

Newsletter of the North East Tribe of the International Comanche Society

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CJ Stumpf

Hello fellow Northeastern Comancheros,

Spring is in the air. As I write this, it has been snowing and sleeting all day in Vermont, yet we had a phenomenal turnout for our first Fly-in of the year March 12 at JGG Williamstown, VA. The next Fly-in is Easton MD (KESN) on Saturday, April 14. Hope to see you there!

Most of my ICS time has been going to the ICS safety study update, and to EAA Oshkosh AirVenture planning for 2016 (see below for a special offer!). Other topics that I want to highlight are the New Zealand convention March 22 - 27, the new Comanche Flyer Magazine features, and planning for upcoming CPPP training.

Great news on the Comanche Safety Study update: AOPA's Air Safety Institute has agreed to an official, sanctioned update of the Comanche Safety Study last performed approximately 18 years ago. This will involve an analysis of the NTSP database, along with proprietary information that only AOPA has. The board has also allocated funding for a look at the ASRS incident database. The original study highlighted unusually frequent landing gear and fuel management issues, and we should see an update by the end of 2016. This information will provide publicity (hopefully excellent) for the Comanche and if there are any significant changes from two decades ago, we will use this information to make us safer, better pilots (the CPPP training curriculum was influenced by the first study) and also to take the best care possible of our beloved planes.

Speaking of CPPP, we plan to host at least one Northeastern CPPP training, possible two, and to hold them further north this year, possibly in conjunction with the Eastern Canadian Tribe. Likely host airports are in New York State and Western MA. If you are interested in attending a Pilot Proficiency Program Training, please email me, copy to Pete Morse; put CPPP in the subject. I will pass your names on to the organizers, who will be contact you with possible dates. We will do our best to make sure that we choose dates that work for most people.

The ICS Annual Convention is being held this year March 22-27 Queenstown, NZ. Although this is a long trip for most people, the Convention itinerary sounds outstanding. To quote President Av Shiloh, "Alan Breen has put together what promises to be a truly wonderful event. You can view the "Programme" at <u>www.ics2016.com</u>."

OshKosh is being held in July as always, and this year we have a special opportunity: We are offering free Oshkosh attendance wristbands for tent volunteers! Please email me if you are planning to be there and would like to spend some time volunteering in the ICS tent. A half-day in the tent gets you a day wristband free. Again, please contact me. First come first served! OSH is always amazing!

Please take a look at the Flyer, as Northeastern's own Gloria has been writing an amazing series of Profiles, and Tribe Technical Wizard Zach Grant is publishing the third of three articles on UPGRADING YOUR PANEL!

Lastly, a message from our president, Av Shiloh: "The ICS Elections are open for voting until March 22, 2016, conducted by Sally Williams, our Elections Chairperson. PLEASE BE SURE TO VOTE!!! Our Bylaws require a minimum number of votes in order to achieve a quorum, so that the election is valid. This year you

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can vote for your ICS Officers, next year's budget, and a Bylaws change. Results of the elections will be announced on March 25th, at the ICS Annual Convention and Meeting of Members, as well as on our website and The Comanche Flyer Magazine.

To vote, simply go to <u>www.comancheflyer.com</u>, click on the voting link at the upper right hand corner of our home page, and follow the instructions. It's easy!"

I am looking forward to seeing everyone next month at Easton MD!

CJ

## ICS-NE 2016 Fly-In Schedule

Date	Apt Id	Name	Location	Restaurant	Program
Jan		- no fly-in planned -			
Feb		- no fly-in planned -			
Mar 12 (13))	JGG	Williamsburg-Jamestown	Williamsburg, VA	in FBO	luncheon
Mar 22-26		ICS Convention 2016	Queenstown, NZ		
April 5-10	LAL	Sun N Fun 2016	Lakeland, FL		Sun N Fun
April 16 (17)	ESN	Easton/Neuman	Easton, MD	Sugar Buns Café	luncheon
May 14 (15)	N89	Resnick Airport	Ellenville, NY	Italian	luncheon
May 16-23		Cuba/Cayman ICS fly-in	Havana and Grand Cayman		
June 11 (12)	2B3	Parlin Field	Newport, NH	TBD	luncheon/EAA
July 16 (17)	RKD	Knox County Regional	Rockland, ME	TBD	Luncheon/Museum
July 25-31	OSH	Oshkosh AirVenture 2016	Oshkosh, WI		Oshkosh AirVenture 2016
Aug 13 (14)	N40	<u>Sky Manor</u>	Pittstown NJ	Sky Manor Restaurant	elections/luncheon
Sept 10 (11)	1B2	<u>Katama</u>	Martha's Vineyard	Right Fork Diner	luncheon
Oct 15 (16)	LBE	Arnold Palmer Regional	Latrobe, PA	DeNunzio's Italian	luncheon
Nov 12 (13)	GED	Coastal Delaware	Georgetown DE	Lighthouse Landing	luncheon
Dec		- no fly-in planned -			

This list of fly-ins scheduled for 2016 appear on our <u>ICS-NE web page</u>. As always, fly-ins are held on Saturdays, with Sunday as a rain date. Notices will be sent two weeks in advance with an included sign-up link. Please watch your emails for any changes in scheduled dates or locations.

The next few fly-in locations are described below, along with some of the attractions nearby. Click on the airport identifier for a link to the AOPA Airports page for specific destination information. Each destination provides many excuses to make an extended stay of the trip.

- <u>April 16, Easton MD</u>. Easton/ Neuman (<u>ESN</u>) is located on the upper Chesapeake, just east of the Washington DC ADIZ. Sugar Buns Café offers great food. Nearby attractions: Amish farmers market, Audubon center, Art Museum.
- <u>May 14, Ellenville</u> NY. Resnic Airport (<u>N89</u>) is in a nice valley just to the west of the Hudson River and northwest of the West Point Military Academy. Il Paradiso, an excellent Italian restaurant, is just outside the gate. Nearby: Honor Haven Resort and Spa. Those arriving from the southern coastal states might enjoy using the Hudson River Corridor see New York City from 1200 feet!
- \*\* June 11, Newport NH. Parlin Field (2B3) is an airport gem located in the Lakes region of New Hampshire, and has been a popular ICS-NE fly-in site for years. The FBO will provide transportation to a nearby restaurant while the Lil' Red Baron is being upgraded. The airport has on-field camping and

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"loaner" bicycles to explore nearby hiking trails, the covered bridge and a swimming hole in the Sugar River. This year we hope to coordinate with the local EAA Chapter to provide Young Eagles flights. All attending Comanche pilots are encouraged to participate.

• July 16, Rockland ME. Knox County Regional (RKD) is located on the coast of Maine, north of Portland and south of Bar Harbor, and is the home of the Owls Head Transportation Museum. The museum features exhibits of all modes of transportation - automobiles, trucks, farm equipment and aircraft. On specific days they actually fly their reproductions of vintage aircraft. When not a Museum Flying Day you can taxi to the museum to park and display your "antique" aircraft. Enjoy the many other "down east" area activities and possibly stay over to relax in nearby Rockland.

Pete Morse, ICS #16012 Nor'Easter editor/ / website host

## March fly-in at Williamsburg, VA

We had a great turn out for our first 2016 fly-in. Ten Comanches and a Bonanza arrived at the Williamsburg Airport for lunch, carrying pilots and pax who exchanged everything from mechanic and avionic shop recommendations to panel upgrade stories to vacation recommendations. In fact, three couples made a weekend of it, enjoying the various attractions in the Williamsburg area. Give you any ideas...?





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ICS-NE website links for your convinience:

- ICS-NE main page: <u>http://www.quietcornerbands.org/Flight/ICS-NE/ICS-NE\_page.htm</u>
- Documents page: <u>http://www.quietcornerbands.org/Flight/ICS-NE/ICS-NE\_DocLinks.htm</u>
- Fly-in sign-up form: http://www.quietcornerbands.org/Forms/ICS-NE\_FlyIn\_RegForm.htm