RED BARON FLYERS, INC.

Houston County Airport,
2 miles South of Caledonia, MN.

PRIVATE PILOT CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS:

1) Be at least 17 years of age;
2) Be able to read, write, speak & understand the English language;
3) Have at least a current third-class medical certificate;
4) Pass a knowledge test (usually at the completion of some course of ground school or study);
5) Flight Requirements: A minimum of 40 hours of flight which would include 20 hours of dual flight instruction and 20 hours of solo flight.
6) Pass a practical test consisting of oral and flight portions (at the completion of flight requirements);

CERTIFICATION COSTS:

While 40 hours is the minimum flight requirement specified in the Federal Aviation Regulations, pilots usually log more flight time in preparation for the practical test. The national average is 70-75 hours. With diligent study on the student pilot's part and regular lessons, 25-30 hours of dual and 25-30 hours of solo is realistic. Using this realistic spread, the costs involved would be in the following range:

Aircraft Rental	$2000.00 - 2400.00
Instructor	1000.00 - 1200.00
Medical Exam	75.00 - 150.00
Ground School & Training Materials	225.00 - 350.00
FAA Knowledge Test	60.00 - 60.00
FAA Practical Test	225.00 - 350.00
Totals	$3585.00 - 4510.00

RED BARON FLYERS ORGANIZATION & COSTS:

The Red Baron Flyers is organized & existing as a Minnesota non-profit corporation flying club. This means we can operate at lower cost than a commercial rental operation. It does, however, require that all pilots flying Red Baron aircraft must have a membership in the corporation. The following is a summary of costs:

Membership Fee		$1750.00	
Monthly Dues		60.00	(with $20.00 credited towards aircraft rental, if used
Hourly Aircraft Rates:	C150 (2 seats, trainer)	40.00	that month)
	C172 (4 seats, IFR)	55.00	
	C177 (4 seats, IFR)	55.00	
Currently Established Assessments		150.00	quarterly, billed in Feb., May, Aug. & Nov.

NOTES:

Hourly aircraft rates are 'Tach Time' not 'Hobbs Time.' 'Tach Time' is typically slightly less than 'Hobbs.'

Members are charged interest & grounded for being 30 days past due on account. Being 60 days past due is grounds for dismissal.

Members are paid interest for payments made in advance (carrying a credit balance on account).

Assessments are for required cash flow and must be paid even if a member has a credit balance.

There have been hanger work sessions scheduled in the past. These require either donation of your labor or payment of a non-work fee set at the time of scheduling.

We have a Certified Flight Instructor member who gives local training at the Houston County Airport.

Meetings are held at the airport on the first Tuesday after the 15th each month at 7:00 pm. We have drawings among members who attend the meeting for free flying.

WANT MORE INFORMATION?

CALL: Dale Scobie (507) 725-5397 (days) or (507) 498-5388 (evenings)
Alex Vaver (608) 317-8427

ON THE WEB: www.redbaronflyers.org

Note: The above information is current as of 6 July, 2009, and is subject to change without notice.