

Tennessee Short Wing Gazette


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FROM THE LEAD POSITION

Tom Brent

 On Saturday August 20th, 2005 we had an excellent meeting of the Tennessee SWP Chapter at the Lawrenceburg Airport, TN. Turnout was very good with 27 souls in attendance by my count. Kenny and Patti Brown hosted us in the cool of the air-conditioned FBO, where we were blessed not only by scrumptious food, BBQ and salads, etc. but also by environmental relief in the face of a blistering day. Flying weather was OK though, except for the Geigers in Illinois to the northwest, and we had 9 Short Wings plus Paul Bale's new Bonanza on the line. This may have been a first for the Chapter, or at least for me, in that (as Gilbert Pierce pointed out to me) all five models were representedVagabond, Clipper, Pacer, Tripacer, and Colt!



All Short Wings types present and accounted for at the fifth annual BBQ, from Vags to Tripacers

I, with my wife Alva, arrived late, delayed by a visit to the veterinarian to check on one of our dogs I'd run over the day before. I was gratified and appreciative to see that our ever-efficient Newsletter Editor, Curt Ammons, and Kenny Brown (President emeritus) had gotten everything organized from gathering attendee names, etc., to taking photos. I almost felt redundant ☺.



Good food, good friends, and good flying all equal up to great fun for all

We all owe Kenny and Patti a big vote of thanks for cooking and organizing this annual event.

I believe everyone had OK flights homeward bound except Jim Butler ran into the weather coming in from Illinois and had to spend a couple of hours waiting it out at Owensboro, KY.

And yes, the dog's doing OK too with a pinned tibia...no amputation needed.

Next month we're sheduled for Sikeston, MO (SIK) to eat at Lambert's, .home of the throwed rolls. Hope to meet some of our western neighbors there as well as y'all with fast planes <grin> Bale.

Until then, fly safely and cheers,

Tom B

Curt Ammons

“It was a dark and stormy night; the rain fell in torrents--except at occasional intervals, when it was checked by a violent gust of wind which swept up the streets...”

“Dark and Stormy”! Ha!!!! It was anything but when the Tennessee Short Wingers got together for what may soon go down in history as “*The Hotter ‘n He.. TNSWPC BBQ Fest*”. Weather reports had teased



More folks than ya can shake a stick at enjoying Patti’s BBQ ribs at Lawrenceburg

Evansville, Indiana, Stan Stone flew his Colt in from West Memphis, Arkansas, Eric Bale arrived from Huntsville, Alabama in his Tripacer, and Doug Camp, with guest William Dabney brought up the most southern point, flying his Tripacer in from the Starkville, Mississippi area (M51). Oh, and that yellow PA20-150 Pacer you see in the pictures really is the Ammons’ Tweety, which came out of hibernation just in time to make the trip. Tweet hadn’t flown in so long, that it required escort service from the Pierce’s Red Lady and guest pilot, Tom Scott to find its way to 2M2. Driving in, Richard and Gerri Sherlock came from the Nashville area, as did Keith and Mary Beth Sargent from Hermitage. Of the local crowd,



Kenny Brown demonstrates proper milk stool landing technique

members with a potential for afternoon rains for more than two weeks, but rain remained nowhere to be found, except maybe with Dave & Deb Geiger up Illinois way. However, like ducks to a pond, with humidity and haze hanging thick in the hills of south-central Tennessee, the gaggle of Short Wing Pipers were drawn to the distinct aroma of Kenny and Patti Brown’s home smoked barbecue ribs.

Members Paul Bale and Vickey Stephenson arrived from the Knoxville area in his Bonanza, and potential new member, Erbin Baumgardner, flying a beautiful Tripacer from Riceville, represented the southeast corner of the state, Jim Hudgen from Lewisburg arrived in a show winning Vagabound, while Gilbert and Barbara Pierce represented the other corner, flying in from the Memphis area. Not to be outdone, Jim Butler’s slick PA22/20 brought him and step-son along from



Kenny and Patti Brown getting a kick at the presentation from the Convention

Delton and Mary Lou Perry joined us as did Joe Fleeman and his dad with stories of his beautiful restorations, to include Joe and Kenny’s award winning Tripacer. All in all, ten planes represented nearly 30 members and guests. Oh, and who came in tail-end Charlie? Yup, none other than the Prez! Tom Brent was unable to fly out of Corinth, Mississippi since authorities closed the runway for repaving. However, Alva (Tom’s wife) was kind enough, not only to tote him up in their Toyota pickup, but also bring homemade ice cream. Since Alva was good enough to do all that for us, we forgave Tom for his tardiness.

The 4-Fs prevailed as we all partook of Kenny and Patti’s ribs. Meeting new (and old) friends, and talk of the convention and Oshkosh mixed with the consumption of great food brought in by all. Afterwards, most excused themselves to the blistering heat to check out the latest innovations of each plane while admiring some of the prettiest Short Wings in the country. Of course, we had to take a peak in Joe Fleeman’s shop of aircraft artistry to see the latest project of this master craftsman. Sure enough, the bare bones of another award winning Cub graced the shop. Although it lay there

naked, supported by saw horses, we all new another work of art was in the making.

As we all prepared for departure on what would surely be a hot and bumpy ride back to our homes, Gilbert gathered us back in to the air conditioning for a presentation to Kenny from an anonymous contributor at the 2005 Short Wing Piper Club Convention. As you can see from the photos, Kenny was beside himself in joyous emotion over the latest in the Milkstool/Leezard gift exchange. What more can be said as I'm sure he'll hold these treasured gifts near to him for a lifetime. Here's looking forward to the next chapter in the Milkstool/Leezard love affair! Until then, keep 'em flying!



Craftsman, Joe Fleeman's, Art Studio

FLY MARKET

<p>TNSWPC Patches</p> <p>We have plenty of patches available. Contact either Tom or Curt so you can fly your colors proudly! Size: 2½" x 3¾" Price: \$5.00, checks payable to <i>Tennessee Short Wing Piper Club</i> Send to: Curt Ammons</p>	<p>TNSWPC Decals</p> <p>Display your colors while supporting your organization. Contact Tom or Curt to get yours now! Size: 2½" x 3¾" (approx) Price: \$2.00, checks payable to <i>Tennessee Short Wing Piper Club</i> Send to: Curt Ammons</p>
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GAGGLE RESOURCES

Folks there are still members out there who've not paid dues, and we received no checks this month. We've cut back on mailing costs, but plans are to subsidize transportation costs for the upcoming SE Regional Fly-In in October, not to mention other costs associated with operating your chapter. Please send in your dues. Out of our 31 members, below accounts for the ones who have paid their 2005 dues:

Ammons	Brown	Hillis	King	Passalacqua	Rettberg	Wester
Atkins	Butler	Huddleston	Miller	Perry	Sargent	
Bale	Geiger	Irby	Murphy	Pierce	Sherlock	
Brent	Hensley	Key	Myers	Ramsey	Stone	

Please help us support your organization.

Send your check for \$10 to:

TNSWPC
c/o Curt Ammons, Treasurer
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Balance Forward: July 2005	\$384.07\$
Income:	
- patches (0)	\$0.00
- decals (0)	\$0.00
- membership dues (0)	\$0.00
Payments:	\$0.00
Balance: August 31, 2005	\$384.07\$

THANKS!!

FLIGHT PLANNING

Sikeston, MO: (SIK)

We're heading to southern Missouri to catch some throwed rolls! If you haven't made it to Lambert's (<http://throwedrolls.com>), you just haven't made it. Come join us, as we try to draw in some of our sister chapters from the area at Lambert's, Home of the Throwed Rolls!



Visit: <http://airnav.com/airport/sik>
Date: 17 September 2005
Time: 1100 CT
Location: 36-53-56.0000N / 089-33-42.3000W
Elevation: 315 ft
Communications: 122.8
WX FSS: 866-671-6176


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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- 14-16 Oct - SWPC - Southeast Regional Fly-In: Middlesboro KY (1A6): Glacier Girl
- 1-2 October - Millington, TN (2M8): Millington Air Show
- 19 Nov - Pell City, AL (PLR): St. Clair County Airport
- Dec - Christmas?



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