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MALINE FLY-IN REPORT

The weather for the June Annual Fly-In at Maline, Illinois was not the greatest, particularly for those planning to come in from the West. Had a note from Frank Ritterstacher in Kansas City saying that it was impossible to get out of his area. However, we had a fine turnout, although we missed those who were weathered in. The facility provided for us by the Quad City Airport people was a nice, green-grass field within easy walking distance of the motel, and located so that we were free of interlopers poking around the line-up of birds. The temperature was just right....in the upper 70's, but the wind was very strong all day Saturday. Several folks stood guard over their birds during the early morning hours of Saturday because of the threatening weather reports. Friday was the gathering day with about six arrivals before sundown. Saturday brought more ships in until we had a total of twenty. We all enjoyed the under-the-wing hangar flying, gathering together in groups for lunch, meeting informally in the hospitality room, and discussing a wide variety of Cessna 120/140 problems.

Jack and Jean Poppenhager are to be applauded for the fine job they did on the facilities and arrangements. Jack got chummy with airport security who provided us with a portable radio on which we could monitor the tower for 120/140 arrivals. The tower folks were most cooperative in getting us in and out and giving us taxi instructions, also lights for those without radios. Everything worked very smooth, except the weather!

AWARDS! * * * ! ! !

Most of Saturday afternoon was spent in judging the machines for best in various categories. We had two groups of judges, three from the Association, two from the Cessna 170 Association who happened in to see what our fly-in was all about. There was only one dispute, otherwise the groups agreed on the selections:

- Best Modified 140.....Jack Poppenhager
- Most Original 120/140.....Chuck Levsen
- Best 140 A.....Tom Norton
- Best 140.....Ron Degnan
- Best 120.....Glenn Usher
- Greatest Distance.....Mack and Bill Newsom

BUSINESS PROCEEDINGS

The annual meeting of the Board of Directors was held at 5:00 p.m. Saturday, during which the new incorporation papers were reviewed and "official" business was conducted. The meeting adjourned to the hospitality room where we all lined the walls, floors, got acquainted, made arrangements for the evening dining and general meeting.

The meeting opened for business at 6:30 p.m., Saturday, June 17, with about twenty five present. The new incorporation papers were presented to the Membership. Ray Johnson of Sulphur Springs, Texas has done a beautiful job of preparing the Charter. Ray has donated his legal skills in order that the incorporation was prepared and completed in time for the meeting. The Association owes Ray a vote of thanks for all his work. It took many hours of his valuable time. Several copies of by-laws were made available by Ray and passed out for all to read. Jack Poppenhager read the minutes of the first incorporation meeting held in Richardson, Texas. The proposals made at that meeting were reviewed and accepted by the Membership. It was agreed that the newsletters will be published on a monthly basis. Also, each member will be mailed a complete membership list and the updating of the list will be done by placing the new names in newsletters. Regional directorships were discussed but the concept was voted down. All felt that with a membership list anyone can call a fly-in by notifying the members in his or her region. The lists will be sent out during the month of August. It was agreed that notice of expiration of membership cards will be sent out and sixty days allowed for renewal before names would be removed from the mailing list. So if your dues are in arrears, expect a dunner!

PLANS AHEAD

The nomination and voting for this next year's officers was done very informally. Tom Norton was nominated and voted in as new President, as were Frank Hancock for another term of Secretary-Treasurer and Glenn Usher, Vice President. A Newsletter Editor still has to be appointed. It was agreed that the current Box 92, Richardson, Texas, 75080 mailing address be continued.

Frank Hancock volunteered to make the arrangements for next year's fly-in to be held at approximately the same time in June. Frank suggested that the 1979 fly-in and meeting be at Rough River, Kentucky. All present agreed. Tom Norton said he would start now to try to have the 1980 fly-in at Wichita, Kansas with a tour of the Cessna plant. We can all start planning for these events so that there will be giant turnouts for both meetings.

The Association needs the advice and assistance of a CPA in setting up a proper set of books for financial reporting. A simple system is all that's needed because our finances are simple. But regardless of the size, we must have a good system in order to comply with our incorporation requirements and for tax purposes. Is there a CPA in the house who would be willing to help out? If so, please drop us a line, Cessna 120/140 Association, Box 92, Richardson, Tx, 75080.

THE WIND-UP

Door prizes were handed out to the lucky number holders. A tachometer was won by Chuck Levsen, a wall prop by Frank Hancock, a \$20-merchandise certificate by Glenn Usher. Tom Kelly drew a can of rust preventive and Ed Vopelak an "Air Born" belt buckle. Larry Partlow won the grand prize, a \$75-merchandise certificate. The door prizes were donated by Cenona, Airtex, Univair, and Wag Aero. We are most grateful for their contributions.

Sunday morning turned out to be bright and beautiful. As agreed, Saturday evening all those who didn't have to head for home gathered together and flew about twenty miles southwest of Quad City to Mercer County Airport for the flying contests. Howard Graf won the short take-off in his Modified 140. Ray Johnson won the flour-bomb-drop because in his letter to the Membership expressing his regrets that he couldn't make the fly-in earlier, he stated that he knew he would win the f-b-d. With that much confidence it was felt by all that no one could better Ray's f-b-drop! Tom Norton was the closest to the line on the spot-landing. The gathering was small but the enthusiasm great! We all left from Mercer County, set courses for home, satisfied the second annual meeting and fly-in was a success.

Among those who attended and signed the fly-in guest book were Norman Beacham, Mr. & Mrs. Ronald Degan, Mr. & Mrs. Howard Graf, Glenn Usher, Bill Hodgson, Mr. & Mrs. Tom Kelly, Wally and Larry Partlow, Tom and Jan Norton, Dave and Nancy Wilson, Frank and Bill Hancock, Jack and Joan Poppenhager, Mack and Bill Newsom, Julia and Alfred Konger, Dick Meyers, Ed Vopelak, Marty Hile, Jim Schock, and Chuck Levsen. A good turnout in some lousy weather!

The next newsletter will be back on the track with the format Mack Newsom has established for us. There is still the need for membership contributions. We will appreciate any experiences, comments, gripes, advice, whatever you feel will contribute to the well-being of the newsletter.

With much gratitude and best regards to all,

Glenn Usher, Vice President