

Mentone Flying Club
September 2005 Newsletter

From the August Meeting:

Shirley_____ – Owner; Dan Funk Motioned, Jim Ewen 2nded, All in Favor Alyssa Campbell – Owner; Jim Ewen Motioned, Dave Miller 2nded, All in Favor Uwe Paff– Owner; Jim Ewen Motioned, Chris Coffing 2nded, All in Favor Ken Graham – Owner; Dan Funk Motioned, Trent Powell 2nded, All in Favor

Treasurer –

23,000 in checking, all bills paid, and 4 untouched CD still earning interest.

Safety -

Jim Ewen presented on the steps to avoid a bad accident when the engine fails, and if it does, what do to do to avoid the worst.

Switch tanks if available

Apply Carb Heat

Turn on Fuel Pump, if available

Prime the engine

Squawk 7700 on transponder

121.5 and Mayday 3 times

Announce present location (will be recorded)

Activate ELT Before crashing,

No Flaps

No Gear

Open Doors and Windows

Land @ Vs1

Release Harnesses

Kick window or door open

Let air escape and follow the bubbles if in water to find direction of surface. When landing in water, land into the wind. If landing in big water w/ tall waves, land parallel to the waves to avoid an imminent flip. If these steps are done, you could reduce your chances of having a fatal accident.

Aircraft Status:

N12874 - Pitot and Static check completed and waiting for Vent to be installed. Landing light has been written up as inop. The GPS will work for a while then become intermittent, then go inop. If turned off and back on will go off in a few seconds and stay off. Maybe a heat problem? Annual Inspection will be due next June. ELT check due next Oct.

N4378Q - has a new left mag installed and is ready to go. DME has been written up as intermittent and unreliable. Landing Light has also been written up as inop. The left rear headset, audio out jack has been written up as not functioning properly. Annual Inspection will be due next May. ELT check is due in January. Transponder / Pitot Static checks are due in March 07.

N4269T - No Squawks at this time. Annual Inspection / ELT Check are due this October. The Transponder and Pitot Static Check are due next August.

Interiors –

Tom Waikel and Dave Miller took N4269T to Anderson, IN for a quote on replacing the interior. Here is their report.

MJ Aircraft Interiors

PA-28-180, Replacing 18 pieces of plastic. \$911.86 Labor \$ 504.00, Cloth & Leather \$7500.00, Total \$8532.00, Vinyl instead of labor \$7882.00 Total

Goodenow Upholstery KOQW, Aircraftupholstery.com Skyhawk and Piper \$2900.00 Plastic repaired and painted. Drops headliners and put sound proofing on headliner. New side panels in the Piper. No labor for changing plastic in the Piper. 3rd plane 10% discount. Don't judge me according to my price. I don't have the commissions and overhead costs that others have.

Paint for N12874

Dail Eastern states aircraft Painting new Wheeling W.V. Remove all control surfaces, Use stainless steel screws and linkages, Each plane paint would cost \$11,000

New Business:

Dan Christman, our webmaster, has started a new "Club History" section on the website. He is interested in your contributions. Have a look. Please dig through your old photo's and see if you can find some of our old planes.

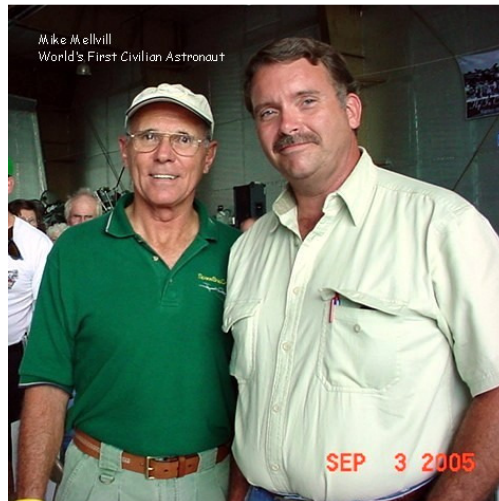
Club History:

Sept 1972 – Mentone airport runway was being resurfaced, the Club donated money to help cut costs.

8 Sept 1984 – Rough River Trip (Clifty Inn) at Madison, IN. Five aircraft were flown down, twenty people made the trip. Harrison Crabill drove down to provide ground transportation.

Sept 2000 – Long time member / club president Harrison Crabill passed away.

Picture of the Month:



Congrats to this month's Winner! Here is Rex with his new buddy and first Commercial Astronaut Mike Melvill.

Up Coming Events:

September 16th – MFC meeting at 7:00 p.m.

CURRENCY + PROFICIENCY = SAFETY



Dan Funk, MFC Secretary