

Aircraft Locations

Comanche 9014PCHD
.....T-Shades, spot #2

Archer 47601.....CHD
.....T-Shades, spot #10

Arrow 31386DVT
.....West Hangar #7-12

Archer 30749..... DVT
..... East Hangar #9-9

The next rotation of the Arrow and Comanche will be in early October.

And More Goodbyes

TOM LESSOR

We had a couple of resignations in July. Dave Crozier and Jim Lawson have left the club. Dave purchased his own aircraft, a Mooney M20E, awhile back. Jim joined only recently but finds a flying club doesn't fit into his current situation. We say goodbye to both and wish them blue skies and fair weather in whatever comes their way.

Maintenance

BOB SKALKA

30749

- RT brake caliper resealed

31386

- NO NEW ACTIVITY!!!

47601

- Transponder certification completed
- Altimeter & static system IFR certification completed
- LT wing fuel quick-drain replaced
- Engine overhauled

9014P

- No new activity

Quack Gets Commercial Rating

TOM LESSOR

Congratulations to Jeff Quackenbush for obtaining his Commercial rating on July 14th. With the hours Jeff put on 386 at the beginning of the month there was never going to be a doubt he would pass. And 386 passes apparently as a good aircraft to get an upgrade on your ticket. Well done, Jeff.

Work Parties

The next work party will be held at **DVT on Saturday August 21st**, beginning at **8:00 AM**. Please contact Tom Lessor if you would like to participate. For those attending we will meet at the West hangar (7-12).

Board Seeking Insurance Alternatives

TOM LESSOR

With the decision by Avemco to drop coverage on high-performance, retractable-gear aircraft, meaning the Comanche, the board has contacted Falcon Insurance in Scottsdale to provide a quote on insuring our aircraft. Falcon Insurance solicited quotes from all of the underwriters that may provide insurance to flying club operations.

We have received a quote from W. Brown & Associates / XL Specialty. The price quoted on the Comanche and Arrow is comparable to what we paid last year with Avemco. Unfortunately the quotes on the Archers were nearly double what we had last year. The total quote for all four aircraft is \$7,000 more than last year's cost.

The board is continuing its research on this issue.

The Safety Corner

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The AOPA publishes a book called *Safety Review*. It consists of several hundred pages of sad stories regarding aircraft accidents. Why sad? Because it clearly shows that these occur to very highly experienced professional pilots as well as beginners.

So what are the common core reasons for this record? There are six very basic mental anxiety problems that underline these accidents. We will cover these one at a time for the next few issues of the newsletter.

The first is, "I've come this far and have invested a bunch of time and cost to get here. So a problem has come up? I am not going to give up my vital destination. Yeah, I can make it!" But it doesn't work out that way.

What is the alternative? Concentrate on what is the safest thing to do. Forget about focusing on the original destination. Plan a safe alternate.

Granted that is easier said than done. It takes discipline! But it's better than pushing on into an accident.

Happy Flying

Next Board Meeting

The next meeting of the Board of Directors will be held at Deer Valley Municipal Airport in the Westwind pilot's lounge on Tuesday, August 24th, at 7:30 PM. As always, members and guests are welcome to attend.

A subject that continues to be discussed this year at our board meeting is that aircraft usage is low and is causing some financial concern. The board is investigating methods to increase membership aircraft usage and if you have ideas or suggestion, please attend.