



SCHAF Newsletter for October 2016-

Reminder: The next SCHAF Open House will take place Saturday, October 8, 2016. 10am-1pm at Hangar Y-1 Hamilton-Owens Airport. The SCHAF Hangar Dance and Aerofest 2016 will take on Saturday, October 15, 2016 at Hamilton-Owens Airport.

Foundation Happenings-

Greetings to members and friends of the South Carolina Historic Aviation Foundation. A lot has been going on over the summer and early fall and a lot more will be happening in the near future. Of course the big event in the offing is the SCHAF Hangar Dance and Aerofest taking place Saturday, October 15, 2016 at Hamilton-Owens Airport in Columbia. It is going to be a great weekend, one you don't want to miss. A lot will be going on; the flying B-25 from the Canadian Warplanes Heritage Museum will be there, EAA 242 is bringing in a flying Ford Tri-Motor, there will be a number of historic warplanes including P-51s, F4U Corsairs, T-6 Texans, a Boeing/Stearman trainer, a Chinook helicopter and a Black Hawk Helicopter along with vintage motorcycles. Aerofest will take place during the day and the SCHAF Hangar Dance will take place that evening. At the hangar dance there will also be a display of artwork by the late Reuben Gambrell, noted South Carolina artist who served with the army air force in the Pacific during World War II and sketched and painted his impressions of that theatre. All in all it is going to be a great weekend. Again, one you don't want to miss.

The South Carolina Historic Aviation Foundation
Presents The
2nd Annual 40's Style Dinner and Dance Fundraiser
Saturday October 15th 2016
featuring
Retro Dinner Show by "The Pin-Up Dolls"
All Era Dance Music by "The Ross Holmes Band"
40's Military, Civilian or Luau Dress is Encouraged
In remembrance of the 70th anniversary of the end of WWII

HANGAR PARTY
LUAU

TAKE A RIDE
IN THE CLASSIC
FORD TRI-MOTOR

2-YEARLY
REMEMBER
AIRPORT SHOWS
FOR ALL THIS
SAME DAY

JIM HAMILTON-LB OWENS AIRPORT
HANGER Y-1 NEXT TO TERMINAL

DOORS OPEN AT 6:00 FOOD SERVED AT 6:30
DINNER SHOW STARTS AT 7:00
BAND STARTS AT APPROXIMATELY 8:00
A DONATION OF \$25 PER PERSON AND \$45 PER COUPLE
WILL BE ACCEPTED AT THE DOOR.

To Learn more or purchase tickets online
go to SCHistoricAviation.org

Jim Hamilton/LB Owens Airport (KCUB)
1400 Jim Hamilton Blvd. Columbia, SC 29205

15 & UP EVENT

FLY-IN DRIVE-IN

AEROFEST 2016
10.15.16 | SATURDAY
HAMILTON-OWENS AIRPORT
1400 JIM HAMILTON BLVD. | COLUMBIA, SC

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Antique & Warbird Aircraft
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Stearman, Historic B-25, Black Hawk,
Chinook, and more!

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Historic B-25 Flying Daily

Vintage Motorcycles

Face-Painting + Jump House

Lake Murray Sunset Flight Raffle

Food Trucks

See COCKY from 12-1!

KIDS UNDER 12-FREE
ADULTS - \$5 DONATION
FREE PARKING

Presented by:
Fly for Fun and Community, LLC + EAA Chapter 242 + SC Historic Aviation Foundation

Admission to Aerofest will be donation of \$5 with children under twelve admitted for free. Parking for Aerofest will be free. Admission for the SCHAF Hangar Dance is \$25 per person and \$45 per couple. Proceeds from Aerofest go to support a really great cause, Camp Kemo and proceeds from the hangar dance go toward the ongoing restoration of GF-2, the foundation's B-25 and also funding various projects of the foundation to educate the public about the rich and varied aviation heritage of the Palmetto State.



"Hot Gen," the B-25 of the Canadian Warplanes Heritage Museum



Ford Tri-Motor

A great open house on Saturday, September 10, 2016 with Hawks and Hawgs, a fund-raiser for Camp Kemo taking place the same morning. Hangar Y-1 at Hamilton-Owens Airport was full of SCHAF members and pilots and motorcyclists coming together to support a very worthwhile cause, Camp Kemo. Folks got to see GF-2, talk about their love for aviation and then ride and fly off in a competition that raised funds for Camp Kemo. It was really great to be around such a fine group of people.



Hawks and Hawgs meeting



Pilots briefing



Jim Herpst working on flight plan

SCHAF members present were Ken Berry, Ron Shelton, David and Mary McIntosh, Scott Linaberry, Ron Skipper, Katherine Cuddy, Alton Blanks, Valeria Anderson, Tom Roberts and Ted Podewil. It was also great

to see folks from EAA 242 like Jim Herpst and others. Another person on hand was James Clark, the new president of South Carolina State University in Orangeburg, S.C. Jim is an accomplished pilot and was there with his plane to lead off the start of Hawks and Hawgs.



James Clark



James Clark in his plane



Scott and Ken planning flight

SCHAF members Ken Berry and Scott Linaberry were among the pilots taking part in Hawks and Hawgs. Word is they did a good job of flying looking for landmarks represented by various clues. As always Ted Podewil's airborne display was a popular part of the SCHAF open house.



Ken Berry checking his plane



Hawgs head off looking for clues



Ted Podewil and guests

In September SCHAF was honored to have a number of visitors from the United Kingdom visit Y-1 and become familiar with efforts at restoring GF-2 to her former glory. The delegation was led by Mike Lawson, an aircraft and aviation history enthusiast. With Mike were his son James and also Mark Burden, Mark Forest and Peter Nelson. The group from the UK have been traveling the United States visiting aviation museums and airports to learn more about aviation history on this "side of the pond." Heard from Mike after the visit and he said they had a great time and were very impressed with the work on GF-2 and to also pass along their thanks to the folks from SCHAF who showed them around. Thanks to Ron Skipper and Ron Shelton for hosting our friends from the UK.



Visitors from the United Kingdom

The board of directors of the South Carolina Historic Aviation Foundation met on Thursday, September 19th, 2016 at Hamilton-Owens Airport in Columbia. Board members present were: Ken Berry, Ron Shelton, David McIntosh, Scott Linaberry, Cantzon Foster and Xen Motsinger. Members present were Mary McIntosh, Alton Blanks, Terri Tokaz, Valerie Anderson, Ron Skipper, Ted Podewil, Katherine Cuddy and Virginia Berry. Also present were members of Fly for Fun and Community which putting on Aerofest at Hamilton-Owens Airport on October 15th. Aerofest is the new name for what in the past has been known as the Earl Yerrick Static Display. Peggy Robeson with Eagle Aviation said the name change reflects a more public friendly image of a festival of airplanes. There was also discussion of SCHAF, EAA 242 and Fly for Fun and the Community working together on more joint projects and events. There was also discussion of placement of aircraft during Aerofest and the SCHAF Hangar Dance that evening. Proceeds from Aerofest will go to support Camp Kemo and proceeds from the hangar dance will go to support various SCHAF projects.

Historical Notes-

An important birthday took place in September. You might have missed it but I'm sure at least a few readers were aware that September 18th marked the 69th birthday of the United States Air Force, which became a separate service in 1947. Happy birthday to the men and women in blue who have served their country faithfully through the years. Follow this link to find out more: <http://www.businessinsider.com/us-air-force-69th-birthday-photos-2016-9/#a-b-2-spirit-bomber-sits-on-the-flightline-prior-to-takeoff-at-whiteman-air-force-base-1> .

We are all familiar with the roundels worn by planes of the Royal Air Force and the French Armee' de 'Air. A number of other countries also use roundels as identifying marks. The United States Air Force of course uses the familiar star emblem. Did you know that for a brief period American warplanes wore roundels? Here's the story: <https://www.thisdayinaviation.com/8-february-1918/> .

The Boeing 747 is one of the truly iconic airliners in the world. It has been dubbed "the Queen of the Skies" and has earned its place as a history making aircraft. I don't know this for a fact but I'm willing to bet that more people have flown on 747s than any other airliner in the world. You might have missed it but in August a gentleman who played a major role in the development of the 747 passed away. From the Daily Telegraph of London, here's the obit for Joe Sutter, chief engineer of the 747 project: <http://www.telegraph.co.uk/obituaries/2016/08/31/joe-sutter--chief-jumbo-jet-engineer/> .

Another iconic airliner also comes from Boeing, the 707, which played a major role in ushering in the jet age. Here's an article from the Seattle Times about the high risk gamble to bring jet travel to the general public: http://old.seattletimes.com/html/pacificnw/2012956268_pacificpjetage03.html .

Speaking of iconic airliners, here's another one, the Anglo-French Concorde. When it was in service a flight on the Concorde was something that was pretty much on everyone's "bucket list." No longer gracing the skies the Concorde remains a ground-breaking plane whose economics just never really added up. It would turn out that getting there quickly was not as important as getting there cheaply which is where Boeing and Airbus would truly revolutionize air travel. However at one point the United States was in the race to build an SST or supersonic transport. From the BBC: <http://www.bbc.com/future/story/20160321-the-american-concordes-that-never-flew> .

Good Reads-

[Enduring Courage: Ace Pilot Eddie Rickenbacker and the Dawn of the Age of Speed](#) by John F. Ross. I'm from that era when the name Eddie Rickenbacker was mentioned the first through that came to mind was "true American hero." In a time when people are now famous for being famous we can look back at Rickenbacker and stand in awe of the real thing, someone who did it all and did on his own. Famous race car driver, leading American ace in World War I, president of Eastern Airlines and a pioneer in civil aviation, then in World War II survivor of a crash in the Pacific Ocean and three weeks on a raft before being rescued., Eddie represented the best that America had to offer. If you're not familiar with an American original, now is a good time to make his acquaintance. If you are familiar with him, this is the book that will refresh your memories of Captain Rickenbacker of the legendary "Hat in the Ring" Squadron.



Eddie Rickenbacker

Odds and Ends-

Our trivia question last month involved a rather odd looking aircraft. I showed picture of something that looked like something that UFO hunters might be scanning the skies for, but alas this plane originated here on good ol' planet earth. Congratulations to Wayne Fritz and Anna Amick. Both correctly guessed that the aircraft I was looking for was the Vought V-173 better known as the "flying pancake." It was an early form of what would become known in the 1960s as a lifting body.



Want to know more about this strange flying machine, here are a couple of links:

<http://www.tailsthroughtime.com/2016/05/check-six-vought-v-173-flying-pancake.html> and <https://www.warhistoryonline.com/military-vehicle-news/weird-the-flying-pancake-vought-v-173.html> .

Now, here's our trivia question for this month. Has to do with comic strips. In the 1930s there was a very popular comic strip. It involved a young man in the mysterious Orient. At one point he would become an officer in the army air force and after World War II an officer in the USAF. Here's a hint; He was blond. What comic strip am I looking for? Answer next month.

It was in the news recently that a young British woman of 26 has become the youngest commercial airline captain in the world. Here are a couple of links about Kate McWilliams who flies for EasyJet:

<http://www.ibtimes.co.uk/british-female-pilot-becomes-worlds-youngest-commercial-captain-26-1583338> and <http://www.businessinsider.com/easyjet-pilot-becomes-worlds-youngest-commercial-airline-captain-2016-9> .

The times they are a changing; an article about the dying art of skywriting:

<http://www.mentalfloss.com/article/77616/dying-art-skywriting> .

Since it is hurricane season in these parts I thought folks might enjoy knowing about what it's like to be part of the crew of hurricane hunter aircraft: <http://www.businessinsider.com/why-meteorologists-fly-through-hurricanes-2016-9> .

Somehow I think this is going a bit over the top; National Air and Space Museum is offering audio tours in Klingon: <http://www.mentalfloss.com/article/85911/national-air-and-space-museum-offers-audio-tours-klingon> .

Speaking of museums, I have had the pleasure of visiting the Imperial War Museum in London but I haven't had the chance to visit the IWM's American Air Museum at Duxford. Maybe one day. Here's a rundown of what folks will find at Duxford: <http://www.cnet.com/uk/news/historic-hangars-tour-the-american-air-museum-and-imperial-war-museum/> .

Since electric cars are all the rage these days it only make sense that someone is working on an electric airplane for general aviation:

<http://www.businessinsider.com/electric-aircraft-sunflyer-2016-5> .

You may have noticed in the news recently that golfing legend Arnold Palmer passed away. What you may not have been aware of was that he was an accomplished pilot who logged over 18,000 hours at the controls. In 1976 he was the captain of a Learjet 36 named *200 Yankee* that undertook a record breaking flight around the world as part of the celebration of America's Bicentennial. Most recently he flew a Cessna Citation X.

In an earlier newsletter I provided a link about a commercial flight in the Orkney Islands which is the world's shortest airline flight. Here's a link about the world's shortest international airline flight. This one from Switzerland to Germany. Here's the link: <http://mentalfloss.com/article/86577/austrian-airline-claims-have-launched-worlds-shortest-international-flight> .

The U-2 Dragon Lady can rightfully be called a history making aircraft and one that still performs yeoman duty for the United States by keeping an eye on events around the world. It takes a lot of work to keep em' flying. How much work? Here's the answer: <http://www.businessinsider.com/lockheed-martin-u-2-spy-plane-taken-apart-2015-12> .

Well, that wraps up this month's SCHAF newsletter. Don't forget the SCHAF Hangar Dance and Aerofest 2016, both taking place on Saturday, October 15th. You can see a lot historic airplanes, meet with friends who share a love of aviation and have a lot of fun. Admission to Aerofest is a \$5 donation which goes to support Camp Kemo. Tickets for the SCHAF Hangar Dance are \$25 per person and \$45 per couple. There will great food, great entertainment and great folks at the hangar dance. You don't want to miss it. Also, SCHAF members, if you have not received a membership renewal letter yet, you should be getting in the near future. Another thought, SCHAF is accomplishing a lot worthwhile things but it takes people to make it happen. If you haven't been involved in the past, now is a great to step up and help ensure the continued success of the South Carolina Historic Aviation. Volunteers are always needed for the various undertakings of the foundation.

If you have something you would like to share please [e-mail](#) me or any of the board members for inclusion in future newsletters. **Oh, and by the way, if you have not renewed your membership, do so at your earliest convenience.** [Go to the SCHAF membership page on the foundation's website.](#) Your support of SCHAF is greatly appreciated

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