

FIRST LIBERTY XL2 COMING SOON TO HICKS



Liberty Aerospace Delivers First XL2 to US based retail customer – also marks first retail delivery of production aircraft in United States equipped with Teledyne Continental Motors Inc. PowerLink™ Full Authority Digital Engine Control (FADEC).

Melbourne, FL (December 6, 2005) - Liberty Aerospace, manufacturer of the FAA certified XL2 single-engine aircraft, is pleased to announce its first delivery of the XL2 to a private individual in the United States.

Thomas Sams, a retired airline captain from South Lake, Texas, and his wife, Mary Jane are the first private owners to take delivery of an XL2. Sams is a 23,000 hour retired American Airlines captain and a current Flight Instructor at CAE SimuFlite with flight experience in over 50 different types of military and commercial of aircraft.

"We are extremely pleased to deliver this airplane to Tom and Mary Jane, since they represent the first of many private owners who have lined up for the XL2. The selection of the XL2 by Tom continues the validation of the aircraft's outstanding design and performance," commented Tony Tiarks, President and CEO of Liberty Aerospace, Inc.

"The XL2 is an outstanding light aircraft that clearly represents a step forward in general aviation. The advanced design, ease of maintenance, and flight characteristics were far ahead of the other aircraft we considered," noted Mr. Sams.

"This delivery by Liberty represents a benchmark in general aviation history, in that it is the first production engine delivery by Teledyne Continental Motors with the Aerosance PowerLink™ FADEC", said Bryan L. Lewis, President of Teledyne Continental Motors, Inc. "We believe the operational simplicity, performance enhancements, and maintenance simplifications enabled by the PowerLink electronic control will ultimately make PowerLink™ controlled engines the industry standard. We are grateful for the leadership demonstrated by Liberty in selecting this advanced technology for the new XL2."

The Liberty XL2 aircraft has been designed to meet the growing demand for a new generation aircraft. It is the only production aircraft powered by a piston engine equipped with a full authority digital engine control (FADEC) which simplifies power management and provides greatly increased levels of safety, reliability and maintainability.

The XL2 features a carbon fiber composite fuselage, a wide 48-inch cabin and cruise speeds of up to 132 knots (150 mph), burning only 5 gallons per hour. The XL2 is modular in design to greatly reduce the cost of routine maintenance and repairs, with operating costs 40% less than most single engine piston aircraft.

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Submittal Policy

The deadline for submission of articles, minutes, and reports will be the **15th of the month**. This should provide sufficient time to lay out, print, and mail the newsletter so that it can be received by the first of the following month. Please provide input in MS Word format, if possible. If you are a member and not receiving FLAPPINGS in the mail and wish to, then email **Mike Reddick** at michaelreddick@yahoo.com so that he can correct, or add your address to the current database.

MEETING NOTICE

HAPA Board Of Directors Meeting
7:00pm Tuesday, January 10, 2006
Hangar 735 on Taxiway 3

Income Statement

HAPA

INCOME		November, 2005	YTD 2005	2005 Operations
Scheduled Income				
	Regular Assessments	6,084	66,701	66,701
	Runway Fees (471 Lots)	10,795	117,878	-
	Initial Fee Income	-	500	500
	Total Scheduled Income	\$16,879	\$185,079	\$67,201
Other Income				
	Late Fees	64	1,044	1,044
	Fines	-	900	900
	Gate/Miscellaneous Income	130	5,597	5,597
	Interest Income	337	2,910	2,910
	Total Other Income	532	10,451	10,451
	Total Income	\$17,411	\$195,530	\$77,652
EXPENSE				
Administrative Expenses				
	Bank/Check Charges	20	175	175
	Collection Services	159	2,894	2,894
	Copies & Postage	448	5,045	5,045
	Data Processing	-	443	443
	Rental/Storage	-	170	170
	Licenses/Permits/Inspec Fees	-	-	-
	Printing	-	2,867	2,867
	Member Relations	-	1,505	1,505
Professional Services				
	Accounting/Audit	-	500	500
	Legal & Professional	4,465	27,333	27,333
	Management Fees	899	9,889	9,889
Taxes and Insurance				
	Directors and Officers Liability	-	-	-
	General Liability Insurance	-	4,510	4,510
	Property Taxes	36	2,736	2,736
Utilities				
	Electricity	-	7,545	7,545
Contracts				
	Lawn Maintenance Contract	-	5,343	5,343
	Light Maintenance Contract	-	-	-
Repairs and Maintenance				
	Common Area Maintenance	-	380	380
	Electrical	4,914	5,015	5,015
	Fences/Gates/Walls	-	-	-
	Landscaping	-	-	-
	Lights/Bulbs	54	453	453
	Equipment/Tractor Repairs	-	494	494
	Sign Repair	-	-	-

	Taxiway Pavement Repairs	-	9,108	9,108
	Plumbing	-	-	-
	Septic Field Repairs	1,143	2,188	2,188
	Gas/Oil	-	-	-
	Other Expenses			
	Misc. Expenses	9	143	143
	Capital Improvements			
	Capital Improvement - Signs	-	3,021	3,021
	Reserve Contributions			
	Deferred Maintenance Reserve	39	6,910	6,910
	Total Expense	\$12,187	\$98,667	\$98,667
	Net Income/(Loss)	\$5,224	\$96,863	\$(21,015)

Organizational Meeting December 12, 2005

The Organizational meeting of the Hick Airfield Pilots Association was held on December 12, 2005, at 7:00 p.m., at Hangar 735.

Board members present: Jerry Stern, Jim Rockwood, Bob Samson, Larry Henson, Dan Campbell, and Don Browning.

Association officers present: President- Jerry Stern, Vice President- Jim Rockwood, and Secretary- Carol Burns.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00.

Order of Business:

Election of Officers. The officers of the Association shall be elected annually by the Board of Directors. At the organizational meeting of each new board and shall hold office subject to the continuing approval of the Board.¹

President: Jerry Stern called for nominations for the association president. Bob Samson nominated Jim Rockwood; Don Browning seconded the nomination. Nomination passed unanimously.

Vice President: Jerry Stern called for nominations for the association vice president. Bob Samson nominated Dan Campbell; Don Browning seconded the nomination. Nomination passed unanimously.

Secretary; Jerry Stern called for nominations for the association secretary. Bob Samson nominated Carol Burns; Don Browning seconded the nomination. Nomination passed unanimously.

Treasurer; Jerry Stern called for nominations for the association Treasurer. Larry Henson nominated David Feil; Don Browning seconded the nomination. Nomination passed unanimously.

Adjournment 7:14 pm.

¹ BYLAWS, HICKS AIRFIELD PILOT ASSOCIATION, ARTICLE VI; OFFICERS

The President's Corner

The HAPA Board of Directors election is over, the votes have been counted and the membership has chosen wisely from a group of exceptional candidates. I am confident that the new BOD members, Don Browning, Dan Campbell and Steve Carter will represent the membership well and work well with the other members of the BOD to manage Hicks Airfield as a First Class Airport.

On December 12th a BOD organizational meeting was held in accordance with the Bylaws to elect new HAPA officers for 2006. Carol Burns was elected Secretary and David Feil was elected Treasure. Both will be serving a second consecutive term. Dan Campbell was elected Vice-President and I was elected President. I am looking forward to working with the other BOD members and officers as well as all the members of HAPA and I am honored to serve as your HAPA President.

As one of my first actions as president I would like to publicly thank Jerry Stern for his considerable efforts and accomplishments as president during 2005. I have large shoes to fill. I would also like to thank Kathy Stern for editing *Flappings* for most of the year. Both Jerry and Kathy are dedicated to assuring Hicks remains a great place to fly. But what else would you expect from a couple with a dog named Yeager.

We have a lot of work to do this year and my plan is to get right to it in a professional manner using the Bylaws, CCR's, and common sense to guide us in maintaining Hicks Airfield as a truly First Class Airport. I am looking forward to meeting each and every member and encourage all of you to attend the BOD meetings, volunteer for a committee or just share you ideas on making Hicks even better with me or any other BOD member.

Sincerely,

Jim Rockwood

President - Hicks Airfield Pilot's Association

Outgoing President Letter 2006

Fellow HAPA members:

Congratulations to newly elected BOD members, Don Browning, Dan Campbell and Steve Carter.. and to the newly elected HAPA President, Jim Rockwood, VP Dan Campbell, Secretary Carol Burns and Treasurer David Feil.

A HUGE THANK YOU to outgoing BOD members, John Unangst, West Sanders and Jim Yule and an equally Big THANK YOU to returning BOD members, Larry Henson, Jim Rockwood, Bob Sampson for their leadership in 2005..

Thank you, the membership and it's numerous volunteers for your support and guidance this past year..... 2005 brought a number of challenges to the BOD and to the membership... and as the 2006 BOD takes over the reigns, much is yet to be completed and even more is to be addressed.. Your continued support and guidance of your BOD is very important to the future of Hicks Airfield, every member's investment at Hicks and HAPA, this requires that we all stay involved.. I hope that you will continue to support the new BOD and to get involved in your Airfield.

I step down as your President, but will be very active as a BOD member and will be concentrating on the Runway repair project and the drainage project; two projects that I want to see to the conclusion...

A few of the accomplishments for 2005 and some of the members who made it happen:

Repair of over 8,000 sq ft of Taxiway (Many Thanks to many members for patching days)

Repair of the Beacon (Thank you Alan Sanderson & Billy Akin you saved the membership over 3,000.00 by repairing it yourselves)
South Entry Landscaping and Lighting (Thank you HAPA Walking Group. No HAPA funds were used all monies came from contributions)
New Directory completed and distributed (Thank you HAPA walking Group)
Sweeper Sold (at a profit)
Uniform enforcement of CCR's (PMG)
Speed Limit, Parking, Community Watch and various signage installed (Thanks to the HAPA walking group, Bill Anwyl, Cinnimon & Max Bandy, Billy Akin, & Alan Sanderson.)
Tarrant County Mobil Hazardous Waste Pick Up Day (Thank you Carol Burns)
Master Plan (Almost completed, Thank you Larry Henson, Max Bandy, Dan Covington, & Carol Burns)
Hicks Airfield's 20th Anniversary Party (Thanks Debbie Campbell and the HAPA walking Group)
Runway Lights Repaired (A very BIG thank you to Alan Sanderson & Billy Akin with a shout out to Larry Henson, & Dan Campbell)
Collection of over 2/3 of HAPA's Past Due assessments (Thank you David Feil)
Establishment of a Billing Issues review Committee
Establishment of a Violation Review Committee (Thank You Mary Reddick)
\$ 4,000.00 Reduction of HAPA's Property Taxes (Thank you Carol Burns)

* HAPA walking group = Mary & Mike Reddick, Debbie & Dan Campbell, Cary & Mike Spivey, Carol Burns, Bob Sampson, Rich Rudolph, Sharman Kraft, Kathy & Jerry Stern

Once again, Thank you all ... Please accept my sincere wishes for a Happy and Prosperous 2006..

See You Around the Field....

Jerry Stern

HAPA BOD

FAA to enforce aircraft registration regulations

Aircraft Owners and Operators - Check your Registration

Is the registration information on your aircraft current? Starting February 1, 2006, aircraft owners who fly an aircraft with "questionable registration" could receive a notice from the FAA, be cited with a deviation, and possibly be denied access to the National Airspace System.

So far, the FAA is just strictly enforcing its current regulations and has not issued any new requirements, and AOPA is working to make sure that new ones aren't proposed in the future.

This crackdown is an effort by the FAA and Transportation Security Administration (TSA) to increase national security by making sure that only properly registered aircraft are operating in the air traffic control system.

The best thing aircraft owners can do right now is to go to the following FAA website and enter your aircraft N number to see if it's on the "questionable registration" list. If the results come back as not found, according to the FAA, you're probably okay. Check it out at <http://registry.faa.gov/aircraftinquiry/defimgUN.asp>

But what can renters expect? If a renter files a flight plan, and the aircraft is flagged as questionable, the air traffic control tower or local facility will have the renter contact them to be connected to the FAA's Domestic Events Network. The renter will need to provide some

information, such as the owner's name and the aircraft's home base, before continuing on to his or her destination. The FAA then will follow up with the owner.

AOPA has met with the FAA and TSA several times over the past two years to discuss the problems with outdated information in the FAA's Aircraft Registry. At the time of the most recent meeting, 33,000 aircraft were flagged as questionable.

The FAA says:

On February 1, an operator and or/owner of an aircraft attempting to operate or operating within the NAS without a currently effective registration or a registration which is "questionable" and/or without a TSA required security measure/waiver may have actions taken such as but not limited to:

1. Notification of deficiency
2. A pilot deviation may be filed against the operator
3. The operator may be denied access to the NAS

Check your aircraft registration by going to <http://registry.faa.gov/aircraftinquiry/> and clicking on the link "Registrations at Risk" (left hand side) type in your N number. If your aircraft is contained in this list then your registration is "in question." You can contact Aircraft registration toll free at (866) 762-9434 for assistance.

CLASSIFIED ADS

All advertising must be submitted by the 15th of the month for inclusion in the newsletter. Previous advertising must be resubmitted each month. All HAPA members may advertise personal goods at no charge. All Non-HAPA members or HAPA members requesting business or commercial ads will be charged a nominal fee. To place an ad or get fee information please contact **Mike Reddick** at michaelreddick@yahoo.com or **817-439-0234**.



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