



ANNUAL FLY-IN

This year your Association will have its annual fly-in at Quad City Municipal Airport in Moline, Illinois.

The Fly-In should really be a big event in our Association's history, and you can make it just that by planning now to attend. Quad City Muni is on the Chicago Sectional Chart and is located on the 032° radial from MZV VOR (114.4 MHz) 9 NM Tower 119.4, ATIS 121.2 MHz. Bring your tie downs. Tie down is free with fuel purchase.

Lodging:

Headquarters for the Fly-In will be Howard Johnson's Motor Lodge, a half block from the airport at I-280 and 74, phone: 309/797-1211 (toll free 800/654-200). When you call to make reservations, be sure to tell the hotel you are with the Cessna 120/140 Association. Rates are: \$19.00 -- 1 person/day or \$23.00 -- 2 persons/day.

Place your reservations by April 15, if possible.

An alternative to the above is the Regal 8 Inn, phone: 309/764-8711. Room rates are comparable.

Cessnas Without Radios:

If you do not have a radio, land at Woods Airport in East Moline, 15 minutes from Quad City Muni. Transportation will be available.

Schedule of Events:

16 June - Get acquainted. Look and talk 120/140s. Hospitality Room.

17 June - Morning: Flying events at a nearby non-controlled airport.

Afternoon: Eat at local restaurants, shop and browse.
Transportation provided.

Evening: Annual Meeting and Awards Banquet at Howard Johnson's.
Election of Officers for coming year.

18 June - Arise at your leisure, breakfast or lunch with other members and depart on your own schedule.

MAINTENANCE & THINGS

help! The plea comes from James A. Sprigg, CPA in Orlando, FL. "My arm is 3 inches shorter and I have almost worn out a buffer trying to polish my plane using Met-All. I seem to log more hours polishing than flying." Anyone out there got a suggestion on an easier way? How about Jerry Vought? He's got a beautiful silver bird!

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C. R. Fowler offers the following information on the Maule tailwheel: "If you will examine the wheel, there is a high place on the swivel that gets larger as the wheel turns and pushes on a bracket that releases. I took the wheel off and welded a little bead on it to make it push harder on the bracket. Now it works like a charm."

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From the West Coast, here is a tip regarding a potential problem: "I have seen several 120/140s, mine included, that have asbestos strips around the exhaust pipes to act as a seal and a chaffing strip between the exhaust pipe and the heat muffs. If your 120/140s have these strips, GET RID OF THEM. I had an engine failure on my 140 about two weeks ago, and finally got it restarted by pulling the mixture control to full lean position (not idle cut-off). The engine ran, but put out very little power. I got the airplane back to the airport. When I removed the

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carburetor, I found the venturi plugged with a chunk of asbestos, so the engine couldn't get enough air to run." As I understand it, the asbestos material had broken up and been sucked into the induction system through the carb heat system. This is the kind of thing that would be impossible to see in a routine pre-flight. If you do take these strips out, make sure you get a good seal around the heat muff so the carb heat system still works--that could be embarrassing too.

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D. J. Sutton asked about original colors on 120/140s, as they came from the factory. We have available a chart showing trim and upholstery combinations as originally installed. Write your Association. Include a stamped envelope.

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Your newsletter editor has a 1947 model 140 with the original Continental 85. Because of some AD notice way back when the mixture control was wired in the full rich position. Does anyone know if some type of modification can be made to allow its use again?

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PS: SOME CHANGES

Past newsletters are no longer available in original form. However, your editor does have a complete set, including fly-in brochures. These can be copied and mailed for about \$5 per set if the interest is great enough. Also available are A.D. Notes, STC Information, 120/140 official embroidered patches @ \$2.75 or \$2.50 for orders of two or more and window decals @ \$1 each. Send postage.