

Thursday, September 26: *EAA 172 monthly "get-together" -- Social Meeting* 6:30 PM -- This is a monthly non-business social gathering held on the fourth Thursday. This month's location is the Boll Weevil Café & Sweetery, 10 Ninth Street, Augusta, Georgia 30901. Phone number: 706-722-7772. For a map and directions, click on: [Boll Weevil Café](#). Boll Weevil review Website: [Boll Weevil](#).

For questions contact Shirley Harden 706-855-1553 e-mail: ghardensr@comcast.net .

Friday - Saturday, September 27-28: *Southeast Aviation Expo* at the Greenville Downtown Airport, which is located at 100 Tower Dr., Greenville, SC 29607. (KGMU) Most people interested in aviation will find the entire expo interesting. Fly in or drive in!!! One pilot group, the Cirrus Owners, is having its regional event at the expo. They are having an educational session that applies to their audience and lunch for their group. The Expo people wrote "We would love to work with you to have one here as well."

More information can be found by visiting: <http://www.greenvilledowntownairport.com/SEAE.html> and <http://www.scaaonline.com>

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Sunday, September 29: *SOUTH CAROLINA BREAKFAST CLUB* Laurens County Airport, Laurens, SC (KLUX) [formerly 34A] CTA/UNICOM: 122.8. ZIPcode 29360. Arrival: 7:30 - 9:00 AM. Breakfast: Between 9:00 & 9:30 - 11:00 AM. Departure: 11:30 AM. Contact Anne Hawkins (803) 432-9595. Click

<http://www.airnav.com/airport/KLUX> for airport info. For driving directions click on [Laurens County Airport](#) .

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Thursday-Sunday, October 3 - 6: *VAA Chapter 3 Fall Vintage Fly-In* Camden, SC, WOODWARD FIELD (CDN) (Elevation 302 feet. Runway 6/24: 5000 x 100 ft. Asphalt, in good condition; Runway 14/32: 2998 x 100 ft. Asphalt, in fair condition. GPS: 34°17.015' N 80° 33.892' E; CTA/UNICOM: 123.0 -- Zip code: 29020. Fuel: 100LL).

NOTE: NO AIRSHOW THIS YEAR, BUT SEE THE ACTIVITIES BELOW!

Thursday, October 3 - Early Bird arrivals. Dinner, etc. at Fatz Restaurant.

Friday, October 4 - Fly out to Timmonsville (58J) and bar-b-que on the airport Friday night.

Saturday, October 5 - Fellowship and evening banquet. Camping and RV parking on field.

Sunday, October 6 - South Carolina Breakfast Club on the airport.

Transportation provided to and from hotels, airport, and banquet facility.

Headquarters Hotel: Comfort Inn, Camden 803-425-1010

\$5 Registration

[Fall Vintage Fly-in Information \(pdf file\)](#)

Contact Jim Wilson 843-753-7138. E-mail: crosswindjim@homesc.com

Click <http://www.airnav.com/airport/KCDN> for airport info. For driving directions click on [Woodward Field](#) .

Sunday, October 6: *SOUTH CAROLINA BREAKFAST CLUB* at Woodward Field Airport, Camden, SC (CDN) CTA/UNICOM: 123.0. ZIPcode 29020. Arrival: 7:30 - 9:00 AM. Breakfast: Between 9:00 & 9:30 - 11:00 AM. Departure: 11:30 AM. Contact Anne Hawkins (803) 432-9595. Click <http://www.airnav.com/airport/CDN> for airport info. For driving directions click on [Woodward Field](#) .

Friday - Sunday, October 11 - 13: *The Great Georgia Airshow*

Location: 7 Falcon Drive - Peachtree City, GA 30269. MapQuest directions: [Great Georgia Airshow](#)

Air Show Website: <http://www.thegreatgeorgiaairshow.com>

Saturday, October 12: *SPECIAL Monthly meeting of the EAA 172 Members* 10:00 AM -- FLY-IN PLANNING MEETING at the Pea Patch Aerodrome (61GA). A cold-cuts meal will be around 11:00 AM – 12:30 PM. Runway 01/19: 2500' x 150' sod -- fair --; GPS: N33° 18.08' N / 82° 10.46' W; Elevation 434' , 4511 Boulineau Rd., Blythe, Georgia, 30805. UNICOM 122.7 mhz. For more information contact Sid Brown (706) 814-8853 eMail: sid@thesidbrowns.com or John Magnan (706) 547-3607 eMail: jcm2@earthlink.net Click [HERE](#) for directions (both land and air). Click [HERE](#) for the Mapquest directions. Click <http://www.airnav.com/airport/61GA> for airport info. For the meeting agenda click [HERE](#). CLICK [HERE](#) FOR THE REST OF THE OCTOBER EVENTS.

NAME THAT PLANE

Luscombe Phantom

Donald A. Luscombe founded the Luscombe aircraft company in 1933, in Kansas City, Missouri. Luscombe had already made his reputation as an aircraft designer with the Monocoupe series of light aircraft, but he felt that the tube-and-fabric method of construction was too expensive and inefficient. He planned to create a light aircraft that was all-metal monocoque construction.

The new company's first aircraft was the Luscombe Model 1, commonly known as the Luscombe Phantom, which first flew in 1934. It was a high-wing braced monoplane with conventional fixed tail-wheel landing gear and was powered by a nose-mounted 145 hp Warner Super Scarab radial engine. The aircraft was all-metal (except for the fabric wing covering) and had a lavish interior with two side-by-side seats in an enclosed cabin. As a luxury aircraft it failed to sell in the economical climate of 1930s America (the Great Depression) and the company went on to develop cheaper and simpler aircraft. In addition, and perhaps most importantly, the Luscombe Phantom had such horrible ground handling that, records show, a number of sales were lost when new owners demanded their money back after the first flight. It is perhaps there that the reputation for ground-looping attached itself to the Luscombe line; for some reason, once an airplane gets a bad reputation, pilots seem eager to keep it there no matter what improvements or corrections are subsequently made. The company did make some sales in Brazil and Europe. According to a Brazilian [Website](#) "Only 25 copies were produced ... some of those aircraft that were built were operated by the Brazilian navy. Subsequently, the last of those aircraft were removed from operation in Brazil by the end of 1940." Several Phantoms currently exist, and the original prototype has been operated for a number of years after extensive restoration. It is shown at the top of the first page of this newsletter. The Phantom cost \$6000 in 1934 – \$104,554.03 in 2013 dollars. The one in the photo is currently for sale for [\\$225,000](#). (Data and information from the [Luscombe Association](#), [pietschaircraft.com](#), [PLANE&PILOT](#) 04/21/09, [AvWeb](#) 06/16/08, [wikipedia.org](#), [gustavoadolfo75 Barbacena / Mg / Brazil](#), *Jane's Encyclopedia of Aviation*)

Luscombe Phantom Specifications

General characteristics

Crew: one
Passengers: one
Length: 21 ft. 6 in.
Wingspan: 31 ft. 0 in.
Height: 6 ft. 9 in.
Empty weight: 1320 lb
Gross weight: 1950 lb
Powerplant: 1 × Warner Super Scarab radial engine, 145 hp

Performance

Cruise speed: 142 mph
Maximum speed: 168 mph
Ceiling: 19,000 ft.
Range: 560 miles



A photo from the 1930s of a Luscombe Phantom in Kansas City.



[Luscombe Phantom flyby at the Continental Luscombe Association's Gathering of Luscombes in Columbia, California in May 2009.](#)

YouTube Uploaded Jan 6, 2011 by Mike as [Culver PhantomFlyby.wmv](#)

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