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Newsletter

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#### **Maintenance Report:**

4269T – Since the last newsletter 69T was flown to Plymouth, IN during the Blueberry Festival and while on the ground a high winged aircraft hit the rudder and caused damage. The rudder has been replaced and everything has been documented involving the other plane and such. The new engine break-in procedure is cleared up; we do ask that people take care not to make quick adjustments on power. This will help maintain its long life. Please be careful opening and closing the door, don't slam and it will lock successfully almost every time.

12874 – Good to Go.

4378Q – This plane is back in service. We are now using 15W-50 in it and all of the planes. Watch oil levels and mark down any time you add oil so we can keep history on each aircraft.

9442U – In Repair, parts are on order. Looks like it will be awhile before it's flying again.

**Hanger & Equipment Status:** The hanger is looking better with the efforts of everyone on Saturdays and during the week. The office upstairs has been re-arranged to accommodate a new computer system provided and Donated by Mike Mote. The Computer, Monitor, Printer, and everything else will help us keep records and download the new GPS Updates.

**Congratulations to Mike on earning his Private Pilot's License, Also to Jay Dunnuck for his first solo accomplishment!**

#### **Club Event Calendar:**

October 19<sup>th</sup>...Weather Permitting will be our Fall Wash 'n Wax Day. Following our work in the morning we'll grill some lunch and find something fun to do that afternoon with airplanes. Please plan on coming out, bringing a friend that's interested in aviation, and let's have a good time.

Our club put together a safety meeting with Don Hales and Dan Sedberry. They brought the vertigo chair and slide presentations on vertigo and aviation maintenance. We had about 40-50 people attend. Thanks to Jim Ewen for having a plaque made for Don Hales. Thanks to everyone else who helped setup chairs, get refreshments, and move around aircraft. A Job Well Done!

**Club Meetings: Our next club meeting is set for Friday 10/18/02 at 7PM. We will be holding Nominations at this coming meeting and your attendance is highly encouraged.**

#### **New Combination: XXXX**

As we approach a new season of the year lets take a minute to consider everyone that has made our club what it is today. Let's think back to what it must have been like for our past members when things didn't go the way they would have liked. We should keep our club in perspective with its inherent challenges and keep focus on why we have a club that has lasted 45 years. Aviation is meant to be fun and that's why people should be in the Mentone Flying Club.

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