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**January 2024 Newsletter**

A graphic element consisting of a blue rounded rectangle. Inside, the year "2024" is written in a large, white, cursive script. To the right of the "4", a small black silhouette of a propeller airplane is shown flying to the right, leaving a white trail that forms the end of the "4".

## Rates Update

No changes in fuel prices. Still \$6.14 per gallon. So no change in hourly rates.

- 172 \$99
- Archer \$109
- 182 \$169
- Lance \$189



## “Love to Fly Party” Member Party

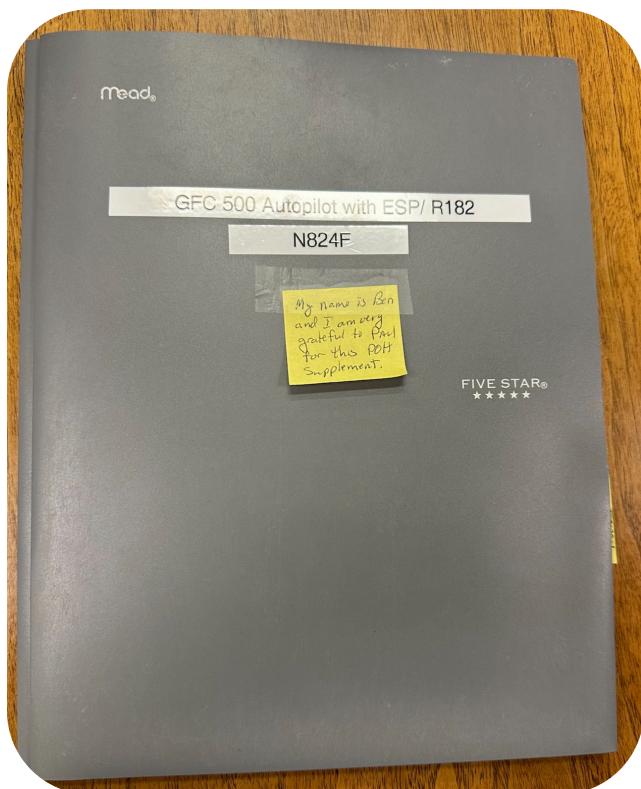
Mark your calendars, our annual member party will be the evening of **February 17th, 2024**. More details to follow! The party will also be marked as a Flywell General Session. We promised our spouses to keep the airplane talk to a minimum.

## Operating Rules

have been posted to the website. The requirement for 182 checkout changed from “150 logged flying hours” to “150 logged flying hours **as Pilot in Command**”. This change is in response to a change in our insurance policy.

We looked and all currently checked-out 182 pilots have over 150 hours PIC. So this update is only applicable to members who would like to fly the 182 and are above 150 total hours but under 150 hours PIC.

<a href="#">Club Operating Rules</a>	Current version of the operating rules
<a href="#">Club By-Laws</a>	Current version of the by-laws
<a href="#">Insurance Form</a>	PDF version of insurance form
<a href="#">Insurance Form</a>	Word version of insurance form
<a href="#">Reimbursement Form</a>	Club reimbursement form
<a href="#">Member Sign-Off Form</a>	New Member Checkout Form
<a href="#">ICAO Codes</a>	ICAO Codes for Flywell Aircraft
<a href="#">Weight-Balance Worksheet</a>	Excel Weight and Balance Form for all planes. Please confirm the exact numbers with the weight and balance information in the aircraft.



## POH and supplements

Paul printed the GFC500 autopilot documentation and put it in this lovely gray binder. Remember, the POH and supplements should be accessible in the cabin. Please place these documents in the seat pockets.

# Electrical Failure

We had a near-scary situation the other week when two members were taking the 172 for a flight and had a complete electrical failure! Luckily, the failure happened during the run-up on the ground.



The radios were dead so they called the tower on their cel phone to get taxi clearance back to the hangar. In case you don't have it, the phone number for the Anoka Tower is **763-717-3045**.

The 172 is back in action after replacing the contactor.

This is a great opportunity to think about what *you* would do in this situation if you were on takeoff, in-flight, or on final.

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## A Fun Photo Shoot



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photo shoot with his team from work. Their theme for the year was “We’re just winging it” and our hangar was the perfect backdrop. Well done Brian!



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## 2024 Member Survey and General Session

history of the club, the 5 year strategic plan from 2018, and the results of the 2024 member survey.

A fun aside, 2024 marks the 60th anniversary of the club which was founded in 1964.

The goal from the 2018 5 year plan was:

**“By 2023, transform the club fleet to glass while maintaining the flying experience for legacy members”**

While we didn't get 100% to this goal, we have made some amazing progress! The entire discussion is too much to fit into this email, here's the gist of it:

- Members feel they will fly more in 2024
- Members want to continue with avionics upgrades
- Support for a new autopilot, audio panel, radio, and swapping the 450 to the 650 in the Archer as the next project
- We discussed various funding mechanisms; member contribution, additional members, debt

We will be working on an updated 5 year plan in the next few months and be roadmapping future projects. We will be assembling a group to do this. **If you are interested in joining the planning team let me know!**

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## **Look at our newest members dominating volunteerism this**



## Hangar Ace

Our hangar ace this month is:

**Mat Terwilliger**

[Sign up...](#)



## Snow Patrol

Our snow patrollers this month  
are:

**Brian Block  
Eric Bredemus**

[Sign up...](#)

*Thank you to all our volunteers for helping control our costs  
and making Flywell an amazing club!*

### Board

- JJ Parker, President
- Mark Bakko, Treasurer

### Maintenance Officers

- 172 - Avram Scheiner
- Archer - Tim Hawkes

### Club CFI's

- Paul Wikstrom
- Kurt Olson

- Kurt Olson, Director
  - Hangar - Fred Ames
  - Marc Tellevik, Director
  - Supplies - Mark Hapka
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# Maintenance Reports

## C172

### Aircraft is flying well

- Replaced contactor
- New ELT
- Annual this week

## Archer

### Aircraft is flying well

- Lower panel bent
- G5 not always turning on at startup
- Scheduling annual at Thunderbird for March 4

## C182

### Amazing



## Hangar

### Dry

- Our water mitigation plan is working however the deal we made with Mother Nature might backfire on us soon!

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## Upcoming Events

- **Board Meeting**  
Wed February 7th @ 7pm
- **Flywell Love to Fly Party**  
February 17th, 2024



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Happy flying,  
- JJ & the Flywell board

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