

Saturday - Sunday, October 29 - 30: *WINGS OVER NORTH GEORGIA FLY-IN* at the Richard B. Russell airport, Rome, GA. (RMG) The 2016 performer line-up is headlined with the [USAF Thunderbirds](#). Also there will be the [USN F/A-18 Hornet Tac Demo Teams](#), the [USSOCOM Para-Commandos](#). Performers include [Patty Wagstaff](#), [Michael Goulian Aerosports](#), [Mike Wiskus Airshows](#), the [Lucas Oil Parachute Team](#), [Buck Roetman-Wild Horse Aviation](#), [Bob Carlton & Vertigo Airshows](#), [Jim Tobul F4U Corsair Demo](#), and the [Smoke-n-Thunder Jet Car Show](#). For additional attractions see [PERFORMERS](#). ALSO SEE [SCHEDULE](#)

Driving directions: [Richard B. Russell Airport](#).

Fly-in Website: [Wings Over North Georgia](#)

Sunday, October 30: *SOUTH CAROLINA BREAKFAST CLUB* Orangeburg Municipal Airport, two miles south of Orangeburg, South Carolina (KOGB) CTAF/UNICOM: 122.7. ZIPcode 29115. **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](mailto:info@flyscbc.com). Click <http://www.airnav.com/airport/KOGB> for airport info. For driving directions click on [Orangeburg Municipal Airport](#). SCBC [Website](#). SCBC on [Facebook](#).

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Saturday, November 5: *Warbird Weekend / Space for Stockmar Pilots* Earl L.Small Jr.Field/Stockmar (Private) **20GA** Villa Rica, Georgia. Contact for information: 770-459-5145 e-mail: [zoom651@aol.com](mailto:zoom651@aol.com)

Saturday, November 12: *Special Monthly meeting -- fly-out for the EAA 172 Members* This will be at 12:30 PM in the second floor portion of the [Augusta Aviation FBO](#) at the Daniel Field Airport (DNL). You may come as early as 11:00 AM to look around and tour the "new" FBO building. **There will be no ramp/tie-down charge for those flying in for the meeting. All the pilots have to do is to say that they are with EAA 172.** Augusta Aviation will provide hot dogs & hamburgers but please bring desserts and side-dishes. We will be obtaining a small meal donation to defray Augusta Aviation's food expenses. Augusta Aviation personnel will present a program. Runways 05/23 & 11/29 CTAF/Unicom: 123.05 mhz. Runway 05/23: 4002 x 100 ft. asphalt, in good condition; runway 11/29 3733 x 100 ft. asphalt, in good condition; elevation 422'. 100LL & Jet A available. Augusta Aviation (FBO), 1775 Highland Ave., Augusta, Georgia 30904. Phone 706-833-8970. You can fly in or drive. Park your car in the Highland Ave. parking lot next to the Augusta Aviation building. For more information contact club Vice-president Joe Britt 803-279-3593 / Cell 803-341-2232 eMail: [jabjr09@comcast.net](mailto:jabjr09@comcast.net) or EAA 172 President Andy Lee 706-832-6642 eMail: [gapilot2015@icloud.com](mailto:gapilot2015@icloud.com) or e-mail [EAA172@jcmservices.net](mailto:EAA172@jcmservices.net).

For complete airport information click: [Daniel Field Airport](#) For driving directions click on [Daniel Field directions](#).

Sunday, November 13: *SOUTH CAROLINA BREAKFAST CLUB* East Cooper Airport, nine miles NE of Mount Pleasant, South Carolina (was 8S5 now KLRO) CTAF/UNICOM 122.7. ZIPcode 29464. **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](mailto:info@flyscbc.com). Click <http://www.airnav.com/airport/KLRO> for airport info. For driving directions click on [East Cooper Airport](#). SCBC [Website](#). SCBC on [Facebook](#).

Thursday, November 24: *EAA 172 monthly "get-together" -- Social Meeting* 6:30 PM -- This is a monthly non-business social gathering held on the fourth Thursday. Because of all the holiday happenings this month (Today is Thanksgiving!) and next month, there will be no EAA 172 social "get together" this month. The next one will be January 26, 2017, when Virginia Bush will be handling the details. Contact Virginia Bush for more details 706-554-5618 e-mail: [donr.bush@yahoo.com](mailto:donr.bush@yahoo.com).

Thursday, November 24: *Thanksgiving Day*

Sunday, November 27: *SOUTH CAROLINA BREAKFAST CLUB* Fairfield County Airport, Winnsboro, SC (KFDW) CTAF/UNICOM: 123.05. ZIPcode 29180. **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](mailto:info@flyscbc.com). Click <http://www.airnav.com/airport/KFDW> for airport info. For driving directions click on [Fairfield County Airport](#). SCBC [Website](#). SCBC on [Facebook](#).

## *NAME THAT PLANE*

### **Douglas C-53D Skytrooper**

Based upon the Douglas DC-3 airliner, the C-53 was one of several models made on the commercial production lines for the Army Air Forces during the early years of World War II. The specialized C-53 Skytrooper troop transport started production in October 1941 at Douglas Aircraft's Santa Monica, California plant. It lacked the cargo door, hoist attachment and reinforced floor of the C-47. Only a total of 380 aircraft were produced in all because the C-47 was found to be more versatile. On the last 159 C-53s the twenty eight seats were attached to the sides of the fuselage, giving them the same layout as the standard C-47. Externally similar to the C-47, but without a reinforced floor or the double doors for loading cargo, the aircraft was designed to carry paratroops and tow gliders. At dawn on D-Day, June 6, 1944, the 434th Troop Carrier Group took the first 100 gliders into Normandy with the 101st Airborne using C-53Ds. A total of three glider missions were flown in the first two days of the invasion. The Group would participate in the subsequent airborne operations in Holland, at Bastogne during the Battle of the Bulge, and finally in the final airborne operation over the Rhine River. They would also see service transporting wounded and carrying cargo. After the war the government declared most remaining C-53Ds as surplus. They were sold to other governments, commercial airlines, and private parties.

( Data and information from [Douglas C-53D Skytrooper](#), [www.militaryaircraft.de](#)→[Douglas C-53D Skytrooper](#), [Douglas C-53D](#), U.S. Air Force→[Douglas C-53D cockpit](#), [aero-web](#)→[Douglas C-53 'Skytrooper'](#), [toledoblade](#)→[Group restoring Douglas C-53D](#) )

### **Douglas C-53D Skytrooper**

#### *General characteristics*

Crew: 3 (pilot, co-pilot, flight engineer)

Capacity: 27 Troops, 18-24 litters, one or two gliders.

Length: 63 ft 9 in.

Wingspan: 95 ft 6 in.

Height: 17 ft 0 in.

Empty weight: 18,200 lbs.

Max. takeoff weight: 26,000 lbs.

Powerplant: Two 1,200 hp Pratt & Whitney R-1830-90C Twin Wasp 14-cylinder radial engines



Douglas C-53D Skytrooper cockpit

#### *Performance*

Maximum speed: 224 mph at 10,000 ft.

Cruise speed: 160 mph

Range: 1,600 miles

Service ceiling: 24,000 ft.

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

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#### ***SOUTH CAROLINA BREAKFAST CLUB***

**Sunday, October 2: Woodward Field Airport, Camden, South Carolina (CDN)**

**Sunday, October 16: Sumter Municipal Airport, Sumpter, South Carolina (SMS)**

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