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On the cover...

Gary Kirby and Tom Moore at the US Aviation FBO Grand Opening Grand at the Denton Airport.

Upcoming Events:

May 12, 2011 – Monthly Chapter Meeting at Collin County Community College. Sport Air Racing! Chester Jurskis, of the Sport Air Racing League, is giving a presentation on "Racing For The Rest Of Us!". It is the goal of the Sport Air Racing League to promote open course air racing for experimental and production aircraft. The meeting starts at 7 pm in rooms B108 and B110 on the first floor of the "B" wing at the Central Park Campus in McKinney. Everyone is welcome!

May 14, 2011 – TFC Spring Picnic and Fly-In. TFC Hangar (#220) North Ramp, McKinney, TX. Please join the Texins Flying Club at McKinney Airport on Saturday, May 14, 2011. We will fire up the barbeque and get some burgers and dogs cooking around 11am. It's a fun time for all and a great way to meet fellow pilots, find a new buddy to share expenses with for those \$100 hamburger runs later in the year, and to do some hangar flying. Everyone is welcome, you don't need to be a member. Feel free to bring friends and family.

May 19, 2011 – Officers Meeting at Cutter Aviation (KTKI) – 7:30 pm.

May 21, 2011 – International Learn to Fly Day at Collin County Regional Airport, hosted by EAA Chapter 1246. You're invited to participate as EAA Chapter 1246 hosts International Learn To Fly Day at Collin County Regional Airport in McKinney, TX, on Saturday, May 21, 2011. This free event is to invite people interested in aviation to learn more by meeting local aviators and hear about the initial steps toward "living the dream" of personal flight. http://www.eaa1246.org/learntoflyday.asp

May 27-29, 2011 - RANGER FLY-IN & AIRSHOW #4, Ranger Antique Airfield (F23), Ranger, TX. Fly-In & Airshow at Texas' 3rd oldest airfield. Fish Fry and Airshow Fri. evening (Field closed 7:00-7:30) Lions Club breakfast Sat. morning. BBQ lunch served to pilots and passengers only Sat. 11:30. (Field closed 1:00-2:30 for airshow) TX Antique Aircraft meeting Sat. Great 3300 ft. grass runway. Show your support of the volunteer-supported field by bringing your aircraft and spreading the word. Showers available for campers. Contact Jared Calvert, 254-433-1267. http://www.rangerairfield.org/

June 4, 2011 – First Saturday Coffee & Donuts - 9:00 am at Chuck Roberts Hangar (#2520) in the McKinney HOA.

June 9, 2011 – Monthly Chapter Meeting at Collin County Community College. Ken Wiegand, Executive Director of the Collin County Regional Airport, will give a presentation about what's in store for Collin County Regional Airport.

June 16, 2011 - Officers Meeting at Cutter Aviation (KTKI) - 7:30 pm.

July 2, 2011 - First Saturday Coffee & Donuts - 9:00 am at Chuck Roberts Hangar (#2520) in the McKinney HOA.

July 14, 2011 – Monthly Chapter Meeting at Collin County Community College.

July 21, 2011 – Officers Meeting at Cutter Aviation (KTKI) – 7:30 pm.

August 6, 2011 - First Saturday Coffee & Donuts - 9:00 am at Chuck Roberts Hangar (#2520) in the McKinney HOA.

August 11, 2011 - Monthly Chapter Meeting at Collin County Community College.

August 18, 2011 – Officers Meeting at Cutter Aviation (KTKI) – 7:30 pm.

September 3, 2011 – First Saturday Coffee & Donuts - 9:00 am at Chuck Roberts Hangar (#2520) in the McKinney HOA.

September 8, 2011 – Monthly Chapter Meeting at Collin County Community College.

September 15, 2011 – Officers Meeting at Cutter Aviation (KTKI) – 7:30 pm.

October 1, 2011 – First Saturday Coffee & Donuts - 9:00 am at Chuck Roberts Hangar (#2520) in the McKinney HOA.

October 13, 2011 – Monthly Chapter Meeting at Collin County Community College.

October 20, 2011 – Officers Meeting at Cutter Aviation (KTKI) – 7:30 pm.

November 5, 2011 – First Saturday Coffee & Donuts - 9:00 am at Chuck Roberts Hangar (#2520) in the McKinney HOA.

 $\textbf{November 10, 2011} \cdot \underline{\textbf{Monthly Chapter Meeting}} \ \ \text{at Collin County Community College}.$

November 17, 2011 - Officers Meeting at Cutter Aviation (KTKI) – 7:30 pm.

- **Chapter Meetings** are held at 7 pm in <u>Conference Center Room D 106, Section A</u> on the second Thursday of each month. Everyone is welcome. You don't have to be a pilot or a member to attend.
- Officers Meetings are held at 7:30 pm at the <u>Cutter Aviation</u> Conference Room at Collin County Regional Airport in McKinney Texas. Members are welcome to attend.

Chapter News...

EAA Chapter 1246 Monthly Meeting for May 12th, 2011

Sport Air Racing - Chester Jurskis



Racing For The Rest Of Us!!

The <u>Sport Air Racing League</u> exists to promote open course air racing for experimental and production aircraft. Air Racing is currently dominated by the National Air Races at Reno. Attempts have been made to create a series of races across the country – Phoenix in 1994 and 1995, Tunica in 2005 – without success. With the increasing proliferation of high performance experimental aircraft, there existed a need for a racing league for pilot/owners who do not have the deep pockets necessary to race at Reno, even in the Sport Class.

For this Chapter meeting, we will be meeting in rooms B108 and B110, which is on the first of the "B" wing at the Central Park Campus in McKinney. After May, we will be back in our regular meeting place.





Be sure and buy your Raffle Tickets!

We have a drawing for prizes at the end of every Monthly Chapter Meeting. You can purchase your tickets before the meeting or during our break before the nights main presentation.





The Meetin' Place

Collin County Community College, McKinney, TX
Central Park Campus
Telephone: 972-548-6790
2200 W. University Drive
McKinney, TX 75070
Meetings are held in Conference Room D106A on the second Thursday of each month at 7:00 PM

Directions: North on Central Expressway (Highway 75) to McKinney, TX. Left on Highway 380 (W. University Drive)
Turn right at Collin County Community College entrance.



International Learn To Fly Day May 21, 2011

In cooperation of the Collin County Regional Airport in McKinney, EAA Chapter 1246 has taken on the task of putting an event together to celebrate this day by promoting general aviation and hopefully kindling an interest in learning to fly.

The event will be held in the Cutter Aviation hangar, as well as the adjacent static area to the north of the hangar. It will start at 10 am and end at 3-4 pm. We are asking our own EAA Chapter 1246 members to bring our their aircraft for display and be ready to answer questions from the general public. We will also have a variety of flight schools and instructors on hand to speak with people who visit. We'll have hot dogs, chips and drinks; along with a drawing for prizes at the conclusion of lunch. Those visitors who win the drawing will receive a free airplane ride, courtesy of one of our Chapter Members.

TFC Spring Picnic and Fly-In - May 14, 2011



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http://www.texinsflyingclub.org

EAA Chapter 1246 Monthly Meeting - June 9, 2011



Ken Wiegand, Executive Director of the Collin County
Regional Airport, will give a presentation about what's in
store for Collin County Regional Airport. Ken has been
executive director of the Collin County Regional Airport since
2002. Ken is an accredited member of the American
Association of Airport Executives, holds a commercial pilot's
license in helicopter and fixed wing aircraft, and earned a
Master's degree in Business Administration from EmbryRiddle Aeronautical University.



Have you paid your Chapter Dues?

Your dues payments help fund all the functions that we enjoy throughout the year.

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1st Saturday Coffee and Donuts!



Let's get together for some fellowship and fun. There will be hot (Free) coffee and donuts for everyone on the first Saturday of every month at Chuck Roberts Hangar (#2520) in the McKinney Hangars Association area.

Gathering time will be around 9:00 am. Drive, fly, hitchhike or walk in. You don't have to be a member to attend. See you there! Don't miss our next Coffee and Donuts get together on June 4th 2011.



EAA Chapter 1246, McKinney, Texas



The Latest News From EAA - Experimental Aircraft Association:

Jetman Over the Grand Canyon

Yves Rossy, known the world over as "Jetman," is set to make his first flight in the United States on Friday morning, May 6, over the Grand Canyon in Arizona.

CAFE Symposium Celebrates the 'Dawn of Electric Flight'

The Fifth Annual CAFE Electric Aircraft Symposium came to a close early Saturday afternoon, but the conversations and the networking continued well into Sunday. And frankly, that's what the event was about, bringing like-minded individuals together to openly share ideas and resources to further the cause-viable electric flight.

Cessna's Jack Pelton Announces Retirement

This week Jack J. Pelton announced his retirement as chairman, president, and CEO of Cessna Aircraft after more than a decade with the company. **The Latest News From AOPA - Aircraft Owners and Pilots Association:**

GA chief to leave TSA

Brian Delauter, who brought a pilot's perspective to the Transportation Security Administration Office of General Aviation, will leave his post as general manager for GA effective May 23, the agency confirmed May 10.

Houston-area pilots' help sought in NextGen planning

AOPA is asking pilots operating around Houston to help shape the introduction of enhanced procedures in their area by sharing their experience during an FAA airspace-optimization review.

Sony breach: Another blow to your security

More than 77 million Sony PlayStation customers are now victims of a corporate breach - the latest in a list of breaches putting the identities of millions at risk. Because even the best systems could be compromised, AOPA has partnered with LifeLock to help protect pilots' personal information.

The Latest News From Aero-News Network:

NASA Announces 2011 Aeronautics Scholarship Recipients

Students Will Work Directly With NASA Researchers On Multiple Projects NASA has selected 25 graduate and undergraduate students from across the country to receive aeronautics scholarships for the next school year.

USAF Takes Delivery Of First Production F-35 Lightning II

Air Force Flight Testing To Be Conducted At Edwards AFB The U.S. Air Force has accepted into its fleet the first of a planned 1,763 production-model Lockheed Martin F-35 Lightning II stealth fighters.

DOT Proposes Approval Of Antitrust Immunity For Delta/Virgin Blue Alliance

Carriers Revised Application After Denial Last September The U.S. DOT proposed on Tuesday to approve an application for antitrust immunity made by Delta Air Lines and affiliates of the Virgin Blue Group to operate joint services between the United States and Australia.

The Latest News From AVweb:

Volunteer Pilot Sought For Belize Flight

LightHawk, a nonprofit group of pilots who volunteer to help the cause of conservation, is looking for a special pilot and aircraft to make an unusual flight. "We have an urgent need to find a jet to transport some rare falcon chicks to Belize," in Central America, spokeswoman Bev Gabe told AVweb this week. The trip is planned for June 5 or 6, from a breeding facility in Sheridan, Wyo., to Belize City, where the birds will be released into the wild. To volunteer, the pilot must have a minimum of 1,000 hours of flight time, and the jet must be able to carry 650 to 1,000 pounds of payload (passengers and cargo).

Video: "Jetman" Rossy Conquers Canyon

Yves Rossy, the Swiss pilot known as "Jetman" for flying a unique jet-propelled wing attached to his back, has successfully flown above the Grand Canyon, after canceling a scheduled attempt last Friday. The flight occurred in Nevada over the weekend, sponsor Breitling announced on Tuesday. "My first flight in the U.S. is sure to be one of the most memorable experiences in my life, not only for the sheer beauty of the Grand Canyon but the honor to fly in sacred Native American lands," Rossy said in a news release. "Thank you Mother Nature and the Hualapai Tribe for making my lifelong dreams come true." Rossy launched from a helicopter at 8,000 feet above the canyon, and steering only by movement of his body, flew at speeds up to 190 mph for more than eight minutes at altitudes as low as 200 feet above the canyon rim. He then deployed a parachute and landed safely on the canyon floor.

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Joe Norris shares the five most common errors that delay the issuance of the airworthiness certificate.

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City:	
State:	
Zip:	
Work phone:	
Home phone:	
Email:	
Pilot/A&P Rating:	
National EAA Number(optional):	
Exp Date: (optional)	
Comments/Notes/Projects:	

Membership dues are \$20 per year. Make checks payable to EAA Chapter 1246. Mail applications to: Norwood Story, 3940 Sunflower Lane, Plano, TX 75025

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