

Up for sale is my 1948 Cessna 170 and let me tell you what, you do NOT want to buy this plane. Let me explain. In case you didn't know, the 1948 Cessna 170 was the first year of production and everybody knows having the first year of a vehicle can only mean that it's the WORST.

One thing that makes the 1948 Cessna 170 the WORST is that it has fabric wings with metal spar and ribs so you get the strength of a metal wing with the weight savings of fabric. And everybody knows that the fabric goes bad when it sits outside (this one lives in a heated hangar next to corporate jets). And everyone's knows that old fabric goes bad quickly (this one was recovered in long lasting Ceconite in 2016).

Everyone also KNOWS that you can't land in a short distance with tiny flaps that are a carry over from the Cessna 140. I know what they mean! It's super annoying to have to use power to land in less than 600'. Don't even get me started on the terribly low stall speed. I mean the airspeed indicator stops working long before the buffet HOW LAME, this plane is SO slow. Speaking of slow, it's even slower than stock because it's very clean propeller has been re-pitched to make it a CLIMB prop.

No wheel pants and no roller skate wheels... no thank you! Unfortunately this plane is equipped with mini tundra tires that make sand or grass a non issue. (See pictures of some of the lame adventures it's been on)

We all know the 170B is where it's at. I was so jealous of the 170B's beautiful flowing vertical that I had to install one. Now this ugly duckling has round wings and a beautiful flowing tail.... Barf.

If you're looking to purchase a plane then you should be looking for an engine that's been freshly overhauled and untested. This one is not that, in fact, it's what you would call a MID TIME engine.... Half way to overhaul. It's also able to burn automobile gasoline... how ridiculous!

So let's be honest here. You don't want this plane. It's been flying for 76 years with no breaks. It's got new parts. It's got old parts. It's got mismatched paint, it's got small issues here and there. It's got that gross ADSB disease everyone keeps talking about. Stop looking at it. Stop day dreaming of learning to fly a tail dragger. Stop thinking about camping in the back country of Idaho. There are many more MUCH more expensive planes you should be paying attention to. If you're stupid enough to actually be interested then please send me an email and I'll be as transparent as possible about every scratch and dent.

-Alan