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Local modelers Ken Spears and Ross Woods recently built an incredible 42% scale RC version of Brian Martin's Super Decathlon. This was done in just a couple of months after seeing Brian's!

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Submission 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 flappingseditor@yahoo.com



Presidents Corner

By Gene de Bullet

Dear Members and Owners,

It appears that the long hot summer may be behind us. Our first dose of fall rains have come and gone and we can only cope with the small flood, given our individual topography.

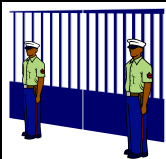
On the 11th day of September we had our September Board of Director's meeting. Topics discussed centered around canine violations from a health and safety standpoint. Several of our members have been approached by dogs without leashes and no where near their masters. One dog has been shot. One lady sighted a north end hangar where several dogs were left for days with resulting feces and injuries to the dogs when they became "hung up." I have asked our management service to look into this matter as it impacts the health and safety of our airport. The allegations, if accurate, make out a case of animal cruelty which could be prosecuted. I can not overstate the need to keep dogs on leashes as dogs don't understand airplanes and most pilots aren't looking for loose dogs on airports.

Other matters that are being looked into include a possible listing of businesses on the airport on an advertisement basis near the south gate. This would be operated by H.A.P.A. and be available to those commercial establishments that wanted the service. Good idea or bad idea?

There was also conversation where several members desired a uniformity or "upgrade" as to the north end border fence, gates, etc. If you'll look at the north end of our airport and compare it to our south end, one would hardly recognize it as being the same airport. Hopefully, those individuals with property that border the county road easement would want to get together concerning a common fence from a materials and height standpoint. I believe the Board of Director's would then finance some replacement fence, gates, etc. and the north end could take on a new look. Anyone that would be willing to chair this undertaking would certainly be welcome.

In December we will have elections of three Board members. Although this is still a couple of months away, I would welcome the names of anyone interested along with their biography in advance. The biographies will be Published in Flappings' November issue, so please have them submitted to the Editor by October 15.

Lastly, several delinquent accounts have been sent to the HAPA attorney for collection or foreclosure. Please make sure your account is not one of those being pursued.



South Gate Management

By Jim Usher

Now that the South Gate is up and running, we are pleased to announce that Roy Geer and Kurt Buchert have volunteered to manage its day-to-day operations. As a computer industry professional, Kurt is well qualified to manage the directory database. Future changes to the database should be communicated to Kurt at hapagate@yahoo.com. Roy's mechanical abilities will be utilized in the event of a gate malfunction. Roy can be reached at (817)253-1795 or (817)439-5777. Additional volunteers are welcomed so that we will have redundant coverage for a gate emergency. An ideal candidate should work or live on the airport in order to provide quick access to the gate. Please contact Jim Usher at (817)236-7506 if you are available to assist with the South Gate.



Financial reports

-Submitted by Jim Usher, HAPA Treasurer

HAPA Income Statement

INCOME	July 2009	YTD 2009
Scheduled Income		
Regular Assessments	20,043	140,121
Runway Fees	0	0
Initial Fee Income	0	0
Other Income		
Late/NSF Fees	163	1,260
Fines	0	0
Gate Income	0	286
Miscellaneous Income	0	0
Interest Income	103	716
Total Income	20,309	142,383
EXPENSE		
Administrative Expenses		
Answering Service	0	0
Bad Debt Expense	90	90
Bank/Check Charges	0	5
Collection Services	50	1,033
Copies & Postage	525	5,464
Data Processing	0	437
Sales Tax	12	137
Rental/Storage	290	2,114
Licenses/Permits/Inspec Fees	0	0
Meetings	0	0
Supplies	0	0
Printing	316	1,674
Member Relations	0	0
Professional Services		
Accounting/Audit	0	1,380
Legal & Professional	(1,801)	5,946
Management Fees	854	5,978
Taxes and Insurance		
Directors and Officers Liability	0	0
General Liability Insurance	0	0
Taxes - Other	0	0
Property Taxes	0	2
Utilities		
Electricity	863	8,099
Telephone	6	38
Contracts		
Mowing Contract	1,598	5,889
Courtesy Patrol Contract	1,548	11,922
Septic Field Contract	(49)	0

Repairs and Maintenance		
Electrical/Lights	63	915
Fences/Gates/Walls	0	0
Equipment/Tractor Repairs	0	0
Sign Repair	361	0
Pavement Repairs	51,228	51,353
Plumbing	0	0
Septic Field Repairs	1,986	4,166
Airport Drainage	6,126	6,472
Gas/Oil	0	0
Other Expenses		
Misc. Expenses	133	283
Gate Transmitters Purchased	1,041	1,274
Projects		
Gate-South Entrance	12,272	20,972
Total Expense	<u>77,512</u>	<u>135,643</u>
Net Income/(Loss)	<u>(57,203)</u>	<u>6,740</u>

BALANCE SHEET—HAPA As of July 31, 2009

ASSETS

Current Assets

Operating Cash - PMG
F A Bank 7,198

Operating Cash - BOD
Wachovia Bank 1,435

Cash-Money Market
Beal Bank 154,095

Clearing Account - PMG 0

Total Cash 162,728

Past Due Accounts Receivable:
Assessments 30 days 3,039
Assessments 31 - 90 days 2,710
Assessments over 90 days 24,555
Total Accounts Receivable 30,304

Total Current Assets 193,032

Other Assets

Prepaid Expenses 0

Total Assets 193,032

LIABILITIES

Current Liabilities

Accounts Payable 0

Prepaid Assessments 47,103

Accrued Expenses Payable 0

Total Current Liabilities 47,103

Other Liabilities

Collection Cost Escrow 2,276

Other Escrowed Fees 240

Total Other Liabilities 2,516

Total Liabilities 49,619

OWNERS' EQUITY

Reserves

Deferred Maintenance Reserve 0

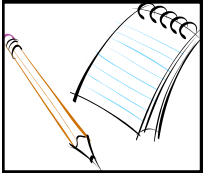
Equity

Retained Earnings 136,673

Total Owners' Equity 136,673

Net Income/(Loss) 6,739

Total Liabilities and Owners' Equity 193,032



BoD Meeting MINUTES

By Ninfa Cruz

Hicks Airfield Pilots Association Minutes for Board Meeting – August 13, 2009

A regular board meeting of the Hick's Airfield Pilot's Association Board of Directors was held on August 13, 2009. A quorum being present, the meeting was called to order at 6:45 p.m. and announced 'ready' by President Gene deBullet.

Board members present were President Gene deBullet, Don Browning, Jim Usher, Bob Avery and Ted Kelso. Other members of the Association were also present as observers.

The Treasurer's report was submitted and was unanimously approved.

Don Browning read June 18th's Board of Directors minutes which were unanimously approved.

Larry Partain addressed the Board of Directors and shared with all present that there are still speeders, but overall gave a good report as to courtesy issues.

The south gate was discussed. The Board of Directors needs someone who is a resident, or perhaps a committee, to monitor the gate. A laptop computer that has a monitor system, several relevant databases and maintains an access history will be provided to the volunteer.

Signage at the south entrance was discussed.

No old business was reviewed.

At 7:12 p.m. motion to adjourn was made by Bob Avery and seconded by Ted Kelso.

Respectfully submitted,

Ninfa Cruz

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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.



ELECTION TIME IS JUST AROUND THE CORNER



It is that time of year again. Three of our Board members -- Don Browning, Stuart Davis, and Ted Kelso will be completing their two year terms on the board. We thank Don, Stuart, and Ted for their service to the airport and their fellow members – job well done.

Those willing to serve on the board need to understand how special this airport community is, and be willing to work hard to preserve what we have all worked so hard to achieve. Being a BOD member takes a little time, requires a common sense approach to problem solving, and doing what is fair and in the best interest of all the members. A little vision to look beyond and do what is best for the long term for Hicks Airfield is a good trait of prospective BOD members.

We will have three (3) BOD seats up for election this year. The term is for two (2) years. Those willing to serve should contact their favorite BOD member at the e-mail or phone numbers listed in this newsletter. If you know someone that would make a good BOD member, please encourage them to step forward (or nominate them). Prospective candidates will have the opportunity to include a brief biography to be published in the November issue of Flappings (deadline for being included in the Nov. issue is Oct 15th).

PMG will be conducting and overseeing the election process (same as last year) and the election will take place at the annual Christmas meeting in December. More details / dates and times will be published in November.

Do step forward – your airport needs you!!

Bob Avery



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- ✈ 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
- ✈ Friday-Saturday, Oct 2-3— Terrell, TX. Flights of Our Fathers Fly-In Terrell Municipal Airport (KTRL) The No. 1 British Flying Training School Museum is hosting a Dinner-Dance and the City of Terrell is hosting the Fly-In. The airport and museum grounds will open Friday afternoon at 6:00 for the dinner, dance and variety show performance. Tickets are \$35.00 The Saturday event will start at 7:30 with a pancake breakfast hosted by the CAP Black Sheep Squadron with food, memorabilia and booths. There will be a scale model flying show, skydiving, flight sims and much more. Call Lynnette Nadeau at 972-524-4322 for info. 59.2 NM ESE
- ✈ Saturday, Oct 3rd— Sherman, TX. The Grace Flight Airshow and Race Grayson County Airport (GYI) We are currently looking for volunteers and vendors as well as performers and warbird displays. Contact Phil Eggers for more info 972-712-8800 or www.graceflight.org 59.8 NM NE
- ✈ Saturday, Oct. 17th—Bryan, TX. Coulter Air Classic Coulter Field Airport (KCFD) Acrobatic aerial demonstrations and classic aircraft on display with fun for all ages. Karl Preston 979-778-2963 143.9 NM SSE
- ✈ Friday-Sunday Oct. 23-25— Reklaw, TX. 25th Annual Flying M Ranch Fly-In and Campout (Silver Anniversary) and 17th Annual Cub Migration. Flying M Ranch Airport (7TA7) Folks, if you miss every fly-in around, don't miss this one! A truly fantastic event in the Piney Woods of East Texas . 2008 had over 542 aircraft and 2000 guest! Rain or shine, come out and pitch your tent, kick back, kick tires, and enjoy good food. Bring your RV if you don't want to fly-in. Guest registration is mandatory. Visit the web site at www.reklawflyin.com for more info. 140.4 NM ESE
- ✈ Saturday-Sunday Oct 24-25—Ft. Worth TX. Alliance Air Show Ft. Worth Alliance Airport (KAFW) See the Blue Angels, Sean Tucker, and many more perform at the finest air show in the metroplex! \$20 per car load, admission free. Contact the event director at 817-890-1000 for more info 5.8 NM NE
- ✈ Saturday, Oct. 31st—Liberty TX. 2009 Trick or Treat Poker Run Liberty Municipal Airport (T78) 8:00 AM mandatory Pilot/Passenger briefing and breakfast \$10.00 per poker hand. Take-off at 9:30 Fly to five airports, collecting five sealed cards. Judges will open and determine winner at the last airport. RSVP would be appreciated. Contact Linda 281-734-0330 or Katie 832-221-8823 for more info. 220.4 NM SE



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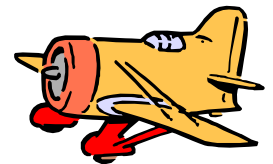
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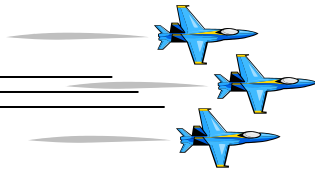
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- This is YOUR newsletter– Please submit articles, pictures, thoughts, etc to Ron Sinclair at flappingseditor@yahoo.com by the 15th of the month.
- The 2009 BoD is looking for volunteers & Board Members for NEXT YEAR– Please Contact any Board member 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.
- For issues concerning ONCOR pole work, call Buddy Mills (Oncor District Service Advisor): Cell (469) 261-6338
- For Emergency South Gate Issues, call Roy Geer 817-253-1795 or 817-439-5777
- For South Gate Directory Changes contact Kurt Buchert at hapagate@yahoo.com
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