The BFC Flying Club Newsletter

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BLUE SIDE UP!



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ERV - CIP

LL10 Avgas 100LL
$6.52/gal as of Sept. 2026

Aircraft Rates

C172S	4BC	$144.70
C172SP	3SP	$138.70
C182T	89L	$179.52

CY Cumulative Hours Flown

September 2026

884BC	7.1 hrs.
983SP	24.8 hrs.
1489L	4.7 hrs.
TOTAL	36.6 hrs.

2026 Totals

884BC	165.5 hrs.
983SP	207.5 hrs.
1489L	100.3 hrs.
TOTAL	473.3 hrs.

Join us for our next meeting:

Tuesday, November 3rd, 2026
Business meeting @ 7:30pm

Details to follow via email.
See you there!

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October Meeting Minutes

MEETING MINUTES

The BFC held its monthly meeting on Tuesday, October 13th, 2026 at Naper Aero. The President called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM.

The minutes from the last meeting were published in the newsletter. The minutes were approved as published.

The Treasurer's report was reviewed for the members. Total flying time for September 2026 was 36.6 hours with 3.3 hour club time. We made $11,219.07 in payments and had $11,069.73 in billings. Cash in the bank is $162,120.61. Further details follow in the newsletter. The Treasurer's report was approved as presented.

The aircraft reports were presented by the plane captains and maintenance officer. Old and new business items were presented. Please see details in the following sections.

The meeting adjourned at 8:19 PM.

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Attendees

Members

Kevin Kanarski
Bill Samatas
Don Patterson
Pashupati Pandey
Jacob Black
Tim Claudon
Cliff Kotchka
John Wrycza
Eric Swanson
Kris Knigga
Jeff Krischel
Ray Kvietkus
Kris Queen
Aaditey Aryaman
Walt Slazyk
Jack Lindquist
Doug Smith
Michael Zagurski
Nick Davis

Guests

Chris S.
Wyatt B.
Tyler H.
Alex C.

Social

Bradley Swanson

TREASURER'S REPORT

Business Men's Flying Club
Financial Report - September 2026

I. AIRCRAFT DATA

	884BC	983SP	1489L
BEGIN TACH	4,361.7	7,062.3	2,355.4
END TACH	4,368.8	7,087.1	2,360.1
TOTAL HOURS	7.1	24.8	4.7
TBO	2,000	2,000	2,000
TMOH	(208)	(536)	1,601

II. MONTHLY BILLING SUMMARY

	884BC	983SP	1489L	TOTAL
TOTAL HOURS	7.1	24.8	4.7	36.6
LESS: CLUB TIME	(0.60)	(1.80)	(0.90)	(3.3)
BILLABLE HOURS	6.5	23.0	3.8	33.3
BILLING RATE	$ 144.70	$ 138.70	$ 179.52	
FLYING CHARGES (billed)	$ 940.55	$ 3,190.10	$ 682.18	$ 4,812.83
MONTHLY DUES (billed)				$ 6,885.00
MEMBER CREDITS				$ (628.09)
TOTAL BILLINGS	**$ 940.55**	**$ 3,190.10**	**$ 682.18**	**$ 11,069.73**

III. MEMBER CREDIT BREAKDOWN

Mike Zagurski	Fuel Credit	14.41	(6.11)	(88.05)
Mike Zagurski	Fuel Credit	17.13	(6.11)	(104.66)
Tim Claudon	Fuel Credit	29.38	(6.52)	(191.56)
Ray Kvietkus	Fuel Credit	7.00	(6.52)	(45.64)
Walt Slazak	Fuel Credit	19.80	(6.52)	(129.10)
Kevin Kanarski	Website Fee	69.09	(1.00)	(69.09)
Fuel now $6.52 on 8/24/26				
TOTAL CREDITS				**$ (628.09)**

IV. BANK BALANCES

	US BANK SAV	CHASE CHECK	US BANK CHECK	TOTAL
BEGIN BALANCE	**$ 146,225.24**	**$ 12,291.37**	**$ 111.50**	**$ 158,628.11**
Operating Cash In		$ 14,267.00		$ 14,267.00
Operating Cash Out		$ (11,219.07)		$ (11,219.07)
Account Transfers	$ (31,000.00)	$ (9,000.00)	$ 40,000.00	
Interest	$ 444.57			$ 444.57
ENDING BALANCE	**$ 115,669.81**	**$ 6,339.30**	**$ 40,111.50**	**$ 162,120.61**

V. RESERVES

	BEGIN BAL	INC / (DEC)	END BAL
INSURANCE ($3200/ mo)	$ 35,400.00	$ 3,200.00	$ 38,600.00
ANNUALS ($1500/ mo)	$ 6,000.00	$ 1,500.00	$ 7,500.00
LL10 DUES ($486/ mo)	$ 5,346.00	$ 486.00	$ 5,832.00
INACTIVE MEMBER	$ 12,750.00		$ 12,750.00
ENG OVRHL ($2000/mo)	$ 56,000.00	$ 2,000.00	$ 58,000.00
CREDIT BALANCE MEMBERS	$ 8,493.76	$ (153.00)	$ 8,340.76
FUTURE AIRCRAFT PURCHASES	$ 11,000.00	$ 1,000.00	$ 12,000.00
AIRCRAFT REPAIRS & MAINTENANCE	$ 23,638.35	$ (4,540.50)	$ 19,097.85
TOTAL	**$ 158,628.11**	**$ 3,492.50**	**$ 162,120.61**

VI. PAYMENT DETAIL

Expense	Description	Vendor	Amount
Naper Aero	Fuel	Naper Aero	$ 963.22
	Hangar Fees	Naper Aero	$ 555.00
	Planning Room Fee	Naper Aero	$ 225.00
Website Fees	On Line Scheduler	Aircraftclubs.com	$ 36.00
Quickbooks	Acct Software	Intuit	$ 85.00
Magneto Overhaul	89L Mag Overhaul	Travel Express	$ 2,176.77
89L Clean plugs & injectors	89L Misc Repairs	Travel Express	$ 2,847.29
Remove fuel cap from tank	3SP Fuel Cap	Travel Express	$ 405.72
6 cases of oil	Oil	Airplane Oil	$ 425.22
Cookout	September Cookout	Bradley Swanson	$ 103.05
3SP repairs	Tires, Fuel Tank, Prop	Mtech Aviation	$ 3,396.80
TOTAL PAYMENTS			**$ 11,219.07**

Flying Hours

September

884BC	
FLYING	7.1
TACH	4368.8
TBO	2000
TMOH	(208)
†CLUB	0.6
*GAL/HR.	10.2

983SP	
FLYING	24.8
TACH	7062.3
TBO	2000
TMOH	(536)
†CLUB	1.8
*GAL/HR.	10.2

1489L	
FLYING	4.7
TACH	2360.1
TBO	2000
TMOH	1601
†CLUB	0.9
*GAL/HR.	12.3

TBO – engine time between overhauls
TMOH – engine time to major overhaul

† Includes orientation flights

* Gallons per hour for calculating hourly rate. Do not use for flight planning.

Aircraft Reports

N983SP

1) Both main tires changed
2) Replaced left fuel tank sensor
3) Pitot heat repaired
4) Prop balanced
5) Upper air vent fixed
6) 4 hours from oil change at time of meeting
7) Left main wheel bearing needs replaced

N884BC

1) Oil change due in about 20 hours at time of meeting
2) One cowl fastener still missing
3) Main battery replaced (was only 1 year old)
4) Annual is due in December
5) ELT battery due in October
6) Pitot-static due in November

N1489L

1) Mag inspection was completed
2) Spark plugs inspected
3) Fuel injectors cleaned
4) Right side fuel cap chain not connected
5) 26 hours from oil change
6) Pilot side door latch won't stay open
7) Oil streaks on cowling OK, keep monitoring and report if gets worse

Airport Affairs

John, airport manager, provided updates on the Airport.

Notable ongoing airport issues below:

- Sealcoat and striping have been completed
- Stripes have been repainted on concrete
- Grass on edges of runway has been slit seeded
- VASI lights – some of the LEDs are on order
- Grass mowing is still on Tuesdays through the end of the season

Old Business

No old business was covered

New Business

Annual Board Elections

The proposed board slate was unanimously approved in accordance with our club bylaws. The new board members are as follows:

President – Jim Krzyewski
Vice President - Michael Zagurski

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Treasurer - Ray Kvietkus
Secretary - Jeff Krischel
Operations (Maintenance) Officer - John Wrycza
Safety Officer - Nick Davis
Plane Captain N1489L - Kevin Kanarski
Plane Captain N884BC - Don Patterson
Plane Captain N983SP - Pashupati Pandey

The four Directors authorized to conduct financial transactions are as follows:

President - Jim Krzyewski
Vice President - Michael Zagurski
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Safety

TFRs can pop up and change with little notice – pay attention and check often.

Understand what signals could be used if aircraft need to communicate with you without radio comms.

Membership and Guests

We had several guests at the meeting. There also continues to be a strong entrance list with several applicants regularly attending meetings and 12 applications. Priority is given to applicants in received order that are at the meetings with entrance fee ready.

No openings were available tonight.

One new guest visited, Alex C.

Accomplishments

No new accomplishments were reported.

MEMBERS SECTION

This section is for you, the members, to showcase your airplane adventures in the Photo Corner and let others know of your accomplishments. We are also looking for members to submit articles for the newsletter. With the years of flying experience we have in our club, we are looking for members to submit articles in the style of 'I learned about flying from that', 'Never Again' or 'Stick and Rudder'. It is in our best interest to make our small community of pilots safer by passing on experience and knowledge. Submit articles to the club secretary.

No article was submitted for this month.

OPERATIONAL & SAFETY REMINDERS

Remember, each of us owns 1/45 of these planes. Adherence to the reminders listed below will keep us safer and help to hold down the cost of maintenance. If you have a problem with a club plane notify the plane captain or maintenance officer before you arrange for any repairs. Let those people decide the best way to have the plane fixed. Phone numbers are in the fuel logbook in the plane.

Oil Dipsticks: DO NOT overtighten. Two fingers, snugged, not torqued down. Overtightening causes us to loosen the oil dipstick housing from the block, resulting in leaks and a repair cost.

Beware of TFR's: Presidential and stadium (Joliet Speedway & Dekalb Univ.).

Windshield cleaning: Use a clean, soft cloth to clean the windshield. Paper towels scratch the soft plastic. Clean rags should be in each plane; more are in the cabinets by 983SP.

Preflight inspection: Use the checklist. It's easy to get distracted and skip important things. When finished, step back and walk around the plane to take in the big picture.

Tire pressure: Check pressure before each flight. If tires are low add air using the red BFC air compressor located in the hangar. Tire gauge is with the compressor. Required PSI for each airplane are listed in the POH and posted in the hangar.

Engine oil: Check the oil change sticker before each flight. If due it's OK to fly, but notify the plane captain or maintenance officer. If you add oil, log it in the fuel logbook. Oil consumption tells us about the health of the engine. Try to add only full quarts.

Nose strut: NEVER, EVER fly with a collapsed nose strut. Remember the sheared rivets in 388ES? That cost a lot to fix.

Bald tires: Bald (no grooves) is OK; cloth showing through the rubber is not. If in doubt roll the plane to check the portion of the tires that you can't see initially.

Closing airplane doors: Please open the window and close the door by gripping the lower windowsill. Opening the window relieves the air pressure as the door comes shut. Gripping the windowsill instead of the door panel handhold prevents expensive damage to the flimsy door panel (like we had on 388ES).

Ground-lean after engine start: Our fuel-injected engines run very rich at low power, which causes the plugs to foul. That results in bad mag checks and the need to have the plugs cleaned. As soon as the engine is running smoothly after start, pull the mixture out a distance of 2 finger widths. Taxi with the engine leaned. It's OK to do the run-up with the engine leaned provided that it runs smoothly. Remember to go to full rich for takeoff.

Runways and patterns at LL10: The preferred calm wind runway is 36. We prefer that you land on the pavement because tire wear is less costly than damage to the gyro instruments due to vibration. When making a right-hand departure, climb to pattern altitude before turning right. Alternatively, make three climbing 90° left turns and cross over the field.

Parking at the fuel pumps: Please be courteous to others. Don't park at the pumps for an extended period of time.

Tow bars: Never leave a tow bar attached to a plane after you are finished moving it. Don't set the tow bar down on the nose wheel pant; remove it.

Finally, if you damage a plane, immediately report it to the plane captain, maintenance office or a board member. You will not be judged (it can happen to anyone), and only those who need to know will hear about it. Our goal is to handle the problem discreetly, efficiently, and get the airplane back in-service ASAP. Thank you.

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1. 1999 Cessna 172SP N983SP
2. 2007 Cessna 172S N884BC
3. 2007 Cessna 182T N1489L

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Webmaster: Kevin Kanarski
Quartermaster: Jim Krzyzewski
Grillmaster: Bradley Swanson

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[1] Available for club checkouts and Flight Reviews
[2] No C182 training

Chief Maintenance Officer:

John Wrycza	630-697-3559

Plane Captains:

N884BC	Don Patterson	815-436-5771
N983SP	Pashupati Pandey	717-649-2120
N1489L	Kevin Kanarski	630-640-3739

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