 08292022												
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
Been There	Airport ID	Airport Name	City	State	NM	Notes	Asph	G	W	K	Se	G
							alt	ra	at	o	nd	off
	069A	Freefall Oz	Ceres	PA	111	The Oz Homestay is a charming fly in bed and breakfast located on the NY						
	07A	Hendersonville	Hendersonville	VA	347	Founded in April 1989 by three members of the Western North Carolina	x					
	17A	Trigger Gap	Berryville	AK	685	Camping and Small Mouth Fishing			x			
x	17NK	Re-Dun Field	Reading Center	NY	175	need permission		x				
	1A7	Jackson County	Gainesboro	IN	368	This is an amazing two day concert with Oak Ridge Boys, Bellamy Brothers,			x			
	1B2	Kalamita Airpark	Edgartown	MA	437	beach access			x			
x	108	DEW Memorial	Toronto	OH	29	golf course onsite					x	
	1U9	Pine	Pine	ID	1560	Stayed at the Hayhurst Bed Breakfast during our trip to Pine, Idaho. The BB					x	
	27C	Mecosta Morton	Mecosta	MI	283	https://www.memuix.com/michigan/restaurants/1005166/K-is-Family-Res					x	
x	207	Beach City	Beach City	OH	64	The Beach City Airport Pilot's Association will host their 37th annual			x			
x	204	Garrett County	Oakland	MD	82	Deep Creek			x			
	35D	Pudgum Field	Allegan	MI	274	We decided to visit Allegan, Michigan after watching a TV episode titled						x
	3M0	Gastons	Lakeview	AK	639	Cabins, guided fishing			x			
x	3W2	Put-in-Bay	Put-in-Bay	OH	130	adult playground			x			
	42B	Goodspeed Airport	East Haddam	CT	351	Goodspeed Airport, (42B) lies beside the historic Connecticut River in East			x			x
	42C	White Cloud	White Cloud	MI	299	http://www.whitewhitecloud.com/						x
	44N	Sky Acres	Middleton	NY	295	Sky Acres Airport is situated on 150 acres in Dutchess County, town of			x			x
x	4G7	Fairmont Municipal Airport-Frankman Field	Fairmont	WV	81	DI's 50s & 60s Diner within walking distance			x			x
x	4N2	Middlesex Valley	Middlesex	NY	173	A nice 2,100 x 175 ft. grass strip in the heart of the Finger Lakes region of					x	
	4WV4	Heaven's Landing	Medley	WV	110	pitch a tent under the wing or down by the pond, or onsite house B&B			x			
	5D5	Woolsey Memorial	Northport	MI	353	Awesome little airport in Northport, MI, one hour north driving time from			x			
	5M6	Sugar Springs	Gladwin	MI	275	Sugar Springs is a 3500+ft grass public-use airstrip in a private picturesque			x			
	6Y3	North Fox Island	North Fox Island	MI	373	theraf.org					x	
	7B2	Northampton	Northampton	MA	351	Great airport to visit. Nice folks - ask for Mike Burns if he is around, very			x			
	7B3	Hampton Field	Hampton	NH	437	This is a 2100 Grass strip with a 02/20 runway. It has an excellent diner on			x			x
x	7N1	Corning-Painted Post	Corning	NY	160	Finger Lakes,			x			
x	7N8	Butter Valley Golf Port	Baro	PA	211	golf onsite			x			x
	80D	Clare County	Harrison	MI	284	https://www.facebook.com/Airportrestaurant/			x	x		

Look Who Stopped By!

It's always great to catch up with old friends! Former Condor member (and board member) Jeff Edwards stopped by PJC on his way home from Oshkosh and met up with several current Condor members for lunch. Jeff and his wife Jennifer were on their way home to Spruce Creek, FL in their RV and made the pit stop to say hello. As your path takes you away from western PA, know you're always welcome to come back and have friends here!



Plane Talk from our Chief Flight Instructor

by Greg Jarosz

Tune in next month for a word from Greg.



Member Spotlight – Meet Tyler Anthony!

What certificates/ratings do you hold?

I hold an instrument rating and commercial license.

How many hours do you have?

I have around 260 hours.

How long have you been flying?

I started flying during the fall of 2018.

When did you join Condor?

I have been a condor member for about 2 years.

What prompted you to look skyward?

My grandfather flew the kc-97 when he was in the Air Force and I wanted to follow his steps as a pilot.

What is your favorite part of flying?

My favorite part of flying is seeing the world from a different view.

What is your next aviation goal?

My next aviation goal is to start flight instructing.

What is your favorite aircraft?

My favorite aircraft is the Piper Archer.

Any words of wisdom to share?

Keep the blue side up!



Welcome New Members!

Welcome to the Condor Aero Club! The following new members joined our group in the last month and we're excited to have them on board. Looking forward to seeing you around the airport!

- Robert Azman
- Avin Chakravarti
- Parag Batavia

Upcoming Events

As we return to normal... or at least a new version of normal, mark your calendars for these upcoming aviation events!

- KRVL – Fly-In Breakfast, every second Saturday of the month
- KCBE – Fly-In Breakfast, last Sunday of the month during the summer
- N56 – Fly-In Breakfast
- Other Fun Trips!
 - WV08 – Island Airport in West Virginia
 - 8N1 – Grimes Airport in Bethel, PA, home of the Golden Age Air Museum

Looking for a fun place to fly? Check out the Recommended Airport list along with other great information at the link below. Please share your pictures as well!

[Condor Google Drive](#)

Fleet Info

Club aircraft details can be found at <http://www.condoraero.com>

Rental and off field reimbursement rates are below for reference. Rates are wet and apply per hour.

N89549 (C152) - \$90
N98887 (C172) - \$120
N96573 (C172) - \$120
N62104 (C172) - \$120
N684SP (C172SP) - \$125
N2806M (P28A) - \$125
N1963T (P28R) - \$135
N4335M (P28B) - \$155

Off field fuel reimbursement:
\$6.98/gal

Member Checklist

Remember the following items!

Shutdown:

Avionics Master.....Off
Lights.....All off except beacon
Mixture.....Cutoff
Magnetos.....Off
Master.....Off

Postflight:

Lights....Confirm off except beacon
Leading Edges.....Cleaned*
Windscreen.....Cleaned*
Fuel Quantity.....Full**
Aircraft Interior.....Clean Up

*White cloths and wax cleaner for leading edges, Yellow microfiber cloth and glass cleaner for windscreen

**Do not fully fill the left tank of N89549, leave a few inches to avoid overflow

Off Field Fuel:

Do not use club credit cards
Use personal credit card
Submit receipts for reimbursement

Prepayment Incentive:

\$1,000.00-\$1,999.99 – 3% bonus
\$2,000.00-\$3,999.99 – 4% bonus
\$4,000.00 and greater – 5% bonus
Restrictions apply, contact a board member for more details

Maintenance Corner

Aug 2022

Chip Vignolini – (412)215-1225
chipvig@gmail.com

Jason's Aviation Services

700 Tasa Drive,
Zelienople PA 16063

Jason (board/club member and business owner) is responsible for all A&P (Aircraft and Power Plant) and IA (Inspection Authorization) services to our fleet, as well as other customers on the field.

Jason's normal business hours are;

Mon-Fri: 10:00 – 5:00

Unlike other shops, the Condor fleet is given priority over other customers, but we have to keep in mind the Condor fleet is not the only work Jason has.

He is often at the airport outside of normal business hours, but could be working on other projects.

Please send any maintenance questions you have. I'm always looking for newsletter material.



Jul. Completed Maintenance:

GPS Databases on all Aircraft:
Completed successfully

N89549:
50hr Inspection completed

N96573:
completed annual, new main tires and brakes, new muffler, fuel tank weld repaired, carb heat control replaced, #4 intake pipe had to be re-swaged, new plugs, several misc. items

N98887:
replaced starter and ignition switch, super 50hr inspection, new plugs, repaired exhaust

N62104:
replaced both main tires, turn coordinator wire repair, replaced NAV lamps, flap down limit wire resoldered

N684SP:
right seat track repaired, new beacon, replaced right strobe

N2806M:
super 50hr inspection, installed new oil inspection door assembly

N4335M:
replaced electric fuel pump, replaced left NAV light assembly

Please Continue to Email or Text me with all Issues:

I'm not in the clubhouse every day and information written on squawk sheets may get missed.

More importantly, if an aircraft needs to be grounded, we need to know as soon as possible to avoid any other members taking it by mistake.

I do record every issue in excel, so we can trend reported problems, track recurring issues, etc.

This issue

Maintenance Update **P.1**

Cowl Plugs, Self-Performed Maint. &

Maintenance Summary **P.2**

Aug. Planned Maintenance:

N89549:
N96573:
NAV/GPS switch bulb replacements

N98887:
50hr inspection

N62104:
N684SP:
Super 50hr inspection, rotating beacon bulb replacement

N2806M:
Annual

N4335M:
50hr inspection

N1963T:
Engine run-up, and annual

How to Report an Issue (Reminder):

1. Take Pictures
2. Fill out Squawk sheet in Condor Pilots Lounge
3. Text/Email Chip Vignolini, 412-215-1225, chipvig@gmail.com
4. If there's another reservation immediately after yours, please contact that member.

You should always take pictures of any damage during preflight. A good practice is to also take a picture of the Hobbs/tach pre and post flight.

Please send me a copy of the photo and any issues found during preflight (especially flat spotted tires), so I can immediately follow up with the previous reservation.

If the severity warrants grounding the aircraft. Follow the same steps above, but you'll also find a 'grounded' sign in the back seat pocket. Please place this on the dash.

EYE ON IT

Reminders:

Thank you for all the support, I was finally able to remove the 'Aircraft Checkout' reminder, we did not have a single instance that I'm aware of in Jul. However, we still need to remember to insert the cowl plugs and aligned correctly.

Self-performed Maintenance:

Please DON'T! It may seem simple but could be causing even more of an issue. Just report the issue to Jason or I.

Maint. Updates in Skymanager:

I recently confirmed everyone can see the 'Known' or 'Reported' squawks when you 'check-out' the aircraft in Skymanager.

They are found at the very top of your dispatch page under 'unresolved' and 'resolved' discrepancies.

Please be sure to look at them prior to 'pre-flighting' the aircraft. If the problem is already reported there's no need to report again, but if you find something 'new' or the 'known' problem has worsened, please be sure to reach out to me (Chip).

Like always 'when in doubt' always report or reach out to me.

Thank you!

What's required prior to Preflight and Departure?

Always 'check-out' the aircraft in Skymanager and have a destination in the 'Comments' section.

Please continue to use the Cowl Plugs (even in the hangar):

This continues to be a problem. It's always important to ensure the cowl plugs are installed correctly after every flight. This helps to keep the engine warm, birds out, etc. I realize we hangar the planes, however we have birds in the hangar, and its good practice when off-field.

The cowl plugs should be inserted with the lettering facing outward (you can see it), and the zipper to the back. They should form a seal around the opening to keep the heat IN and birds and foreign objects out!

The strap should be on the outside of the prop, so if a pilot forgets to remove during preflight, the prop would rip the plugs out. There have been NTSB reports where the plugs were sucked into the engine because the strap was under the prop.

Maintenance Summary:

It's been a very busy year so far, and we're doing our best to keep up with all the maintenance. Just like you, I'm looking forward to having the entire fleet online at the same time, but as I say that, it's also a bit unrealistic. Given the number of hours each month, we're always going to have planes getting 50/100hr inspections, and that's usually the time we find additional items that need addressed.

But everyone can help reduce the time in the shop, simply by treating the fleet with care, take the time to do a thorough preflight and post-flight clean up, and PLEASE squawk any items you feel should be looked at.

Also, PLEASE don't hesitate to report things like 'Hard Landings', accidents happen, and even if there's no physical damage it's always good to have maintenance look at it, before another member takes the plane.



Flight Time:

2020										
MONTH	89549	684SP	62104	96573	98887	1963T		2806M	TOTAL	
JAN	0.0	24.8	0.0	0.0	24.9	30.7		38.6	119.0	
FEB	0.0	33.7	45.5	0.0	56.1	21.4		27.6	184.3	
MAR	0.0	43.9	53.3	0.0	44.6	0.0		34.8	176.6	
APR	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0		0.0	0.0	
MAY	0.0	52.3	64.7	0.0	59.7	20.2		37.7	234.6	
JUN	8.7	64.2	68.8	0.0	70.8	25.9		44.8	283.2	
JUL	30.2	53.7	53.9	0.0	48.0	30.4		52.1	268.3	
AUG	17.2	26.9	58.7	0.0	75.3	22.6		37.8	238.5	
SEP	40.2	55.7	42.2	0.0	38.9	29.9		12.7	219.6	
OCT	20.8	42.8	56.7	0.0	66.3	25.2		19.3	227.1	
NOV	27.0	42.7	41.1	0.0	51.9	10.0		44.3	217.0	
DEC	20.2	18.7	24.4	0.0	41.5	10.4		32.6	147.8	
TOTAL	164.3	455.6	509.3	0.0	578.0	226.7		382.3	2316.2	

2021										
MONTH	89549	684SP	62104	96573	98887	1963T	4335M	2806M	TOTAL	
JAN	31.2	23.0	43.7	0.0	11.6	15.6		25.1	150.2	
FEB	24.3	24.6	40.4	0.0	32.3	16.5		28.8	166.9	
MAR	21.3	28.8	81.4	23.1	90.1	32.7		43.6	321.0	
APR	24.3	41.7	50.5	86.4	64.8	25.9		44.8	338.7	
MAY	33.0	42.8	48.3	109.6	84.7	12.7		60.0	391.1	
JUN	35.6	66.5	60.7	81.4	54.3	25.9		33.3	357.1	
JUL	0.0	44.3	28.9	68.3	53.9	40.1		33.6	269.1	
AUG	0.0	35.5	80.1	41.4	54.4	20.9		9.7	242.0	
SEP	0.0	38.3	65.2	0.0	70.7	42.6		70.9	287.7	
OCT	0.0	37.7	49.5	40.4	11.6	24.4	14.3	38.1	216.0	
NOV	0.0	55.9	51.9	53.2	58.7	28.5	10.6	54.8	313.6	
DEC	0.0	50.7	39.6	49.2	41.3	9.7	26.9	53.4	270.8	
TOTAL	169.7	489.8	640.2	553.0	628.4	295.5	51.8	496.1	3324.2	

2022										
MONTH	89549	684SP	62104	96573	98887	1963T	4335M	2806M	TOTAL	
JAN	0.0	85.1	26.2	64.7	15.1	0.0	4.1	49.3	244.4	
FEB	0.0	40.1	62.0	47.1	38.9	0.0	0.0	52.9	304.0	
MAR	0.0	0.0	60.8	73.7	97.5	1.4	12.7	58.1	304.2	
APR	0.0	69.3	62.4	84.5	65.3	37.1	20.1	64.1	402.7	
MAY	1.7	60.1	34.3	103.8	61.5	0.0	19.9	104.7	386.0	
JUN	51.6	76.6	8.4	111.4	84.5	0.0	44.1	72.3	448.8	
JUL	41.4	61.5	93.4	18.8	78.1	0.0	47.7	73.8	414.7	
AUG									0.0	
SEP									0.0	
OCT									0.0	
NOV									0.0	
DEC									0.0	
TOTAL	94.7	392.7	347.5	504.0	440.9	38.5	148.6	475.2	2442.1	

Yellow shading indicates the highest flight time for the month/year.

Condor Hangars

										N89549
N4335M	N1963T	N2806M	N62104	N96573	N98887	N684SP				Club House



CONDOR AERO CLUB REGULAR MEETING

Meeting Minutes

June 7th, 2022

Look for July meeting minutes in next month's newsletter

Please note, meeting minutes are not published until they are approved at the beginning of each club meeting (i.e., July meeting minutes are approved at the September meeting due to picnic)

CALL TO ORDER

President Keith McPherson called the June meeting of the Condor Aero Club to order at 8:00 p.m.

President Keith thanked Cindy and PJ Smith for the tasty food they prepared for the social time.

The guests and visitors were asked to stand and introduce themselves.

MINUTES

Dan Cox moved and Alan Connor seconded, "The May 2022 Minutes of the Condor Aero Club are approved."

- Motion carried.

READINGS:	1 ST Reading	-	Richard DeVries
			Casey Matvey
			John Williams
			Damien Wissolic
	2 nd Reading	-	Michael Gaither
			Jason Mittenzwey
			Sarah Souders
			Chris Wohlgemuth

TREASURER'S REPORT

Treasurer George (B0b) Miladinovich reported the following account balances as of 5/1/2022:

Cash flow for May 2022 (Cash basis)

Accounts Receivable: - (\$70,420.73

Total cash checking accounts

Beginning balance - 66,199.71

Inflows - 35,674.32

Outflows - 31,605.41

Treasurer's Report (Cont'd)

Net - 4,068.91

Balance 5/1/2022 - 70,268.62

First Commonwealth Bank Loans:

Balance - 5,204.43

Rate - 4.93%

Line of credit - Line: \$25,000

Balance \$0.00

Off field fuel reimbursement as of June 2: \$6.87

Ed Sattely moved and Tom Collins seconded, "The May 2022 Condor Aero Club Treasurer's Report is accepted as read." - Motion carried.

MAINTENANCE REPORT

GPS Databases completed successful on all airplanes.

N96573 – Tach replaced; missing checklist was replaced; right main tube replaced; oil change at BTP; new LORD shimmy damper installed.

N98887 – 50-hr completed; replaced left mag; starter replaced.

N62104 – Missing checklist replaced; right NAV light replaced twice; belly sump drain replaced.

N684SP – Replaced vacuum pump; right main tube replaced; muffler replaced; 50-hr completed; repaired brake linkage.

N2806M – Missing check-list replaced; Oil change at BTP.

N4335M – Annual and A/P work completed.

JUNE MAINTENANCE PLAN:

N96573 – 50-hr inspection; GPS switch bulbs; right NAV light

N98887 – 50-hr Inspection

N62104 – Oil pressure gauge, fuel tank leak repair; Annual

N2806M – 50-hr Inspection; oil door; left wheel pant repairs.

N4335M – Auto Pilot and avionics troubleshooting

N1963T – Engine work in Elkins; oil filter and screen checked; cylinder pulled and checked.

REMINDER: Chip Vignolini reminded pilots of the importance of checking out the airplane. Also, cleaning the leading edges of the airplane after returning to the hangar should always be done.

If there is a problem, call or text the Maintenance Officer Chip Vignolini. He is available 24-7: Cell phone – 412-215-1225. If no answer: Email – chipvig@gmail.com. Other board members will help also.

LEWIS SCHOLARSHIP

Jan Lewis explained the “Freedom of Flight” Scholarship and answered questions regarding the scholarship. Entries must be in by the end of June.

PROGRAM

Alan Connor presented an interesting program of “Mission Planning.” The members were very attentive and enjoyed the presentation.

President Keith McPherson thanked Alan for the thought-provoking program.

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Carrie Matvey and Chip Vignolini will arrange for the picnic and golf outing. They hope to have the picnic & golf outing at the Strawberry Ridge Golf Course. Details will be available at the July meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

Dan Cox moved and Kyle Riedel seconded, “The June 2022 Meeting of the Condor Aero Club is adjourned.”
Motion carried.

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