

ComancheZOOM August 12, 2300Z / 7pm EDT

Robotic Tugs and Laser Altimeter install Q&A

This was a two-topic ComancheZOOM. First the Robotic Tugs which were such a hit with the pilots attending ComancheTown at this year's AirVenture, and second a Q&A session (which turned into much more) about installing and using the Laser Altimeter offered in the recent group-buy to improve our landings.

While the Zoom itself was well worth the time, the heroics behind the scenes are the real star of the show.

I'm Pete Morse. Each week I open the ComancheZOOM early, displaying a slide show of the evening's topic and other news, admitting other early members for quiet chit chat, start the recording at 7 PM with an online welcome, then, at the end, process the recording for upload to the Northeast Comanche Tribe website. All total this takes 5 or 6 hours at my home airport, Danielson CT, using their better-than-my-home WiFi access.

I had open the Zoom and was all set to record this evening's event when, at 6:45, a major thunderstorm knocked out the power 5 minutes before the planned recording was to start. The power came back in short order, but the WiFi had shut down and could not be reset that night.

I sent out an urgent text message that I no longer had a WiFi connection and had lost the Zoom. I have no idea what happened among the members still on the Zoom, but somehow Chris Baker from Alabama, and new Zoom processes, stepped up and began recording. Chris later, with my phone and email guidance, got the raw recording files converted (by Zoom) and got the resulting files uploaded to the Northeast Comanche storage location. Talk about cockpit resource management! Sometimes it truly takes a village. Thank you, Chris.

Click on the links below to see/hear the results of this last-minute recording scramble.

- <http://meetings.northeastcomanche.org/zoom/2021-08-12/video.mp4>
- <http://meetings.northeastcomanche.org/zoom/2021-08-12/audio.m4a>

Click here to view the Chat file

- <http://meetings.northeastcomanche.org/zoom/2021-08-12/chat.txt>

Pete Morse for the
ComancheZOOM team