

TCAA Transponder

TO BE THE CHAMPION OF AVIATION IN TUOLUMNE COUNTY



Above: Luscombe tails in the early morning light of the CLA Gathering of Luscombes Fly-In.

EAA Young Eagles!

Free airplane rides for kids!

Columbia Airport

April 23 2022. 9am-1pm

We need volunteers and pilots!

More info about Young Eagles

Ed Sunday:

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- Rick Livingston Celebration of Life May 22 2:00pm
Columbia Airport Campground
- Gathering of Luscombes Antique Airplane Fly-In
May 20-22
- Food Truck Fly-In E16 May 21
- Father's Day Fly-In 2022 June 18-19 2022
- Eagle Field Fly-In Dinner Dance June 4 2022

MEETING SCHEDULE

Monthly meetings are being held on the second Wednesday each month.

- April 13 2022 6:00 PM
- May 11 2022 6:00 PM
- June 8 2022 6:00 PM
- July 13 2022 6:00 PM
- August 10 2022 6:00 PM



BECOME A MEMBER!

Join Us! Bring a friend! Being a member of the TCAA is great! We are growing fast and have lots of ambitious plans! Whether you enjoy the social aspect of meeting with fellow aviators, pilots, neighbors and friends of the airport, or are interested in helping the TCAA with new projects, and challenges. We'd love to have you!

AIRPORT NEWS

WHATS GOING ON AT COLUMBIA AIRPORT?

- **Campground Water** - The water in the campground was turned off while county crews work to find a leak in the airports water system. The repairs have been reported to be fixed and water has been returned to the campground.

TCAA MEETINGS

The member meetings are scheduled for the second Wednesdays of each month. Currently meetings have been held starting at 6m. During the winter months, Bald Eagle Aviation has offered to host our meetings to keep us out of the cold. IF you choose to attend but cannot find us, Please call or text (209)-651-0632 and we will send someone guide you to the meeting location at the Columbia Airport!

Pot Luck BBQs at our meetings will resume in April!

TCAA Board

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TCAA PROJECTS:

Airport Web Cams!

Jake & Hans have started working on a project that will have one or two webcams that will be installed on top of Hangar #6 and face the campground and one facing the east towards the main ramp. The webcams will be hosted on our website and available for locals and visitors to use! Our current estimate for equipment cost is only \$400! We hope to get this project completed in time for the spring Fly-In season! This project is being sponsored by Jay & Jake Carter and organized by Hans Bayer.

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FATHERS DAY FLY IN 2022

Currently as of this writing, the 2022 Father’s Day Fly-In is scheduled for Father’s Day weekend June 18-19 2022. There is no news from Airport administration to report.



A Bellanca at O22 in 2014



An overhead photo of Columbia Airport in the mid 1960’s

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SHARE YOUR STORY!

We are always looking for contributors for our newsletter! If you would like to write an occasional article or helpful tip or share flying stories, please do so! If you have information about happenings at O22 or E45, please share that as well! We don’t get a lot of first-hand important news around the airports and rely on members for that information!



John's Extra 260. One of only 4 built! Visitor Dave suffered a prop strike taxiing to camp.

Aircraft Maintenance Tip

This cowling latch had been rubbing on this rocker box cover. Someone in the past had installed a "sacrificial rubber strip" to prevent further chaffing. However they just covered right over this damage. The cowling latch had already dug into the cover and punctured a hole. Eventually the adhesives holding on the sacrificial patch loosened up and the leak returned. Now this owner/operator was stranded away from home until a replacement cover could be ordered and the correct cowling latch was installed. The incorrect cowling latch was the original culprit of the chafe damage. The fix was not to cover up a damaged part, but to replace the parts. Had that been done, the owner and pilot could have avoided a 5 day hotel stay away from home while waiting for parts and mechanics to make the appropriate repairs. It would have been a lot easier and cheaper to have fixed it right the first time! Jake Carter, A&P, IA Jake's Air Repair (209) 651-0632



An Antonov AN-2 visits O22 in July 2019. They brought all their kids and friends AND everyone's camping gear!



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Runs great. Newer tires hold air. Located O22

\$3,500.00

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STOLP SA-750 Acro Duster II

\$35,000

205 HRS TT, ESMOH, PTT. Fully Aerobic two place biplane. Lycoming O-360 200HP. Hartzell Constant Speed Aluminum Prop. Based O22. Annual with Sale. (Due May)

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1950 PIPER PA-20 (150 HP) \$60,000

2400 TT 444 SMOH RESTORED IN 2001. 26" TIRES, NEW BUNGEEES, WIDE GEAR. THOROUGH ANNUAL COMPLETED FEBRUARY '22. LOTS OF PAPERWORK. STRAIGHT FLYER. BASED TSP.

(209)651-0632 JAKE (SELLERS AGENT)



3" of snow December 27 2021 &

Airola Fire seen from O22 August 25 2021

CONTINENTAL LUSCOMBE ASSOCIATION 2022 GATHERING OF LUSCOMBES

The Luscombe Association has been having its Fly-In at Columbia for over 50 years! It has easily become one of the top West Coast Fly-In's during the summer and always draws a crowd of other neat antique airplanes. Last year alone there were two Luscombe Phantoms, the only two flying and the only Luscombe Model 4 in existence. Its worth checking out! They also host a flour bombing contest and spot landing contest on Saturday! See you there May 20-22 2022!



CLA Fly-In president Scott O'Briens Luscombe 2021,

How many Luscombe pilots does it take to build a tent? (2019).



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Celebration of Life for Rick Livingston

Join Us at the Columbia Airport Campground
on
Sunday, May 22 at 2:00 p.m.

**Please RSVP by April 22 to Julia
209-768-0366 or juliatidball@icloud.com**