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# Presidents Corner

*By Gene de Bullet*

Fellow members,

We had another active Board meeting on Thursday, June 11, with Oncor representatives present to bring us up to date. Yes, they are behind and have hit solid rock. It is hard to tell when they will reach the north end of our airport.

Lights will only be on those poles closer to the active runway, as all poles will be changed out. The poles will be replaced moving slowly west to east, as I understand it.

There was some damage from the recent storms. Be careful on the taxiways and report damage to the Board of Directors or Principal Management Group.

Some hangar break-ins have been reported to our safety/security committee so please make sure your **hangar is secure and well lighted. Watch your neighbor's hangar as well.**

The Board of Directors has accepted a bid for the south gate project, and it will be moving forward in the near future.

I want to thank everyone for cooperation extended as to dogs at large; parking on or near taxiways; **and drag racing (you know what I mean!). This airport is a jewel, let's all work together to keep it that way.**

We always need and want more volunteers for various committees, etc., so if you have extra time or can make time to serve on a committee, please let me know.

Enjoy your hot summer.

Best regards,

Gene

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## Hangar Numbers Needed

A few hangars here on the field have no numbers displayed. This makes it difficult for package and pizza deliveries to deliver items to the correct hangar, to say the least.

If your hangar is sans number, please have one made and posted at your earliest convenience.



# Rio concho fl ying contest

*By Ron Sinclair*

A great time was had by all at the annual Rio Concho Spring Precision Landing and Bombing Contest. Kevin and Barbie Brunson hosted the event again this year on June 6th. Several local pilots showed up to try their hand at landing and water balloon bombing. Gusty winds were kicking up to make the spectacle a real crowd pleaser for all who attended. The landing contest required landing on or after the threshold line for runway one-four. Lines marked in twenty-five foot increments afterwards narrowed down the measuring process for the volunteer judges. Despite gusty conditions a three way tie resulted after three planes managed to land directly on the line. A fly-off was held to see who received the coveted Best Landing bragging rights. 3rd place went to Bob Reed in his Bonanza, 2nd place to yours truly in my Cessna 172, and 1st place and all the prestige that goes with it went to **Allan "Bounce" Corbaley flying a Cessna 172 of questionable origin.**

The bombing contest was a departure from the old days of using flour filled bags to the more challenging and sensitive ordinance of water balloons. This ammo required careful handling since each pilot only received one balloon for each of two passes allowed. Any balloons going off in the cockpit would of course be lost. As this newsletter cover photo shows, Billy Aiken received a muddy shower when a bomb hit within a couple of feet of him while judging the contest. One can only speculate as to how the bombardier could have missed the target by so far...*or did he?* The results came close to **matching the landing contest as Allan "Bounce" Corbaley once again took top honors. 2nd place to myself and Bob Reed as bombardier, with 3rd place going to Nate Abel and a gal he didn't know that he grabbed out of the crowd for bombardier!**

The prizes this year were fantastic, and given current fuel prices, quite valuable as well! 1st place in each event received 25 gallons of Avgas. 2nd place received 15 gallons, and third place received a Rio Concho hat and one of their famous Bonanza Burgers.



*A bombardier prepares to drop ordnance.*



*A contestant makes an attempt at hitting the mark in gusty winds*

A very special thanks to all those who helped make this event possible. The brave judges consisted of Billy Aiken, Rich Wilder, John Wilbanks, Ray Spencer and Larry Partain. Lindsey Wickersham made the event fun for the kids by doing some fantastic face painting for all. Of course our host Kevin and Barbie Brunson deserve a huge thanks for making this event happen. These are exactly the kind of events that make our airport the social and neighborly place it needs to be. I spoke with Kevin at the time of this writing who announced that due to popular demand, there will be another chance to de-throne Allan coming up on August 8th. This event will be called The Rio Concho Hotter-N-Hell Summer Festival and Open House (say *that* three times fast). This event will be more geared towards welcoming those in neighborhoods in our area to join in the fun. Lets all do our part by participating as contestants, volunteers, or host to the curious. See ya there! ✈

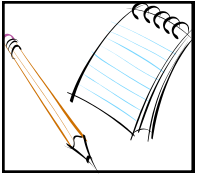
**Come join the fun at the  
Rio Concho Hotter-N-Hell Summer Festival and Open House  
See if you can win the coveted landing contest or  
water balloon bombing competition!**



***Saturday, August 8th***  
***BE THERE!!!!***



***Call Kevin or Barbie for more details 817-439-1041***



# BoD Meeting MINUTES

*By Ninfa Cruz, Recording Secretary*

A regular board meeting of the Hicks Airfield Pilots Associations Board of Directors was held on May 14, 2009. A quorum being present, the meeting was called to order at 6:36 p.m. and announced ready by President Gene de Bullet.

Board members present were President Gene de Bullet, Coy Surles, Ted Kelso and Bob Avery. Other members of the Association were also present as observers.

Secretary's report was submitted; motion to accept was made by Coy Surles and seconded by Ted Kelso.

Motion made to accept Treasurer's Report was by Coy Surles, seconded by Ted Kelso.

Coy Surles applauded Mike Olsen for his work on the taxiways.

Special guests Gary Wilson and Buddy Mills of Oncor were present and gave extensive explanation as to the placement of the poles. Roy Gear requested that a formal request be made to resist, President Gene de Bullet acknowledged and asked that this request be made a part of the Board Meeting's minutes. The representatives from Oncor continued as there were requests/suggestions made, i.e., Airman's Notification be posed as to construction, have issued for six months, strobe lights be used by Oncor (on their equipment) Roy Gear asked the board to make a motion to enter.

The issue of dogs at large came up again at this meeting with the board referring to the rules of the CCR's.

Courtesy/Security: President Gene de Bullet stated that random patrol keeping the CCR's in mind and report what is believed to be violations. There was discussion as to parking/speeding and the offenders.

The South Gate was discussed in Executive Session.

President Gene de Bullet offered the materials left behind by Homeland Security to all members present.

Other items/topics discussed were the issues of rates, Reliant vs. TXU Energy; septic (Ted Kelso); and property appraisals.

Motion to adjourn was made at 7:42 p.m. by Ted Kelso and seconded by Bob Avery, inviting Marshal Womack to stay to meet regarding property owner's dispute of assessments and charges. Board of Director's meeting was reconvened and motion made to make offer of compromise.

Respectfully submitted by,

**Ninfa Cruz**

# HAPA Budget Performance 2009

Year to Date (March 31)

INCOME	Actual	Quarterly Budget	Quarterly Variance	Annual Budget
<b>Scheduled Income</b>				
Regular Assessments	59,949	58,380	1,569	233,520
<b>Other Income</b>				
Estimated Cash On-Hand as of 12/31/08	34,411	31,250	3,161	125,000
Interest Income	291	250	41	1,000
Late Fees	531	-	531	-
Gate Income	117	375	(258)	1,500
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>95,299</b>	<b>90,255</b>	<b>5,044</b>	<b>361,020</b>
<b>EXPENSE</b>				
<b>Administrative Expenses</b>				
Bank/Check Charges	5	50	(45)	200
Collection Services	968	300	668	1,200
Copies & Postage	3,840	2,625	1,215	10,500
Data Processing	417	150	267	600
Sales Tax	51	-	51	-
Rental/Storage	976	938	39	3,750
Printing	536	1,000	(464)	4,000
Member Relations - Social, Directory	-	625	(625)	2,500
<b>Professional Services</b>				
Accounting/Audit	750	250	500	1,000
Legal & Professional	2,417	5,000	(2,583)	20,000
Management Fees	2,562	3,500	(938)	14,000
CCR Re-Write	-	2,000	(2,000)	8,000
<b>Taxes and Insurance</b>				
Directors and Officers Liability	-	875	(875)	3,500
General Liability Insurance	-	1,650	(1,650)	6,600
Property Taxes	2	25	(23)	100
<b>Utilities</b>				
Electricity	3,932	3,000	932	12,000
Telephone	15	-	15	-
<b>Contracts</b>				
Lawn Maintenance Contract	799	3,200	(2,401)	12,800
Courtesy Patrol Contract	5,966	3,250	2,716	13,000
Septic Field Contracts	-	900	(900)	3,600
<b>Repairs and Maintenance</b>				
Electrical/Lights	-	1,250	(1,250)	5,000
Fences/Gates/Walls	-	10,000	(10,000)	40,000
Equipment/Tractor Repairs	-	125	(125)	500
Taxiway Pavement Patching/Repairs	-	21,250	(21,250)	85,000
Sign Repair	-	125	(125)	500
Septic Field Plumbing/Repairs	155	8,043	(7,888)	32,170
Runway/Airport/Septic Drainage	-	6,250	(6,250)	25,000
<b>Projects</b>				
Projects - Master Plan, Annex., Other	-	1,250	(1,250)	5,000
South Gate	-	8,250	(8,250)	33,000
Purchase BNSF Property	-	3,750	(3,750)	15,000
<b>Other Expenses</b>				
Misc. Expenses	-	250	(250)	1,000
Gate Transmitters Purchased	-	375	(375)	1,500
<b>Total Expense</b>	<b>23,391</b>	<b>90,255</b>	<b>(66,864)</b>	<b>361,020</b>



# Financial reports

-Submitted by Jim Usher, HAPA Treasurer

## HAPA Income Statement

<b>INCOME</b>	<b>April 2009</b>	<b>YTD 2009</b>
Scheduled Income		
Regular Assessments	20,043	79,992
Runway Fees	0	0
Initial Fee Income	0	0
Other Income		
Late/NSF Fees	164	695
Fines	0	0
Gate Income	0	117
Miscellaneous Income	0	0
Interest Income	109	400
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>20,316</b>	<b>81,204</b>
<b>EXPENSE</b>		
Administrative Expenses		
Answering Service	0	0
Bad Debt Expense	0	0
Bank/Check Charges	0	5
Collection Services	(112)	855
Copies & Postage	434	4,274
Data Processing	0	417
Sales Tax	16	66
Rental/Storage	319	1,295
Licenses/Permits/Inspec Fees	0	0
Meetings	0	0
Supplies	0	0
Printing	274	810
Member Relations	0	0
Professional Services		
Accounting/Audit	0	750
Legal & Professional	2,850	5,267
Management Fees	854	3,416
Taxes and Insurance		
Directors and Officers Liability	0	0
General Liability Insurance	0	0
Taxes - Other	0	0
Property Taxes	0	2
Utilities		
Electricity	1,436	5,368
Telephone	13	28
Contracts		
Courtesy Patrol Contract	1,469	7,435
Septic Field Contract	0	0

Repairs and Maintenance		
Mowing	1,598	2,397
Electrical/Lights	852	852
Fences/Gates/Walls	0	0
Equipment/Tractor Repairs	0	0
Sign Repair	0	0
Pavement Repairs	0	0
Plumbing	0	0
Septic Field Repairs	0	155
Gas/Oil	0	0
Other Expenses		
Misc. Expenses	100	100
Capital Improvements		
Airport Drainage	0	0
New Taxiways	0	0
<b>Total Expense</b>	<u>10,103</u>	<u>33,492</u>
<b>Net Income/(Loss)</b>	<u>10,213</u>	<u>47,712</u>

*BALANCE SHEET—HAPA As of April 30, 2009*

**ASSETS**

Current Assets

Operating Cash - PMG F A Bank	51,208
Operating Cash - BOD Wachovia Bank	1,924
Cash-Money Market Beal Bank	161,850
Clearing Account - PMG	0
<b>Total Cash</b>	<u>214,982</u>
Past Due Accounts Receivable:	
Assessments 30 days	3,887
Assessments 31 - 90 days	5,043
Assessments over 90 days	25,435
<b>Total Accounts Receivable</b>	<u>34,365</u>

Total Current Assets 249,347

Other Assets

    Prepaid Expenses 0

**Total Assets** 249,347

**LIABILITIES**

Current Liabilities

Accounts Payable	0
Prepaid Assessments	62,611
Accrued Expenses Payable	0
<b>Total Current Liabilities</b>	<u>62,611</u>

Other Liabilities

Collection Cost Escrow	2,109
Other Escrowed Fees	240
<b>Total Other Liabilities</b>	<u>2,349</u>

**Total Liabilities** 64,961

**OWNERS' EQUITY**

Reserves

    Deferred Maintenance Reserve 0

Equity

    Retained Earnings 136,673











**Total Owners' Equity** 136,673

Net Income/(Loss) 47,713

**Total Liabilities and Owners' Equity** 249,347



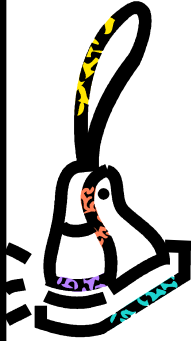
# Fly Ins & Outs

-  Every 1st Saturday, —Waco, TX. EAA Chapter 59 Breakfast McGregor Municipal Airport (PWG) Pancakes and Sausage from 7AM till ? 86.9 NM S
-  Every weekend before the second Monday — Bowie, TX. Free Brunch for pilots & crew every weekend before the second Monday each month. Also free transportation to the Trade Show/Flea Market. (OF2) 9:00AM-11:00AM 44.2 NM NW
-  Every 2nd Saturday— Lufkin, TX. EAA Chapter 1219 & Angelina County Airport Fajita Fly-In (LFK) 10:00-2-00 Discount fuel for fly-ins 169.3 NM SE
-  Every 3rd Wednesday— Hicks Field EAA Chapter 670 Monthly Meeting Come join us at the Rio Concho Restaurant at 6:00 pm for dinner and hangar talk. Meeting begins at 7:00 PM 0.0 NM
-  Every 4th Saturday—Tyler TX. Tyler Pounds Field Pancake Breakfast (TYR) Breakfast hosted by members of the Tyler Civil Air Patrol squadron from 8-11 AM . Contact Rich Dyer for info 903-849-2785 107.3 NM ESE
-  Every last Saturday—Denton, TX. Tex-Mex Fly-In (KDTO) US Aviation Group sponsors this fun event every last Saturday of the month 11am-2pm Free Food, Lots of airplanes, donations welcome. Come see some of the newest LSA aircraft. Contact Event Director at 940-383-2484 19.4 NM NE
-  Every 4th Saturday— Granbury, TX. Granbury Municipal Airport Fly-In Breakfast (GDY) Every 4th Saturday. breakfast will begin at 8:00 AM till 10:30 AM rain or shine! Have breakfast at the airport with your friends. Come and share the fun at Granbury Municipal Airport. Look for special events. Contact 817-579-8533 for info 35.7 NM SW
-  Saturday, July 4th—Tyler-Cedar Creek Lake, TX. Thunder Over Cedar Creek Lake Tyler Pounds Regional Airport (TYR) Jan Colmer Air Shows/Point Five Video present fighter jets, Tora Tora Tora, and Trojan Phlyers. Call 214-676-0233 for more info. 107.3 NM ESE
-  Friday-Saturday, July 10-11th—Weatherford, OK. 11th Annual Okie Dust Devil Thomas P Stafford Airport (OJA) Annual Aerobatic Contest. All 5 categories from primary to unlimited. Practice begins on Wednesday and Thursday prior. Evening meals are provided. Please be registered prior to opening morning if possible. Awards given in every event. As always there will be plenty of food and fun. Looking forward to seeing you there. Contact John Creswell for more info. 168.7 NM NNW
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- This is YOUR newsletter– Please submit articles, pictures, thoughts, etc to Ron Sinclair at [flappingseditor@yahoo.com](mailto:flappingseditor@yahoo.com) by the 15th of the month.
- The 2009 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.
- Come join the fun at the Rio Concho Hotter-N-Hell Summer Festival and Open House; Saturday, August 8th. Call Kevin or Barbie Brunson for more details: (817) 439-1041
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