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DIVISION SPOTLIGHT: STOKES FLYING SERVICE



In the early 1970s, Dennie Stokes began his first spraying job for Gibson Flying Service.

“Lynn Gibson, the local ag operator in Marianna, Arkansas, where I grew up, said if I was going to be an ag pilot, he was going to teach me how to do it right, and he took me under his wing,” Stokes recalled.

In 1981, Stokes took all that he had learned and founded Stokes Flying Service based in east-central Arkansas. The new operation started with a 600 horsepower radial Thrush, but quickly advanced a year later with its first turbine ag aircraft. The company managed a fleet of ag aircraft by the mid-1980s.

Stokes Flying Service and Mid-Continent Aircraft officially partnered in 1992, but the relationship between Stokes and Mid-Continent Founder and President Dick Reade developed many years earlier.

“I first met Dick Reade in the 1970s at the Arkansas Convention,” Stokes said. “He occasionally stopped by Gibson Flying Service making Ag Cat sales visits, and we would visit then. He later came by with the C model Ag Cat and later the King Cat for us to demo. A few years later he and I put a deal together to order the first PT6-45 Thrush from

Mid-Continent. We hit it off really well and decided to look into a partnership, and here we are today.”

Starting the business with Dennie, his wife Lou, and one loader, Stokes Flying Service now employs four full-time pilots, including Dennie and Lou’s two sons, Tracey and Greg. In addition, the operation consists of five ground crew members, seasonal help and two office workers.

After becoming leaders in the industry over the last four decades, Stokes was elected President of the NAAA in 2002, and Lou was elected president of the WNAAA in 2004.

Asked of his outlook on the future of the ag industry, Dennie said, “Every year we hear about all the new technologies, and there is always talk about how this will do away with ag aviation as we know it, but I’ve never believed that. I think ag pilots are so willing and quick to absorb and incorporate new technologies that we stay ahead of the game.”

Happy Birthday

Oct 7th - Gary Monceaux (Landry Aero)

Oct 16th - Chris Patterson (MCAC)

Oct 22nd - Greg Stokes (Stokes Flying Service)

Oct 29th - Terry McClanahan (Stokes F.S.)





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SPECIAL OF THE MONTH



N5523H

2018 Thrush, S2R-T34

630.0 A/F TT, Bantam GPS, Intelli Flow, Hatfield Auto Shut-off, Kawak Throttle Control, LED Leading Edge Lights, MVP-50T Glass Panel, Garmin G5 Attitude Indicator, 228 Gallon Fuel, Five Blade Weather Aero Fan, Smoker, Streamline Aluminum Boom, Wingtip Navigation and Strobe Lights

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2012 THRUSH S2R-T34 N986MM

5100.0 A/F TT
400.0 SHI

Very Clean and Well-Maintained!
Cascade, MVT-50 Glass Panel,
Load Hawg, Bantam GPS,
Intelliflow, Leading Edge Lights,
Vortex Generators, Smoker,
Bottom Load Fuel

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SOLD 2009 Thrush, S2R-T34, N5298F

4200.0 A/F TT, Sprayer, Nav
Lights, 228 Gallon Fuel System,
Intelliflow, Smoker, G4, VGs,
Bottom Fuel, Lane Electric
Brake, New Glass, Fresh Annual,
Load Hawg

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2013 Thrush, S2R-H80, N3046N

2700.0 Engine & A/F TT, 0.0
SIRAN, Fresh Annual, 800 HP,
Load Hawg, VGs, Bottom
Fuel/Dual Load, Leading Edge
Lights, Stainless Steel Booms,
Hopper Rinse, Smoker, Spreader
w/ Kicker Plate, CPs, G4
Intelliflow

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**1996 AYRES-41, S2R-T34
N2243J**

8352.0 A/F TT
850 HP, Satloc M-3 w/ Intelliflow,
Lane Electric Fan Brake,
Smoker, Cool Seat, Air
Conditioner/Heat, Hopper Rinse
Tank, Bottom Load Fuel,
Stainless Steel Boom

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**1989 Air Tractor, AT-402,
N1012B**

12623.4 A/F TT, Left and Right
Bottom Load Fuel, Left and Right
Loader Valve, Flow Control,
Vertex Generator, Heat and A/C,
Aluminum Boom, Satloc GPS,
Less Spreader

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**2016 Beech G36 Bonanza,
N36HE**

560 A/F TT, Garmin G100 Panel
With WAAS GPS, Synthetic
Vision, Garmin AHRS System,
Garmin Active Traffic, Nexrad
Weather, Garmin GFC-700
Autopilot with Flight Director and
Fully Coupled, Garmin ADSB
In/Out, LED Lights, 3-Point
Strobes, Map Light, Rosen Sun
Visors, Pilot Yoke Control Wheel
Steering, Pilot Yoke Mounted
Transponder Button, Pilot and
Co-Pilot Push-To-Talk, Yoke
Mounted Autopilot Disconnect,
Factory Climate Control A/C, Like
New Grey Leather Interior

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**1995 Ayres, S2R-G6
N3160M**

11,024.0 A/F TT, Stainless
Booms, Transland Slim Line
Spreader, Bantam w/ 9" Screen
and Flow Control, Load Hawg, 2"
Load Valve, Pump w/ 4-Blade
Electric Brake, 63 T Jet Check
Valves and CP09-3P Nozzles

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**1997 Ayres, S2R-G10
N773CC**

6500.0 A/F TT, 400.0 SPOH,
Cool Start System, Hatfield
Single Point Fueling, ATS-VGs,
Ag-Tips-Marburger, Kawak
Hydraulic System, Satloc, G4,
Load Hawg

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**1999 AT-402B
N51967**

7922.0 A/F TT, PT6A-15AG,
8950 TT engine, Covington light
OVH at 6500 engine hours,
SATLOC Bantam with G4
screen, flow control, A/C, heat,
Garmin G5 attitude indicator, CP
11 nozzles, smoker, very little
fertilizer, Transland 10 vane,
overhauled FCU and fuel pump
at 7322.0 TTAF, wing spars done
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