



Southern Navion Air Group

Newsletter

MARCH 2022

Words from the President:

Hello, fellow SNAG members!

Welcome to SNAG 2022! Hopefully, this will be a safe and Happy New Year for us all! I look forward to connecting with the SNAG family this year.

Who we are (the following is from our website, www.goflyyournavion.com):

The Southwest Navion Air Group originated in 1971 as the Southwest Navioneers. However, over time the members began referring to themselves as the Southwest Navion Air Group, and thus SNAG was born.

In general, our goal is to get together, have fun, share information, and fly with Navion owners and those who genuinely love Navions. We accomplish this goal primarily through regularly scheduled SNAG "Fly-Ins" throughout the year and publishing a monthly SNAG Newsletter. The fly-ins routinely begin with arrival on Friday, followed by a casual evening social. Saturday's (weather permitting) start with the traditional "Dawn Patrol" of Navions and flying events such as spot landing competitions, balloon busting, and flour bombing.

Sometimes, there are maintenance seminars or a general safety briefing dealing with a specific "this happened to me, or there I was..." There are always many Navions for folks to observe several upgrades, various paint schemes, nose art, or just admire an original design.

Our fly-ins are at locations that provide extracurricular activities for those, often spouses, who want to take in the local sites, and sometimes we all go. Children are welcome at our events!

Saturday evening usually boasts a casual dinner/awards ceremony (accompanied by tall tales, Navion experiences, planned upgrades, and of course - braggers rights). Most attendees plan to be gear-up on Sunday by noon.

51 Years of SNAG!

2022 is a special year for SNAG. This year we will celebrate our 50th year anniversary. Yes, it's actually 51, however last year was a bit of a bust. This year is looking to be much better served than the last. SNAG will be offering some special items this year, 50th Anniversary T-shirts, Polo's and Hats. Please stay tuned and we'll get the info out soonest.

I'm also going to take this last opportunity as your President (my term ends in March) to say thank you. Thank you for being great advocates for the Navion Community and thank you for your continued membership! Your continued membership keeps this organization strong. I know we like to say that this organization is all about the Navion; however, we understand it's all about people. People that share a love of aviation and the Navion. I'm proud to be a member and it was an honor to be your President!

This year's business: Our bylaws are pretty short and straightforward, just like the construct of our club officer positions. However, with the size of our club and the mission of being the most active, it requires considering some changes. Therefore, I'd like us to consider some changes to be discussed at the March Shade Tree business meeting. I have attached those proposed changes separately.

Thank you once again for allowing me the privilege to be your president!

Sincerely,

Ronald "Rat" Hanselman
President, SNAG
Reminder: Dues are due

Pay with Zelle:

Download the Zelle app directly to your smartphone.

Set up Zelle on your smartphone will guide you through that process. (You must use the App through your smartphone, not a PC or laptop.) If your bank uses Zelle, the App set-up will have you ID it and tie it to your account during set-up.

Set up SNAG as a payee in your Zelle App after you download it. You'll need the following information to "manually add a payee": Our routing number is 064000017, our account number is: 0050976702, and the bank's recognized mailing address is the same as you used to mail dues: 4109 Lucas Ln., Lake Charles, LA. 70605-7750.

Make your payment of \$20.00 to the SNAG account

Pay with PayPal:

Either download the PayPal App to your smart device or register on their website at www.paypal.com from any smart device, laptop, or PC browser if you don't already have a PayPal account, register and create your account following their relatively easy identified steps.

Select the "send money" icon.

Type in our new group email address: snag_member@gmail.com, or you can try our user name:

[PayPal.me/flyNavions](https://www.paypal.me/flyNavions).

Type in the amount you are paying (\$22 for dues to cover the \$2 PayPal fee). Please use "Add a note" to identify the purpose of your payment as dues.

We may not have 100% accuracy in our spreadsheet and if you feel you are paid for 2022 or further, please contact Lee or Susan Holmes to help us find out why our records don't reflect your payment. Not trying to out anyone, just want to try and get our dues up to date. Below is the list of those we currently show still owe dues:

Shade Tree Fly-In Coming Soon!

Our annual fly-in at Shade Tree, MS. is right around the corner, March 25-27th. Danny and Janet Miller will once again roll out the carpet for their beautiful airfield just northwest of Gulfport, MS. Dinner at the airfield both nights- pizza on Friday and BBQ on Saturday followed by our annual business meeting and election of officers. Standard flying events on Saturday.

(Identifier MS-82, Elev. 113', Rwy 35/17, 2800' x 100' turf, CTAF 122.9, use KGPT for AWOS) 30-30-37.7000N / 089-08-50.1510W or 30-30.628333N / 089-08.835850W

Gulfport I-10 Hampton Inn & Suites (228) 539-0601, Request "SNAG" room block. Rooms have gone up to \$150/nt. Complimentary breakfast at hotel each morning.

Scottsboro, Alabama Fly-in, May 27-29, 2022

HOST: Andy Tolar, Iconic Aviation, LLC

Tentive schedule:

FRIDAY

Shuttle to be provided back and forth to airport, Comfort Inn and lake house

Cookout at my family lake house

Then retire to the hotel

SATURDAY

DAWN Patrol to Tullahoma airport

Ladies to Unclaimed Baggage (anytime after 8am)

Beachcraft Museum tour begins at 9am (\$10)

Lunch (TBD)

Afternoon flying contests (a condensed version, of some sort)

Dinner (driving to Mudcrack BBQ)

SUNDAY

Pancake breakfast?

Possible trip to Huntsville Space and Rocket Center?

Hotel:

Comfort Inn Scottsboro, \$99/night

25775 John T Reid Parkway, Scottsboro AL 35768

256.259.8700

Hotel rooms are currently being held through Monday.

Airport Info:

FAA
Identifier: 4A6

Elevation: 650.3 ft. / 198.2 m (surveyed)

Variation: 03W (2010)

From city: 2 miles NE of SCOTTSBORO, AL

Time zone: UTC -5 (UTC -6 during Standard
Time)

Zip code: 35768

Airport Operations

Control tower: no

ARTCC: ATLANTA CENTER

Attendance: 0800-1700

FOR SVC AFT HRS CALL 256-603-5723.

Pattern altitude: 1450.3 ft. MSL

Wind indicator: lighted

Segmented
circle: no

Lights: MIRL RWY 04/22 PRESET LOW INTST; TO INCR INTST ACTVT- CTAF. TO
ACTVT REIL RWY 04 & 22 - CTAF. PAPI RWY 04 & 22 OPR CONSLY.

Beacon: white-green (lighted land airport)
Operates sunset to sunrise.

Airport Communications

CTAF/UNICOM: 123.0

WX AWOS-3PT: 120.125 (256-259-
1148)

WX AWOS-3PT at 4A9 (19 nm SE): 119.025 (256-845-
5397)

- APCH/DEP SVC PRVDD BY ATLANTA ARTCC ON FREQS 124.5/270.325 (GADSDEN RCAG).

Airport Services

Fuel available: 100LL JET-A

Parking: tiedowns

Airframe and Powerplant service: MAJOR REPAIRS AVBL ON CALL 256-
259-3702

Powerplant service: MAJOR.

June 12-18, 2022, ANS Annual Convention, Dayton, OH (see ANS website at navionsociety.org)

Mt. Pleasant, TX. fly-in from 2021 has been re-scheduled!

SNAG Family, I am pleased to announce I have rescheduled the fly-in for Mt. Pleasant, Texas for this October 14th-16th. – Host: Kevin Domingue

I have a block of 20 rooms blocked at the Hampton Inn & Suites by Hilton. In order to book online please go to [www.mountpleasantsuites.hamptoninn.com](<http://www.mountpleasantsuites.hamptoninn.com/>)

Once you have selected the dates of your arrival and departure you will click on Add special rate codes then

enter SPG under Group Code. Once you check availability it will bring up the room types you selected plus the discounted rate for SNAG Pilots Group- \$89 for a king standard, 2 queen beds, or for a king studio suite.

If calling the hotel directly at 903.572.7100 to make reservations, please mention the SNAG Pilots Group and the dates of our reservations so they can honor our discounted rate.

I have blocked off 20 rooms from October 14, 2022 to October 16, 2022. The leftover rooms that have not been reserved are set to return back to inventory on September 14, 2022. If you want to book after that date, no problem., they will continue to honor the rate, but you must call the hotel directly to receive it. I have the Texas Room booked for our hospitality area. Blue Skies & Tailwinds,

Labor Day, Sept. 2-5, 2022 Available- looking for sponsors and location

WANT TO HOST A FLY-IN?

We have a neat checklist from Ann McSpadden with all the instructions anyone needs to host a fly in! Contact Lee or Susan Holmes for a copy. What a great way to show off your local airport and part of the US. If you are willing to possibly host a fly-in for the 2021 or 2022 season, please contact Ron Hanselman at ratf16@gmail.com or 702-308-0475

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