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# **Southern Navion Air Group**

Newsletter

FEBRUARY 2014

### FROM THE PRESIDENT

The 2014 flying season will be starting shortly. As I am writing this, four inches of snow is predicted for tomorrow morning in south Louisiana so I'm thinking I will pull old 95K out and take some snow pictures. Timing is everything in life. I know, Dick Bihler and the folks up north are thinking, "what's the big deal ". The big deal is that the snow and the airplane will be in the deep south.

Danny and Janet have been gracious enough to let us come back to Shade Tree again this year. They are the best hosts ever and Shade Tree is a very special place so, Shade Tree will be March 14, 15 and 16 and by now everyone should know the drill, but for those few that have not been there I'll lay it out for you.

Freq: 122.9

#### Location

FAA Identifier:	MS82
Lat/Long:	30-30-37.7000N / 089-08-50.1510W
	30-30.628333N / 089-08.835850W
	30.5104722 / -89.1472642
	(estimated)
Elevation:	113 ft. / 34 m (estimated)
Variation:	02E (1985)
From city:	2 miles W of LYMAN, MS
Time zone:	UTC -6 (UTC -5 during Daylight Savings Time)
Zip code:	39503

#### **Airport Operations**

Airport use: Activation date:	Private use. Permission required prior to landing 06/1981
Sectional chart:	NEW ORLEANS
Control tower:	No
ARTCC:	HOUSTON CENTER
FSS:	GREENWOOD FLIGHT SERVICE STATION
Attendance:	UNATNDD
Wind indicator:	Yes
Segmented circle:	No
Lights:	RDO-CTL
-	ACTVT LIRL RY 17/35 - 122.9. Three S-L-O-W clicks.

#### **Airport Communications**

WX ASOS at GPT (7 nm SE): PHONE 228-867-9937 WX AWOS-3 at HSA (18 nm SW): 118.375 (228-466-9320)

#### Nearby radio navigation aids

VOR radial/distance	VOR name	Freq	Var
GPTr328/7.2	GULFPORT VORTAC	109.00	02E
PCUr091/30.3	PICAYUNE VOR/DME	112.20	05E

NDB name	Hdg/Dist	Freq	Var	ID
HANCO	074/16.3	221	03E	AYI
PICAYUNE	087/26.2	276	01E	MJD
FLORENVILLE	078/35.3	371	03E	FNA
SLIDELL	067/37.8	256	03E	DEF

#### **Runway Information**

Runway 17/35							
Dimensions:	2800 x 100 ft.	/ 853 x 30 m					
Surface:	Turf						
Runway edge lights: low intensity							
	<b>RUNWAY 17</b>	RUNWAY 35					
Traffic pattern:	Left	left					
Obstructions:	None	15 ft. pline, marked					

#### Airport Ownership and Management from official FAA records

Ownership: Privately-owned Owner: DANNY MILLER PO BOX 2026 GULFPORT, MS 39505 Phone 228-832-5600

That should be enough information for even the "navigationally challenged". For those of you that have never been there, sometimes it can be a little difficult to find.

Shade Tree is located 2 miles west of Lyman, MS. If you have not been to a Shade Tree fly-in you are in for a treat. Danny & Janet Miller sure know how to roll out the red carpet for our Navions! Check out Shade Tree's website, there are lots of Navion pictures and we are on their calendar of events... www.shadetreeairport.com.

#### **Hotel Info**

Comfort Suites Manager: Santino Castillo (228) 678-9001

Gulfport, MS 39503 9121 Hwy 49

When you call and make your reservation, tell them you are with SNAG. King or Double Queen Room is \$82.00/night plus tax

March 14 (Friday) arrive

March 15 (Saturday)

March 16 (Sunday) depart

Festivities will be as usual, brisket, beans and jambalaya in the hospitality room on Friday night. Drinking and lying are encouraged. Saturday morning dawn patrol, lunch at the airport and then games. For those that prefer ribs and pulled pork, there is a bar-bque place right down the road from the airport.

Saturday evening we will be dining at the Lookout 49 Restaurant, (same place as last year). The food and service is great, then back to the hospitality room for business. Sunday fly away home.

Well, I should probably close for now so, fly carefully and fly often, and if you fly through my neighborhood stop in and visit. - See ya there, Paul

# Canon Creek - 15FL

March 28-30, 2014

"Pre Sun N Fun" fly-in at Canon Creek

For information, contact

- Art and Ann Hutchison, 386-755-1096
- Jack and Judie Wells, 386-719-2411
- Jack and Shirley Gordon, 386-758-1745

It's confirmed! Once again the SNAG and Midwest Navioneer Pre-Sun n'Fun Fly-in is scheduled for March 28th, 29th and 30th at Cannon Creek in Lake City, Florida. The weekend will be hosted by Art and Ann Hutchison, Jack and Judie Wells and Jack and Shirley Gordon. Registration will be on Friday the 28th followed by a cocktail party that night at the Hutchison's. Participants whose last name begins with A-H are asked to bring fruit or nuts, I-P brings appetizers, and P-Z should bring desserts (or you just bring something filling and delicious!). Usually we have enough to make a meal out of this party!

Golfers will probably hit the links on Friday so let Ann know if this is an interest of yours and she will make tee times.

On Saturday, registration will continue. There will be a fly-around in the area then on to a brunch/lunch destination—leaving at 9:00 am. This is the laid back and late "dawn patrol"! Upon the return there will be a tech session followed by the BBQ that night in Jack and Judie's hangar. Also on Saturday, spouses, or anyone else who wishes, will be taken to lunch and then on to afternoon activities, which are now being planned.

Sunday morning we will have a civilized departure time at 10:00 for Sun N' Fun.

Recommended hotel rooms are at the Holiday Inn (with a Ruby Tuesdays) and the Quality Inn (formerly the Jameson Inn.) They are recommended because they are right next to one another and across the street from the Cracker Barrel. This makes transportation coordination and any additional meals you might want easily accessible. The contact info is as follows:

- Quality Inn (formerly the Jameson Inn) 386-758-8440
- Holiday Inn 386-754-1411

We will not leave anyone stranded but if you wish to rent a car for convenience, they are available from Hertz, 386-754-3774 or Enterprise 386-755-4005.

Registration costs will be \$10.00 per person, which will cover the water, soft drinks, snacks and the cocktail party. The BBQ Saturday night will be charged separately. RSVP's would be greatly appreciated so we have some indication of those intending to come—we understand the uncertainty of flying!

You do not have to go on to Sun 'n Fun to come to the fly-in! Just join us for the weekend! If you are planning on Lakeland, this is a great way to beat the crowds. We hope to welcome you to Lake City!

### **VERY IMPORTANT MEMBER NEWS**

Tracy Miller, our latest certified pilot, reports some wonderful news....

- I received my Private Pilot certificate on October 17th
- Then on Christmas Eve I said two words (I DO) So, now instead of Miller/Burling, we will be the Burlings. We are thinking sometime in March.





### FIND US ON FACEBOOK

We now have 80+ members on our Facebook group. You can join at any time to get up to the minute news from fellow Navioneers including pictures, videos and a current member roster. The group's name is: *Southern Navion Air Group (SNAG)*. When you find us, you will need to request membership. Once approved (by me) you have complete access to current events, great pictures and other cool information.

-- Susan Holmes

### **OTHER FLY-IN DATES:**

April 1-6, 2014: Sun-N-Fun in Lakeland, FL. Come celebrate the 40<sup>th</sup> annual event! May 23-26, 2014: Memorial Day TBD – call or email Paul Wright if interested in hosting. June 29-July 4, 2014: 2014 Annual ANS Convention in Natchez, MS. Aug 29-Sept 1, 2014: Labor Day TBD – call or email Paul Wright if interested in hosting.

Paul's contact information – email: <u>blbarron@bellsouth.net</u>, phone: 985 882-7016

### 2014 DUES ARE DUE

Dues continue to trickle in. Thanks to everyone who has sent them in. *Please make sure you check your address label before sending if dues. As usual, one or two have now paid twice. When that happens, I usually apply the 2<sup>nd</sup> check to the following year. Don't get me wrong, I will happily deposit your money.* 

Annual dues are \$20.00 per family. These cover the cost of the monthly newsletter (over 75% still prefer an actual paper newsletter via snail mail), access to our Facebook page and help pay for fly-ins with low attendance due to weather.

Please send your check to: SNAG c/o Susan Holmes, 151 Autumn Circle, Belton, TX 76513. Please, please, please make the check out to **SNAG**, otherwise I might spend it on shoes. ©

### WHAT DO YOU WANT ON THE WEBSITE?

Hurrah to Rusty Herrington. He has taken on the task of webmaster and has updated the "official" SNAG website. The URL is: <u>http://goflyyournavion.com/</u>. There are lots of interesting tidbits about SNAG as well as photos and a schedule of planned SNAG activities. Please check it out and bookmark it to your favorites. Rusty wants to know what you want to see on our site.

- He has added a **Spouses Page** that needs input from the better halves. (His words not mine!)
- There is also a **tech support page** with photos of how some things go together.

## **KEEP THOSE NAVIONS FLYING!**

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