### El Paso XB-51 Crash

I recently received an email from Robert regarding an article on the "This Day in History" website covering the <u>El Paso XB-51 crash</u>. 46685 had Gilbert XF-120 markings and was en route to Eglin AFB for scene filming for *Toward The Unknown*. The website post includes an interesting article on the crash from the El Paso Times, March 26, 1956.

June 19th, 2017 | Tags: Toward The Unknown, xb-51, xf-120 | Category: Edwards AFB, Movies, XB-51 | Comments are closed

#### The Hunters - Trailer

Cool trailer for *The Hunters* that I haven't seen before. Dick Powell has awesome taste in manufacturer models. And please, no singing along.



June 2nd, 2017 | Tags: The Hunters | Category: Movies | Comments are closed

## **How to Buy Toward The Unknown in HD**

In the last 3-4 years, TCM started showing Toward The Unknown. If you're lucky enough, TCM also has a HD channel. For two years, I had a copy of TTU in HD saved on my DVR...then we dropped cable.

Digging around the interwebs, I found out that you can get TTU in HD via Amazon Video. The catch is you need the Amazon Video/Amazon Prime app on your viewing device of note. But no worries there, it seems to be available on:

- Smart TVs (Samsung for example)
- Roku boxes
- Amazon Fire boxes,
- · Apple & Android devices as an app

So, while you don't have a physical file to download, it's available almost anywhere you have internet access. I believe Amazon also lets you download movies for offline viewing on select mobile devices.

So, last night, I bought TTU in HD from Amazon and yes, it's HD and looks great. We have a 4K TV, so it upscales it a bit, but I'm sure on your standard TV, it'll look great!

#### **Buy TTU in HD on Amazon Video**

Other online video sites may also offer (Google, Netflix, etc. – but this is the one I am familiar with). If you do find it elsewhere, let me know!



April 15th, 2017 | Tags: <u>Toward The Unknown</u> | Category: <u>Movies, Toward The Unknown</u> | **Comments are closed** 

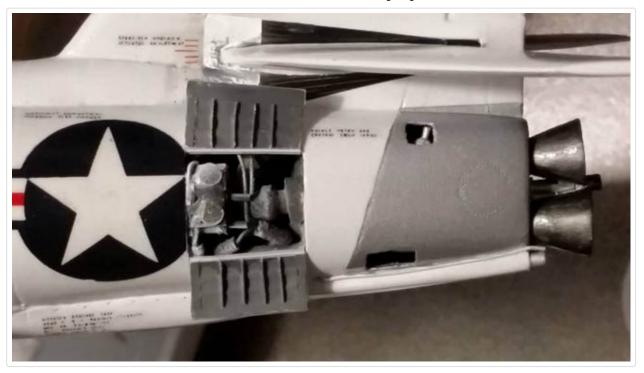
# X-2 From Italy

Fabio from Italy dropped me an email recently with photos of the vacuform X-2 he just completed. You can also view more photos on the **entire project online** (you may need to log into Facebook to view).



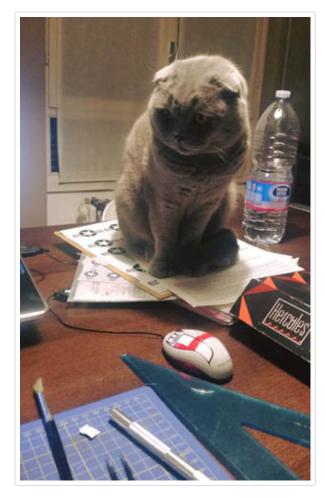












March 26th, 2017 | Tags: models, X-2 | Category: X-2 | Comments are closed

## Replica Lincoln Bond MA-1 Jacket

It is always fun to hear from other *Toward The Unknown* fans. Recently, I received an email & photos from David, from the othe side of the world (from me), in Australia. Another continent represented in the TTU roll-call!

David is assembling a MA-1 jacket to replicate Lincoln Bond's from the movie. While the jacket isn't original (it's a Buzz Ricksor replica), the Ad Inexplorata patch is original.



Lincoln Bond MA-1 Jacket



https://bellx-2.com/x2sightings/page/5/



January 2nd, 2017 | Tags: Toward The Unknown, william holden | Category: Movies, Test Pilots, Toward The Unknown, X-2 | Comments are closed

# Life's Tough, Get a Helmet

Had to chuckle when I found this photo in the Life Magazine archive. Pete Everest, lighting one up in the car.



January 1st, 2017 | Tags: life magazine, pete everest, X-2 | Category: Edwards AFB, Pete Everest, Test Pilots, X-2 | Comments are closed

## **Edwards AFB Housing in Quantum Leap**

Back in November, I posted some photos of what the <u>South Base housing area at Edwards AFB</u> looks like now. Not long afte I received an email from Quantum Leap follower Jon G. with some screen captures from the <u>first episode</u>. Sure enough, that episode was filmed at the old housing area. I believe this would have been filmed in 1988-89 for the 1989 episode.













December 23rd, 2016 | Tags: quantum leap | Category: Edwards AFB, Quantum Leap | Comments are closed

# **Edwards AFB 2016: Then and Now**

I've just <u>added a page to the website</u> with a bunch of photos from sites at Edwards as they appeared then vs. today. I had a ton of fun digging around and making screen captures from movies for the "Then" pieces. Photos include sites from The Right Stuff, Toward The Unknown, North Base, X-2 sites and more.



November 4th, 2016 | Tags: edwards afb, movies, the right stuff, Toward The Unknown, TTU 60 Years, william holden, X-2, X-2 60 Years | Category: Edwards AFB, Movies, Test Pilots, Toward The Unknown, X-2, X-2 60 Years | Comments are closed

#### **Edwards Celebrates 60 Years of Toward The Unknown**

On October 20, Edwards AFB had a little bit of fun to celebrate the 60th anniversary of the movie Toward The Unknown. Back in 1956, TTU premiered at the Edwards base theater, still around today. That day was also the grand opening for the new theater. Stars in attendance back then for the premiere included William Holden, Virginia Leith, James Garner and more. For this year's event, the movie was shown three times during the day, included a classic car show in the parking lot, and encouraged folks to dress like it was the 1950s.

While I wasn't able to attend, site contributors Tony Accurso & his daughter Evelyn were my on-the-spot reporters and sent ove some photos:



Note the movie poster & sign above the door.

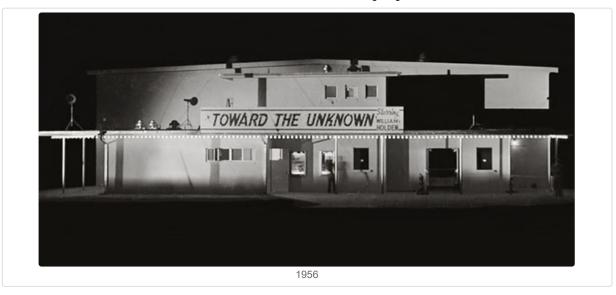


Can't have the 50s without some classic cars



I call myself a TTU superfan....someday Evelyn is going to take my place!





I also have a gallery of **photos from the premier** back in 1956 on the website. Be sure to check it out!

November 3rd, 2016 | Tags: <u>Toward The Unknown</u>, <u>TTU 60 Years</u>, <u>william holden</u>, <u>X-2</u>, <u>X-2 60 Years</u> | Category: <u>Edwards AFB, Movies, X-2</u> <u>60 Years</u> | <u>Comments are closed</u>

## YT-38 - Then & Now



Then: YT-38 58-1192 at Edwards AFB with a Corvair



Now: At the South Dakota Air & Space Museum, Ellsworth AFB, South Dakota June 2016



October 24th, 2016 | Tags: edwards afb, Ellsworth AFB, T-38 | Category: Edwards AFB, Museums | Comments are closed

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