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Solos, certificates and ratings – Oh, my!



Jason and Bobby looking cool

had subjected him to. I don't know if that is a compliment or not. Well done, Jason! – Kurt Kallman

First solos; two of them! On May 17th Bill Karpinski and Philip Ferrante flew solo flights in N30749, each successfully completing three landings on a beautiful Saturday morning at Deer Valley. Their flight instructor, Paal Franzen, is very pleased to highlight this fact since these



Patrick looking at Rick?

are his first primary students to have completed flight training from the very beginning to the solo phase. Paal works at Honeywell as a Flight Management Systems specialist working on Gulfstream aircraft. Bill works at American Express and manages the Data Warehouse for the Risk, Information, and Banking Group. Philip works at American Express as an IT director leading an on line application development team. Both Bill and Philip are looking forward to completing the private pilot training and moving on to instrument training. – Paal Franzen

Patrick Buttermore earns his wings! On the morning of June 16th, Patrick Buttermore moseyed on over to Falcon Field and successfully completed his Private Pilot Practical examination with Designated Pilot Examiner, Kate Smith. Patrick was under the tutelage of Rick Ridenour and plans to continue advanced training. He flew his first passenger as Pilot-In-Command three days later. Patrick works at American Express as a Senior Programmer Analyst. – Tom Lessor



Bill, Paal and Philip looking pleased



In the pattern



Next board meeting

The next meeting of the board of directors will be held at **Chandler Municipal Airport** in the pilot's lounge on **Tuesday, July 22nd, at 7:30 PM**. As always, members and guests are welcome to attend.

Adieu

After 25 years with Phoenix Flyers Bob Skalka has realized the dream to own his own plane (with less than 50 other owners) and resigned from the club. Bob served as board member for virtually all of his time in the club. He spearheaded all of the interior upgrades in the Archers and Comanche and spent hundreds of hours in maintaining our aircraft. There's no need to say how much he will be missed. Everyone in the club owes him a debt of gratitude for all his effort and we wish him the best with his "new" Comanche, N9280P.

Aircraft Stuff

Locations

Chandler T-Shades

Deer Valley Hangars

Archer; N47601..... TS-10 Archer; N30749..... East 9-9
Comanche, N9014P... TS-2 Skylane, N493JL... West 7-12

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



Maintenance



Da Maintenance Guys request that you email your ending tach time to them when you get home from a flight. This will aid in scheduling oil changes. You can send it to ourmaintenance@phoenixflyers.org.

30749:

- Overhead light cover missing

47601:

- Wing root and door seals installed
- Nose wheel fairing top trim installed
- Pilot reports electric trim binding

493JL:

- Pilot's seatbelt guide broken
- Passenger side door welt pulled loose in one place
- Continued reports of autopilot issues – being monitored
- Pilot reports of #2 NAV/COM not working

9014P:

- Pilot's seat secured in full upright position. Needs new cams.
- Rear white clearance light replaced
- Landing light replaced

Please remember to log oil use on the flight invoice!

Side Notes

New board member

Ken Conteen was elected to fill Bob Skalka's position on the board of directors at the June meeting of the same. Ken will also serve as Maintenance Officer and coordinate maintenance activities on the Chandler aircraft. Jeff Quackenbush will continue to coordinate maintenance on the Deer Valley aircraft.

DVT fueling change coming

Your treasurer has been a little slow in getting it done but look for an email in the near future advising members at Deer Valley to begin using Cutter Aviation for refueling the club aircraft. There have been numerous reports of members unable to obtain fuel from Atlantic Aviation after 8:30 at night. When contacted, the Atlantic folks have told us they are no longer allowed to use the fuel trucks in the evening. Cutter apparently doesn't have this issue and they have recently increased their fueling hours from 5 AM to 11 PM. They have also stated they are available for refueling later than that but we'll have to get the particulars.

Welcome our newest member

We welcome our newest member-owner, Scott Haycock, to the club. Scott has a commercial ticket with instrument rating. Scott and Tom Lessor share some history. Scott was also in Rota, Spain with the Navy and even served in the same outfit as Tom, although at different times. Scott says he didn't do any flying with the Rota Flyers however but did do some work on their aircraft.

Board of Directors and Officers

Club Officers are elected by, and are members of, the board of directors.

President	Jeff Quackenbush	Vice-president/Safety Officer	Neil Tracht
Secretary	Dan Streufert	Treasurer.....	Tom Lessor
Maintenance Officer	Ken Conteen	Operations Officer.....	Damon Kelling