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## Mentone Flying Club February 2010 Newsletter

Greetings fellow aviators, I hope this finds you getting over the winter doldrums with eager anticipation of a great year for our flying club. Hopefully, now that we've gotten through a very long and expensive winter repair season we can set our sights on putting some hrs in the air. How long has it been for you anyway? Are you even current to fly a friend around the pattern? I know for myself it's been tough getting the weather to cooperate. It's too cold to do T&G's or the ceilings are marginal or runways aren't in very good condition (not at RCR Jim) but now that's beginning to change and we can't say the planes aren't flyable; they're actually in excellent condition with very few squawks. I'd like to challenge you all in these tough economic times to buddy up in the planes. I for one don't like to fly solo but prefer to fly with the many friends I've made in the club. Go fly some approaches at ASW, or some night currency at an unfamiliar airport. I've found flying more affordable, enjoyable, and challenging when flying with other pilots in the club. Try sitting in quiet anticipation at one of Tom Flynn's multi-directional-triple-dip McTwist touch and goes at Plymouth, talk about biting one's lip! (Just kidding Mr. President)

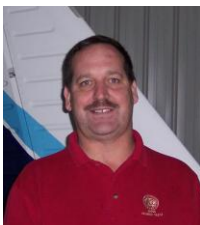
We've really got a great club, come out to Ugaldes on a Sat morn and you'll find 12-20 pilots having a great time together. I'm amazed at the various personalities and talents outside of aviation we have in our club. I'd venture to say that whatever we would try to accomplish, someone in the club would have the knowledge and or talent to guide those willing to help through any task. That's very unique in a club our size. One last challenge for you and then I'll be done. Lets all make an effort to take a few people you know who have never flown in a single engine airplane up for a joy ride. Perhaps we can encourage several people to join our club and begin their adventure in the sky blue yonder. Try to remember what it was that sparked you to make the call or stop by the airport to learn what it takes to become a pilot. Flying is something that needs to be shared so let's do our part. Have a great month; see you at breakfast or at the hanger.



Bob Wilson  
MFC Secretary

Four new Social members were voted in unanimously this month, all with the hope of becoming owner members. Congratulations to Clayton Folk of Warsaw, Michael White of Logansport, Vern Yoder of Etna Green and Robert Miller of Plymouth. Vern and Robert would both like to have a career in aviation. We hope the Mentone Flying Club can help them accomplish their goals. Come join us as we soar ever higher.

The next meeting of the Mentone Flying Club will be, Friday March 19th at 7:00 p.m. at the Rochester airport.



Tom Flynn  
MFC President