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Air Tractor Acquires Thrush Aircraft

Air Tractor Holdings announced on April 6, 2026 that it has acquired the stock of Thrush Aircraft, LLC. The transaction, which closed April 3, creates a unified powerhouse in the aerial application industry while maintaining the independent operations of both brands.



"Air Tractor and Thrush will continue to operate as separate entities just as they do now," said Hirsch. "We are ensuring these fleets are supported for the long term and are committing the resources necessary to ensure the viability of production lines in both Olney, Texas, and Albany, Georgia."

Hirsch noted he has no plans to alter current operations, confirming that Thrush CEO Mark McDonald, CFO Clint Hubbard and John Graber will remain in their respective roles.

"While the Ag market has contracted some recently, considering all the markets we serve, the world needs more capacity to meet global demand," said Mark McDonald. He added, "In a world where global food security increasingly depends on precision aerial application, crop protection efficiency and rapid wildfire suppression, both companies serve as indispensable assets. And we're stronger together."

"I have enjoyed getting to know Mark and Clint," Hirsch said. "We are all committed to making this consolidation a win-win for our industry. The product lines and dealer networks remain the same; together, we will be a stronger company better equipped to serve our global customers."

"Our two companies share the same fundamental value proposition," Hirsch said. "We are carrying forward Leland Snow's vision of purpose-built, durable aircraft that are safe, pilot-friendly, and optimized for high-cycle, low-altitude operations."

"It is important to note that nothing changes for our employees at Air Tractor or Thrush," Hirsch added. "Instead, this combination provides the stability to put Leland's vision on a firm foundation for the future. I believe he would be proud of us all today."

Mid-Continent Aircraft President Chris Cobb explained that customers can expect the same quality service when purchasing Thrush aircraft.

"Our customers can continue to place their trust in our sales and maintenance teams to deliver the same top-quality service we have stood behind for the last 75 years," Cobb said.

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Rittenberry Speaks to Willow Springs EAA Chapter



Josh Rittenberry recently presented at the EAA Chapter 1218 meeting in Willow Springs, Missouri, providing an in-depth analysis of aviation insurance complexities for aircraft owners and non-owners. The local chapter is a strong proponent of aviation knowledge, education, and safety. Furthermore, the organization supports aspiring pilots through various initiatives, including multiple scholarships. A special thank you to Tom and Phyllis White for extending an invitation to meet with fellow aviation enthusiasts.

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**2023 THRUSH S2R-T660
N2427C**

696 A/F TT, Dual Cockpit w/Seat, Hopper Rinse, Leading Edge Lights, 7.5" Electrical Gate, Reabe Hopper Packer, Level Indicator, Smoker, Lane Electrical Brake, Kayak Throttle Quadrant, Falcon Satlock, Radio-Parr-200 Com, Garmin G-5 Attitude Indicator, Smoker, CP-11 Nozzles, Intelliflow, Bottom Load Fuel, Spreader, Garmin-3325, Transponder with ADS-B Out



**2017 THRUSH 510P2+
N813MC**

5,000 A/F TT, 2137.0 TT Engine, 1161.07 SNEW Prop, 2022 Cascade 140 Conversion w/ Lights, Hydraulic Gate, VGs, Smoker, Electric Brake, Leading Edge Lights, Load Hawk, Hopper Rinse, SS Booms, CP Nozzles, G4 & FC, MVP50, Fast Start, Side Load Fuel

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**2002 AMERICAN CHAMPION
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N391MA**

501 SNEW, Constant Speed Prop, GARMIN GNC 250XL, Nav/Com and GPS, GARMIN GTX 327 Transponder & Encoder, ADS/B Out, Two-Place Intercom, Wing Tip Strokes, Rear Seat Heater, Entry Step, Full Panel, Vis on Wing and Tail, Mitchell Digital Tachometer

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**2011 THRUSH S2R-T34
N7005B**

6,807 A/F TT, 750 HP, 6,807 Engine TT, MVP-50T Glass Panel, Cascade Inlet, Aero LED Lights, Standaard gate 5", Compro-Smoker, Spreader, VGs, Single Point Fuel, Load Hawk, Satloc Falcon W/IF3 Flow Control, Garmin 205 Comm w/ Radio Jacks, Garmin Transponder w/ADS-B Out, Garmin G5, SS Booms w/ Check Valves, Swivels w/ Shut off Valves, New 5 Blad Electric Fan Brake, Install New Plumbing Hopper to Pump, Pump to Filter to T-Boom. No Damage

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**1962 CESSNA 210
N9683X**

3,730 A/F TT, 750.38 SMOH, IFR, PS Engineering Audio Panel and Three Light Markers, Garmin GNT650 GPS and Nav/Com w/ WAAS, Glide Slope, Garmin GNC255 Nav/Com, Dual GI-106A Nav Indicators, Farming GTX345 Transponder w/ Encoder, ADSB In/Out, S-Tec 40 Autopilot Coupled to Navs and GPS, Electronic Magnetos, Electronics International MVP 50 Engine Management System, LED Landing Light, Aero Space Logos FL100 Dual Fuel Level Indicators, Indirect Panel Lighting, Tail Strobe Light, Bracket Air Filter, Spin On Oil Filter, Dual PTT, Articulating Front Seats, Avionics Master, Vertical Card Compass, Loprestie Hub Caps

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