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Table & Chairs

The HAPA Tables & Chairs are available to any current HAPA Member for personal use on the Airport Property for activities such as parties, family reunions, meetings, etc. *Please contact Melana Sinclair to enter your reservation for the Table and Chairs. 817-306-8750*

Submittal Policy

The deadline for submission of articles, advertisements, minutes, and reports will be the 15th of the month. This should provide sufficient time to edit the layout of the newsletter so that it can be mailed & posted to www.t67.org by the first of the following month. Please provide input in MS Word format, if possible. Flappings will be available online on or about the first of every month. All ads should be submitted in writing to Ron Sinclair, 155 Aviator Dr, Fort Worth, TX 76179 or by email to Ron Sinclair at rons@concote.com



Presidents Corner

By Gene de Bullet

Dear HAPA Members,

Let me thank those previously delinquent in your airport fees for catching up. There are yet a few that have not paid and you folks should catch up as quickly as possible to avoid sanctions.

The BOD has done and is doing quite a bit of "house keeping" from taxiway repair and striping to major and minor electrical to repair of Septic. We are also in the process of hiring security personnel who are law enforcement officers. Their shifts will be split and staggered. If you see any activity out of order or vehicles encroaching on taxiways please call Larry Partain Safety Chairman at 817-319-2829.

We are visiting with the FAA and will pursue a new five year plan in April as discussed with the FAA.

We now have our own website under construction (more on this when I have the details).

My observation is that we have more people, golf carts, bicycles, and dogs on the taxiways than airplanes. *Please give way to all airplanes, at all times.*

Lastly the south gate project, approved last year will soon be erected (getting bids and property easements clarified). Stay tuned.

Those committee chairs and their volunteers should be "thanked so much" for their dedication.

HAVE A GREAT 2008 SPRING!



Hapa wants you!

*Mike Olson is seeking motivated volunteers
for the Hicks Field Taxiway Repair Committee.*

Contact Mike TODAY

At

817-707-4323

to volunteer!

Cover Photo by Charlie Woodard



Snow hits hicks Field

Photos by Kay Woodard

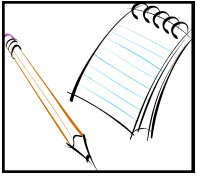
I was in Las Vegas when the snow hit March 6, and missed all the fun. Luckily, upon my return, I received an e-mail from Kay Woodard full of some fantastic shots of the late winter snow blast. These shots are worth sharing, so enjoy, and thanks again Kay, your now an official un-paid Flappings staff photographer! (kazoo music please) *Ed.*



Woodcocks take a break from IMC flying conditions at a handy septic field marker.







HAPA Board of Directors February Meeting MINUTES

By Don Browning, Secretary

On February 21, 2008 A regular meeting of the Hicks Airfield Pilots Association Board of Directors was held in accordance with the association's declaration and bylaws. Board Members and Officers attending were Gene de Bullet, Don Browning, Stuart Davis, Ted Kelso, Coy Surles and Jim Usher. Also present were HAPA member, Mike Olson and Carol Moran, representing PMG. Absent were Stephen Ramsey and John Unangst.

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 6:32 P.M. by president, Gene de Bullet. Introduction was then made of HAPA member, Mike Olson, who was asked to chair the taxiway repair committee. Mr. Olson tentatively agreed to serve.

Approval of Prior Month's Minutes: The January minutes were approved as written.

Reports of Officers: President de Bullet expressed the need for Board Members to approve **both the minutes and treasurer's report prior to publication. Motion was made and seconded.** Discussion was held and the motion passed with all in favor.

Reports of Committees: It was announced that the 2008 Committees are:

Architectural – Stuart Davis, Chairman
Electrical – Robert Avery, Chairman
Safety/Security – Larry Partain, Chairman
Septic – Ted Kelso and Stephen Ramsey, Co-Chairmen
South Gate – Jim Usher, Chairman
Taxiway Repair – Mike Olson, Chairman
Welcoming – Don Browning
Social/Educational – Coy Surles

Old Business:

- A. Security - The Board reviewed the continued need for security and options available to **them. It was decided to wait for Stephen Ramsey's report before a decision is made.**
- B. South Gate Installation - Ted Kelso volunteered to speak to Burlington Northern on behalf of HAPA regarding ownership of the property.
- C. Taxiway Repairs - The need for an accessible electrical switch to the Taxiway/Runway lights was discussed and it was decided to ask Ronnie Morgan to give an estimate for repairs for that and the repair/replacement of the burned wire to septic system near hangar 141.

New Business:

1. Spencer Hodge Bid - The Board voted unanimously to accept the bid of \$1,375.00 to connect the HAPA meter.
2. Website - Discussion of the HAPA website was held. It was unanimously agreed to authorize Ted Kelso to secure the domain name. The Board also unanimously voted to allocate \$2,000.00 for the set-up and design of the website.
3. Septic Line Repair - Authorization to spend up to \$2,000.00 for repair/replacement of suspected broken pipes near hangars 137 and 149 was given to Ted Kelso by unanimous decision.

4. Vote on Determination of License Fee - PMG was instructed to contact David Surratt with Riddle and Williams to implement the creation of a ballot to follow the court ordered election of the License Fee for Board approval.
5. Safe Hit - Presentation was made of Safe Hit, a product to enhance the safety of the airport. After discussion the decision was made to unanimously approve the allocation of \$1,000.00 for the installation of these devices at both ends of the runway.

Adjournment: There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 8:10 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Don Browning
HAPA Secretary



Mystery machine

Last month's "*Mystery Machine*" was identified within hours of Flappings hitting the newsstands. Let's see how you do at identifying this 75MM cannon equipped twin engine bird.

Send your answers to flappingseditor@yahoo.com and receive absolutely nothing but the honor and prestige that comes with the title of "All Being Master of Aircraft Identification". Good Luck!



March Contest Winner



In a new contest record time, Mike Porter (924) correctly identified our March machine as a Transavia PL-12 Airtruk. A product of Australia, the agricultural sesquiplane was indeed a bird of a different feather.



Financial reports

-Submitted by Jim Usher, HAPA Treasurer

HAPA Income Statement

INCOME	January 2008	YTD 2008
Scheduled Income		
Regular Assessments	19,348	19,348
Other Income		
Late/NSF Fees	249	249
Fines	0	0
Miscellaneous Income	0	0
Interest Income	94	94
Gate Income	0	0
Total Other Income	343	343
Total Income	19,691	19,691
EXPENSE		
Administrative Expenses		
Answering Service	0	0
Bad Debt Expense	700	700
Bank/Check Charges	5	5
Collection Services	(117)	(117)
Copies & Postage	429	429
Data Processing	315	315
Rental/Storage	557	557
Licenses/Permits/Inspection Fees	0	0
Meetings	0	0
Supplies	0	0
Printing	411	411
Member Relations	0	0
Professional Services		
Accounting/Audit	0	0
Legal & Professional	1,876	1,876
Management Fees	854	854
Taxes and Insurance		
Directors and Officers Liability	0	0
General Liability Insurance	0	0
Taxes - Other	0	0
Property Taxes	49	49
Utilities		
Electricity	2,026	2,026
Telephone	26	26
Contracts		
Courtesy Patrol Contract	0	0
Septic Field Contract	0	0
Repairs and Maintenance		
Mowing	0	0
Electrical/Lights	0	0
Fences/Gates/Walls	0	0

Equipment/Tractor Repairs	0	0
Sign Repair	0	0
Pavement Repairs	0	0
Plumbing	0	0
Septic Field Repairs	1,300	1,300
Gas/Oil	0	0
Other Expenses		
Misc. Expenses	0	0
Capital Improvements		
Airport Drainage	0	0
New Taxiways, Repairs/Patching	0	0
Total Expense	<u>8,431</u>	<u>8,431</u>
Net Income/(Loss)	<u>11,260</u>	<u>11,260</u>

BALANCE SHEET—HAPA As of January 31, 20078

ASSETS

Current Assets

Operating Cash - PMG 120,211
F A Bank

Runway Fee Reserves - PMG 1,206
CAB, Countrywide & FAB

Operating Cash - BOD 2,067
Justin State Bank
Cash-MM-Beal Bank 19,156
Beal Bank
Clearing Account - PMG 0
Total Cash 142,640

Accounts Receivable* 41,268

Total Current Assets 183,908

Other Assets

Prepaid Expenses 0

Total Assets 183,908

Note:

*Assessments 30 - 90 days 7,077

3,362

*Assessments over 90 days 30,829

LIABILITIES

Current Liabilities

Accounts Payable 2,904
Prepaid Assessments 53,223
Accrued Expenses Payable 0

Total Current Liabilities 56,127

Other Liabilities

Collection Cost/Other Escrow 4,615

Total Other Liabilities 4,615

Total Liabilities 60,742

OWNERS' EQUITY

Reserves

Deferred Maintenance Reserve 21,818

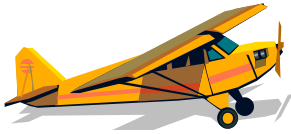
Equity

Retained Earnings 90,088

Total Owners' Equity 111,906

Net Income/(Loss) 11,260

Total Liabilities and Owners' Equity 183,908



Fly Ins & Outs

-  Saturday, April 5th—Waco, TX. EAA Chapter 59 Breakfast McGregor Municipal Airport (PWG)
Pancakes and Sausage every 1st Saturday from 7AM till ? 86.9 Nm S
-  Saturday, April 5th— La Grange, TX. EAA Chapter 1347 Central Texas Squadron Monthly
BBQ Luncheon (3T5) Come out and see some airplanes, talk to some pilots & eat good BBQ! Sug-
gested donation of \$7.00 Contact Skip Caldwell 972-242-4056 182.9 Nm S
-  Saturday, April 5th— Conroe, TX. 2nd Annual Taildragger Crawfish Boil Fly-In Lone Star Ex-
ecutive Airport (CXO) 1:00 PM– 7:00 PM Cost is approx. \$20.00 with all proceeds going to Angel
Flight. For more info go to www.crawfishflyin.com or contact Christie or Steve at 936-756-8499
189.3 Nm SE
-  Tuesday-Sunday 8th-13th—Lakeland, Fla. The 34th Annual Sun-N-Fun Fly-In Lakeland
Linder Regional Airport (KLAL) Bring the whole family to this annual aviation extravaganza. Fun for
all ages and plenty of activities for all to enjoy in beautiful Lakeland Florida! For more info go to
www.sun-n-fun.org 848.5 Nm ESE
-  Saturday, April 12th — Bowie, TX. Free Brunch for pilots & crew every weekend before the sec-
ond Monday each month. Also free transportation to the Trade Show/Flea Market. (OF2) 9:00AM-
11:00AM 44.2 Nm NW
-  Saturday, April 12th— Lufkin, TX. EAA Chapter 1219 & Angelina County Airport Fajita Fly-
In (LFK) Every 2nd Saturday 10.00-2-00 Discount fuel for fly-ins. 169.3 Nm SE
-  Saturday, April 12th— Burnet, TX. 2008 Bluebonnet Air Show Burnet Municipal Airport (BMO)
**Part of Burnet's Bluebonnet Festival See military air reenactments performed by CAF wings and
squadrons from Texas and surrounding states. This is a fun and educational event you won't want to
miss.** 138.1 Nm SSW
-  Fri-Sun, April 18-20th— Dayton, TX. Dayton Ole Tyme Days Festival Liberty Municipal Air-
port (T78) Fun for the whole family and a good way to help Dayton promote GA and T78. Good old
fashioned street carnival, and other festivities. For more info visit www.oletymedays.com or call
Linda Elyat 281-734-0330 215.4 Nm SE
-  Saturday, April 19th— Sherman, TX. Texoma 100 Air Race North Texas Regional Airport (GYI)
100 mile open course timed event open to all piston aircraft. Classes for all experimental and factory
models. Sport Air Racing League point sanctioned event. Country Cookin' Fly-in same day features
vast quantities of moist meat loaf and golden baked chicken with vats of fixin's for just \$10.00 a
plate Picnic in the Gazebo Contact Patricia Purcell 903-564-9410 for race info or Terry Vogul 903-
786-2666 for fly-in info. 59.8 Nm NE
-  Saturday, April 19th— Tyler, TX. Tyler Composite Squadron Pancake Breakfast & Fly-in
Tyler Regional Airport (TYR) Pancake breakfast and Fly-in every 3rd Saturday at CAP hangar 8:00AM
– 11:00 AM Contact Lt. Col. Louis Thomas 903-561-4764 107.3 Nm ESE
-  Saturday, May 10th— Corsicana, TX. 10th Annual Corsicana Texas AirSho C David Campbell
Field (CRS) The Coyote Squadron of the CAF host this spectacular event featuring Texas V Tail for-
mation flying, Vietnam era FAC 02 & replica of a Japanese Zero. Sign up for a free airplane ride!
Admission is 5.00 per person Free admission to Vets and active military. Contact John Ausley H 972-
279-0033, C 469-387-0992 74.5 Nm SE



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For an appointment please call
Jim Usher @ 817-236-7506 or Robert Read @ 817-439-0757.



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- **If you haven't yet provided an email address, please do!** We would like to be able to contact as many **HAPA** members as possible via email
- This is YOUR newsletter- Please submit articles, pictures, thoughts, etc to Ron Sinclair at flappingseditor@yahoo.com by the 15th of the month.
- *The 2008 BoD is looking for volunteers- Please Contact any Board member to volunteer to help with the continuing improvement of Hicks Airfield.*
- *If you have an issue and would like to address the HAPA BoD during a Board meeting, Please contact Gene de Bullet, Stuart Davis, or Don Browning.*

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