

# The Nor'Easter

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## Message from the Tribe

All Northeast Comanche Tribe members,

As a nonmember of the Northeast Comanche Tribe I believe that my observations and comments are very objective. I have been a member of the Comanche world as well as a Pilot Owner for a long time. I have experienced a variety of Tribe organizations and the way that the Comanche Spirit has existed.

The current Northeast Comanche TRIBE is to say the least OUTSTANDING. There is constant activity for all aspects of the Comanche world which includes pilot currency training, Comanche maintenance, developing sources for replacement parts, group buys which result in cost savings, and fellowship.

This is all done while providing the Members a positive line for communications.

The response to the last Tribe election reflects a high level of member response and support. If for some reason you could not vote the last time please vote this time.

**You will be receiving shortly, via the mail, ballots for the August 2019 till August 2020 term. Please promptly complete, including the back of the ballot and submit.**

The information on the back of the ballot will be used to improve Tribe communications and to facilitate fellowship.

Due to circumstances beyond the Tribe's control members will need to place a stamp on the envelope to cover the return mail cost.

Please consider participating as a Tribe officer or at least working with a Elected Officer in an area that you have experience or an interest.

**YOU ARE A MEMBER OF AN OUTSTANDING TRIBE AND YOUR SUPPORT WILL MAKE IT BETTER.**

Chairman of the Election Committee

Elections aside; please consider coming to the monthly fly-in's (even if only a few times in the year) as a great excuse to keep your airplane exercised. We are not snooty and we are somewhat famous for having flagship Comanches parked beside Comanches with completely bare leading edges and original panels. They all fly like Comanches! In addition, you may want to participate in our training clinics and group-buys. The more who get involved the better it is for everyone

The Northeast website is accessible via [northeastcomanche.org](http://northeastcomanche.org)

Inside you will find: an updated fly-in schedule, with a short description of each venue for new members. Schedules may change, so check the website. Suggestions always welcome. Plus, a bonus Perspective on the general light aircraft industry in America, Comanche in particular

**Pete Morse, Webmaster, Scribe, and Chief Fly-in Coordinator**

### Updated 2020 Fly-Inn Descriptions

A lot of work goes into setting up these monthly fly-ins. It can be discouraging when only the few regulars show up each time. Please, check the fly-in schedule below, or on the Northeast Tribe's website, and try to attend those in your neighborhood.

2020 NE Tribe Fly-in Schedule					
Date	Apt Id	Name	Location	Restaurant	Program
Jan	--	- no fly-in planned -	--	--	--
<i>Jan-Feb ??</i>	<a href="#">B18</a>	<i>Alton Bay ice runway</i>	<i>Alton Bay, NH</i>	<i>in town</i>	<i>land on Lake Winnepesaukee</i>
Mar 21 (22)	<a href="#">JGG</a>	Williamsburg/Jamestown	Williamsburg, VA	Charlie's Bakery	luncheon with SE tribe
<i>Mar 31-Apr 5</i>	<a href="#">LAL</a>	<i>Sun N Fun 2019</i>	<i>Lakeland, FL</i>		<i>ComancheTown</i>
*April 26 (25)	<a href="#">GED</a>	Delaware Coastal	Georgetown, DE	Arena's at the Airport	Luncheon/ Tribe Voting
May 16 (17)	<a href="#">N89</a>	Resnick Airport	Ellenville, NY	at event	Wings and Wheels for Warriors
June 20 (21)	<a href="#">POU</a>	Dutchess Co.	Poughkeepsie, NY	Paula's Café	luncheon/Mini Clinic
July 18 (19)	<a href="#">1B2</a>	Katama Airpark	Edgartown, MA	Right Fork Diner	luncheon/beach party
<i>July 20-26</i>	<a href="#">OSH</a>	<i>Oshkosh AirVenture</i>	<i>Oshkosh, WI</i>		<i>ComancheTown</i>
<i>Aug 3-8</i>	<a href="#">RKD</a>	<i>Rockland Airport</i>	<i>Rockland, ME</i>	<i>American Eagle</i>	<i>6-day Windjammer cruise</i>
Aug 22 (23)	<a href="#">N40</a>	Sky Manor	Pittstown, NJ	Sky Manor Café	luncheon/annual meeting
<i>Sept 11-12</i>	<a href="#">ROC</a>	<i>Rochester Airport</i>	<i>Rochester, NY</i>	<i>various</i>	<i>AOPA Regional Fly-In</i>
Sept 19 (20)	<a href="#">LNS</a>	Lancaster Airport	Lancaster, PA	Florintino's	luncheon with NC tribe
*Oct 17 (16)	<a href="#">LBE</a>	Arnold Palmer Reg.	Latrobe, PA	DeNunzio's Italian	Lunch, with NC tribe
Nov 14 (15)	<a href="#">MTV</a>	Blue Ridge	Martinsville, VA	Simply Suzzane's	luncheon with SE tribe
Dec	--	- no fly-in planned -	--	( * Sunday fly-in )	( <i>special events</i> )

**Below is a general description** of each 2020 fly-in location, along with other flying events of interest listed *in italics*. Click on the airport identifier for a link to an AOPA Airports page for further information. As usual, rain dates are listed in parentheses. Note that some fly-ins are scheduled for Sunday, with Saturday as the alternate.

#### **Feb ??, Alton Bay NH**

([B18](#)) Land on the seasonal Ice Runway. Park near the shore and walk to food and festivities in town. We will send out a Flash Fly-In notice when the time (and ice) is right. In the past it has been mid-January through mid to late February.

**March 21 (22), Williamsburg VA**

- (JGG) For our first 2020 fly-in we head south to Williamsburg/Jamestown Airport and lunch at Charlie's in the FBO. Special guest speaker is a WW2 veteran (a D-day paratrooper) and 50-year CFI. We will also hold a Tribe planning meeting, so bring your thoughts and ideas. This will be a nice start on your journey to Sun 'N Fun the following week. And we are inviting the SE Tribe too.

**March 31 - April 5, Lakeland FL**

- (LAL). Fly down to enjoy Sun 'N Fun and join fellow Comanche drivers at Comanche Town in the Vintage parking area. Be sure to check the arrival Notams and registration procedures.

**April \* 26 (25), Georgetown DE.**

- (GED) Coastal Delaware, or Georgetown, is a popular location near the Atlantic coast for a luncheon. Arena's at the Airport restaurant is in the terminal. This fly-in is scheduled for Sunday to attend their Breakfast Buffet. The rain date is Saturday, with a weather decision by Thursday evening.

**May 16 (17), Ellenville NY.**

- (N89) Resnick Airport is in a nice valley just to the west of the Hudson River. The airport is again hosting a "Wings & Wheels" event to benefit Disabled Veterans. Enter your plane to compete for prizes (\$15 fee). Food will be available at the airport, and at Il Paradiso, an excellent Italian restaurant just outside the gate. Those arriving from the southern coastal states should enjoy using the Hudson River Corridor – see New York City from 1200 feet, but check for TFRs.

**June 20 (21), Poughkeepsie NY.**

- (POU) This is a new destination for us. POU is located just east of the Hudson River, across from the famous West Point Academy. Paula's Café is a new restaurant on the field, and serves excellent food. The cheapest self-serve fuel in the area is available 7 NM northeast at Sky Acres (44N)

**July 18 (19), Edgartown MA**

- (1B2) Katama Airfield is a unique non-paved-strip airport on the eastern tip of Martha's Vineyard. Drop in for lunch at the Right Fork, or taxi down to the beach to park. Bicycle rentals are available for the day. From there the next stop is Gibraltar!

**July 20-26, EAA AirVenture, Oshkosh, Wisconsin**

- (OSH) Annual EAA gathering at Oshkosh WI. Join in the fun at Comanche Town. Be sure to check the arrival Notams and registration procedures. Pat Donovan is coordinating and you need to preregister, Pat's email is [pa24pilot@centurylink.net](mailto:pa24pilot@centurylink.net). Go to <http://www.airventure.org>

**August 3-8, Rockland ME**

- (RKD). Join us on the schooner American Eagle for 6 days and 5 nights of sailing the coast of Maine. Enjoy the Swans Island Music Festival and an evening sail under the full moon. Comanche drivers can fly into Knox County Airport (RKD). Go to [SchoonerAmericanEagle.com](http://SchoonerAmericanEagle.com) to make arrangements. While in Rockland you can also enjoy the Owls Head Transportation Museum located at the airport.

**August 22 (23), Pittstown NJ.**

- (N40) Sky Manor Airport is located in central New Jersey within easy reach of most Northeast Tribe members. The Sky Cafe serves great food, and the view of the runway encourages great landing critiques. This will be our Tribe annual meeting.

**September 11-12, Rochester NY**

- (ROC) AOPA regional fly-in a very large event. There is on-field camping. Two days of seminars, vendors and fellow pilots. Go to [AOPA](http://AOPA). We hope to have two Comanches on prominent display!

**September 19 (20), Lancaster PA**

- (LAN) Lancaster is in the heart of Pennsylvania's Amish country. Lunch is at Florentino's at the airport. We hope to see many from the NC Tribe too.

**October \* 17 (16),** Latrobe PA.

- (LBE) Arnold Palmer Field is a favorite destination in western PA. Lunch is at DeNunzio's upstairs in the terminal building. We are planning for Sunday, Oct 17, to take advantage of the excellent Sunday lunch buffet. The rain date will be Saturday, with a weather decision made by Thursday evening.

**November 14 (15),** Martinsville VA.

- (MTV), Blue Ridge Airpark is a new destination for Northeast Comanche Tribe, located in the mountains of south western Virginia. The airport is a popular fly-in getaway as featured in the AOPA Destinations. Lunch is at Simply Suzanne's Cafe, located on the north side of the runway.

There you have it, a thumbnail sketch of the 2020 planned fly-ins – some new, some renewed – along with some of the nearby attractions. Watch your email for details as each date arrives, then plan to attend and bring your family and friends! But please, if you are even thinking of attending any fly-in, register on the Northeast Tribe website ([/NE\\_FlyIn\\_RegForm](#)). We would like to know your interest and to be able to update you on any factors involved.

See at the next (and the next, and the next...) fly-in,

Pete Morse

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The Northeast Comanche tribe website links for your convenience:

- Tribe main page: [http://www.quietcornerbands.org/Flight/ICS-NE/ICS-NE\\_page.htm](http://www.quietcornerbands.org/Flight/ICS-NE/ICS-NE_page.htm)
  - Documents page: [http://www.quietcornerbands.org/Flight/ICS-NE/ICS-NE\\_DocLinks.htm](http://www.quietcornerbands.org/Flight/ICS-NE/ICS-NE_DocLinks.htm)
  - Fly-in sign-up form: [http://www.quietcornerbands.org/Forms/ICS-NE\\_FlyIn\\_RegForm.htm](http://www.quietcornerbands.org/Forms/ICS-NE_FlyIn_RegForm.htm)
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