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GENE'S AVIATION QUIZ

- 1 When is a 100-inspection required?
- 2 If a student provides an aircraft for instruction, does it need a 100-hr. inspection?
- 3 If a flight instructor does not charge for instruction does the aircraft need a 100 hr.?
- 4 What are General Aviation Airworthiness Alerts?
- 5 Can you log the time when using the autopilot?
- 6 If you start-up taxi out and find you have a bad mag and taxi back using .3. Can you log the time?
- 7 If you fly for an hour and then land, and taxi to get fuel, and then taxi to your tie down spot. Can you log the entire time or just to the fuel spot?



PHOTO OF THE MONTH

Britten-Norman Trislander

Desmond Norman and his business partner John Britten began developing a new 8-to 10-seat airliner which first flew in 1971. The Trislander's unusual three-engine configuration, low-speed handling characteristics, and short-field performance made the type popular on various inter-island routes worldwide.

We had these at Wings Field from the late 1970s to the late 1980s. Wings operated a high frequency shuttle service between Wings and PHL. There were additional destinations from Virginia to JFK.



As of 2024, the Trislander remains in passenger service with four airlines based in South America and the Caribbean.

The Trislander carved out a niche for itself, operating high-frequency, short sector length scheduled and charter flights across the globe for over fifty years. For an unusual-looking, small passenger plane originating from a tiny island, which is quite a legacy.

Check Rides



Brooks Maxedon

Commercial Pilot

Instructor: Jackson Combe



Inna Mutsyshyn

Private Pilot

Instructor: Jen Sremanak



Samuel Winslow

Instrument Rating

Instructor: Patrick Williams



TJ Nartey

Instrument Rating

Instructor: Jackson Combe



Mike Iside

CFII

Instructor:

Domenick Montanaro

Oleksandr Chernilovskyi

Private Pilot

Instructor: Patrick Williams

John Aytch

CFI

Instructor:

Cheryl Benish

Greg Hill

CFII

Instructor: Jim Zararis

Thomas Edresmann

Private Pilot

Instructor: Nazariy

Danylyshyn

Jim Cahill

Instrument Rating

Instructor: Daniel Silvia

Jim Scian

Instrument Rating

Instructor:

Daniel Silvia

Michael DaCosta

Commercial Pilot

Christopher Clark

Instrument Rating

FIRST SOLOS

Hayden Corr

Instructor:

Vince Innamarato

Eli Lam

Instructor:

Daniel Silvia

Nick Ororco

Instructor:

Tom Ringe

Lourdes Swetha

Instructor:

Patrick Williams

Adrian Gramadges

Instructor:

Nazariy Danylyshyn

Welcoming Our New Students

Harvey Kesner

Hugh Dinnall

Sebastian Tinnirello

Ian Zominhan

Ryan Bishop

Cade Christiansen

Zachary Millares

Alexander Tselishchev

Joe Carallo

QUOTE OF THE MONTH

"If God wanted people to learn to fly, he would have given them more money."

DID YOU KNOW?

Why do Boeing aircraft use the designation 7 for their planes?

In the 1950s when jet powered commercial aircraft were being developed, Boeing's first aircraft, the 707, made its debut. Boeing decided to use the designation 7X7 for numbering jet powered models.

So, for example a 747; starting with 7 is referenced to jet powered aircraft, 4 represents the 4th jet powered aircraft released in the 7X7 naming sequence. And the last seven just sounded better in the naming sequence.

For example, the 737-823 means 7, jet powered aircraft, 3 symbolize the third generation of Boeing's jet powered family, and the last 7 comes in place as Boeing felt it would be better fit than any other number. The 8 highlights this is the eighth version of the 737 and lastly the 23, because it is the designated customer code for American Airlines from Boeing, so you have 737-823.

GENE'S QUIZ ANSWERS

- 1 When an aircraft carries a person other than the crewmember for hire or when used for flight instruction. For hire refers to the person not the aircraft.
- 2 No.
- 3 No.
- 4 Documents furnished by the FAA to technicians alerting them of problems that have been found in specific aircraft.
- 5 Yes, the FAA has determined that using the autopilot is using the controls.
- 6 Yes, if you intended to fly.
- 7 You can log the entire time. The FAA has determined that flight time starts and continues if the pilot is on board.



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