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## **August 2025 Newsletter**

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# **Hourly Rates**

Gas is down a dime, small change in hourly.

- 172      \$99
- Archer   \$109
- 182      \$168
- Lance    \$189

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# **Floatplane Picnic**



Our annual floatplane picnic will be hosted by Heidi and Chris at their amazing place on Coon Lake in one week. Family of all ages is encouraged to come to this gathering. Swimsuits recommended to participate in water fun. If you are bringing children, a head count and suggestions for entertainment (contact Heidi) are welcome.

Heidi will be providing a main dish. There is a sign-up for side dishes:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050948ACAD23AAF85-57788670-flywell>

All food is welcome!

Brian White will bring his float plane and be providing rides to those interested.

**When:** Saturday, August 16th, 10am - 2pm

## Litchfield Fly-in

Our fly-in was a no-go last weekend because of weather. We are going to come up with another fun flying event this fall still. Feel free to bring your ideas to Brain B during the picnic!



## Oil Caps/Dipsticks

The dipsticks are frequently being over-tightened, and not by a little. We estimate that people are tightening them 90 degrees past sufficient tightness. The risk: the oil tube can back out of

time. Make sure dipsticks are "finger tight" and not over-tightened.

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## New CO2 Detectors

Two new CO detectors have been purchased at Osh Kosh and placed in the 172 and 182.

The need to be plugged into a USB port.

The sensor has an audible alarm when and a red LED lights up there are high levels of CO.

Velcro will be used to fix the sensors.



# Did you know? 182 Flaps

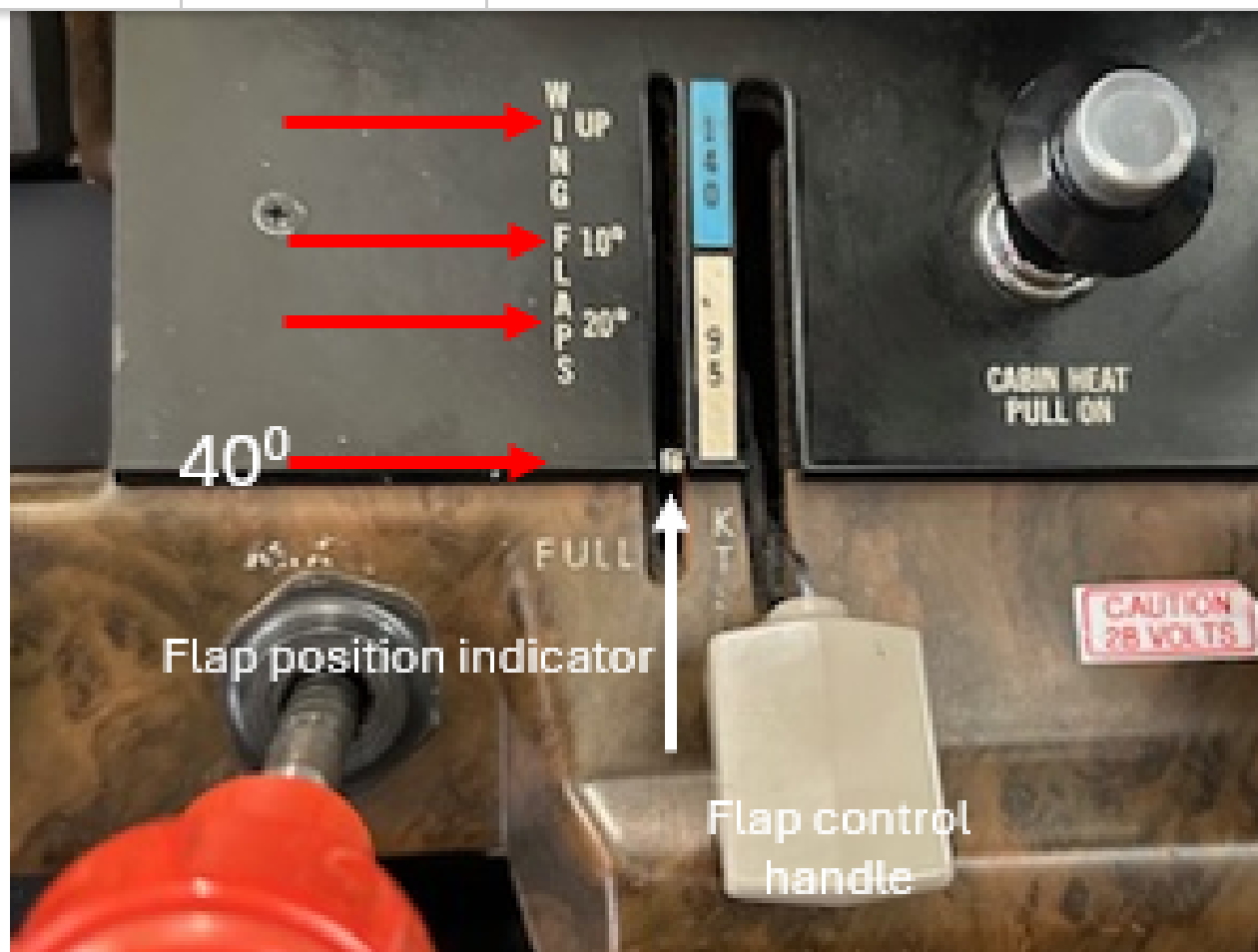
*by Avram S*

In order to correctly position the flaps in the 182 to a desired extension angle, move the flap control handle so the flap position indicator aligns with the wing flaps position scale.

This is probably obvious to most pilots. However, because the flap control handle does not always line up with the position indicator, I was never sure which should line up with the position scale.

I measured the flap extension with an inclinometer and confirmed that the indicator should line up with the scale and the scale is approximately accurate. This is true for the "up", 10 degree and 20 degree positions. However, at full 40 degree extension the indicator is not fully deflected to the "Full" position on the scale. (See below.)





## Hangar Update



**Completed:** We have completed the structural fixes for a majority of our posts. Our contractor did a great job and the inspections from the city are complete and closed out.

**In Progress:** Dave is moving onto fixing some of the pads and completing the new aprons on both north and south sides of the hangar. The new aprons will help with water issues.

**Still a problem:** As we have pulled back the aprons we discovered that the 4 un-repaired posts are not in good shape either. We are working through the plan but the desire is to simply shore-up these posts and do the proper fix in a few years.

major overages or show-stoppers and we are confident that this will extend the life and value of our hangar for years to come!

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## Hangar Officer

After years of service Fred A had decided to pass the “Hangar Officer” torch to another member. Fred has made a tremendous impact of the cleanliness and safety of our hangar. Fred isn’t going anywhere, other than maybe snow-birding over the winter!

If you are interested in taking over the hangar duty please reach out to JJ or Fred.

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## Flywell Volunteers



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# Hangar Ace

Our hangar ace this month is:

**Eric Bredemus**



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

## Board

- JJ Parker, President
- Mark Bakko, Treasurer
- Avram Scheiner,  
Secretary
- Kurt Olson, Director
- Marc Tellevik, Director

## Maintenance Officers

- 172 - Mike Blanness
- Archer - Tim Hawkes
- 182 - Avram Scheiner
- Lance - Steve  
Schwister
- Hangar - OPEN!
- Supplies - Mark Hapka
- Data - Mat Terwilliger
- Plane Wash - Jeff  
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## Club CFI's

- Paul Wikstrom
- Kurt Olson
- Jim Schultze
- Norm Lindsey
- Zach Knapp



## **Maintenance Reports**

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### **C172**

**Aircraft is flying well**

### **Archer**

**Aircraft is flying well**

- Nav2 is still inoperable

### **C182**

**Aircraft is flying well**

### **Lance**

**Aircraft is flying well**

- Still  
monitoring/troubleshooting  
high temps on cylinder #2

### **Hangar**

**Repairs are in full swing**

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## **Upcoming Events**

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- **Floatplane Picnic**  
Saturday, August 16th 10a-2p
- **Plane Wash + Board Meeting**  
Wednesday, September 3rd - 5pm, 7pm



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Happy flying,  
- JJ & the Flywell board

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