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Aero Country East is a Dallas, Texas area first-class gated aviation exclusive lifestyle community



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The concept of airparks isn't anything new, they are all over the country, all over the world for that matter. But Aero Country East in the North Dallas Metroplex has taken that concept one step further offering high-quality country club type amenities and a maintenance-free aviation lifestyle community.

Actually, according to Aero Country East Developer and pilot, Mike Shell, Texas may be an exception, it has very few aviation lifestyle communities and probably none with the first class appeal of Aero Country East which was designed for pilots by pilots.

Located just 15 nautical miles northeast of the growing north Dallas area within the city limits of McKinney, Texas, it not only provides convenience of airport access to a large population of pilots who commute in and out of Dallas, but also can give them a comfortable home.

A total of 39 entirely customizable first class townhomes are on the site offering buyers the option to design the interior of their townhomes exactly to their liking.



Aero East's pool features their logo and three in-pool tables with umbrellas to provide shade as well as a large 14 person hot tub.

After a hard day at the office, residents and their families can relax in a beautiful pool that stands out from the air with its Aero Country East logo very visible from the middle of it.

Three in-pool tables with umbrellas provide shade and a large 14 person hot tub, a firepit, two barbecue grills and full ADA access accommodates those with disabilities. Aero Country East currently has nine residents and room for many more.



Aero Country East is a beautiful gated airport that features swimming pools, barbecue grills and two 18-hole golf courses.

Aero Country East doesn't take the community for granted. They help boy scouts get their aviation badge and encourage them to become future pilots. Two fly-ins a year bring pilots in from all directions. Shell said their purpose is to get more and more young people into aviation. "Municipal airports are supported by tax revenue. They don't want Steerman's or Pipers, they are looking for corporate jets. We don't compete with these airports, we fill a need for people coming out to enjoy aviation. We get along nicely with the municipal airports around here," said Shell.

A newly constructed lighted and paved 3,000 ft. x 60 ft. runway and 1,104 ft. grass runway and LED windsocks can accommodate most piston and turbine aircraft, and 79 first-grade hangars three-deep line the runway and await single aircraft and multiple aircraft owners. Hangars have Schweiss hydraulic doors on them. Aero Country East hangars currently house 40 aircraft and the nearby west side airport has an additional 120 aircraft. You can expect to see T-6 "Texans," Steerman's, Pipers and a number of other varieties of aircraft at Aero Country East.

"We have the best Rolls Royce engine mechanic in the world here," noted Shell. "You also don't see very many airports with swimming pools, barbecue grills, golf carts and two 18-hole golf courses that residents can drive their golf carts to. Every airport has a mission and purpose that fits the needs of the pilot. Aero Country East has a concierge service - if you want your plane fueled or floor cleaned we will do that for you. We fit the aviation lifestyle," said Shell.

Shell first became aware of Schweiss Hydraulic and Bifold Door products about four years ago through his friend Dwayne Clemens at Steerman Field in Benton, Kansas. And he said he is very pleased with the Schweiss product and service they offer.

"I've gotten calls from Schweiss Doors, they pay attention to detail. I've made mistakes when it comes to certain windows or measurements, etcetera, which the guys at the Schweiss factory have caught because they know what we are building now. They'll call me and say 'Hey Mike, did you mean to do that, or do you really want to do this?' They have been a true joy to work with," said Shell.

Architectural requirements for uniformity only allow hydraulic doors on Aero Country East hangars. You won't see a hodgepodge of this and that. It's set up to protect peoples investments, said Shell.

The first floor of each two or three-story townhome comes with an all-steel 60 ft. x 60 ft. pre-plumbed hangar fitted with a Schweiss Hydraulic Door. Only steps away is an elevator to take them to the comfort of their residence, if the resident isn't yet ready to install a elevator, each unit has an elevator shaft so it can be done at a later time. Others are putting in beautiful granite floors, bars and other amenities for entertaining. The hangars are set up electrically to add quarters. One of its residents recently added a first-class kitchen and theater in his hangar.

Although this is a privately-owned airport, as a hangar or townhome owner it can be publically accessed; enabling pilots to land there when they need to. Unlike other aviation communities, residents there own their own land and own their own hangar, eliminating the fear of the city taking it from them sometime down the road. Corner lots offer 160,000 sq. ft and interior lots have a comfortable 135,000 sq. ft.

Quite a bit of planning and thought went into the location of Aero Country East. The developers were aware that many small airports had been closing or shrinking for various reasons. Having Aero Country just below Class B airspace in a metroplex like this is very beneficial. Since the initial groundbreaking and ribbon cutting ceremony on August 17, 2010, Aero Country West has come a long way. However, this is just a start. A six-phase long range plan will add an additional 40,888 acres to the 17,305 acres which it now sits on. There will be further landscape and stormwater improvements and plans for retail and restaurant additions are in the future.



Hangars at Aero Country East all feature Hydraulic Doors from Schweiss with the Red Power Pump.



For more information on Aero Country East, visit their website at: www.aerocountryeast.com or call them at (972) 854-2000.

This hangar features a custom floor with a unique paint job.



Every hangar is personalized by their owner to make their aviation dreams come true.



Schweiss hydraulic door with big custom windows to allow lots of natural lighting in.



A hangar with a Schweiss hydraulic door in the construction phase.



Another view of the Aero Country East grounds.



The 60 ft. x 60 ft hangars have enough room for planes, cars and even bars.



Aero Country East has 79 first-grade 60' x 60' hangars. A bar was added to this hangar for entertaining.



Schweiss hydraulic doors are custom built to include windows in any location and of any size.



A Schweiss hydraulic door provides shade in front of the hangar when in the open position.



Only hydraulic doors are allowed on Aero Country East hangars.



A new hangar / townhome under construction.

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