

The Nor'Easter

Newsletter of the North East Tribe of the International Comanche Society

Summer 2012
June July- August



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Message From The Tribe Chief



Pete Morse, Tribe Chief

Ah, summer in new retirement, with those lazy afternoons to think about flying, and convective activity when there is time to fly. Oh well, I didn't really have to go, did I?

The fly-in for June is back at Resnick Airport (N89) in Ellenville NY. Last year we had to scratch it because of low ceilings for the entire weekend. You should have received the notice last week. Hopefully the weather will cooperate this time.

In July we are returning to Parlin Field (2B3) in Newport NH. The local FAAST Team representative is running a Wings seminar – “Getting the Most From Your Aircraft” - in our honor after lunch. Bring your POH and brush up on your takeoff performance calculations.

The August fly-in is again at Sky Manor (N40) in New Jersey, where our Tribe elections will take place (see page 5 below). This is also the last fly-in before the ICS Convention in Baltimore - have you registered yet?

Please remember to go to my quietcornerbands.org/Flight/ICS-NE/ICS-NE_page to register for each fly-in you plan to attend. It does help to have an idea on who may be there, and to compile a notification email list for last minute updates.

As before, the contact information for ICS-NE, the 2012 Fly-In schedule, earlier copies of the Nor'Easter, and other Comanche stuff is posted on the web page (use the link above). There are also a number of items posted on the ICS web site on the 2012 Convention page.

Contact your Tribe officers at the addresses or phone numbers listed below for any questions or comments. And please note my new email address.

Pete Morse, NE Tribe Chief

2011-2012 ICS-NE Tribe Officer Contacts

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| 2012 Convention Chair: | Dee Torgerson | dtorg2@gmail.com | 240-461-5927 |

ICS-NE Fly-In's for 2011-12

Fly-Ins are on Saturday, with Sunday as a rain date. Email notices will be sent two weeks in advance.
Watch your emails for any changes in scheduled dates or locations.

| Date | Apt Id | Name | Location | Restaurant |
|-----------------------|------------|---------------------------------|-----------------------|----------------------------|
| Jan | -- | - no fly-in planned - | -- | -- |
| Feb 25 (26) | JGG | Williamsburg/Jamestown | Williamsburg VA | Charlie's w/SE Tribe |
| Mar 17 (18) | MTV | Blue Ridge | Martinsville, VA | Runway Café w/SE |
| (Mar 27-Apr 1 | LAL | Sun N Fun 2012 | Lakeland, FL) | |
| April 14+15 | MTN | Martin State | Baltimore, MD | Holiday Inn - Inner Harbor |
| May 19 (20) | FDK | Frederick | Frederick MD | Airway's Inn w/AOPA |
| June 16 (17) | N89 | Resnick Apt. | Ellenville, NY | Italian nearby |
| July 14 (15) | 2B3 | Parlin Field | Newport, NH | Lil' Red Baron |
| (July 23-29 | OSH | Oshkosh Air Venture 2012 | Oshkosh, WI) | |
| Aug 11 (12) | N40 | Sky Manor | Pittstown NJ | Sky Manor Restaurant |
| Sept 12-16 | MTN | ICS Baltimore Convention | Baltimore, MD | Holiday Inn - Inner Harbor |
| Oct 13 (14) | LBE | Arnold Palmer Reg. | Latrobe PA | DeNunzio's Italian w/NC |
| Nov 10 (11) | SHD | Shenandoah Valley Reg. | Staunton VA | (under construction) |
| Dec 1 (2) | GED | Sussex+ Co. | Georgetown DE | Lighthouse Landing |

Register for fly-ins at quietcornerbands.org/Forms/ICS-NE_FlyIn_RegForm

Martinsville VA fly-in in March weathered out

We planned a joint Northeast / Southeast Tribe fly-in on Saturday, March 17, 2012. It was to be an informal Hangar Cafe luncheon at Blue Ridge Airport in Martinsville, VA (KMTV), on the southern edge of our territory and just east of the Blue Ridge Mountains. But the weather gods had a different idea!



As you can see from these shots from the Weather Channel, south western Virginia was not a good spot to try flying on either day. The decision to cancel the weekend was unanimous. We may try again another time.

Pete

April Fly-In Sneak Peek in Baltimore

Our April 14-15 weekend fly-in visited Baltimore for the purpose of walking through and talking to coordinators for the various locations involved in the 2012 ICS Convention.

The first stop was Martin State Airport. Four aircraft flew in for the weekend and reported no difficulties with the airport or airspace. The restricted area to the east was hot, but the ATC controllers brought us around it with no problem.

The FBO coordinator gave us a tour of the classroom beneath hanger #4 that we will use for the Airport Day luncheon, and went over the plans for ramp parking and access. They have a program that designs a parking pattern to maximize the use of the ramp space. There will also be picnic tables under shade trees next to the ramp. Self-serve 100LL fuel is available at a reduced cost from the truck price.



Next stop was checking in to the Holiday Inn after an easy 25-minute ride downtown. The hotel has been around for a while, and shows its age in the décor and design, but is clean and well maintained. The rooms were nice, the beds comfortable, and the street noise not a problem.

For the Convention we have the hotel's entire 12th floor, featuring a panoramic window wall overlooking the city.



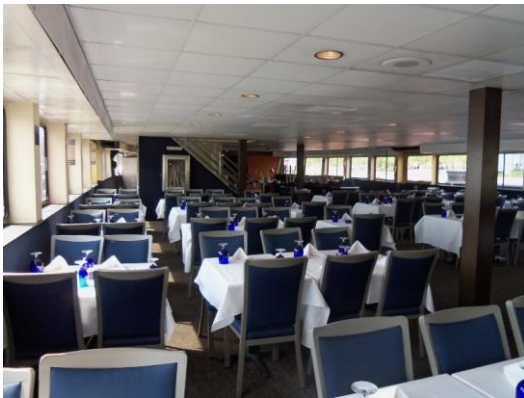
Two large rooms, each of which can be divided as needed, flank the central lobby area. This lobby will be the location of the registration and information table, and for the many vendors who will be displaying their wares. The larger conference room will be divided for seminars, and opened up for the Friday evening dinner and General Meeting. The smaller conference room will be used for the other meetings, allowing plenty of space for all who wish to attend.

We also spent some time exploring Baltimore. The Charm City Circulator's Orange Line has stops on each side of the block where the hotel is located. Riding about 15 minutes west brings you to the B&O Railroad Museum. The harbor is just 2 stops to the east, and Little Italy is just a few more stops to the east. There is also the Purple Line and the Green Line which all meet within a couple of blocks of the hotel, and all are free of charge. Then there is the Light Rail train which can bring you from BWI to the Camden Yard / Convention Center stop for just \$1.60. Walk one block north to the hotel.

The harbor is a short 10-minute walk (or take the Orange Line), and offers a multitude of attractions. There are restaurants, museums, tours and shops to satisfy everyone’s fancies.



Our last meeting was with the coordinator for our *Spirit of Baltimore* cruise and dinner. The ship is an easy 15-minute walk from the hotel, or 5 minutes from the Orange Line stop. We will board at 7 pm, and have the entire main deck for our party. The cruise lasts from 7:30 to 10:30 and includes an extravagant buffet with singing wait staff, a cash bar, tea lights on the tables, and our own deejay.



After dessert is served there will be a few closing speeches and the announcement of the Flagship Award winners. Then those who wish to can join the dancing or climb to the top deck to enjoy Baltimore Harbor from under the stars.

See more details on the ICS website Convention page.

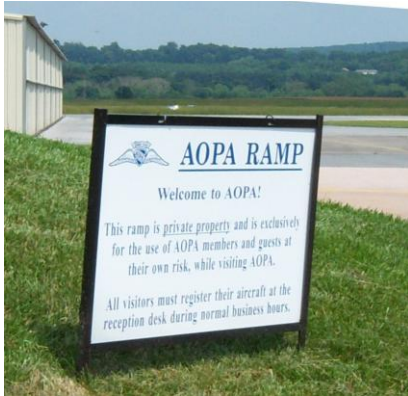
As a reminder, here is the planned schedule for the five days of the Convention.

| | Morning | | Afternoon | | Evening | |
|----------------------|-------------------|-------|---|------------|---|-----------------------|
| Wednesday Sept 12 | Setup time | 8-12 | Arrivals Registration | 1-8 1-8 | Welcome Reception at Hotel | 5-9 |
| Thursday Sept 13 | Registration | 8-4 | CFF Board Meeting | 1-2 | "Tribe Night" dinners | 5-9 |
| | Opening Ceremony | 8:30 | Afternoon Seminars **Individual Activities | 1-4 1-5 | | |
| | Old Board Meeting | 9-12 | | | | |
| Friday Sept 14 | Registration | 8-4 | Vendor Displays | 1-5 | Convention Dinner and Annual General Meeting | 7-9 |
| | Vendor Displays | 8-12 | Afternoon Seminars | 1-5 | | |
| | Morning Seminars | 9-12 | | | | |
| Saturday Sept 15 | Registration | 8-12 | Martin State Airport Day (MST) | 1-5 | <i>Spirit of Baltimore</i> River Cruise and Awards Dinner | 7pm 7:30- 10:30 |
| | Vendor Displays | 9-12 | FAAST - Pilot | 1-5 | | |
| | New Board Meeting | 10-12 | Companion Seminar | | | |
| Sunday Sept 16 | Departures | 8-12 | Clean up! | 12- ?? | | |

** Ft. McHenry, Baltimore Aquarium, Camden Yard Tour, Riverfront Shopping, Science Museum

Frederick MD fly-in in May

The fly-in to AOPA Headquarters in Frederick, Md, had to be postponed one week due to the expanded TFR over Camp David for the G-8 Summit. Four aircraft and 11 people showed up on the Saturday of Memorial Day weekend.



We met with Paul Peres, head of the Education department of ASF, in an informal discussion. We talked about the upcoming Baltimore Convention and possible AOPA participation, the Pilot Companion course we will be offering, and other common concerns like aging aircraft, recruiting new pilots, and dealing with proposed legislation governing flying. After lunch Paul gave us a tour of the AOPA building and a presentation on the new web and seminar training programs in development.

Paul promised to pass on our comments to others at AOPA, and to encourage staff members to make the drive to Baltimore in September. A brief article and photograph describing our visit appeared in the June 1st AOPA ePilot newsletter.



We departed mid-afternoon into threatening skies, making it back to our home bases with help from the ATC controllers. Lynn Ward took this picture of the weather radar display in their twin on the way back to the Rochester, NY area.

Once again our Comanches came through in comfort and style.

2012-13 Northeast Tribe elections

It is time once again to hold elections for the Northeast Tribe. The new officers will certainly have an easier job with the Baltimore Convention responsibilities behind them!

Proposed 2012 slate:

Tribe Chief –

Bernard Stumpf
recently retired
long time member
current Assistant Chief



Westerly RI
ICS# 7300
PA24-260B N9285P

Assistant Chief -
Av Shiloh

recently retired
long time member



Huntington Valley PA
PA24-260tt N9400P

Treasurer -

Chris Jorheim
current Treasurer



Altoona PA
PA24-260 N8744P

Scribe -

Keith Johnson
former Tribe Chief
current Scribe



Hartley DE
ICS# 15548
PA24-250 N6048P

Fly-In Coordinators -

Ron and Lynn Ward
retired corporate pilot (jet)

Fairport NY
ICS# 179090
PA-30B N11KY



Pete Morse, former Tribe Chief, will continue as editor of the quarterly *Nor'Easter*, and as an advisor to the Tribe officers.

As we did last year, members are asked to submit an e-ballot by clicking this [ICS-NE ElectForm](#) link. Please check off the names you are voting for, or fill in the name you wish to nominate. Include your ICS membership number to validate your vote. The form is active now, and will be forwarded to Pete Morse when you click Send. E-ballots will be accepted through Wednesday, August 8, with the actual elections held at the Sky Manor (N40) fly-in on August 11.

Thank you for your interest and participation.

Pete Morse, Tribe Chief

Technical Issues

If you have any Comanche related technical question contact Dave Gitelman, ICS-NE Tribe Technical Director. Contact Information: H: 585-381-4785, C: 585-317-8446. Please, no calls before 9:00 a.m. or after 9:00 p.m.