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## 2022 Event Schedule

Sun-n-Fun April 5-10 Lakeland, FL

Oshkosh July 25-3 I Oshkosh, WI

Swift National 2022 Sept. 28 — Oct. 2 SMF Headquarters Athens, TN

# Swift Museum Foundation, Inc.

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## Executive Director's Report By Scott Anderson

Your Board of Directors of the Swift Museum Foundation, Inc. met Friday, March 4<sup>th</sup>. Topics discussed were Swift National 2022 (See Paul Mercandetti's Swift National report later in this newsletter.), 2022 Fund Raising Raffle, the disposition of a donated aircraft (Details with photos in this issue.), and the possibility of building a new hangar next to our Ken Coughlin Annex. All committee reports were presented including reports on new parts status and the possibility of a change to our website. We will report more on these other topics as we have more information available.

The 2022 Raffle will be held as before with online or phone ticket sales beginning June 4<sup>th</sup>. Ticket prices will remain the same as last year with the Grand Prize still being the \$30,000.00 engine credit from LyCon Engines or a \$20,000.00 cash prize. Four other great aviation related prizes will also be awarded. Get in on the Raffle this year and support your Swift Museum Foundation. Your odds of winning one of the great prizes are excellent with only 2,500 tickets to be sold!

The possibility of erecting another building is due to the fact that McMinn County will be tearing down our old museum building and the old parts hangar within the next twenty-four months. We are still using those buildings for storage of donated aircraft, parts, and our tooling & jigs. The land is available to us to use with the same great lease deal we have on our current new buildings. If we don't use the land, the county will eventually build on that site. Your Board and Building Committee are looking into the cost of a hangar on that location. The Museum Foundation is still growing and more space will be required for continued growth. We will report to you as we have more information.

Many thanks to Roger Weber, Paul Mercandetti, Norm Fox, and Jim Roberts for their hard work at our two day work session prior to the Board meeting. Thanks guys!

We want to send out our prayers and best wishes to Jim and Carol Jones as they are dealing with serious health issues. Everyone please remember Jim and Carol as we pray for Carol's speedy recovery.

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## Swift National Fly-in and Convention Report By Paul Mercandetti

## Swift National 2022 SEPTEMBER 28 — OCTOBER 2

Your SMF Board of Directors met March 4th and set the date for this years Swift National Fly-in & Convention. Our event will be held here at home base in **Athens, Tennessee** (MMI). Mark your calendars and start making your plans for **Sept. 28th thru Oct. 2nd**!

We had a great turnout last year and look forward to seeing as many or more this year as people start to get out more and more. Hopefully gas prices will have leveled off to something reasonable by then and we can all look forward to another great get together with our Swift family. We have several new members joining our ranks and they are looking forward to meeting us, please give them a warm Swift welcome when you meet them.

If you have any ideas for shirt and hat logos for this years event please email them to me. I can use all the ideas I can get with all aspects of the convention. It's hard to come up with new ideas to make it fun and different, please lend a hand. Remember it's your club too and your ideas can make things more fun for all of us.

I'll be in contact with the hotel soon to sign a contract for the dates and hopefully the rates will be the same or close to what we are used to. It's never too early to start planning so the planning starts now. Let's make it a good year.

## Swift Formation Committee Report By Paul Mercandetti

The weather is getting better despite it's ups and down. I've noticed a lot more flying activity here in eastern Tennessee. The mornings are still a bit chilly but that makes for some great performance from our little airplanes. Now is a good time to dust off the cobb webs and get out and have some fun.

I'm still waiting for a few more Proficiency Reports to come in so I can send out the remaining cards. Please drop them in the mail to Swift HQ's along with your annual \$15 Formation Dues. Sue will record them and forward the report to me and I will send you your card.

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#### Chairman's Report By Paul S. Barnett

Where has the time gone? As the sprigs of grass sprout and plant's buds begin to come to life, it's time for Swifters to pull out their planes and prepare for what will very likely be the most active flying year of this decade. As our fleet of aircraft and owners continue to age, it's incumbent upon us to focus on readiness. Are YOU prepared? Is YOUR Aircraft prepared? I encourage everyone to make every single flight a Training Mission; perfect/refine a skill each and every time you take to the friendly skies.

Now, it will soon be time to BUY your 2022 Raffle Tickets.....we have some very exciting news forthcoming with regards to the upcoming raffle; with prices going up in every single facet of life, we will be offering a significant savings for multiple ticket purchases. You guessed it; the 2022 Swift Museum Foundation Raffle WILL BE A SELL OUT!! Stay Tuned....

#### Swift Parts Item up for Bid

Swift Parts Department has a **\$50.00 McFarlane Aviation Gift Certificate** available to the highest bidder. No minimum bid. Contact Swift Parts.

#### From Our Archives: Pre-production Prototype Globe GC-I

A true composite... Wood, metal, and fabric. Wood wings —Note the inboard location of main landing gear.



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Founded by Charles E. "Charles' Nelson 1968

## Swift Museum Foundation Offering For Sale Super Custom Swift N80555 via Sealed Bid



Super Custom Globe Swift N80555 is being offered for sale to the SMF membership by sealed bids.

Serial #58, a GC-1A, converted to a GC-1B is a past Oshkosh Lindy Award winning aircraft. It is powered by a 210 HP Continental engine, equipped with a Nagel sliding canopy, sticks, and retractable tailwheel. The aircraft is smooth skinned and flush riveted and has a recent leather interior installed with Cessna 152 seats.

TTAF: 2095.3 TTE: 1423.1 SMOH: 384.3

Avionics are Garmin 430/WAAS, GNC 250XL, and GTX 335 with ADSB out. Century I wing leveler and HIS are also installed in a very well equipped custom panel including a full set of Electronics International instruments.

There was substantial but repairable damage to the airframe due to a take-off accident. A light prop strike occurred. There are multiple issues with paperwork on modifications performed to the airframe.

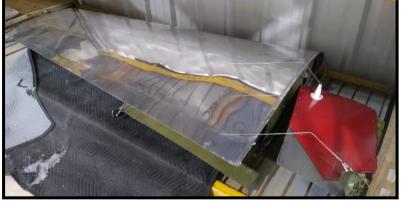
The aircraft and records are available for your inspection at Swift Headquarters in Athens during normal business hours 9-5 EDST Monday through Friday. Please contact us for an appointment for you to inspect the aircraft.

#### A minimum bid of \$60,000.00 is required.

You must be a current Swift Museum Foundation member in order to place a bid.

All sealed bids will be opened at 12 p.m. on June 7<sup>th</sup>. The member with the highest bid will become the next owner of this aircraft.

(Additional photos on page 5)





Super Custom Globe Swift N80555 is being offered for sale to the SMF membership by sealed bids. (Photos continued)













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#### Well Mr. Private Owner

We have had your views for over eighteen months—We know that the SWIFT has got what you are asking for and more the PRICE is reasonable too. And for good measure it can be used as an advanced trainer in the 2-S class.

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