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# T-CRAFT AERO CLUB

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## MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

### Ask An Instructor

#### General Information

##### General Membership Meeting:

28 October 2008, 7:00 p.m., EAA/CAP Bldg

##### Board Meeting:

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

##### Ground Classes:

20 November 2008, 7:00 p.m., T-Craft Hangar:  
Topic - "Ask An Instructor"

##### Fuel Reimbursement Cost for September 2008: \$4.46/gal.

Members who have purchased fuel "out of pocket" can deduct this price per gallon from their bill, or the Billing Director can credit the amount on their statement. Include a copy of the receipt with T-Craft payment.

**[Club planes should ALWAYS be fueled with our fuel cards, unless off site.]**

[Answers](#) concerning our Club, Policies, or even locating a **New Member Application Form** for your friend or family member can be found [HERE](#).

#### Aircraft Maintenance

**NOTICE:** Information below may or may not be accurate. Consult Schedule Master and clipboards on hangar wall for the most recent information concerning your aircraft.

[375](#): Nothing to report.

[686](#): Thirty-five hours past TBO.

[64L](#): Nothing to report.

[91X](#): Transponder received; scheduling time for installation.

[0YD](#): Alternator belt tension pulley and hardware repaired.

[93S](#): Rosen Visor ordered. Windshield ordered. No. 2 radio re-installed at Aero Services using a tool larger than Jim Eyre's.

NOTICE! Your aircraft must be properly signed out, including the correct designation; for example, local, cross country, maintenance,

## Special Announcements

**All new members** approved by the Board of Directors **MUST ATTEND** the upcoming General Membership Meeting to be formally accepted as Members of T-Craft Aero Club. Failure to do so will result in suspension of scheduling in Schedule Master, or possible termination. Call or e-mail any Board Member if you cannot attend.

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



How many T-Craft Members does it take to wash a Cessna 152? Photo by Jim Eyre.

## Reminders

**Park your vehicles** away from the T-Craft hangar, especially if it does not fit between the concrete drain and the building.

**Our membership has been doing a SPLENDID job of keeping the hangar and office clean and organized.**

**Delete** the remainder of any unused flight time from Schedule Master immediately after landing. Somebody may be able to use that time.

**Catch your sumped fuel.** Not only is it a safety hazard to you and your aircraft, but the EPA can

replacement aircraft search, etc. If an aircraft moves, breathes, or sneezes, it **MUST** be correctly documented for maintenance and billing.

**Got a squawk?** Write the tachometer time on the Squawk Sheet. Use the Hobbs time for all other recordings.

**Aircraft components and locks are very sensitive. Slamming doors and forcing keys to operate seriously harms latches and security devices.**

## From the Membership Director

*by Jeff Beers*

### Ask An Instructor

November's ground class will be entitled "Ask An Instructor". This will be a chance for you to ask a question on any topic related to your flying. If your landings haven't been the best lately or maybe it has been a while since you have flown into Boise's airspace, this will give you a chance to discuss this with an instructor. I feel this should make for a very educational ground class. Even if you don't have a specific question, someone else might bring up a topic that you find helpful to your flying. Like the saying goes, "A good pilot is always learning."

There will also be a drawing for one free hour of instruction with me. Not only will your questions be answered but you might win the chance to go up and work on it with me.

slap a heavy fine on anyone caught tossing fuel out. Sump the fuel into a **CLEAN** catch can, then pour the fuel back into the tank through the strainer/filter (located in your aircraft). **WARNING! DO THIS AWAY FROM SPARKS, OPEN FLAME, and ELECTRICAL APPLIANCES.**

**Keep the bellies on our ladies clean. Read "Aircraft Oil Usage" on the T-Craft Website for more information.**

**Okay, you landed and the wheels are still on the axles and struts. Make sure you monitor 121.5 before shutdown - to be sure the ELT in your aircraft hasn't been activated.**

**Look cool** wearing your T-Craft emblazoned cap and shirt that you bought from [Bulldog Shirt Shop](#). Located on 12th Avenue Road South, Nampa, Idaho, they have our logo and will put it on any item in their catalog.

**Post Post Flight Check List:** a) Clean all glass -- inside and out, including suction cup smudges on interior windows. b) Clean and pick up trash in cockpit and cargo bay. c) Vacuum carpet. d) Clean all leading edges, including wing and main gear spring struts, flaps leading edges, cowl chin, rear empennage leading edges, propeller, spinner, and wheel pants. e) Remove the Aircraft Checklist from your kneepad and return to the aircraft.

T-Craft Members are responsible for keeping their 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. AVEMCO will remove your name from their insured list for failing to keep your License and Medical Certificate current, and you WILL be suspended in Schedule Master.

Got something aviation **you want to sell**? Post it

If this class goes well we might continue it every so often. These ground classes are conducted so members can continue their aviation education. I have always learned something at every ground class.

Hope to see you there. The class is Thursday, November 20th, at 7 pm in the T-Craft hanger.

Fly safe.

Jeff Beers

**Also:**

**Begin reviewing "Cold Weather Operations", either on AOPA, or in the T-Craft Website.**

Be prepared for **unexpected darkness**. Is your night flying "current"?

**There is no waiting list!** Winter is a great time to recruit more members. Our aircraft **LOVE** to fly students and veteran pilots alike. Tell your friends about T-Craft -- **"Putting Wings On Your Dreams!"**

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 of Directors has decided** not to make any changes at this time in Schedule Master concerning **Standby Scheduling**. Members are encouraged to communicate with one another to assure cooperation and courtesy.

If life is too exciting, you can ask any Board

in the T-Craft Newsletter. Send your advertisement to the Secretary, [Jeff Vanhoozer](#)

Member for a copy of any of the Minutes, or you can e-mail the Secretary ([Jeff Vanhoozer](#)), and have a copy sent right to your home.

**T-Craft Gift Certificates** make wonderful stocking stuffers. Contact the Board of Directors for more information.