



Phoenix Flyers Newsletter

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Aircraft Locations

Chandler

Hangar B-8: N47601

Hangar H-9: N9014P

Deer Valley

Hangar 6-2: N30749

Hangar 7-12: ———

Officers

President

Jeff Quackenbush

Vice President

Neil Tracht

Secretary

Dan Streufert

Treasurer

Tom Lessor

Maintenance Officer

Ken Cointen

Operations Officer

Damon Kelling

Safety Officer

Neil Tracht

Board of Directors

Ken Cointen

Damon Kelling

Tom Lessor

Jeff Quackenbush

Dan Streufert

Neil Tracht

Happy New Year! We're back!

After 30 months, your editor (yes, the same older editor) has decided it may be time to revive the newsletter. Has it really been 30 months? It seems like only weeks ago I was staring at the computer wondering what in the world I could come up with to fill out a newsletter. Much like right now! But as I continued to receive various newsletters from other organizations I belong to (both of them), a sense of guilt crept in that our organization no longer has one. So here we go. Some of you that belong to Deer Valley Pilots Association might be noticing a slight similarity to their newsletter. Or perhaps you're not. Which is a good thing and I won't point out the border design, and the boxes on the left. Besides, theirs is blue and comes out quarterly. Ours has that spiffy Cessna up there in the corner and comes out monthly. Or quarterly. Or yearly. It all depends on the support received from our members. So ... biyearly?

Tom Lessor - Editor

3JL Update

Oh where, oh where is our Cessna at? Still with Beegles Aircraft Services in Greely, CO is where. As of this writing the repairs and painting are complete and the aircraft is being reassembled although the prop has yet to arrive. Obviously it's



Before Beegles

taken a tad longer than we had hoped or anticipated. Unfortunately there were significant delays in getting parts. And the amount of work involved. Beegles has an excellent reputation however and we're confident they're getting it right which is the important thing.

One note regarding the engine; Jay at Arizona Air-Craftsman did some additional cylinder work that isn't covered by

insurance but should allow us an additional 1,000 hours before we do an overhaul. As to when the plane will be ready? The maintenance crew is hoping to pick the aircraft up and return it to Deer Valley the weekend of January 21st. They also expect to get most of the break-in period on the cylinders completed during the return flight. *Tom Lessor - Head Writer*



Some of the earlier work

Annual Meeting

When: Saturday, February 4th, 2012

Time: 10:00 AM - breakfast buffet

11:00 AM - meeting

Location: Deer Valley Airport Restaurant

The annual meeting has been scheduled for February this year. The board didn't quite get it scheduled for January so we're getting as close as possible. It's not exactly the central location requested by some of the members last year but we are at least spreading the driving pain around having been at Chandler the past two years. We're looking to get back to our social roots and do the breakfast buffet before the meeting. We'll see how our presentations work out. We may be showing them on the windows

There is no agenda at this time other than the normal board presentations and elections for the board positions currently held by Damon Kelling, Tom Lessor and Dan Streufert. Members wishing to be considered for the board positions should email the board of directors . And if you copy the membership everyone will be notified of your interest. I intend to run again.

There won't be a board meeting in January. The next scheduled board meeting will be February 28th.

Tom Lessor - Journalist at Large & Board Member

Comanche Status

Some of you may have noticed that we still have 14P on the line. We didn't exactly get a lot of nibbles in our efforts to sell it. It's now scheduled for the engine overhaul in May prior to rotating it to Deer Valley. The board has discussed doing some upgrades at the same time since it appears we may be keeping for a bit longer. I'm sure it will be a topic of discussion at the annual meeting. We can make it an agenda item! *Tom Lessor - Official Pen Person*

On the License Plate?

In an effort to save money it appears Arizona opted to combine the aircraft registration department with the one that handles motor vehicles. Registrations have always been done under ADOT but the folks doing it this year are under the impression that a motor vehicle by any other name is still a motor vehicle and therefore must have been issued a license plate. Imagine my surprise when I got four of these in the mail with this year's registrations.



Personally I think if they want us to put a tab on a license plate they should at least supply the plate. The old registrations were quite explicit. The sticker was to be placed on the right side of the tail; kind of where we've always had it. This is a little vague although they at least placed the aircraft N-numbers on the tab so I'm pretty sure they are for the planes. So if you're wondering what that "tab" with the "12" is doing on the old registration sticker, now you know. It was the closest thing I could find to a license plate. But it's probably in the wrong location.

Tom Lessor - Cub Reporter & Registration Guy

Membership Status

As of January 1, 2011

41 Active Members

- Anniversaries -

Geoffrey Hoffa - 3 years