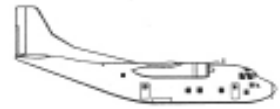




AIR AMERICA FOUNDATION

THE Provider Weekly



Greetings from The Air America Foundation! It is amazing how fast time can slip by. I apologize for the delay in getting out the Provider this month. It has been a busy one.

We want to congratulate everyone at NASA for a safe and awesome launch of the Space Shuttle Discovery. It was a beautiful day and the crowds were incredible.

There are estimates of 200,000 cars in north Brevard and I am putting the stats (unofficially of course) at 500,000 people in town to watch her take flight.

Back on the ground at good old 674 things have steadily been moving forward. Most of what has been going on is paint preparation and painting. We are happy to report that we have put down two more gallons and hope to add another tomorrow.

We are winding down to airshow, (has it been a year already?) and need to make the final push to get the 123 ready for her visitors. If you are free, consider stopping by for a visit and maybe you might want roll up your sleeves and get a bit dirty. We would be happy to find a job for you.

We have moved a few more items to storage to make room for the continued painting.

You can only trip over the same item so many times before logic takes over (or everyone makes fun of you) and you decide to put it out of the way. Number 674 has a big belly, but still she only has so much room to move around in.

Other miscellaneous maintenance tasks also continue to get done as they arise. We are still trying to get the forklift brakes serviceable. They are just a bit better but not much. We are still looking for an upgraded lift truck, that we can utilize to move our people and equipment around on.

If you know of something available in this area, please let us know. Remember the Foundation is a 501(C) 3 so donations are tax deductible to the full extent of the law.

I think this issue will be a photo issue with all the new paint work. I want to also thank Weird Neil for the photos of C-47 B-827.

If you have something to submit for The Provider Weekly, Feel free to email me the content with an explanation of what it is and put "Provider Submission" in the subject line. I will do my best to include it.

Continued...

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What's

NEW This

Week

- ◆ Message from the Editor
- ◆ Whiskey November submission
- ◆ Work update
- ◆ Painting photos
- ◆ Flickr link
- ◆ Still need a lift truck
- ◆ Airshow volunteers needed

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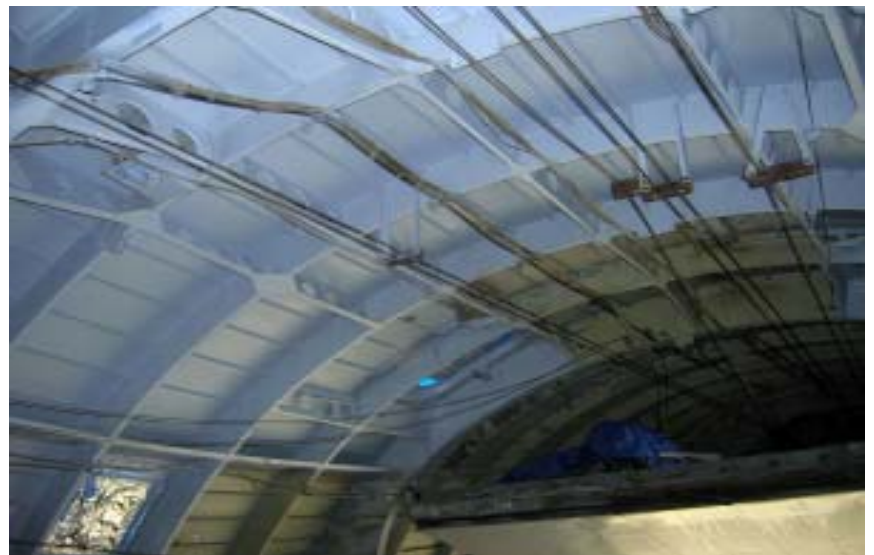


Cal and I during the painting process.
The photo is a little off, but truth be told, so are we.

I hope to see as many of you as possible
at the Tico Airshow this year!

I see I am out of room again. Take care
and keep the great emails coming.

Historically Yours,



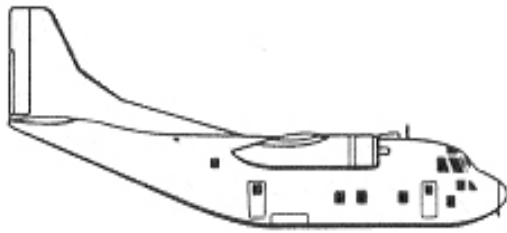
Port side looking aft

Starboard side looking aft





Starboard Side



Looking aft to the tail boom



Port Side





The BFG - (Big Fat Guy) also known as your editor - painting the overhead sections



Come to the dark side -
We have paint.



Moody shot looking aft out the ramp

Here is a set of photos I received from Whiskey November - His description is...

"An XOXO message always dealt with some catastrophe - in this case it was one of our C-47's (DC-3) in Vietnam. The Captain was Bill Huff and he can be seen standing around with his copilot watching the bird burn, however, I am not sure who the co-pilot is."

RADIO MESSAGE
INCOMING

XOXO
F67
AAA TEN FOUR
BBB C-47 8827
CCC V23
DDD ABOUT 0705Z
EEE P156 N266 SANGUAN
FFF 3 PAX NONE
GGG SUBSTANTIAL
HHH FIRE
III UNKNOWN
JJJ AIRCRAFT ON GROUND V23 AND IS ON FIRE X ALL PAX EVAC X
NO FIRE EQUIP AVAIL X ACFT TOOK TWO ROUNDS ONE
IN STARBOARD ENGINE ONE IN FUEL TANK ON FINAL APPROACH
AT 1000 FEET X 8827 ON FIRE WHEN LANDING X ACFT COMPLETE LOSS
KKK END SERIES X WILL KEEP ALL INTERESTED PARTIES ADVISED X

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Thanks to Whiskey November
for the photo submission and
explanation.



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Ask us!



Got an idea?
Let us know!

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