

Newsletter of the North East Tribe of the International Comanche Society

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Message From The NE Tribe Chief



Bernie Stumpf, Tribe Chief

Greetings Comanche drivers! Welcome to my second edition of the Nor'easter as Tribe Chief.

Spring is in the air, and a pilot's fancy turns to thoughts of ... Flying again!

Our February Comanche Fly-in to Williamsburg, VA was canceled the day before due to clouds and icing conditions.

Our December Comanche Fly-in to Georgetown, DE was held, but New Englanders were unable to go: low clouds and icing conditions.

Our November Comanche Fly-in to Luray, VA was held by 16 people and 6 planes. Again New Englanders couldn't come.

As you probably are aware, on Sep 17 the FAA issued a new AD with Subject: Flight Controls - Piper Aircraft^ Inc. This is the "horn AD" for the Comanche singles: at <u>www.comancheflyer.com/NS/files/2012-17-06.pdf</u>. Also see the Nor'Easter_2012-Winter.pdf with good references for this AD

Check out the fly-in schedule for 2013 below. Included are Sun n' Fun and Oshkosh for your planning, as well as the ICS Convention & Alaska Cruise in Seattle. Please remember to go the <u>quietcornerbands.org/Flight/ICS-NE/ICS-NE_page</u> to register for each fly-in you plan to attend. It does help to have an idea of who may be there, and to compile a notification email list for last minute updates. As before, the contact information for ICS-NE, the 2013 Fly-In schedule, earlier copies of the Nor'Easter, and other Comanche stuff are posted on the web page (use the link above).

Contact your Tribe officers at the addresses or phone numbers listed below for any questions or comments.

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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 Program Name Location Restaurant Jan _ _ - no fly-in planned -JGG Feb 16 (17) Williamsburg/Jamestown Williamsburg VA Charlie's luncheon Mar 16 (17) FDK Frederick Municipal Frederick MD Airway's Inn luncheon (April 9-14 LAL Sun N Fun 2013 Lakeland, FL Sun N Fun) April 20 (21) LBE Arnold Palmer Reg. Latrobe PA DeNunzio's Italian luncheon **CPTP** Flight Clinic May 17-19 LZD Danielson Danielson, CT June 15 (16) 2B3 Parlin Field Newport, NH Lil' Red Baron luncheon (Jun 27-Jul 7 ICS Convention & Cruise) RNT **ICS Seattle Convention** Renton, WA Holiday Inn July 13 (14) N89 Resnick Apt. Ellenville, NY Italian nearby luncheon (Jul 29-Aug 4 **OSH** Oshkosh AirVenture 2013 Oshkosh, WI Oshkosh AirVenture 2013) Aug 17 (18) N40 Skv Manor Pittstown NJ Sky Manor Restaurant elections/luncheon Sept 14 (15) 5G0 LeRoy Airport LeRoy, NY TBD luncheon/comanche issues Oct 19 (20) Luray Caverns Luray, VA Mimslyn Inn LUA luncheon Nov 16 (17) CGE Cambridge-Dorchester Cambridge, MD Kay's at the Airport luncheon Dec 14 (15) GED Sussex Co. Georgetown DE Lighthouse Landing luncheon Register for fly-ins at guietcornerbands.org/Forms/ICS-NE FlyIn RegForm

ICS-NE Fly-In's for 2013

Williamsburg VA February Fly-in cancelled

The Williamsburg VA fly-in was cancelled due to a weather system along the east coast. A notice was sent to the Tribe. There were six ICS members who signed up using the web page link, representing a total of 14 people planning to attend. Each of these pilots got a personal notice of the cancellation thanks to the email information they supplied

Just for your review, here are the Weather Channel maps of the Clipper snowstorm, which went through the Northeast on Saturday, Feb 16, and the icy mix on Sunday. All in all a good time to stay home and review your POH.





Future Fly-ins

The March 16 fly-in is a return to AOPA Headquarters at Frederick Muni (KFDK). Once again we hope to sit down with an AOPA representative to discuss topics common to ICS and AOPA. Last year was a great success. Please plan on joining us, and use the <u>registration link</u> to let us know your intentions. A group email will be sent as usual.

There is talk of changing the September fly-in from LeRoy NY to Nantucket MA. It will still be a typical one-day event – fly in, meet and greet, have lunch and depart – but arrangements will be made at the nearby Nantucket Inn for those who wish to make a weekend of it at a reduced rate. The fall season is a great time to visit the Island after the tourists have left. More details to come.

Check the <u>ICS-NE web page</u> for other events, and the new calendar of event in the ICS newsletter.

CPTP Comanche Flight Clinic offered May 17-19

The Northeast Tribe is proud to host the New Comanche Pilots Training Program this spring from April 17 to 19 at Danielson Airport (KLZD).

The Comanche Pilots Training Program (CPTP) is a total immersion weekend training course for Comanche pilots of all experience levels. Led by Comanche owner/pilots with over 40 years experience in Comanche's of all types (singles and twins), these professional instructors will help you learn what you need to know to operate your Comanche in an efficient, safe and enjoyable manner.

During the 2-3 day program, pilots participate in over 10 hours of Comanche specific ground training in an interactive classroom and hangar-lab setting. Additionally, optional flight training in your own aircraft is offered with the full program.

In the ground-training periods, instructor-led aircraft systems review is interspersed with lively "hangar flying" moments. Your overall Comanche knowledge is enhanced by the shared experiences of your fellow Comanche pilots and engaging in group question and answer periods.

Integral to the classroom experience is a "hands-on" lab utilizing both training tools and a live aircraft. Each pilot will perform a manual landing gear extension and join in an expanded pre-flight walk around inspection, highlighting Comanche specific items on your aircraft. The plan is to have two Comanches on jacks for this activity, one single and one twin.

Pilots who choose the full program have the opportunity to receive up to three hours of personalized flight training in their own aircraft. Follow your own syllabus or allow one of the highly experienced professional flight instructors to guide you through your flight. Upon completion of your flight you are sure to feel a renewed sense of confidence. Provided certain tasks are accomplished your flight period may qualify as a Biannual Flight Review (BFR) and/or an Instrument Proficiency Check (IPC).

So, whether you and your Comanche are just getting acquainted or are old friends, the CPTP will enable you to become a more competent and confident pilot. It's the best Comanche training available anywhere. Come and join us, and we'll all have a great time.

For more course content information contact the instructors, Dennis Carew (<<u>Capt.Carew@gmail.com</u>> 920-749-9558) or George Richmond (<<u>149fe@cox.net</u>> 402-350-1915)

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Costs for the workshop is \$425 for the ground portion only, or \$850 for the full course. There is a discount for early registration and payment. Pilots who have completed the earlier CPPP clinic may attend either the full clinic or the ground portion at a reduced rate. See below for details.

Housing will be at a nearby motel at \$65 per night, with arrivals for Thursday night, May 18. Side trips may be arranged, such as to the Foxwoods or Mohegan Sun Casinos.

For more information about CPTP see the <u>ICS-NE website page</u> fly-in listing and click on the link under the May 17-19 program title. A <u>registration web form</u> is also available. Those with questions about Danielson may contact me at <u>piper32p@gmail.com</u> or by cell phone at 401-636-1046.

Pete Morse, ICS-NE CPTP host

CPTP Details:

Location: Danielson, CT - KLZD Host facility: New England Aero, Inc. Housing: Americas Best Value Inn, 479 Providence Rd, Brooklyn CT 06234 860-774-9644, 888-315-2378, <u>www.quietcornerinn.com</u> \$65/night (1 dbl) or \$80/night (2 dbls) under room block "ICS" Ground transportation: tba

Costs:

• Full CPTP Clinic (ground + flight) \$850.00

• Ground portion only (no flight) \$425.00

Early payment (2 weeks prior) discount

of \$50 or \$25, respectively

- Refresher Full Clinic (ground + flight) \$600.00*
- Refresher Ground portion only (no flight) \$200.00* * with previous completion certificate

<u>Click here</u> to register on line.

ICS News

Notice of Increase in ICS annual dues

On Wed, Nov 7, 2012 at 2:40 PM, Pat Donovan <<u>icstreasurer@centurylink.net</u>> wrote:

Everyone,

As approved at the annual membership meeting, the membership dues will increase \$3/year effective January 1, 2013. Please make the changes where appropriate and notify your Tribe.

*1 Year * *2 Year * US, Canada, Mexico \$72.00 \$136.00

*ICS Renewal Rates Effective Jan 1, 2013

Europe, Asia, South Africa\$98.00\$188.00Everywhere else\$86.00\$164.00Spouse\$36.00\$68.00

Thanks, Pat

Technical Issues

Check the ICS website for information about the new Tail Horn AD (AD 2012-17-06) affecting the PA-24, PA-24-250 and PA-24-260 Comanches. Both the AD and a clarification letter for ICS President Zach Grant are posted there. An e-blast from ICS regarding this was sent out on Sept. 18 to all members.

The Mid-States Tribe has scheduled three weekend workshops on the required tail horn inspection. The plan is for a qualified AMT to perform the inspection on a volunteer Comanche, with the attendees helping and observing. Attendees will pay a \$25 fee, and the Comanche owner will pay \$50. The result will be AD compliance. We hope to set up a similar workshop in the Northeast, time and place to be determined. Stay tuned for further information.

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.