

The Nor'Easter

Newsletter of the North East Tribe of the International Comanche Society

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Message From The NE Tribe Chief



CJ Stumpf,
Tribe Chief/ Rep

Dear Fellow Comanche Nor'easters:

Greetings from Vermont, the NE-most region of the NE tribe! After 46 straight days of subzero weather, it is finally above freezing. If it is warming here, then to paraphrase the old saw, spring has sprung wherever you are based, and our thoughts are turning to those of flight. The great news: we have an eventful season coming up with lots of good stuff:

Fantastic NE Fly-ins this year are tailored to provide fun times for kids and guests. Enjoy Beaches and Ice Cream on Martha's Vineyard, for starters. The addition of Young Eagles flights to our summer fly-ins (or possibly Young Eagles Lite, we are still sorting out the details with the EAA) will be a lot of fun, will support General Aviation, and give a philanthropic twist to our jaunts. More Pilot Proficiency training is coming up, this time in both GA and PA (and see below for AMAZING accident stats from the leaders in Pilot Proficiency training, the Australasian tribe). Lastly, I am going to talk about a tragic story with a NorthEast Tribe connection that nonetheless is creating scholarship opportunities for young people aspiring to attend FAA Aviation Career Education (ACE) camp.

On training: the Australian ICS Tribe *"developed the original Pilot Proficiency Program which continues to be well attended and appreciated in Australia. As an example I believe that we have only had one gearup accident in a Comanche since the program was initiated many [14] years ago."*

We have about 140 Comanches flying in Aus/NZ (50% twins and singles) and 119 members (a couple own more than 1 aircraft). Of the 119 members I would guess that 45-50% have completed the PPP. We are now up to our 15th event scheduled for late March/April 2015."

Gear-up landings continue to be THE biggest bugaboo of our fleet. Given the incredible Aussie achievement, try to attend a training! It's fun, it's Comanche specific, and it's an investment in you, your passengers, and your airplane. The NorthEast tribe will be hosting not one, but two Pilot Proficiency trainings this year: an upcoming CPTP Training Seminar to be given in Hinesville, Georgia, on April 17-19, 2015 (contact capt.carew@gmail.com), and a CPPP Training Seminar to be given in Harrisburg, PA on May 30-31 (contact: travisbrown99@yahoo.com).

Last, a tragic story is providing a wonderful opportunity for any middle school and high school kids you may know who may be interested in a scholarship to FAA Aviation Career Education Camp, normally \$200 - \$400.

Young Zach Paroline, who was tragically struck by a car and killed the day after his 14th birthday, was passionate about flying. Zach had such a passion for airplanes that he could identify every plane in the sky and had literally worn out the joystick on his Microsoft Flight Simulator. I brought Zach to a local ICS Fly-in, where he got his first flight in former tribe chief Av Shiloh's Comanche 260TC. The two launched from Parlin Field, landing all of 10 minutes away at LEB. Next, Parlin Field Manager Heath Marsden took Zach up in his Ercoupe, which led to Zach meeting up with a Civil Air Patrol mission.

Zach was thrilled to have found his path in aviation, and was inducted as the Civil Air Patrol's newest and youngest member on his birthday, just one day before his untimely death. (Zach's joy was the impetus to the idea of adding Young Eagles flights to our fly-ins). Meanwhile, Parlin Field had raised the funds needed to send Zach to Aviation Career Education camp as a surprise.

Zach's family had requested that donations be made to a scholarship fund in lieu of flowers*, and, at this point, if you know a needy New England youngster, scholarships are available to grade school, middle school and high school kids! Also, there will be a benefit dinner for the scholarship fund at Parlin Field's airport day on August 15, 2015, so please fly in, have a great BBQ dinner, and support Parlin and ACE camp scholarships! Comanches started this, so please fly in and show your support if you can. Please contact me at cjstumpf@gmail.com if you have any kids in mind, and I will connect you with the scholarship fund. Applications are due THIS MONTH!

Tailwinds,
-CJ Stumpf

*If you would like to donate, please send contributions to:

[Zach Paroline ACE Scholarship Fund](#)
Newport School District, SAU 43
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ICS-NE website links for your convenience:

- ICS-NE main page: http://www.quietcornerbands.org/Flight/ICS-NE/ICS-NE_page.htm
- Documents page: http://www.quietcornerbands.org/Flight/ICS-NE/ICS-NE_DocLinks.htm
- Fly-in sign-up form: http://www.quietcornerbands.org/Forms/ICS-NE_FlyIn_RegForm.htm

Below is a general description of the fly-in locations for the next months, along with some of the attractions nearby. Click on the airport identifier for a link to the AOPA Airports page for further information.

- March 21, Williamsburg VA. Williamsburg/ Jamestown ([JGG](#)) is a beautiful privately owned airfield, easily reached by our SE Tribe friends. Charlie's is a bakery and sandwich shop in the FBO, with a good view of the landing traffic. There are many nearby attractions for a family weekend stay such as Colonial Williamsburg, the Jamestown Plantation, and Six Flags.
- April 11, Easton MD. Easton/ Neuman ([ESN](#)) is located on the upper Chesapeake Bay, just east of the Washington DC ADIZ. Sugar Buns Café offers great food. Nearby attractions: Amish farmers market, Audubon center, Art Museum.
- **** May 16, Ellenville NY**. Resnic Airport ([N89](#)) 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 should enjoy using the Hudson River Corridor – see New York City from 1200 feet!
- **** June 13, 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. Lunch will be at a nearby restaurant

with transportation provided by the FBO. The airport has on-field camping and “loaner” bicycles to explore nearby hiking trails, the covered bridge, and a swimming hole in the Sugar River.

** At these fly-ins we are attempting to coordinate Young Eagle Flights with the local EAA chapters. All attending Comanche pilots are encouraged to participate.

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!

ICS-NE 2015 Fly-In's

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
Jan + Feb	--	- no fly-ins planned -	--	--	
Mar 21 (22)	JGG	Williamsburg-Jamestown	Williamsburg, VA	Charlie's (FBO)	luncheon
April 11 (12)	ESN	Easton/Neuman	Easton, MD	Sugar Buns Café	Luncheon/EAA
<i>(April 21-26)</i>	<i>LAL</i>	<i>Sun N Fun 2015</i>	<i>Lakeland, FL</i>		<i>Sun N Fun</i>
May 16 (17)	N89	Joseph Y Resnick Apt	Ellenville, NY	Il Paradiso	Luncheon/EAA
<i>(June 6)</i>	<i>FDK</i>	<i>AOPA fly-in</i>	<i>Frederick, MD</i>	<i>on site</i>	<i>AOPA open house</i>
June 13 (14)	2B3	Parlin Field	Newport, NH	Lil' Red Baron	Luncheon/EAA
<i>(June 18-21)</i>		<i>ICS Convention</i>	<i>Oklahoma City, OK</i>		<i>ICS Convention</i>
July 18 (19)	1B2	Katama Airpark	Edgartown, MA	Right Fork Diner	Luncheon/EAA
<i>(July 20-26)</i>	<i>OSH</i>	<i>Oshkosh AirVenture</i>	<i>Oshkosh, WI</i>		<i>2015 AirVenture</i>
Aug 22 (23)	N14	Flying W Airport	Medford, NJ	Patti Wagon Café	elections/luncheon
Sept 19 (20)	LNS	Lancaster Airport	Lancaster, PA	Fiorentino's Bar & Grill	luncheon
Oct 17 (18)	PYM	Plymouth Municipal	Plymouth, MA	Plane Jane's Café (FBO)	luncheon
Nov 14 (15)	GED	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 quietcornerbands.org/Forms/ICS-NE_FlyIn_RegForm

Formation Flight and Hudson River Corridor?

Over the years there has been talk of running a training weekend for Comanche formation flight, sparked originally by the past ICS arrival flights to Oshkosh. The training would involve ground instruction on procedures and flight training with a formation safety pilot. Another suggested activity was a group flight through the New York Hudson River Corridor. Now there is a plan to try combining the two activities.

Tom LeCompte has been in contact with pilots from the Bonanza Society who are involved with their Oshkosh arrival training at Barnes/ Westfield MA (KBAF). They would be happy to work with a group of Comanche drivers to introduce us to formation flight. We are working out details for this cooperative workshop in the May to June time frame. There is also a possibility of a second workshop in Verginia for interested pilots from that area.

Pete Morse has proposed using our new formation procedures while flying the Hudson Corridor from an airport to the north of NYC (Danbury CT or Orange Co NY), assembling north of the Tapanzee Bridge, flying down the Hudson, turning around south of the Varizano Bridge and returning up the river to the

starting point. Those unfamiliar with this route can read about [flying the Hudson Corridor](#) on the ICS-NE website. The format would be flights of two in trail.

If either portions of this activity sound interesting to you please contact Pete Morse at piper32p@gmail.com.

EAA Young Eagles Flights at NE Tribe Fly-ins

Hi All,

It's time to plan how to add the Young Eagles flights to our Summer Fly-ins. This includes

- how to get the EAA registration done properly so pilots have coverage,
- choose which fly-ins to include Young Eagles flights,
- determine how we will reach out to the community of the local airport hosting our fly-in (so their community knows there's an opportunity),
- decide who's going to do the outreach.

For the first part, the EAA paperwork portion looks like a simple process:

- find a local EAA chapter to sponsor the Young Eagles activity.
- 30+ days ahead, register the activity with EAA using [this form](#) as found on the EAA website.
- bring a dozen or so Young Eagles [registration forms](#) to the fly-in. We can print these or request them from EAA.

To be covered by EAA, participating pilots must 1) be current, 2) flying airworthy and insured aircraft (owned, borrowed, or rented), and 3) EAA members. The Young Eagle passenger must have filled out the Young Eagles Registration form, which is to be left on the ground.

Lynn and Ron Ward, our NE Tribe Fly-in Coordinators, say that they can handle the EAA setup (assuming the above is correct) as well as the initial contact to the Fly-in host at the airfield.

I called EAA to confirm that this is the process, that we can add Young Eagles flights to our fly-ins, and also to confirm that one person can do the setup for all of our fly-ins. Brian, the coordinator of the entire EAA Young Eagles program, says he is going to check with Risk Management about the above and call back. Turns out the Cirrus type club is interested in doing the same thing so we may be pioneering something that will be widespread. I told him that the rest of the ICS is interested in participating if the NE tribe makes this work.

On the Fly-in schedule, I think we have four prime candidates: May, June, July, and August, all months with long days.

May 16 (17)	N89	Joseph Y Resnick Apt	Ellenville, NY	Italian nearby	luncheon
June 13 (14)	2B3	Parlin Field	Newport, NH	Lil' Red Baron	luncheon
July 18 (19)	1B2	Katama Airpark	Edgartown, MA	Right Fork Diner	luncheon
Aug 15 (16)	N14	Flying W Airport	Lumberton, NJ	Patti Wagon Café	elections/luncheon

The proposed method to reach the community is

1. Lynn calls the Airport Field Manager and asks for the names and/or emails of local schools, and any other schools/church groups/etc.
Lynn asks the Host for the same info and asks if they can handle outreach.
2. if Host doesn't have enough time, forward info to CJ and Bernie (and Pete and Av?)
3. Host calls the various places, or if host doesn't have time, divide the work among the Tribe members

Lynn is willing to reach out to the Airport Field managers to get the numbers of a few local organizations and forward that list to us. However if this becomes a burden, perhaps we can call out to the tribe for help. Pete Morse can make a web page that we could link to (and print) to give to the schools and youth groups, and include a link to the EAA Young Eagles page.

That's a stab at it. If anyone has ideas to improve/refine this, please contact a Tribe officer.

--CJ Stumpf, NE Tribe Chief

First 2015 Fly-In

The Northeast Tribe's 2015 fly-in season got off to a typical start with a last gasp Spring storm causing a delay to the Sunday alternate. Many members were still digging out from the feet of snow which arrived this past winter or were involved in normal maintenance issues also delayed by the weather. Still, even with the shifting wind gusts, four Comanches made it to Williamsburg Va (KJGG) to share lunch at Charlies and swap stories. As usual the airport welcomed us with (relatively) warm temperatures and friendly service.



KJGG ramp

Read Gloria Zawaski's account below of their flight to Williamsburg from upstate New York. We look forward to seeing you all at Easton MD (KESN) in April.

First Fly-in of the Year

With Alex and Gloria [aka "The Flying Zawaskis"]

We feel it's important to celebrate important times and dates ...so we decided that we had to make the first fly-in of the year - March 22 in Williamsburg. After all, it was just a few days after the Spring Solstice.

With winds gusting from variable directions, it was a little beyond Gloria's personal minimums, but our 180 was eager to get out of the hangar, so her minimums were about to be stretched. Our first stop was Dutchess County Airport (KPOU) for gas at \$3.49 a gallon (this low price only on the weekends if you pay cash). We were delayed for our hoped-for departure time due to the line-up of others taking advantage of this price, but soon our wheels were in the well, so to speak.

The VFR flight to Virginia was a tad bumpy, but like diehard NFL players, we took a few head butts in stride and stayed in the game. Once we got past Philadelphia, it was smooth flying - and smooth vistas. We watched the landscape stretch out below us like it too was waking up from a long winter's nap.

Yikes! Time to wake up! As we got near Naval Air Base Patuxent Airport, the moving map revealed a plethora of restricted areas. We called for Flight Following, learned the areas were cold and navigated on through. Williamsburg winds were shifting and on the frequency we heard the active runway was changing too - from 13 to 31 and back again. We took the occasion to overfly the water, then came in on 31 when the coast, quite literally, was clear. It was great to feel the warm spring air at our destination - apparently spring got stalled in the south because we haven't experienced much of it up here in New York.



Virginia countryside



restricted areas



Patuxent Naval Air Station

Av met us and let us know that lunch was over. (our bad for detouring for those great gas prices!) We said hello other Comanche pilots as they headed for sightseeing and shopping at nearby Williamsburg and said goodbye to Av who was heading home. At Charley's, we ate a lunch big enough for dinner. We then reversed our course for the trip back, stopping once again for great gas prices (thank you IPAD) this time at New Garden, Pennsylvania (\$4.37 a gallon). We were home in time for dinner. Did I mention the crosswind landings at New Garden and then again at our home airport, Montgomery, New York KMGJ? Ask me about them sometime, I'll be glad to share.

Gloria Zawaski

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If you have any Comanche related technical questions contact the ICS Maintenance Resource Advisors

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