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T-CRAFT AERO CLUB

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MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

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General Information

General Membership Meeting:

26 February 2008, 7:00 p.m., EAA/CAP Building

Board Meeting:

11 March 2008, 7:00 p.m., T-Craft Hangar

FUEL RE-IMBURSEMENT PRICE FOR January 2008: \$3.74

If you have purchased fuel "out of pocket", you can deduct this price per gallon from your bill, or the billing director can credit this amount on your next statement. Please include a copy of a receipt.

Club planes should ALWAYS be fueled with T-Craft fuel cards unless off site. 93S also has new fuel card, so follow instructions printed on the back of the card and pump screen.

Special Announcements

If you want to learn more about the Club, Club Policies, or how to retrieve a New Member Application, click [HERE](#) for more help!

Aircraft Maintenance

The sign-out sheets have not changed. Continue to use HOBBS Time for sign out sheets. This will continue to be the way you are billed.

Your aircraft are constructed from light weight materials. Slamming doors and forcing keys to operate can seriously harm latches and security devices.

Check [Schedule Master](#) and [Squawk Sheets](#) for critical information concerning the aircraft you are about to fly. Use the time on the Tachometer for Squawks. If you squawk an airplane, call Jim Eyre and the next pilot scheduled to fly the airplane. Write your Name and Phone number when you squawk an airplane.

[375](#): Nothing to report.

[686](#): In the shop for reupholstering and exterior repaint. Due for annual by the end of March 2008.

[64L](#): Radio Number Two is completely inoperable.

The **2008 Annual Report** is now available to Members. Please send your request to James Ferdinand at president@t-craft.org.

The **January 2008 Election results** are as follows: President - James Ferdinand; Vice President - Bill Zerfas, Secretary - Jeff Vanhoozer, and Facilities Director - Gordon Hall. Thanks again to Bill McGlynn and his Committee for conducting a smooth Election process.

An **Insurance Questionnaire** has been e-mailed to Members that must be signed and returned to the President no later than 15 April 2008. This Questionnaire can also be found in the T-Craft Hangar office. Follow instructions closely. Forms can be mailed to T-Craft, or you can affix your completed form to the Aircraft Sign Out Clipboard. **Members failing to complete this task risk Termination from T-Craft.**

To maintain eligibility for Avemco Insurance each pilot is responsible to keep his/her Medical Certificate and BFR current.

We are interested in stories and/or pictures of trips from the membership! Please remit to secretary@t-craft.org or call Jeff Vanhoozer (ph: 861-3972).



If you haven't been checked out to fly Back Country, should you be here?

91X: Engine breakin has begun.

0YD: Nothing to report.

93S: HSI squawked.

Did you inadvertently activate the ELT in your aircraft? Monitor 121.5 before fully shutting down your aircraft.

From the Membership Director

FUN DAY TRIPS

A member recently asked me about some places to go for lunch on short cross country flights. With the good weather coming soon I thought I would share them with you, too.

The flight into McCall, Idaho is beautiful, carrying you across high desert, forested vistas, and mountain meadows. You're within walking distance of local restaurants and gift shops.

The restaurant in the Twin Falls, Idaho terminal building serves a wonderful meal.

Sun Valley/Hailey, Idaho can be quite fun. They have a beautiful terminal building, they will park your plane for you, and they have a nice fleet of courtesy cars. You can go into town and have lunch and walk around. They do have a noise abatement policy for flying in and out, so check that out before you go.

It's possible to walk the entire length of Jackpot, Nevada once you get there. Although the casinos are the big draw, you're not far from a great golf course, restaurants, and live concerts.

John Day and Baker City are nice trips although they don't have places

Reminders

Carry your T-Craft Board Member names and phone numbers with you when you fly.

Winter operations are in effect. Refer to all pertinent operational warnings in your FAR/AIM, as well as Club Policy and Procedures.

If you have scheduled an airplane and cannot fly, please cancel your flight in Schedule Master. According to T-Craft Club [POLICY #15](#), the Board of Directors can CHARGE ONE HOUR PER DAY of the scheduled aircraft rate. Also, delete the balance of unused time so other pilots can schedule use of the aircraft immediately behind you.

The EPA is cracking down on pilots dumping "sumped" fuel on the ramp. It is a very steep fine if you are caught. We have purchased devices to filter the fuel back into the aircraft. It is a little cumbersome the first time you use it, but it is necessary. Remove the top (strainer) section of the fuel tester, drain fuel, and place fuel strainer on top of tester. Open top of strainer and carefully replace fuel back into fuel tank.

You can order Apparel from [Bulldog Shirt Shop](#) in Nampa on 12th Ave. They have our logo and will put it on any item in their catalog. Click on their name for the map and phone number.

Keep your contact information (phone numbers, email addresses, postal address) updated in [Schedule Master](#). To check or update your contact information, login to Schedule Master, click the "User" tab at the top, then click the link that says "Click here to edit your user info" which appears just above the list of users.

Gift Certificates are now available. Contact the Board of Directors for more information.

to eat. I have never checked to see if Baker City has courtesy cars. If they do you could drive into the city.

Murphy is not very far away and it has a nice place to have coffee and/or lunch.

Even Caldwell has a cafe. It is not very far at all, but it could be incorporated into a trip if you are taking someone up for a flight around the valley.

These are a few suggestions. If anyone else has some places they like to go to let me know and I can pass them on to the rest of the club.

Have fun flying

Jeff Beers

Please let [Jeff Beers](#) know when you earn new wings levels, or pass other milestones like first solo, new ratings, etc.

From the Board

The Board has decided to allow any members wishing to post classified ads in the newsletter for aviation items only.

Please email your ads to [Jeff Vanhoozer](#).

ANY MEMBER CAN REQUEST THE MINUTES FROM ANY MEETING. Any member that would like a copy of any meeting minutes can contact [Jeff Vanhoozer](#) by email. Any member of the board can provide the minutes as well.