



# Columbus Area Aviators

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## May Meeting

**NOTE: Special Date – May 8<sup>th</sup>**

The May meeting will be held on **Thursday evening May 8<sup>th</sup>** and will feature a presentation by Rich and Ginger Davidson on their Lee Bottom Flying Field (64I) located just south of Hanover, IN. For the past 11 years, Lee Bottom has been the location of the annual “Wood, Fabric, & Tailwheel” Fly-In which is held on the last Saturday in September. Last year’s event (see photo below) had over 400 aircraft in attendance.



Rich and Ginger are developing plans for further development of the field while still retaining its unique atmosphere which recalls the golden age of aviation at small grass fields.

The meeting will be held **Thursday evening May 8<sup>th</sup>** in the lower conference room at the **Columbus Municipal Airport Terminal Building**. We will gather for refreshments at **6:30 PM** with the presentation beginning about **7:00 PM**.

## April Meeting

The April meeting featured a visit to the Atterbury-Bakalar Air Museum located at BAK. The museum has recently reopened after some remodeling and the addition of some new exhibits. As usual, some of the most eye catching exhibits are the many large scale aircraft models built by the Grube brothers.



The museum is located a short walk to the west of the airport terminal building at BAK which is just one reason to consider BAK as a “fly-out” destination.

## Notes From The "Prez"

In the last issue of the newsletter I noted that we were getting some occasional VERY nice flying days. Well, now that has turned into more nice days than otherwise. I've gotten up for a couple flights in the last two weeks, but otherwise too busy.

We need to plan a fly-out or two for this summer. One opportunity coming up fairly soon is the "Mint Julep" R/C Fly-In at Falls of Rough River. The airport is quite good and I'll try to find out if we can fly in and out the same day as the event.

If we can gather enough planes, pilots, and passengers, how about a picnic day at Lee Bottom? If you've never flown in, it is a wonderful new experience. And, a great place to just hang around for a while. The next meeting (Mike will be reminding you it is the 8th of May, NOT May 1<sup>st</sup>) will be a presentation by Rich and Ginger Davidson on their wonderful grass strip on the Ohio River. On Noreen's first trip there in '81E', we did downwind to the south over the river and turned base to the west for a right-hand pattern. As we made the turn to base, she asked me: "Do you know there is a hill in front of us?" I, of course replied; "Yes!" and proceeded to make the turn to short final at which time she breathed a big sigh of relief. What a great airport!

After two tours on invitations from another group, I'm going to check into a tour of Camp Atterbury. The first one I was invited to was to watch the bombing range with F-16's and A-10's practicing. WOW! What an experience. The F-16's were dropping practice bombs from 16,000 feet. The practice bombs are like giant firecrackers (a foot long and 2" in diameter) and are completely UNGUIDED. The F-16 pilots were getting them to within 40 feet of a target from that altitude. Gives you a whole new level of respect.

By the time the A-10's get to the range, the F-16's had started a small brush fire. So, with the base firefighters trying to put it out, the A-10's decided NOT to do their practice runs ... with live targets on the field.

This week I was lucky to be invited to a whole base tour by the NCOIC of Public Relations for Camp Atterbury. We were able to crawl around on most everything. You couldn't get me into one of those tanks with the doors closed for any amount of money. We also had almost 3 hours on the weapons simulators and the Virtual Convoy Operations Trainer (VCOT to us experienced folks). The weapons trainer is VERY realistic. I'll have some pictures for the meeting....

and, Hope to see you there. Remember May 8<sup>th</sup>.

Fly Safely

Dick G

## Aviation/Member News

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### Interesting Websites

[www.pilotpointer.com](http://www.pilotpointer.com)  
[www.waaamuseum.org/index.php](http://www.waaamuseum.org/index.php)  
[www.pembertonandsons.com](http://www.pembertonandsons.com)  
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[www.midwestflyin.org](http://www.midwestflyin.org)  
<http://www.texasjim.com/NASApix/NASA%20pix.htm>

### Calendar of Events

May 24	Midwest Regional Fly-In Cahokia, IL (CPS)
June 14	Dave Bishop Fly-In / Airshow North Vernon, IN (OVO)
June 21	Midwest Taildragger Meet Indy – Post Air (7L8)

- June 22 Franklin Fly-In Breakfast  
Franklin, IN (3FK)  
(See flyer on last page)
- July 19-20 Dayton Air Show  
Dayton, OH (DAY)
- July 28 - AirVenture Fly-In  
Aug 3 Oshkosh, WI (OSH)
- Aug 23-24 Indy Air Show  
Mt Comfort Airport (MQJ)
- Aug 25-26 EAA Mid-Eastern Fly-In  
Marion, OH (MNN)
- Aug 30 Fly-In / Cruise-In  
Marion, IN (MZZ)
- Sept 27 Wood, Fabric & Tailwheel Fly-In  
Lee Bottom – Hanover, IN (64I)
- Oct 3-5 “Victory Days” Encampment  
Columbus, IN (BAK)

**Future Chapter Meetings**

The 2008 chapter meetings are tentatively scheduled for the first Thursday of each month except as **noted** below.

Jun 5 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Jul 10<sup>th</sup></b>	Aug 7 <sup>th</sup>
Sep 4 <sup>th</sup>	Oct 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Nov 6 <sup>th</sup>
Dec 4 <sup>th</sup>		

Chapter meetings are a good way to meet others in the local area who share your interest in aviation – homebuilding, restoration, aviation history, military aviation, hangar flying, etc.

It is also a way to become involved in activities such as Young Eagle events, visits to member projects, “fly-outs”, etc.

**2008 Young Eagle Flights**

The Young Eagle Flight events for 2008 will be held on the following Saturday mornings.

June 7 <sup>th</sup>	July 12 <sup>th</sup>	Aug 9 <sup>th</sup>	Sept 6 <sup>th</sup>
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These events are a great way to introduce kids to the wonders of aviation (not to mention a good reason to go flying on a Saturday morning).

We’ll obviously need pilots with planes to volunteer; but it is equally important to have volunteers for ground operations. Please mark these dates on your calendars.

**Items For Sale or Needed**

As long a space is available, I’ll list items either wanted or for sale that are AVIATION related. If you will provide me with a brief description and contact information, I will include your items.

**NEW AEIO-540 CHRISTEN EAGLE II**

\$110,000 18 Hours A&E Total Time!  
Hoffmann composite propeller. Super Stinker wings - all the trick stuff. Currently flying off 25-hour time restrictions. Location: MQJ  
Contact Boyd Birchler, Indianapolis, IN  
Cell (317) 418-6556, Telephone: 317-418-6556



**1969 C-337D Configured as USAF O-2B**

TT-3570 140-FE / 770-RE  
Garmin/CollinsShadin 6-pax hangared  
Recent annual \$89,900  
Bill Hamerstadt, Indianapolis, IN  
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## Newsletter Input

The newsletter editor is always looking for member input. If you have input please contact Mike by phone at 812-342-3032 or E-mail at [mike.j.foushee@cummins.com](mailto:mike.j.foushee@cummins.com) by the third Friday of each month.

## Aviation Humor

**A&P Rating** - Enables you to fly grocery supplies.

**Aileron** - A hinged control surface on the wing that scares the hell out of airline passengers when it moves.

**Airfoil** - 1. Sword used for dueling in flight. Often used to settle disputes between crew members and passengers. 2. What pilots wrap their sandwiches in.

**Airplane** - The infernal machine invented by two bicycle mechanics from Dayton, Ohio and perfected on the sands of the Outer Banks of Kitty Hawk, North Carolina. Precursor of the Frisbee.

**Airspeed** - 1. The speed of an airplane through the air. 2. True airspeed plus 20% when talking with other pilots. Deduct 25% when listening to a Navy aviator. 3. Measured in furlongs-per-fortnight in student aircraft.

**Airstrip** - In-flight performance by exotic female flight attendant.

Air Traffic Control Center - A drafty, ill-kept, barn-like structure in which people congregate for dubious reasons.

**Alternate Airport** - The airport that no aircraft has sufficient fuel to proceed to if necessary.

**Angle of Attack** - Pick-up lines that pilots use.

**Arctic Frost** - Attitude shown by uncooperative stewardess (also see "Horizontally Opposed").

**Arresting Gear** - Police equipment used for keeping order at airport parties.

**Autopilot** - A would-be airplane pilot who flunked his checkride.

**Bail Out** - Dipping the water out of the cabin after a heavy rainstorm.

**Barrel Roll** - Unloading the beer for a hangar party.

**Captain** - 1. Any airline pilot wearing four stripes on his sleeve; often found strolling down Lovers' Lane holding his own hand. 2. Decorative dummy often found adorning the bridge of a ship.

**Carburetor Ice** - Phrase used when reporting a forced landing caused by running out of fuel.

**Carburetor Icing** - 1. Usually vanilla. 2. A phenomenon that happens to pilots at exactly the same time they run out of gas.

**Certificated Aircraft** - One that has all hazardous features camouflaged.

**Cessna 310** - More than the sum of two Cessna 150's.

**Chart** - 1. Large piece of paper, useful for protecting cockpit surfaces from food and beverage stains. 2. An aeronautical map that provides interesting patterns for the manufacturers of children's curtains.

**Chock** - 1. Sudden and usually unpleasant surprise suffered by Mexican pilots. 2. Pieces of wood the lineboy slips in front of the wheels while the pilot isn't looking.

**Cockpit** - 1. A confined space in which two chickens fight each other, especially when they can't find the airport in a rainstorm. 2. Area in which the pilot sits while attempting to figure out where he is.

**Collision** - Unplanned contact between one aircraft and another. As a rule, collisions that result in the creation of several smaller and less airworthy aircraft from the original two are thought to be the most serious.

**Course** - Popular alternate landing field marked by fairways and greens. Curiously, pilots who land here are said to be "off-course."

**Crab** - 1. A technique used by pilots to compensate for crosswinds, usually without success. 2. Pilot who has just ground-looped after trying unsuccessfully to use this technique. 3. Pilot who has been unsuccessful in finding a suitable landing site (also see "Suitable Landing Site").

**Crash** - To bed down for the night. What every pilot hopes to do once he has found a suitable landing site (also see "Suitable Landing Site").

**Cuban 8** - A family of political refugees in Miami.

**Dead Reckoning** - You reckon correctly, or you're dead.

**De-icer** - De person, dat puts, de ice, on de wings.

**Dive** - Pilots' lounge or airport cafe.

**Drag Chute** - Emergency escape slide near copilot's window. Opens automatically if eccentric male captain shows up in women's clothes.

**Engine Failure** - A condition that occurs when all fuel tanks become filled with air.

**Exceptional Flying Ability** - Has equal number of takeoffs and landings.

**FAA** - Fear And Alarm

**Final Approach** - 1. Last pass a pilot makes at the opposite sex before giving up. 2. Many a seasoned pilot's last landing. 3. Many a student pilot's first landing.

**Flashlight** - Tubular metal container kept in flight bag for storing dead batteries.

**Flight Instructor** - Individual of dubious reputation, paid vast sums of money to impart knowledge of questionable value and cast serious doubt on the coordination, intelligence, and ancestry of student pilots.

**Flight Plan** - Scheme to get away from home to go flying.

**Glide Distance** - Half the distance from an airplane to the nearest emergency landing field.

**Glider** - Formerly "airplane," prior to running out of fuel.

**Grass Strip** - Often performed by exotic female flight attendants while enroute to Hawaii.

**Gross Weight** - 1. A 350-pound pilot (also see "Split S"). 2. Maximum permissible takeoff weight plus two suitcases, 10 cans of oil, four sleeping bags, four rifles, eight cases of beer, and the groceries.

**Hangar** - Home for anything that flies, mostly birds.

**Heated Air Mass** - Usually found near hangar, flight lounge, airport cafe, or attractive, non-flying members of the opposite sex.

**Horizontally Opposed** - NO!! (Also see "Arctic Frost")

**Hydroplane** - An airplane designed to land on a wet, 20,000-foot-long runway.

**Induced Drag** - When a male copilot is persuaded by a kinky female flight attendant to put on women's clothes against his will.

**Jet-assisted Takeoff** - 1. A rapid-takeoff procedure used by a general aviation pilot who suddenly finds himself taking off on a runway directly in front of a departing 747. 2. Takeoff by pilot who ordered enchiladas for lunch at the airport coffee shop.

**Junkers 52** - A collection of elderly airplanes that even the FAA can't make airworthy.

**Kilometer** - A unit of measurement used on charts to further confuse pilots who already have trouble with knots.

**Lazy 8** - 1. Well-known fly-in resort ranch. 2. The airport operator, his four mechanics, and three lineboys.

**Log** - A small rectangular notebook used by pilots to record lies.

**Magneto** - 1. Spanish for, "What a cool-looking magnet!" 2. Not-very-famous Italian vaudeville magician, "The Great Magneto."

**Mode** - Term used by pilots in the Lafayette Escadrille during WWI to describe what they had to land in during rainy weather.

**National Airport** - Inordinately congested airport in Washington, D.C. whose Potomac River approach was used by Korean War pilots practicing to bomb the bridges at Toko-Ri.

**Navigation** - The process by which a pilot finds his way from point A to point B while actually trying to get to point C.

**Occupied** - An airline term for lavatory.

**Oshkosh** - A town in Wisconsin that is the site of the annual Experimental Aircraft Association fly-in. It is believed to have been named after the sound that most experimental aircraft engines make.

**Parasitic Drag** - A pilot who bums a ride back and complains about the service.

**Pilot** - A poor, misguided soul who talks about women when he's flying and flying when he's with a woman.

**Pitch** - The story you give your wife about needing an airplane to use in your business.

**Pitot Tube** - On long flights, something into which the pilot can pitot.

**Prop Wash** - 1. Cleaning agent used by student pilots. 2. Pilots' equivalent of "hogwash."

**Pylon** - All aboard!

**Radar** - An extremely realistic type of video game, often found at airports. Players try to send small game-pieces, called "blips," from one side of the screen to the other without colliding with each other. Player with the fewest collisions wins.

**Range** - Usually about 30 miles beyond the point where all fuel tanks fill with air.

**Roger** - The most popular name in radio.

**Runway** - 1. Place where exotic flight attendant starts her act (also see "Airstrip"). 2. Ramp extending from the stage into the audience area at all good burlesque houses in Vegas.

**S-Turn** - Course flown by student pilot from point A to point B.

**Safety Belt** - Drink taken by instructor before flying with difficult student.

**Short-field Takeoff** - A takeoff from any field less than 10,000 feet long.

**Skin Drag** - Costume party in San Francisco.

**Slip** - Apparel worn by some pilots.

**Split S** - What happens to the pants of overweight pilots (also see "Gross Weight").

**Stall** - Technique used to explain to the bank why your car payment is late because you spent the money on flying.

**Stewardess** - A pretty gal who asks you what you want, then straps you in so you can't get it.

**Suitable Landing Site** - An attractive member of the opposite sex; suitability may sometimes be affected by arctic frost (also see "Arctic Frost").

**Tactics** - What the instrument panel clock sounds like when it needs fixing.

**Taildragger** - 1. An old pilot after a long flight.

2. A young pilot who over-rotates a tricycle gear aircraft on takeoff or landing.

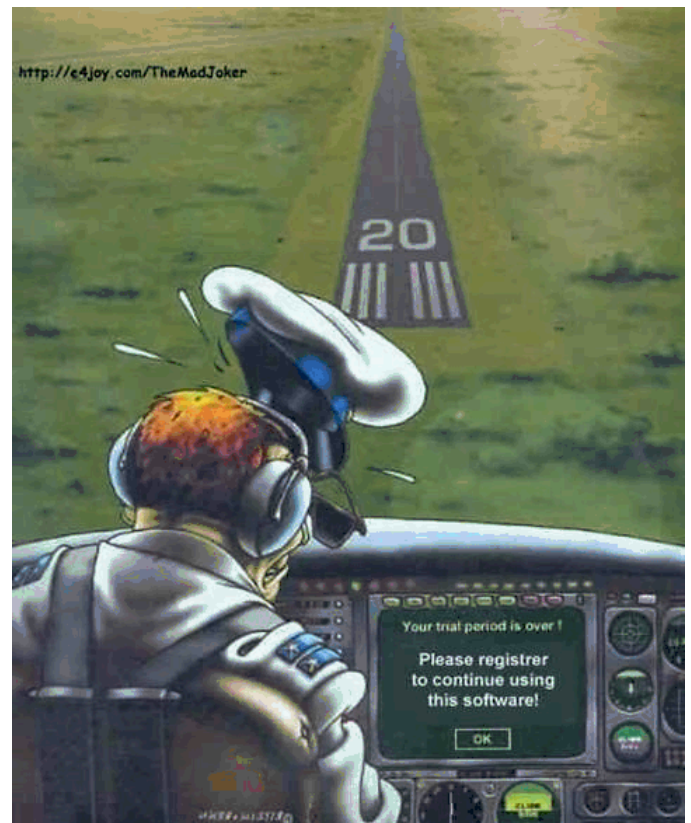
**Tailwind** - Results from eating beans in the airport coffee shop; often causes oxygen deficiency in the immediate vicinity.

**Trim Tab** - 1. A device that can fly an airplane better than the pilot. 2. Popular diet beverage for fat pilots (also see "Gross Weight"). 3. A soft drink popular among female pilots who like to wear skin-tight red jumpsuits.

**Wilco** - Roger's brother, the nerd.

**Windsock** - Well-perforated item of clothing worn inside the shoe by underpaid copilot who can't afford a replacement or a darning needle.

**Wingstrut** - Peculiar, ritualistic walk performed by student pilots upon getting out of low-winged trainers following first flight performed without instructor yelling at them. Usually results in instructor yelling at them.



# Franklin Flying Field

## Fly-In Breakfast



Franklin Flying Field (3FK)  
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Johnson County Pilots Association

Fly -In , Drive-In Breakfast ~ Everyone Welcome  
Sunday - June 22, 2008  
8:00 AM – 12:00 Noon or After

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