

Engineers Flying Club



Monthly Newsletter



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Next Monthly Member Meeting will be Tuesday, September 4, 2018 at 6:30PM at the PWA Pilots Lounge

Board Meeting at 5:45PM

President's Corner

EFC has set aside September 15th, from 9am - 1pm for the annual picnic. Lunch will served from 11am to 12:30pm. The event will be held at Sundance Airport. All four planes will be there. Remember, you get to fly with an instructor for free. So make plans to be there.

A couple of notes that have been passed to me, when fueling the airplanes please take your gas receipt from the reader. It seems people are forgetting and last week there were over 10 receipts left for 571 and 2SP.

This should be a no brainer but it has happened. When driving to and from the hangars on A5, look for planes. They have the right of way. To go with this, call the tower for taxi instructions before entering A5 as there may be planes in route to A5. Be diligent and quit making EFC look like a club of morons.

The other night sitting around a hangar with friends the conversation came up about EFC membership. It seems there is some of the membership who feel it is there right to be a member, and therefore treat our club airplanes

as rentals. Let me remind those that the airplane you are not respecting is partly yours. I have said at several meetings, I would love to see the hourly rate coming down but as long as repairs keep having to be made, rates are not going to fall.

Fly safe and smarter

Board and Membership Meeting

5:45 - 6:30 Executive Session

6:30 - 7:00 Financials, Maintenance,
Operations

7:00 - 7:30 Guest Speaker

7:30 Adjournment

Mike Crabtree
EFC President

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We continue to have issues with running our planes too RICH while taxiing. Remember to generously LEAN the mixture after engine start. Don't forget to properly enrichen it for

run-up and takeoff. Prolly solve most of your issues with rough mag check.

I still continuously see the over application of brakes/throttle while taxiing. Seems like everyone has no idea that we have nose wheel steering in all aircraft plus are racing to get to the run-up like they are at Darlington. Stop that.

I also still see most pilots relax the flight controls the microsecond they think they've landed. Please continue back with the controls throughout the landing sequence while keeping the nose wheel off for as long as possible. We've already had a major repairs to both 2SP and 78S both because of the fact of improper application of controls while landing.

Scott Law does a miraculous job keeping our aircraft maintained. However he can't fix what he does not know. If you have an issue with an aircraft, in addition to writing in the log sheet so the next pilots are aware, CONTACT him so HE is aware. I have known him for some time and I'm pretty sure he's not clairvoyant.

We have a member who is now a new instructor in the club. Ryan Dubord will be now be available daytime for primary instruction and club checkouts in all our Cessna's. He's working to get his CFII for instrument instruction soon. This is a GREAT addition to our club so please congratulate him when you see him next.

John Hazelton
Operations Officer

Training Session and Picnic Announcement

Hello All!

During our monthly membership meeting this September, Russ Roslewski, one of our club instructors will talk with us about safe and efficient operations in our fastest blue airplane, the Piper Saratoga Turbo!

This meeting is for you if the yellow light in the middle of the panel stays on the whole time you fly, if you want to learn to fly the Saratoga, or if you really just want to speak to Russ about the correct pronunciation of his last name.

The Saratoga, like our other 6 cylinder airplane (de facto, not factory), has Aspen and Garmin avionics, however, this is where the similarities stop.

You might want to take a look at the aircraft, POH, and accompanying STC's if you haven't in awhile. Remember, this aircraft is our only aircraft with; 1. A Turbo , 2. A JPI engine monitor, 3. A LoPresti cowl, 4. Wood Grain, 5. 2 x Sheepskin seat covers, 6. A tendency to fly FOREVER if you don't get the power back enough upon landing.

If any of this sounds exciting to you, you should attend, if not, I'd also like to mention there will probably be pizza. See you there!

Also, another EFC event happening this month is the club picnic! We'll have all the aircraft at Sundance for the afternoon and all club members are welcome to fly the aircraft free of charge during the picnic! Lunch will

be provided, but bring your favorite side to share if you'd like!

The time and address are below:

9/15/18 11:00AM – 1:00PM

Sundance Airport

13000 N. Sara Rd.

Oklahoma City, OK 73099

Lastly, if you're on (The) Facebook, you should join EFC's Group. There is both a closed, members only group and an open group. Just hit the request to join button on the closed group and you'll be granted access. If you're not on Facebook, you should give it a shot, it's the cool place to see all the photos of your grandkids and stalk those people from high school that you vaguely remember!

Thank You,

Matt Jorgensen

Public Relations Officer

Birthday Checkrides

If your birthday is in September or October, now is the time to schedule your birthday checkride!