

Newsletter of the North East Tribe of the International Comanche Society

Summer 2015 June-July-Aug



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## Welcome to Summer ICS-NE Style

Welcome to Summer Fellow Comanche Nor'easters! 'Tis the season to enjoy the freedom that aviation brings and share it with your family and friends. What better way than to attend the ICS-NE fly-ins. Here are general descriptions of the fly-in locations for the next few months, along with some of the attractions nearby. Click on the airport identifier for a link to the AOPA Airports page for further information.

- July 18, Edgartown MA. Beach Party! Katama Airpark (<u>1B2</u>) is a grass strip airfield on the eastern edge of Martha's Vineyard. Bring your beachwear and taxi south to park just yards from one of the best beaches on the Vineyard. Or taxi to the north by the Right Fork Diner, within walking distance of Edgartown's many shops. See the invitation in this Nor'Easter for more details.
- <u>August 15, Medford NJ</u>. The Flying W (<u>N14</u>), in southern New Jersey east of Philadelphia, is the location for our annual Tribe elections. The restaurant offers a clear view of landing traffic, and check out the pool shaped in the outline of an airplane. Enjoy the pool club, a motel on site, and the nearby wildlife refuge
- <u>September 19, Lancaster PA</u>. Lancaster (<u>LNS</u>), in eastern Pennsylvania north of the ADIZ and west of Philadelphia, has all the benefits of a towered airport in the heart of Amish country. Fiorentino's Bar & Grill, located on the field, offers fine food.

There you have it, a thumbnail sketch of the next few fly-ins – some new, some renewed – along with some of the nearby attractions. Watch your email for details as each date arrives, then plan to attend and bring your family and friends!

Pete Morse, ICS-NE Scribe

#### ICS-NE 2015 Fly-In's, July - Nov

Fly-Ins are held on Saturday, with Sunday as a rain date. Email notices will be sent two weeks in advance. Events listed in red are other non-NE events of possible interest to members. Watch your emails for any changes in scheduled dates or locations.

Date	Apt Id	Name	Location	Restaurant	Program	
July 18 (19)	<u>1B2</u>	Katama Airpark	Edgartown, MA	Right Fork Diner	Luncheon/EAA	
(July 20-26	OSH	Oshkosh AirVenture	Oshkosh, WI		2015 AirVenture)	
Aug 22 (23)	<u>N14</u>	Flying W Airport	Medford, NJ	Patti Wagon Café	elections/luncheon	
Sept 19 (20)	<u>LNS</u>	Lancaster Airport	Lancaster, PA	Fiorentino's Bar & Grill	luncheon	
Oct 17 (18)	<u>PYM</u>	Plymouth Municipal	Plymouth, MA	Plane Jane's Café (FBO)	Luncheon	
Nov 14 (15)	<u>GED</u>	Sussex Co	Georgetown DE	Arena's at the Airport (FBO)	Luncheon	
Dec		- no fly-in planned -				
Click on the Airport Id for a link to the AOPA Airports page for that airport.						
Register for fly-ins at <u>quietcornerbands.org/Forms/ICS-NE_FlyIn_RegForm</u>						

### July fly-in at Katama Airpark (182) on Martha's Vineyard

Where: Katama Airpark (<u>1B2</u>), Martha's Vineyard, MA
When: Saturday, July 18, 2015, 10:30 AM - 3 PM Rain date: July 19, 2015
Activity: Informal Fun, Food and Friends, Party on the

Beach

Arrivals -10:00 to 11:30 Parking – just a few steps from the Atlantic Ocean Lunch – Right Fork Diner, noon to 1:30 (transportation to and from the beach provided by FBO)

Departure - mid-afternoon

Click here for fly-in on-line registration



This fly-in is all about family fun. The pilot gets the challenge of the grass strip landing, and the family gets to frolic in (or near) the Atlantic Ocean. Join us for this unique journey! As always, please use the ICS-NE <u>on-line registration</u> form to let us know that you are coming.

Katama Airpark is a grass strip airport on the southeast corner of Martha's Vineyard, just to the east of the KMVY Class D airspace. There is parking near the FBO office and Right Fork Diner at the north end of Runway 3-21, and a taxiway to the beach parking at the south end. From there it is only a few steps the one of the finest beaches on the island, with sparkling sands and Atlantic Ocean surf. Bring your families, your beach toys, and (for the brave) your swimsuits!



Right Fork Diner

**Beach Parking** 

Contact Cape Approach on 118.2. Arrivals are usually over Vineyard Haven's Class D above 2600 ft and descending east of the island, or over the water south of the island. The winds in July are commonly from the northeast, making Runway 3 or 6 the active – check on CTAF (122.8) or the KMVY ATIS (126.25). Once on the ground, taxi to the Beach Parking using the inactive runway(s). Park near the FBO if you wish, and the airport manager will provide a ride to the beach. Self-serve 110LL is available at Katama (\$6.58 in June) or at nearby airports on the mainland. Lunch is at the <u>Right Fork Diner</u> at noon.

Ron and Lyn Ward, Fly-In Coordinators

## ICS-NE at AOPA Fly-ins

In an ICS membership committee meeting last year, Scott Myers reported he had attended the AOPA Fly-In in California. He commented that the Mooney folks had a presence there, and suggested that we should too. All readily agreed. Bill Case made a call to AOPA, and with great thanks to Phil Hobbs, we actually were able to participate in the very next Fly-In in Georgia. This was a sterling example of ICS teamwork.

Ron and Lynn Ward executed everything for the FDK AOPA Homecoming fly-in on June 6. As you can see below, we had a great display and plenty of foot traffic. The presumed benefits are exposure of the type, introducing the Comanche to potential buyers, communicating with present ICS members and Comanche owners, and showing our presence in general. ICS will continue with this year's AOPA fly-ins. After the final event of the year, we'll get together to assess this program and its benefits to determine how/whether to proceed.



# May fly-in at Resnick (N89) in Ellenville NY

On Saturday, May 16, a group of intrepid Comanche pilots flew in to Resnick Airport (N89) in eastern New York. Our host Dwight Coombe had put together a seminar discussing the Comanche landing gear system, a proverbial Achilles' heel for our fleet. After an excellent lunch we all spent some time around and under our aircraft identifying various parts of the system, and even discovering some improper installations. A full report of the seminar can be found on our ICS-NE website. The time spent was well worth it, even for us long time Comanche owners.



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Please read the report about the <u>Landing Gear Maintenance</u> seminar at Resnic as posted on our ICS-NE website.

# June fly-in at Parlin (2B3) in Newport VT

On June 13 nearly 20 people showed up at Parlin Field for our annual fly-in. Almost half the arriving Comanches were twins! The local airport manager had arranged for transportation to an irish pub in town due to the Lil' Red Baron being closed. As usual, everything went smoothly and good food and conversations were enjoyed by all.



#### August ICS-NE Elections

As usual we will hold our NE Tribe elections at the August fly-in, this year on the 22<sup>nd</sup> at the Flying W Airport (N14) in Medford, NJ. The current ICS-NE officers have agreed to serve another term:

- Tribe Chief: Christina (CJ) Stumpf
- Treasurer: Chris Jorheim

• Assistant Chief: Ron Ward

• Scribe: Peter Morse

Ron and Lynn Ward will continue as NE Fly-in Coordinators, and Pete Morse will continue to produce the *Nor'Easter* and maintain the ICS-NE website.

On-line voting will take place during the month of August. Next month go to the <u>ICS-NE website</u> and click on the 2015-16 Tribe Elections link. Enter your ICS number, indicate your selections, and then click Send to cast your vote.

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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: <u>http://www.quietcornerbands.org/Forms/ICS-NE\_FlyIn\_RegForm.htm</u>

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