

FLAPPINGS

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Presidents Corner

HAPA Members,

The month of July brings a sad note. As most of you know, Don Wellborn and two of his friends were killed in Don's Mooney M20J. Don's death will be a great loss to all of us and to Don's family. All of us at Hicks extend our deepest sympathies to Don's family and to the families of the friends lost with Don.

Last month I reported to you that the new speed limit and informational signs were going up. As of this writing 95% of the signs have been installed. My appreciation to Bill Anwyll for his help and use of his tractor to drill the post holes.

Many thanks to Mary and Mike Reddick, Carol Burns, Bob Samson, Cinnamon and Max Bandy, Cary

and Mike Spivey, Debbie and Dan Campbell, Rich Rudolph, Larry Henson and Steve Creed for all the help getting the signs installed. I said last month the majority of the members and most of the guest to our airport have responded in a positive manner and have respected the importance and need for the lower speed limit. There are still a few who feel the rules are for others, not them. This month there have been 3 separate reported occasions where cars/trucks and aircraft have come very close to striking one another. All 3 incidents have been a guest or employees of HAPA members. I ask again that every member impress upon their guest and or employees the necessity of following the driving requirements of Hicks airport.

Please mark your calendars.... First on Friday, September 9 the Tarrant County Hazardous Waste truck will be on the Airfield to pick up items as

listed in the notice in this publication.

(Kudos to Carol Burns for setting this up for HAPA) On Saturday September 17, We will be holding a Open House airport party inviting friends and area neighbors to come celebrate with us the 20th Anniversary of Hicks Airport. For information contact Debbie Campbell.

I hope to see everyone on the 9 and 17 of September...

Jerry Stern
HAPA President

MEETING NOTICE

HAPA Board of Directors Meeting

7:00 p.m. Monday, August 8, 2005

Jerry Stern's Hangar/ #735

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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 **Kathy Stern** at Stern42@mindspring.com so that she can correct, or add, your address to the database.

Income Statement				
HAPA				
INCOME		June 2005	YTD 2005	2005 Operations
Scheduled Income				
	Regular Assessments	\$ 6,048	\$ 35,885	\$ 35,885
	Runway Fees (471 Lots)	10,749	63,443	-
	Initial Fee Income	-	-	-
	Total Scheduled Income	16,797	99,329	35,885
Other Income				
	Late Fees	115	1,154	1,154
	Fines	(1,150)	(1,350)	(1,350)
	Miscellaneous Income	-	1,372	1,372
	Interest Income	288	1,282	1,282
	Total Other Income	(747)	2,459	2,459
	Total Income	\$ 16,050	\$ 101,787	\$ 38,344
EXPENSE				
Administrative Expenses				
	Bank/Check Charges	10	125	125
	Collection Services	437	881	881
	Copies & Postage	647	2,803	2,803
	Data Processing	-	404	404
	Rental/Storage	-	170	170
	Licenses/Permits/Inspection Fees	-	-	-
	Printing	677	1,868	1,868
	Member Relations	45	1,063	1,063
Professional Services				
	Accounting/Audit	-	-	-
	Legal & Professional	1,844	3,684	3,684
	Management Fees	899	5,394	5,394
Taxes and Insurance				
	Directors and Officers Liability	-	-	-
	General Liability Insurance	-	-	-
	Property Taxes	-	1,857	1,857
Utilities				
	Electricity	1,377	4,970	4,970
Contracts				
*	Lawn Maintenance Contract	-	1,543	1,543
	Light Maintenance Contract	-	-	-
Repairs and Maintenance				
	Common Area Maintenance	-	380	380
	Electrical	-	101	101
	Fences/Gates/Walls	-	-	-
	Landscaping	-	-	-
	Lights/Bulbs	-	160	160
	Equipment Repairs	-	-	-
	Sign Repair	-	-	-
	Taxiway Pavement Repairs	-	9,085	9,085
	Plumbing	-	-	-
	Septic Field Repairs	-	375	375
	Gas/Oil	-	-	-
Other Expenses				
	Misc. Expenses	16	96	96
Capital Improvements				
	Capital Improvement - Signs	135	3,021	3,021
Reserve Contributions				
	Deferred Maintenance Reserve	-	6,671	6,671
	Total Expense	\$ 6,086	\$ 44,651	\$ 44,651
	Net Income/(Loss)	\$ 9,964	\$ 57,136	\$ (6,307)

* Lawn Maintenance A/P \$1,000

BALANCE SHEET					
HAPA					
As of June 30, 2005					
ASSETS			LIABILITIES AND OWNERS EQUITY		
Current Assets			Current Liabilities		
Operating Cash - PMG	Community Association Bank (First National Bank of Arizona)	\$ 53,150	Prepaid Assessments		\$ 39,366
Runway Fee Reserves - PMG	Community Association Bank (First National Bank of Arizona)	193,471	Total Current Liabilities		39,366
Operating Cash - BOD	Justin State Bank	99	Other Liabilities		
Short-term Investments - PMG	Beal Bank	21,370	Collection Cost Escrow		3,506
Total Cash		268,090	Total Other Liabilities		3,506
Accounts Receivable		38,822 *	Total Liabilities		\$ 42,873
Total Current Assets		306,912	OWNERS' EQUITY		
Total Assets		\$ 306,912	Reserves		
			Deferred Maintenance Reserve		21,331
			Total Reserves		21,331
			Equity		
* A/R: \$23,826 over-90 days			Retained Earnings		185,572
			Total Equity		185,572
			Net Income/(Loss)		57,136
			Total Liabilities and Owners' Equity		\$ 306,912



Hicks Airfield is twenty years old and it's time to celebrate! The Social Committee has scheduled the celebration for September 17th, 2005. We are planning on having hot dogs and hamburgers. We would like to invite our surrounding neighbors to join us in this occasion.

We are open to suggestions for making this a great party. We have considered static displays, flour bombing contests, children's games, etc. If you have suggestions or would like to volunteer please contact Debbie Campbell at 817-909-1936 or e-mail to: hicks20th@yahoo.com

Minutes of HAPA Board of Directors/General Meeting

July 12, 2005

No quorum was present and an open, informal general membership discussion followed. No formal minutes recorded.

A Water Runoff Solution

Dan Campbell

For years, we've had a drainage problem on the north side of our hangar. Water draining off the airport after a "Texas Sprinkle" sometimes amounted to a torrent of water six inches, or more, going into the field on our east side. As long as the lot next to us was vacant, there was no pressing problem. The lot was the low spot on the taxiway and usually looked like a swamp after a rain.

When Dennis Barbini started construction on his hangar, we decided that now was the best time to fix this problem. He wanted to elevate his floor to the same level as mine to keep his hangar dry, and that would create a second rate dam right in front of our hangars. There was no way we could ignore this problem.

I already had downspout drains on my hangar, just to get the rain away from our foundation. With that for a start, we thought the best plan would take the water from the taxiway between our ramps, and the water from our downspouts, and pipe it out to the field behind us. We got 8 inch diameter PVC pipe, (I wouldn't recommend anything smaller) and laid them out in the lowest area between our hangars. The downspout drain holes were cut with a saber saw.

The catchment basin was put in when Dennis' ramp was made. So far the whole system has cost us about \$800, including the fill dirt to level the space between our hangars. It could be retro fit between anyone's hangars.

Did our project work? You bet! The first heavy rain sent about six inches of steady runoff down the pipe. The fill dirt between our hangars stays dry and there's no lake in front of our hangars. Another benefit is that the pump alarm on our septic field doesn't blow after every shower - maybe that system will last longer.

Hicks field was not laid out with drainage in mind, and flooded hangars have been a problem. Installing drains like ours could help fix a lot of drainage problems on the field. I believe each lot owner has the responsibility to provide the best possible drainage for their lot. Not all the lots have a drainage problem, however hopefully it is something each owner considered when they bought their lots.

Here is a photo of our drain.



FLYING BUDDY SEMINAR

Sunday, September 11, 2005, 10:30 AM

Hicks Airport, hangar # 729

The AOPA Pinch Hitter video will be shown, followed by a short presentation by CFI Lisa Stratton and ATC Jodi Gibson (Alliance Tower). A question and answer period will follow.

The Fort Worth 99s chapter is happy to sponsor this seminar to introduce the non-flyer to some of the important features and procedures of an aircraft, should any kind of emergency arise.

A pot luck lunch will be followed by the opportunity for attendees to sit in several different aircraft to learn how to zero in on these instruments in different configurations on the panel.

Cost: a pot luck lunch item

RSVP to Melanie at Planedancer@aol.com or call (817) 637-4794 no later than September 1, 2005.

MONTHLY SAFETY TIPS

WEST NILE VIRUS

With the arrival of summer and the occasional rain shower, comes the problem of mosquitoes and the potential of West Nile virus transmission. The West Nile virus causes encephalitis, or inflammation of the brain. The virus has been identified in most all counties in Texas. It is transmitted to humans by mosquitoes that draw the virus from infected birds. The virus is NOT transmitted directly from animal to person, person to animal, animal to animal, or person to person.

The risk of becoming ill from a single mosquito bite is extremely low. Most people infected with the virus are not aware they have contracted it. If a person does become ill, clinical signs are usually mild and include fever, headache, and body aches. People with a more severe case of the illness would experience a high fever, neck stiffness, muscle weakness, convulsions, and paralysis. The elderly population is most at risk of death from severe illness.

There is no human vaccine against the virus; the best prevention is limiting exposure to mosquitoes. The following actions may reduce the risk of mosquito bites and possible exposure to West Nile virus:

- * Avoid outdoor activities at dawn, dusk, and early evening when mosquitoes are most active.
- * If you must be outdoors during times of high mosquito activity, protect yourself by wearing long Sleeves, pants, socks, and shoes.
- * Use mosquito repellent on exposed skin AND SPRAY CLOTHING. Mosquitoes can bite Through thin layers of clothing. Choose a repellent with permethrin or DEET as an ingredient And follow the manufacturer's direction for application.
- * Keep doors and windows closed or at least covered with screens in good repair.
- * Eliminate any stagnant, standing water where mosquitoes are known to breed, (I.e., flower pots, Old tires, wading pools, or low lying areas where drainage is a problem.

I know that due to our lack of rainfall, we do not have many areas of standing water. If however, your property does have a drainage problem and you notice stagnant water, it can be treated to control mosquito breeding. Russell Feed & Supply sells the tablets to treat stagnant water. Russell Feed & Supply is located at 5810 Jacksboro Highway and the phone number is (817) 626.8452. I urge you to treat any standing water as soon as possible. Also, we need to watch for dead birds on the property. Wild birds infected with the virus are most often found dead. If you discover a dead jay, crow, or hawk, wear heavy gloves to pick the bird up and place it in a plastic bag and then contact the Texas Department of Health, toll-free at (888) 883.9997 for West Nile virus testing. Additional information is available by clicking on the West Nile virus information link on the TDH website at www.tdh.state.tx.us.

Submitted by Mike Spivey
Safety Committee Chairman





UNINCORPORATED TARRANT COUNTY * HOUSEHOLD * CHEMICAL COLLECTION



Tarrant County, with the City of Fort Worth Environmental Management Department, is offering it's citizens in the unincorporated neighborhoods the opportunity to dispose of their **household** chemical wastes properly. The City of Fort Worth's Mobile Collection Unit will be visiting area communities to help residents dispose of these materials safely, efficiently ... at no cost!

We Can Accept The Following Materials:

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|-----------------|---------------------|--------------------|
| Acids | Fertilizers | Pesticides |
| Aerosol Cans | Fluorescent Lights | Pharmaceuticals |
| All Batteries | Gasoline | Photo Chemicals |
| Antifreeze | Herbicide | Pool Chemicals |
| Brake Fluid | Household Chemicals | Oil Filters |
| Craft Chemicals | Motor Oil | Solvents |
| Hobby Chemicals | Paints/Stains | Transmission Fluid |
| Degreasers | Paint Thinners | Varnishes |
| Drain Cleaners | Pest Strips | |

We Can NOT Accept:

- | | |
|--------------------------|--|
| Ammunition | Medical Waste |
| Explosives | Radioactive Material (Smoke Detectors) |
| Propane/Butane Cylinders | Tires |
- Note: No waste generated by Business or Commercial Operations.**

COLLECTION DATE

For: **HICKS AIRFIELD**

Location: _____

120 Aviator Dr

Date: _____

September 9, 2005

Time: **5:30 pm to 7:30 pm**

First Come-First Served



Please bring a copy of your drivers' license for proof of residency.
Collection limited to the first 50 households

If you can't make this date or you are not one of the first 50 households to be served, please call Robert Berndt at 817-884-2634 for other drop off opportunities and additional information.

CLASSIFIED ADVERTISING

All advertising must be submitted each month by the 15th for inclusion in the newsletter. Previous advertising must be resubmitted each month. All HAPA members may advertise personal goods at no charge. Non HAPA members or HAPA members requesting business or commercial ads will be charged a nominal fee. You may contact Jim Usher at 817-236-7506 or jcusher@charter.net for fee information or to place an ad.



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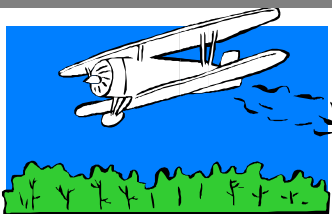
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DATE	EVENT	CONTACT
September 17, 2005	Hicks Airfield 20th Anniversary Bash	Debbie Campbell 817-439-1936
December 3, 2005	Annual Meeting Christmas Party	Debbie Campbell 817-439-1936



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PMG must have your correct mailing address on file to send HAPA members necessary information (ballots, assessments, notifications to members, etc.) Please make sure that Leslie Newton has your current information. She may be reached at:

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