



# “Tree Top Flyers”

April 27<sup>th</sup>, 2025





Welcome to Our April Meeting  
Thank you for attending  
Happy to have you with us today



## Special Thanks to:

- Our Host - Ron Angerman
- Food Providers - All who provided food today
- Donations – All who donated money today

## New Members/Guests?

- Any guests (or) new members today?

**Feel Free to ask questions or bring up new business**

# Chapter Caps



**A few caps available. Holding off buying more until needed**

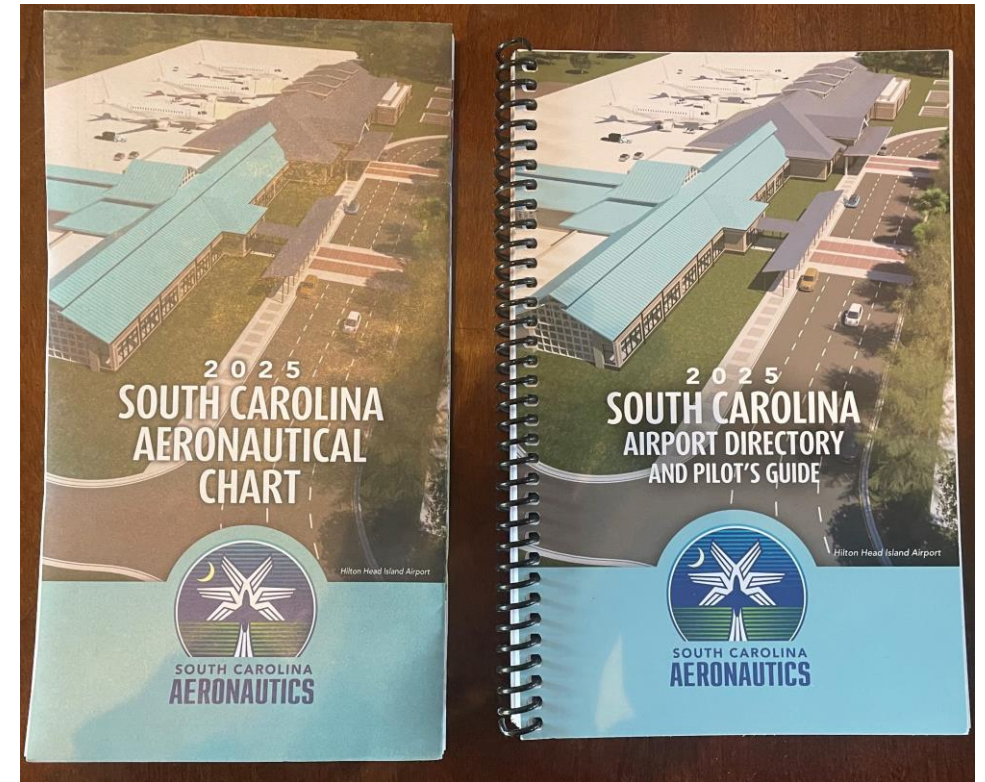
- Our \$10 for chapter members; \$15 for non-members
- If a non-member wishes to join - \$5 off the cap price plus membership cost



# Copies of Publications



- 2025 South Carolina Aeronautical Chart
- 2025 South Carolina Airport Directory & Pilot's Guide



**Compliments of the SC  
Aeronautics Commission**

# Reports



## Minutes (Secretary, Debbie Philbin)

- Posted minutes on TTF website
- Any changes needed?
- Motion to Approve? Second? All in favor?



## Financial Report (Treasurer, Jim Mathews)

- Donations from last meeting
- Last Bank Statement & Current Balance
- Questions?



# Safety Tip of the Month:



➤ Don Schmotzer



# Project Report: Ryan ST-L Kit



➤ **Steve Hill**





# On her Gear Legs



# The Carbon P51 Project



**Gerhard Schubert**





EAA VMC Club

Question of the Month



## During preflight of your aircraft:

You realize that you have not checked your ELT in a long time. Batteries were replaced two years ago...**Is there some way you can test the device without triggering a search and rescue event to ensure it still works properly?**

### References:

AC 91-44A, Operational and Maintenance Practices for Emergency Locator Transmitters and Receivers.

# Answer: Yes Of course!



- **Analog 121.5 MHz ELTs**

- ✓ Tested within the first five minutes after the hour
- ✓ Trigger ELT briefly while listening for audible on 121.5 MHz
- ✓ No more than three audible sweeps can be transmitted

- **Digital (406 MHz) ELTs**

- ✓ Only to be tested in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.

**Airborne testing of ELTs is prohibited**

# Answer:



## Regarding Batteries:

- ELTs must be inspected every 12 calendar months
- Batteries must be replaced after one hour of cumulative...  
... or 50 percent of usable life expired
- Date for replacing or recharging the battery must be legibly marked on the outside of the transmitter and entered in the aircraft maintenance record



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## Membership Brainstorming Activity:

- What items does the FAA recommend be included in a pre-taxi briefing?

### References:

AC 91-73B, Parts 91 and 135 Single Pilot, Flight School Procedures During Taxi Operations.

# Answer: at least 8 items!



1. Timing and execution of checklists and communications (what to do when)
2. Sterile cockpit procedures
3. Use of most current Airport Diagram
4. Taxi route, including hold short lines, runways to cross, and hot spot
5. Previous experiences at the airport
6. Checklist items that can be performed prior to taxi
7. Discourage usage of cell phone and other electronic device during taxi to prevent distractions
8. After landing checklists, ground communication, and procedures

**Other ideas?**

# Upcoming Fly-in



- **Do-Little Field ( SC90)**
- Saturday May 3<sup>rd</sup> 1000 start
- Lunch “ do-little dogs and burgers

**POC: Norman Davis**

**Ph: 803-600-1500**





# Next Meeting:



## Scheduled May 18<sup>th</sup>

- Planned for Ron Angerman's hangar?
- Lunch ideas?



# Ray Aviation **Scholarship Update:**



## ➤ **Larry Philbin**

- Our Recipient: **Ana Filich:**
  - ✓ The Medical Exam
  - ✓ Sporty's Ground School
  - ✓ Student Pilot Certificate
  - ✓ Began Flight Training



Website: <https://anatakesflight.com/>

Donate: <https://help-ana-take-flight.cheddarup.com/>

# Last minute Items:



- Other old or new business
- Announcements or requests
- Questions?
- Comments



# Meeting Closure:



Thanks for “dropping in” today  
& supporting YOUR chapter

- **Again, thanks to Ron for hosting today's meeting**
- **As always, let's help Ron put up tables & chairs when we are done**
- **Please be safe flying/driving out**
- **Motion to Adjourn the Meeting?**



# The End !



