

September 2015

Sunday, September 6: **SOUTH CAROLINA BREAKFAST CLUB** Berkeley County Airport, Moncks Corner, South Carolina (KMKS). CTAF/UNICOM: 123.05. ZIPcode 29461. **A home cooked southern breakfast, great fellowship and flying!** Arrival: 7:30 - 9:00 AM. Breakfast: Between 9:00 & 9:30 - 11:00 AM. Departure: 11:30 AM. Contact: Wendy Griffin 803-446-0214 e-mail info@flyscbc.com. Click <http://www.airnav.com/airport/KMKS> for airport info. For driving directions click on [Berkeley County Airport](#). SCBC [Website](#). SCBC on [Facebook](#).

Wednesday-Sunday, September 9 - 13: **2015 Triple Tree Aerodrome Fly-In** at the Triple Tree Aerodrome located between the towns of Woodruff and Enoree, SC, on Mary Hanna Road, Woodruff, SC 29388 (SC00). Frequencies: UNICOM 122.9; GROUND: 122.75. Runway is close-cut grass 400' x 7000'. For contact information call 866-678-4922 or click [Triple Tree information](#). Click [Triple Tree Fly-in](#) for the fly-in Website. Click [Triple Tree Pilot Information](#) for the updated arrival procedures. Click [Pilot Alerts](#) for any items pilots should watch out for. Airnav flying information: [SC00](#). Mapquest driving information: [Triple Tree](#).

Saturday, September 12: *Monthly meeting of the EAA 172 Members* No meeting because of the Fall Fly-in.

Sunday, September 13: **Fly-in BBQ at Bob Rhodes airfield** BBQ will be served at 1:00 PM Sunday -- a covered dish would be appreciated. Areas available for fishing & swimming. Come early & bring all the family. **No golf carts or ATVs.** (Bob Rhodes strip is near Lincolnton) GPS: N33°57.231' W82°37.078' RNav: (**APPROXIMATE**) 113.9 IRQ 306°. Click [HERE](#) for a Google overhead photo. UNICOM 122.7 mhz. 26.6NM By Automobile: Washington Rd. west to Lincolnton, 9 miles past county line, cross Dry Fork Creek bridge, turn right just past bridge onto Old Petersburg Rd. Turn right, onto Hwy 79. Go 14 miles. Look for mile marker 16, just past Pistol Creek bridge, look for balloons on the mailbox, turn right into dirt road, and prepare for the time of your life! **Contact Philip 706-829-2262, Michael 706-829-2261, Kelvin 706-829-1523, Doug 706-833-1233, Wade 706-359-4183 if you have any questions. SAFETY NOTE: Use 122.7 mhz to ANNOUNCE YOUR INTENTIONS. Landings will be: Uphill, to the North East, Takeoffs, downhill to the West NO EXCEPTIONS. FLY THE PATTERN so you can come in at the appropriate speed.**

Click [RHODES MAP](#) for directions to the RHODES BBQ

Friday - Saturday, September 18 - 19: **EAA 172 Wrens Fall Fly-in.** At the beautiful Wrens Memorial Airport (65J) CTAF 122.7. Most activities will be on Friday and Saturday with the main activities on Saturday. You may come earlier in the week if you wish. On Saturday there will be a Bar-B-Q lunch which will start serving around noon and run until about 1:00 pm. Refreshments available the remainder of the day. Packing-up day on Sunday. Pattern for the asphalt, main, runway, is left-hand pattern for runway 29 and right-hand for runway 11 at 1450' MSL (1000 ft AGL) unless flying an ultralight or rotorcraft which should use 950' MSL (500' AGL). The parallel grass strip will have a right-hand pattern. CTAF/UNICOM 122.7 mhz. Runway lights on from dusk to dawn. Field elevation 450 feet.

Comfortable pilot lounge with refrigerator, microwave, couches, two restrooms, and hot shower. Motorhomes welcome. Five restaurants and a motel adjacent to the airport at the end of runway 29. Click [Local Businesses](#) for their locations and phone numbers.

FLYMART -- Friday, Saturday, September 18 - 19. No charge to display, just bring your stuff and sell for \$\$\$.

Friday, September 18: No special plans but there may be a fly-out to view local scenery.

- ✓ Saturday, September 19: Lunch under the tents (or in the hangar) from noon to 1:00 PM.
- ✓ Sunday, September 20: PACK UP AND LEAVE DAY for those who stayed overnight.

Sunday, September 20: **SOUTH CAROLINA BREAKFAST CLUB** Laurens County Airport, Laurens, SC (KLUX) CTAF/UNICOM: 122.8. ZIPcode 29360. **A home cooked southern breakfast, great fellowship and flying!** Arrival: 7:30 - 9:00 AM. Breakfast: Between 9:00 & 9:30 - 11:00 AM. Departure: 11:30 AM. Contact: Wendy Griffin 803-446-0214 e-mail info@flyscbc.com. Click <http://www.airnav.com/airport/KLUX> for airport info. For driving directions click on [Laurens County Airport](#). SCBC [Website](#). SCBC on [Facebook](#).

NAME THAT PLANE

Vultee PB4Y-2 “Privateer”

During World War II, the B-24-derived PB4Y-1 Liberator (originally designed for the US Army Air Corps) had performed very well for the US Navy as a maritime patrol plane, but in 1943 it was decided to ‘navalize’ the aircraft as a dedicated long-range patrol bomber. Three B-24’s were taken off the assembly line and reconfigured with lengthened fuselages, greater defensive armament, modified engine cowlings and a distinctive, single vertical tail. The resulting aircraft was designated the **PB4Y-2 Privateer**. The Privateer was externally similar to the Liberator, but the fuselage was longer to accommodate a flight engineer’s station, and had a tall single vertical stabilizer rather than the B-24’s twin tail configuration. The defensive armament was also increased to 12 .50-in (12.7 mm) M2 Browning machine guns in six turrets (two dorsal, two waist, nose and tail), with the B-24’s belly turret being omitted. Turbosuperchargers were not fitted to the engines since maritime patrol missions were not usually flown at high altitude. With its 2,800-mile range, the Privateer was so useful that in the Navy took delivery of 739 of them, though few reached front line service by VJ-Day. After WWII, Privateers were used as hurricane hunters and played a large role in training thousands of Naval Reservists. Several PB4Y-2s were recalled to duty in Korea to hunt down and destroy enemy infiltrators along the coasts with their air-to-surface radar. Privateers also flew dangerous nighttime Firefly missions to drop flares over embattled United Nations troops so that air support could continue around the clock. A limited number of refitted PB4Ys continued in civilian service as airtankers, dropping fire retardant on forest fires throughout the western United States. The world’s only flying Consolidated Vultee PB4Y-2 “Privateer” was scheduled to appear at EAA AirVenture Oshkosh 2015. (Data and information from [Warbird Alley](#), EAA eHotline 03/19/15→[Privateer Finally Heading for Oshkosh](#), Aviation History Online Museum→[Consolidated PB4Y-2 Privateer](#), wikipedia.org→[Consolidated PB4Y-2 Privateer](#), vpngavy.org→[Consolidated PB4Y-2 Privateer Aircraft](#), [naval-military-press.com](#), [Consolidated Vultee P4Y-2 Privateer C/N 66302](#))

Vultee PB4Y-2 “Privateer”

General characteristics

Crew: 11: two pilots, navigator, bombardier, five gunners, two radio operators
Length: 74 ft. 7 in.
Wingspan: 110 ft. 0 in.
Height: 30 ft. 1 in.
Wing area: 1,048 ft²
Empty weight: 27,485 lb.
Max. takeoff weight: 65,000 lb.
Powerplant: 4 × Pratt & Whitney R-1830-94 radial engines, 1,350 hp. each



PB4Y-2 BuNo 66261 (marked as BuNo 66304) in the collection of the National Museum of Naval Aviation at NAS Pensacola, Florida.

Performance

Maximum speed: 300 mph (261 knots)
Cruise speed: 175 mph (121 knots)
Range: 2,820 miles
Service ceiling: 21,000 ft.
Wing loading: 62 lb/ft²

Armament

Guns: 12 × .50 in (12.7 mm) M2 Browning machine guns in six turrets
Bombs: Up to 12,800 lb. of bombs, mines, or torpedoes

The deadline date is August 30 for any articles for the September issue of the *Pea Patch Post*.

EAA 172 monthly "get-together" – Social Meeting Thursday, August 27 at 6:30 PM:

This month's location is **P.F. Chang's - China Bistro, 3450 Wrightsboro Road, Augusta, Georgia 30909. The phone number is: 706-733-0161.**

SOUTH CAROLINA BREAKFAST CLUB

Sunday, August 2: Lee County-Butters Field Airport, Bishopville, South Carolina (52J)

Sunday, August 16: Greenville Downtown Airport, Greenville, South Carolina (KGMU)

Sunday, August 30: Anderson Regional Airport, Anderson, South Carolina (KAND)

Sunday, September 6: Berkeley County Airport, Moncks Corner, South Carolina (KMKS)

Sunday, September 20: Laurens County Airport, Laurens, SC (KLUX)

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