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BIG FOOD DAY. Saturday, October 22, 2016. Dusenbury Field -13NR Coffee and doughnuts on at 9am. (See Jim's info in last months NL)

Camden 2016 was certainly a fly-in to remember-perfect weather and great people. The early bird arrivals showed up in force on Thursday afternoon. Around 10am on Friday morning we left Camden for the 40 mile flight to Huggins Memorial Airpark in Timonville for our fall fly-out and lunch. On landing we were met by our very gracious hostess, Bettie Huggins, along with cohost and chef extraordinaire, Billy Price. Billy gladly received his two volunteer gofers and dicers, Chris Hudson and myself, who under strict direction from Billy helped prepare his famous low country boil. After a delicious lunch and hours of truly ridiculous stories we finally managed to tear ourselves away for the flight back to Camden.



Arriving late that afternoon from Ft. Payne, Alabama was Lifetime Member, Terry Galyean, in his Bakeng Deuce (I've always wanted one of those!!) along with two of his buddies in their RV's. Terry gets the "By golly, I'm going to Camden, no matter what" award for his trek to Camden. Terry flew from Kenai, Alaska (his home) to Anchorage to Memphis to Chattanooga then drove to Ft. Payne, Alabama (to get his Bakeng Deuce) and then flew to Camden with a fuel stop in Greenwood, South Carolina. Whew! Nice.

Space does not allow me to recount the entire fly-in in detail. We missed those who could not get out of some of the northern areas due to unfavorable weather but we do appreciate the fact that they stood by waiting for the weather to clear which, of course, did not happen.

I do want to thank our volunteers. The fly-in would not happen without them. I'll just list them. Anita Givens-Registration, Barb Perkins-Registration, Bette Huggins- Hostess with the Mostest, Billy Price- Host and Chef Extraordinaire, Del Sills-Camden Liaison, Don Collins-Parking, Eileen Wilson-Photographer, Emory Chronister-Parking, Jeff Anderson-Parking, Jim Wilson-Media, Leon Cox-Parking, Linda Weaver- Membership Chairman, Susan Dusenbury-Welcome Committee and Fly-In Chairman, Walt Weaver, Parking Chairman. Judging: Todd Givens and Chris Minatelli. Thanks guys!! Great job!

And lastly, thanks to Ron Alexander for attending the fly-in as our guest and speaker. Everyone really enjoyed meeting Ron and touring his DC-3. His talk on the DC-1, 2s and 3s was spectacular. Thank you, Ron.

This coming weekend is the "last hurrah" of the year for our club. I hope to see you all here at BIG FOOD DAY. *SUSAN*

New Members and their Planes!

John Roberts of Clover, SC has signed the dotted line. Here he is with his Oshkosh *2016 Bronze Lindy Champion* Plans built airplane. It is a Skyote, NX88. The airplane is 70's homebuilt design which uses a lot of the Bucker Jungmeister construction techniques in order to keep it light. Plans were recently re-released by Aircraft Spruce. It's construction is relatively complicated, but it sure does make a head turner! John's rendition is a double head turner! It's first flight was March 2016, and he gets around and flies it!



Of particular significance is the fact that John did a blog and has several posted videos on the construction of the airplane. This is very important as our publications have walked away from stories that talk of such inane stuff as best practices for building and restoring great airplanes such as this. If you simply Google Skyote Roberts, it all comes up...it is detailed and useful reading. Go to the INET if you want the details... Am I the only person interested in how people really do stuff?...



To the left is **Jim Finger** of Carthage, NC with his new ride. It is this pretty yellow Piper PA-15/17, Vagabond shown here at Camden. It is essentially a side by side Clip Wing Cub...about as much inexpensive fun as you can have in an airplane.

Next up is **Jeff Warren** of Simpsonville, SC. Photographed here in their bright yellow Triple Tree Volunteer shirts in downtown Wil-sonville are Jane and Jeff. To the right is their '47 Bellanca 14-13-2. They also own a J-3

Cub and he is building an RV-14A. When we were abandoned and left out in the hot sun at Triple Tree, Jeff and Jane bought and erected a giant tent for us... thereby saving the lives of several of our members. Wow! Welcome y'all! Even more newbies...keep reading...



Gone West



George B. Harris, 83, of Hickory, NC went West in the crash of his Culver PQ-14 on 1 October, 2016. George was born in 1933 and was a graduate of the University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill.

He was a veteran of the United States Air Force. In addition to his aviation interests, he was an avid skier and tennis player. George regularly attended both the spring and fall fly-ins back since at least the early 1980's. The PQ-14 was developed as a target drone...most were shot down. George was a great guy; he will be missed. Our sincere condolences to his family and friends.



Collect Doolittle?

Earle Eargle of Columbia, SC is our combat camera man for Camden. He has also been an avid collector of aviation art and memorabilia. Most of us know the Doolittle raid connection to South Carolina and about the anniversary celebrations held in Columbia. Earl has some collectable 50th, & 60th anniversary items, calendars, including the RT Foster print of the launch from the Hornet. He also has some Black Sheep Squadron memorabilia ...and some railroad items for sale. Interested? Write Earl at 3025 Blalock Dr, West Columbia, SC 29169. SASE will get the list. Mark on the envelope that you are a VAA3 member; one half of any proceeds will go to us! As a side ed. note, if you haven't read the book Target Tokyo by James M. Scott, I strongly advise it. It is the definitive book on the Doolittle raid, has all the good and bad details, and will help calibrate your mind.

Triple Tree was Number 10

Well, it was number 10 for us...10 license plates on the wall. No plans to miss 11,12, &13. This year, the weather actually cooperated., bringing in probably 1300 airplanes. Airplanes were everywhere...but there is a lot of everywhere. As usual, it was just the best time. Who's who? Clockwise...It's **Goodman's** laundry, a Warner powered Hatz Biplane, **Tom Callender** and **VJ Jasarevic**, **Barb Perkins**, **Susan**, and **Wanda**.



Finally...Clear Sky at Camden!

Due to a small calendar anomaly, our fly-in was last weekend(29Sep-2 Oct). As I wait for the power to go off here due to Hurricane Matthew, I will note that this weekend at Camden would have been an exact repeat of the unprecedented rain event of last year. So... with the exception of our Northern Virginia friends who spent the weekend at home in the clouds, we were very lucky to have cool air and clear skies for the whole event. Here's what I recall...

The Thursday early bird flock keeps getting larger and larger. We arrived on the ramp at 1240 after transiting a one mile diameter airplane wash at Sumter...**Jim Ashley** and his Stearman were already on the field...tent erected and ready to rock! (electricity back on...four day delay of game, ed.) The group soon expanded...and after a nice afternoon on the ramp, we retired to dinner.



A little IMCy north of us, but a perfect everything day in Camden on Friday got us on our way over to Timmonsville. Visiting this historic grass strip, having **Billy Price's** low country boil, amidst a sea of doppeldeckers, is just the best.

We certainly thank **Bettie Huggins** (rt), Billy, and all their neighbors and friends for a great day. Talk about being in no hurry to leave... But we had to get back to eat...



Rise and Shine on Saturday to another nice day...where are the airplanes? Politely waiting so as not to wake up the neighbors...and then they came. Big planes and little planes... **Ron Alexander, Jim Sells, and Glen Marsh** arrived in the DC-3. For their giant outlay of cold cash and time to bring this historic airplane to Camden, we honored them with an award. Then...we made Ron work for his dinner.



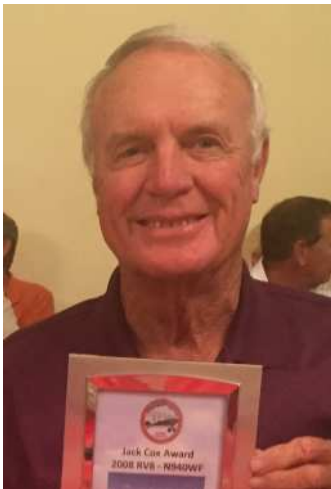


At our Saturday dinner, Ron gave an outstanding talk about the history of his DC-3, how to fly it, and how not to fly it...with special emphasis on how you run it off the runway and/or have it roll down a hill twice in the same day. Vintage aviation could not ask for a better friend and *very* active supporter than **Ron Alexander**. We thank you very much for coming to Camden!

After a packed house dinner, we provided some due recognition. **Michael Bowen**, shown rightly smiling on the right brought his Luscombe 8A N90435. He is from Pendleton, SC and works at the Oconee nuclear plant. He decided he wanted to learn to fly...figured that the Luscombe would be best for that purpose...also that buying one would put him \$\$ ahead and make it possible to get his primary in this great tailwheel airplane...last but not least, he went through the whole airplane and engine to insure it would hack the mission. This story should sound familiar to some of you... This is the kind of stuff that keeps our ball in the air...a testament to personal commitment and hard work!



Terry Galyean made his triumphant return from Alaska (Terry flies a "heavy" twin., a C-46- relative to the "light twin", the DC-3), He flew at least part of the way in a B a k e n g



Deuce...a beautiful parasol ...one of those legacy homebuilts. He flew along (OK, well behind) Charlie Bell, Ft Payne, AL in an RV-6, and **David Folks** , Chickamauga, GA in his RV-8. David was presented the *Jack Cox Award* for his beautiful airplane N940WF

Cool Sighting at Camden

It's a '45 or '46 Nord 1001 painted as a Messerschmitt ME-108. A few ME-108's were produced in occupied France. Production then shifted to use of the 230 HP Renault 6Q engine as seen here. They were used as liaison and squadron hacks by the French Air Force. It is one of the most efficient airplanes...in a class with the Cessna Airmaster. Lots of work here!



More from CDN...

Happiness with this yellow airplane is **Jim Stoia** of Manning, SC. He is now a new /old member. He received our *Johnny Crowell* Award for his second magnificent restoration of his 1947, J-3 , N3539N. Jim grew up around antique airplanes. His father, Bill, did a lot of the restoration work for Dolph Overton's Wings and Wheels Museum. Jim and his father subsequently ran Precision Air at the Clarendon County Airport. Jim has also been involved in the intervening years with restoring and flying vintage sailplanes. He restored this airplane when he was 15; then sold it, then bought it back, and restored it again. It's a nice'un!



The Dave is Back

As soon as the new guy shows up, watch out for your stuff. **Dave and Donna Tyndall** haven't been back to the area long and they have just trotted off in their giant Waco with our *Best of Show* Award for Camden! Well...ya know...they *really* deserve it. The work that goes into restoring a Waco Custom Cabin is enormous. It is both big and complicated relative to my el cheapo version...which is built like an Aeronca Champ. It is the nicest *personally* done restoration to have graced our ramp in who knows how long. It is no small feat either to learn the blown Wright and not melt important pieces. Oh...what is it? A 1938 EGC-8, NC2329.



Kurt Taxi's In

Well why not? He keeps his rare (they only made 100) Aeronca Scout NC3729E at Camden. The he is **Kurt Welday**, one of our new members who lives in Sumter, SC. The Scout is different in that it is a Chief with an Aeronca 7AC firewall forward...which seems kind of obvious to me...I think it looks better... Kurt had the same thought process as Michael Bowen (page prior) as he purchased the airplane in order to learn to fly in a nice taildragger. His instructor is Kim Brevier now at Plantation Airpark. Kurt is a retired USAF Chief Master Sergeant aircraft maintainer who spent most of his career in the fighter community. He now works for Continental Tire. Welcome!



2017 Calendar of Events

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4 Feb (Sat) Triple Tree Chilly-Chili Fly In
(see their website for tickets and landing procedures!!)
4-7 May Spring Fly-In at Roxboro, NC - KTDS
27 May (Sat) Cross Cotillion, SC37, Cross, SC Bring a plane and a plate.
6-10 Sept Triple Tree Fly-In
5-8 Oct Fall Fly-In at Camden, SC -KCDN

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Top: 6 of the 8 Biplanes on the ramp at Timmonsville

Bottom lineup: Rhonda, David Spencer, Andre Robert, Bob Mitchell, Jim Sowell, Barbara Darden, and Pat Sowell