

T-CRAFT AERO CLUB

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MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

Merry Christmas! & Happy New Year!

General Information

General Membership Meeting:

No General Membership Meeting in December

Board Meeting:

January 10, 7:00pm in the T-Craft Hangar

General Membership Meeting:

January 31, 7:00pm at the EAA/CAP Hangar
Elections and Annual Meeting

Board Meeting:

February 14, 7:00pm in the T-Craft Hangar

General Membership Meeting:

February 28, 7:00pm at the EAA/CAP Hangar

DO YOU HAVE QUESTIONS ABOUT THE CLUB? POLICES? OR GETTING A NEW MEMBER APPLICATION? WE HAVE THE ANSWER! CLICK www.t-craft.org/faq.htm TO FIND OUT!

FUEL RE-IMBURSEMENT PRICE FOR DECEMBER \$3.619

Members who have purchased fuel can deduct this price per gallon from bill, or the billing director can credit the amount on next statement. Please include copy of receipt either way.

Aircraft Maintenance

[375](#): Brakes Squawked, checking out this week.

[686](#): Squawk on Transponder, Squawking 500ft low. Jim Eyre will check on warranty time left.

[64L](#): Annual \$1593.98- Replaced Static Lines, did 500hr mag check, Fiberglass work on cowling, 3 shock mounts replaced, instrument system filter.

[91X](#): Nothing to report

[29Q](#): Nothing to report

[0YD](#): At Aero Services (12/13/05) Putting oil filter adaptor on, oil sump heater, removing wheel pants.

From the Members

CLASSIFIED ADVERTISEMENT

FLYING CHRISTMAS at HALF the PRICE. Used equipment from long-time T-CRAFT member, retiring. Half the original price for every item. -- Don Dutcher (853.7520 or ddutcher@spro.net)

1. Oregon Aero Softop Headset
2. FlightCom headset
3. FlightCom headset
4. FlightCom headset (newer)
5. Saunders pilot kneeboard
6. FlightCom 2SX voice-activated Intercom
7. FlightCom SR4 extension for Intercom

Special Announcements

Winter Flying is here, Jim Eyre has posted some very valuable information on [Cold Weather Operations](http://www.t-craft.org/Reference/ColdWXOps.pdf) (www.t-craft.org/Reference/ColdWXOps.pdf). This article is a very good refresher, and for the new pilot dealing with winter for the first time.

If you fly 375, please do a mag check just before shutdown, this way if the lower plugs are fowled, Jim Eyre can be contacted BEFORE the next scheduled flight.

REMEMBER: We are all owners of these aircraft, in the winter months, it takes longer to warm up the oil. Take a few extra minutes to warm up the oil before doing a run-up. It only takes a minute, and it saves possible damage and extra wear on the aircraft.

Winter Flying Hours are in effect December, January and February. You may fly all three of your use it or lose it hours in one month, or any combination of these three months.

You can order T-Craft 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.

Reminders

USE TACH TIME FOR SQUAWKS PLEASE. This helps the maintenance team tremendously!

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.

Please "do the math" on your fuel reimbursements. It is very simple: take the number of gallons times the price per gallon listed on each month's newsletter. Write your name on the receipt with the total amount to be reimbursed.

8. Sporty's Pilot Shop combo Phillips & fuel tester
9. Z-Air "Universal Fuelhawk" measures inches of fuel
10. Push-to-talk speaker/headset extender
11. Original Weems Dalton Dead Reckoning E-6B, in box, with Aerodyne P-10 WAC/Sectional plotter (ruler/protractor)
12. Folding Jeppesen Navigation Plotter
13. Cessna IFR Plotter
14. 2 unused spiral, metal stakes for backcountry tie-down
15. Sporty's Little John for emergency urinary relief
16. FREEBIES (if buying others): Idaho Facilities Directory, State of Idaho & Montana Aeronautical charts, older sectional & WAC-scale charts, nav logs
17. BOOKS (some pretty old): Sanderson Commercial & Pilot Refresher, Cessna Professional Manual of Flight, etc.
18. Free copies Loran-C (Apollo II) handbook, other

We are interested in stories and/or pictures of trips from the membership! Please remit to james@t-craft.org or call James Ferdinand at 724-3309.

From the Membership Director

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

From the Board

ELECTION TIME IS HERE AGAIN: Offices up for election are President, Vice President, Secretary, & Maintenance. The Election Committee Chair is Jeff Vanhoozer. Jeff and his committee will be calling all eligible members for nominations.

Please check Schedule Master and Squawk Sheets for new Squawks on the aircraft you are about to fly. Also, please call the next pilot scheduled to fly if you Squawk the aircraft. **AND DON'T FORGET TO LIST YOUR NAME AND PHONE NUMBER!**

It is always a good idea to check with FSS before every flight. There could be new TFR's posted in the area you are about to fly, or numerous other items you wouldn't otherwise be aware of.

Please be very careful to ONLY wash the windscreens in an up-and-down motion. Also, along with your normal post-flight, make sure the keys and fuel card are in the bag and left in the box at the hangar.

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

THE ANNUAL REPORT IS NOW AVAILABLE TO MEMBERS ONLINE BY REQUEST.
Please send request to James Ferdinand at james@t-craft.org

The Board has decided to allow any member wishing to post classified ads in the newsletter for aviation items only. Please email your ads to [James Ferdinand](#).

Please 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.