



T-CRAFT AERO CLUB

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SCHEDULED EVENTS

APRIL/MAY

S	M	T	W	T	F	S
27	28	29	30	1	2	3
4	5	5	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31

General Membership Meeting

April 29, 2014 @ 7pm
Location: EAA/CAP Facility

Poker Run

May 3, 2014 @ 7am – 12:00pm
Location: T-Craft Hanger

Plane Wash

May 7, 2014 @ 3pm – 8pm
Location: T-Craft Hanger

T-Craft Board Meeting

May 13, 2014 @ 7pm
Location: T-Craft Hanger

Spring/Summer WK Seminar

Bill McGlynn
May 15, 2014 @ 7pm
Location: T-Craft Hanger

General Membership Meeting

May 27, 2014 @ 7pm
Location: EAA/CAP Facility

FUEL REIMBURSEMENT

\$5.47



SPRING HAS SPRUNG! by Ben Brandt

Another great flying season is upon us. Many of you have gotten out and enjoyed some of the great flying weather we have recently been blessed with. Others are still waiting for weather and work schedules to match so that a few hours of flight can be enjoyed.

As we enter this time of increased flying activity a few reminders are in order:

- 1) Safety – Consider any rust that may have accumulated during times of decreased flying activity. If you have concerns about your abilities grab an instructor and work on a new rating!
- 2) Stewardship – As Jim Eyre has correctly stated many times “You an Owner”! Please ensure that leading edges and windscreens are free of bugs. The acid in the bug “juice” tends to deteriorate the paint and we want to leave the planes clean and ready for our fellow owners. Vacuum if needed and clean any nose or handprints on the interior windows as well.
- 3) Share the experience – As many of you know our membership numbers are down which increases our individual portion of the expense. Don’t pass up opportunities to introduce a friend, neighbor, co-worker or family member to the wonder of flight.



But most of all..... Let’s get out and fly. The more we use our birds the lower the cost per flight hour..... IF WE treat our aircraft gently. Protect your door latches by ensuring doors are pressed closed rather than slammed and help your passengers while instructing them on the proper way of moving aircraft, closing doors and protecting the aircraft interior.

Have fun, be safe and enjoy the many flying opportunities that are available in the coming months.

That's not flying, that's just falling with style.
 — Woody, Toy Story

EMMETT

Fly-In



Dear Club Members,
 As a review, please note that when you log your time into the Flight Log System PLEASE enter the appropriate two (2) digits to the left of the decimal point and one (1) digit to the right of the decimal point. eg.1500.0 on the Hobbs meter would be entered as 00.0 for either the start or end time . Or Hobbs of 1502.2 would be 02.2. Or Hobbs of 1512.2 would be 12.2.

Sorry for the lengthy explanation but it is very important to enter the data correctly. You can also look at the dollar amount being charged for the flight and if it doesn't look right, change it as needed before clicking on the green "FINISH" button.

Thanks and HAPPY FLYING,

Reggie Sellers
T-Craft Billing

Paul Cainkar with Jeff Beers bombardier took 2nd place in the Flour Bomb contest and earned \$100 gas credit. Jim Hudson and Scott Cagle bombardier took the low pass award in the flower bomb, but no cigar. Jim Eyre, Brent Ross and his wife, Kevin Bentley, Nik Jones were also there enjoying the festivities. I estimate there were twice as many planes and cars as last year. There were lots of very cool cars, and one of the best breakfasts for an event such as this. A fun time was had by all.

N7593S -> <http://youtu.be/PTCMVd58m4k> **N13686** -> <http://youtu.be/tkj7dmo1Pto>



A **BIG** thank you goes to **Scott Cagle** and **Paul Cainkar** for submitting pictures of the Emmett Fly-In!



CABIN FOR RENT

This cabin, available for rent, is located in McCall's Spring Mountain Ranch and owned by a club member. It has access to the clubhouse, year round hot tub, fitness center, seasonal swimming pool, and tennis courts. Internet available in the clubhouse. Located about a mile from downtown McCall, Payette Lake and the McCall airport. Dogs are allowed with a dog fee.

Transportation to cabin available from Airport: Taxi service from \$5-10 or the city bus can be taken for free.

CONTACT ACCOMODATION SERVICES in McCall @ **1-800-551-8234** and mention that you are a **T-CRAFT AERO CLUB** member.

For more information go to <http://www.accommodationservices.com/Unit/Details/52956>

T-CRAFT MEMEBERS receive a **15% discount** off rental rate on non-holidays. (September 1st - December 15th and March 15th - June 15th) Book 2 nights and get a 3rd night **FREE!**



News Letter Contributions
 Please send photos and your flying stories to brent@papaross.com for inclusion on future issues.

NEW FIRE PROOF SAFE

The new fire proof safe for the aircraft logs is in the office and is operational thanks to Dennis Wheeler (I had someone to help me unload it from my pickup and help with placement).

The safe door cannot be closed without locking so there is an easy code with instructions taped to the top: enter *1234# turn the lock key all the way to the right and press the handle down within 3 seconds to avoid relocking.

To close, push the door shut and turn the key all the way back to the left, the handle closes automatically. The key must remain with the safe in the lock.

BACKCOUNTRY SEMINAR:

We had a great turnout at the 12th annual backcountry seminar, with 27 members and 8 guests. All members participating in mountain flying are required to complete an annual mountain flying ground school. This seminar fulfills this requirement. If you have been checked out or approved to fly the backcountry and did not attend this seminar, you must fulfill this requirement with ground training from a backcountry CFI, or take the AOPA Mountain Flying on-line course and watch the Dick Williams Mountain flying DVD.

The presentation slides for the BC Seminar and Weather part of the seminar are on the web page under the [News](#) tab. There are many web links of interest in these slides.



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DUST OFF THE RUST *by Jim Hudson*

Its that time of the year again to clean out the cobwebs, dust off the rust, and tune up for another flying season. As in any sport or physical activity, if you don't use it, you loose it. Flying is no different, in that it takes a few times out to polish our skills and get our "flying wings" back.

For our club's backcountry pilots, the policy requires a minimum of one hour practice of mountain flying maneuvers within 30 days of heading off to the backcountry. For myself, even though I get a lot of air time with members and students, that's not enough time. Also, I don't spend much C182 instructing time during the winter. I like to spend at least a couple of hours tuning up in our C182's. I'll spend an hour or longer doing slow flight, stalls, and practicing canyon turns. I'll do these maneuvers at high enough altitude to get to 8-10,000' DA. Slow flight is at MCA (minimum controlled air speed) with different flap settings in level flight, climbs, descents, and turns. This is good practice to get back to seat-of-pants feeling in various configurations to simulate approach,



flying, a good review of some of the basic PTS maneuvers and skills will help restore your confidence and tune up your skills for some safe flying and fun trips.

If it's been a while, and/or you're uncomfortable doing some of these maneuvers, give one of the club instructors a call for a tune up. You can choose the tasks and have them apply towards your FAA Wings credit or part of a BFR. A good review of the respective POH(s), check-lists, and PTS standards is also in order.

Another suggestion is to review some of the newsletter safety articles that have been published over the last several years. An index of the articles is on the club web page, on the Newsletter Archive page, or on this link : [Safety.Article.Index.pdf](#)

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landing and take-off climb outs. I'll spend another hour or so working on short/soft field take and spot landings, at Homedale and/or Murphy to get used to shorter/narrower strips. Enroute I'll simulate some engine out emergency landings, and do a few power-off airport landings to brush up on emergency procedures. Whether or not you plan to do any backcountry

As we start getting into better flying weather, dust off the rust and get your "flying wings" back.

Fly Smart, Fly Safe, Have Fun, and don't forget the "This is Stupid" Abort Now. Button

Jim Hudson
Safety/Membership Director



**Don't Forget to Stay
for the Hamburger Feed
After the Plane Wash!**



**MARK YOUR CALENDARS!
WEDNESDAY, MAY 7TH
Starting at 3 pm**



Join Us!
PLANE WASH AND WAX

90 DAY ATTENDANCE POLICY

We have several members who will be past 90 day attendance if not at the membership meeting. The policy will be enforced, which means you lose your scheduling and flying privileges. Inactive members must also meet the attendance policy before they begin active flying. There are circumstances which come up to prevent you from attending, please let the membership director know and we can discuss exceptions with the board.

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Poker Run

Saturday, May 3rd, 2014

Best hand – 60% of pot,
 2nd place – 20% of pot,
 3rd place – 10% of pot

Join us for lunch at
 12:00 at the T-Craft hangar!
 Cheeseburger, chip and a drink for \$5

- Signup and rules at T-Craft hangar* between 7:00 & 9:00 am;
- \$10 per hand buy in (one hand per occupant), best five cards used for hand;
- There are seven stops, so you may turn in up to seven envelopes per player. You may only collect one envelope per player, per airstrip;
 - Nampa, Emmett, Payette, Weiser, Ontario, Parma and Homedale



- You may have as many players as your aircraft can legally carry;
- Envelopes MUST remain sealed and can only be opened at the Nampa airport by a designated T-Craft representative;
- You do not have to start at Nampa, but you must turn in your envelopes at the T-Craft hangar by 1:00.

SQUAWKS/RATES

Always check current squawks on Schedule Master and Hanger Wall

MONTHLY DUES \$70



N67375: \$62.00 per Hour



N13686: \$86.00 per Hour
 ELT tied to 430.



N4464R: \$84.00 per Hour
 Ordering new lower plastic panel.



N1891X: \$125.00 per Hour
 Annual.



N7593S: \$128.00 per Hour
 Annual complete.



N9989E: \$128.00 per Hour
 Engine break-in phase. Will have a Starter Adapter shipped around Tuesday the 29th.



Congratulations!

New Private Pilot
 Slay Windham, Jeff Beers CFI
 Congratulations Slay and Jeff.

COMPLETED BFR'S MARCH/APRIL 2014

- Brent Ross – Blake Spry CFI (March)
- Dennis Nau – John Baglien CFI (March)
- Mark Pfeifer – Jim Hudson CFI
- John Page – Gordon Hall CFI
- Scott Peterson - Gordon Hall CFI



Sponsor a New Member and Recieve One Hour of flight Credit (C152)

MEMBERSHIP STATUS

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 Members