CAF OPERATIONS

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CAF Operations Newsletter

We need your help

The only visibility CAF Operations has to aircraft usage and operations is in Fortress. Many of the units do a GREAT job in keeping the aircraft data current. We understand that sometimes the Form 100 coordinator is not with the aircraft, but now that the airshow season is over and many of the aircraft are down for inspections, we need to get our 2011 data closed out. As of yesterday, the data for 19 aircraft was more than 90 days out-of-date. There are another 15 aircraft that are 60 days out-of-date. At least 2 aircraft were 6 MONTHS behind.

Please help us keep our records up-to-date. Our 6802 program is reviewable by the FAA and they will ask to see our records on your aircraft. We look REALLY silly if the data we have is months out of date.

If records are not brought up-to-date by Feb 29, actions will need to be taken. These may be in the form of administrative, monetary or aircraft grounding.

If you have any question on how to input data into Fortress, call Mark or send him an email at mnovak@cafhq.org

CAF Winter Staff Conference

Now is the time to make your plans to be in Midland 24-26 Feb to attend the WSC. This is the one time each year that the ENTIRE Headquarter Staff is at YOUR disposal to answer any question you may have. There will be several full attendee sessions to hear from your General Staff and learn the latest on the State of the CAF. There are also many scheduled breakout sessions. Operations will have an extensive breakout session. Topics include a Safety update, Fortress training, and many pilot issues. The weekend

Quick Turn

Total Hours flown on CAF thru 31 Dec 11

4298 hours

Number should increase when ALL units report in Fortress

Current CAF Aircraft Status (90% goal)

84.3% flyable

153 aircraft

114 in Flying Status

15 in Maintenance Status

21 in Restoration Status

2 in Storage

1 in Other Status

CAF Non-owners Insurance invoices will be sent in Early February with a March 1, 2012 due date.

will have fun events and even a black tie optional CAF Hall of Fame induction. As with any CAF event, there may be an adult beverage available and some exaggerated flying stories. Look for the agenda and hotel information to be sent out soon. Once again, make your plans now to attend.

NWOC

The National Warbird Operator Conference is scheduled for 16-19 Feb in Ontario, CA. If you have never attended, it is a couple of days of warbird-only education and discussion. NWOC focuses on the exchange of ideas and information concerning the safe operation and restoration of warbird aircraft. This unique educational conference offers programs to enhance pilot skill and knowledge, expand aircraft maintenance technician and restorer knowledge, develop awareness of medical and insurance facts, and address aircraft-specific topics to ensure continued flight for our unique historic aircraft. There are great speakers throughout the weekend and breakout sessions for type specific flying/aircraft. There is also a scheduled tour of one of the museums at Chino to round out the conference. The CAF is a sponsor and both Bob and Mark will be in attendance.

Bailout, Bailout, Bailout

Few have done it, but most of us are one IFE (inflight emergency) from having it to do it. The EAA is offering an online seminar on Jan 19th at 1900 CST. Checkout the link below and see if it is something you are interested in. If you fly warbirds long enough, you will need this information. If you have not thought about a bailout beforehand, there won't be time to think about it when it happens.

https://www2.gotomeeting.com/register/7675838 50

CAFR 60-3 Requirement

CAFR (CAF Regulation) 60-3 states in 4d, "The Operations Officer/Aircraft Coordinator must submit the names and addresses of those persons performing Safety Sensitive Functions to headquarters not later than 31 January of each year. This is a crosscheck to keep the list current."

The list will include the crews and the credentialed maintenance technicians who sign off maintenance work. Operations would like a listing from ALL CAF Aircraft.

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Pilot Folder Items

Each pilot has a pilot folder at Headquarters. Sometimes we do not receive all the required documents to complete the folder. When sending in documents for a new pilot, please make sure you include the following: 600,601, hold harmless, BFR, copy of medical & FAA Certificates.

If you have any questions or want to see what is in you pilot folder, contact Rita. Next time you're in Midland, stop by the hangar and ask to see your folder.

Updates to Point of Contacts

This is the time of the year that Operation's Emails are not sent to the correct POC. Unit staffs have changed but the data is not sent to

update Fortress. If you unit has a new Leader, Operations Officer, Form 100 contact, Aircraft Coordinator, MX Coordinator or MCRP Coordinator, please send them to Mark.

AIRSHO 2012

Make your plans now to attend the 49th CAF AIRSHO in Midland scheduled for October 12-14, 2012. Plans are being made at this time to provide an exciting weekend of flying, camaraderie and fun. More details will be put out in the next newsletter, but put the date on your calendar now.

Pop Quiz

What are the 3 aircraft types most owned by the CAF?

Answer: T-6/SNJ (22), PT-19/26 (14), L-5 (9)