

# Valley Flyers

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Valley Flyers,

The big news this month... The Skylane is back! It's completed its 10-hour break-in and is running great. If you haven't flown it for awhile, you may have forgotten what a great airplane it is. Now's a good time to get checked out in it...but, a word of caution. If you've been flying the Skyhawks for awhile; after flying the Skylane, you may never go back. Anyway, it's a good excuse to get some dual time and meet the insurance requirements for your annual currency flight with a club instructor.

(An annual currency flight in the Skylane qualifies as a currency check in the Skyhawks as well)

There's an interesting book on the Cessna Skylane "The Skylane Pilot's Companion" by Richard Coffey:

*"The Skylane Pilot's Companion is a guide to understanding the exceptional capabilities and utility of the Cessna 182 Skylane. Learn how to own a Skylane, how to fly the airplane proficiently and how, through proficiency, you will enjoy flying as never before.*

*The 211-page softbound book is a collection of history, personal anecdote, flight instruction and maintenance tips. Whether you own a vintage Skylane or a new production model, this book needs to be in your aviation library."*

The book is no longer in print, but a copy of it can be accessed online. There's a link to it on our club web page: [www.valleyflyers.org](http://www.valleyflyers.org). ( btw, it's an 11 mb download)

The Valley Flyers board has decided that, in order to keep the club financially viable and sustainable with our present membership numbers, we need to reduce our airplane fleet from 4 airplanes down to 2, keeping the Skylane and one Skyhawk, N515ED. With that arrangement, the club should be able to stay current on all our expenses and possibly do some upgrading of avionics and other items as needed.

As of this writing, all 4 of our aircraft are online and available. The brutal heat wave is behind us...I hope. The sky is clear, the schedule is clear, and we should have 2-3 months of great flying weather. Hope you all get to take advantage of it.

Have a great month flying!!

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