

T-Craft Flyer AUGUST 2003

Dear Members – NO GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING THIS MONTH. The next regular Board meeting will be September 9, 2003, 7 PM at the hangar. Next general membership meeting September 30, 2003

CLEAN THE AIRPLANE AFTER YOUR FLIGHT - Some members are being charged for not cleaning up the airplane after their flight. **Please refer to POLICY #18** –“After each flight, the aircraft is to be fueled and interior and the leading edges to be cleaned and spray waxed. One half (1/2) hour at the hourly rate will be assessed for failure to do so.” It’s not hard to figure out who does not do the cleaning job after the flight. If you find the aircraft has not be cleaned when you get ready to go flying, call a Board member and let us know. Cleaning sponges and water are in the buckets setting around in the hangar. Window cleaner, towels and spray wax are located on the posts. If you need water for the bucket, water is available at the fuel pumps. Some people may not understand that when we say “clean the leading edges” we mean the wings, struts, wheel pants, nose, prop, tail and wind screen (wind shield).

A/C STATUS – as of 8-15-03

375 – New attitude indicator installed.

686 – Nose wheel and left main balanced.

64L– 10 hours until TBO. Bid on rebuilt is \$14,000 plus removal and installation.

91X– 100 hour engine inspection completed. 500 hour mag. inspection completed, mixture control works smoother now and primer line repaired.

29Q – okay

0YD –At 100 hour inspection, carburetor air box patched, new left main, all cylinder compression checks good.

Engine passed TBO. We will have 25 hour oil changes and 50 hr engine inspections from now on until Engine change. Bid on rebuilt is \$17,000.00 plus removal, reinstall and prop work.

New carbon monoxide detectors will be installed as soon as they arrive.

A REMINDER – DO NOT FUEL 375 after your flight, fuel it before your flight. We can better manage weight and balance by calculating useable fuel before the flight. A fuel gauge is in the aircraft for you to see how much fuel is in the tanks.

ANOTHER REMINDER – please do not forget to **SIGN OUT THE AIRCRAFT** before you leave the building. We may be able to figure out who (with no certainty) has the aircraft but usually have no idea where it is. If the Club receives a call from the FAA that the pilot failed to **close their flight plan**, we can be of no help to the FAA or (more importantly) to you if you are down somewhere. Sign out is also a security issue. If an aircraft is gone, not signed out or not scheduled chances are it has been stolen. The FAA is called and a nation wide search is then begun and getting arrested under those circumstances would be terrible.

FLYING CARDS FOR NEXT QUARTER will not change. Your yellow card will be good until the end of October 2003. Call Mike Chappell at 884-5202 or e-mail him at mchapp1111@wmconnect.com if you need a yellow card.

Please update your e-mail address and street address on Schedule Master on your user page whenever your address changes, this is a main line of communication within the Club for now.

Meet and greet fellow members when you are at the hangar and help keep an eye on hangar security.

Daryl Linde, Secretary, T-Craft Aero Club