

# Skyraider Sentinel

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## *Skyraider Aviation Welcomes New Club Members!*

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- Jeff Hubbard
- Daryl Jezierski
- James M. Noland
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- Mark Nichols
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## *This Month in Aviation History*

You may have noticed the picture of the crazy looking Frenchman on the wall of our office. That's Raymond Delmotte. On December 25<sup>th</sup>, 1934 with his fox terrier mascot, "Tailwind" in the cockpit, Delmotte became the first pilot to break the 500 km per hour (311 mph) mark. For his troubles, the French Air Ministry awarded Delmotte the equivalent of \$19,000. His record was broken less than a year later by none other than Howard Hughes.

Note: Fox terriers and other animal mascots are not allowed in Skyraider Aviation aircraft.

"When once you have tasted flight, you will forever walk the earth with your eyes turned skyward, for there you have been, and there you will always long to return."

- Leonardo da Vinci

## Open House Huge Success!

Skyraider Aviation welcomed a crowd of over 50 people to our grand opening on November 18<sup>th</sup>. Our open house gave visitors the opportunity to meet with instructors and staff, discuss the sport pilot/light sport aircraft rules, and find out what Skyraider Aviation is all about. We would like to thank everyone who came out.

The open house marked the kick-off of Skyraider Aviation's flight operations. New members wasted no time getting into the air. Flights



*Open house visitor and new club member Jeff Hubbard checks out the club's brand new light sport aircraft.*

were scheduled for the very next day, and the pace of operations continues to exceed predictions. Still, if you have not signed up for the club, there is currently space available, so don't delay. Winter is a great time for flying in Colorado!

## Preheater Installed

In order to continue uninterrupted flying operations throughout the cold winter months, Skyraider Aviation has had a Tanis Engine Preheater installed in N616EV. Evektor recommends engine preheating whenever the outside air temperature

dips below 41° F. To meet this requirement, we will plug in our SportStar every night to gently warm the engine before that first start of the day.

Please check with your instructor or club staff for directions on how to use the preheater.

## WINTER SAFETY TIP:

If the aircraft has been parked outside on a cold day, try pulling it forward a couple feet before jumping in. Snow and ice may have frozen one of your wheels, and it's better to figure that out before starting the engine.