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MEETINGS

2nd SATURDAY of the MONTH
9:00 a.m.

DODGE COUNTY AIRPORT

NEXT MEETING IS
Saturday, February 9, 2008

Board Meetings:
Same day and place as the chapter meeting.
8:00 a.m. sharp

Everyone welcome

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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

I want to extend an invitation to everyone in EAA 897 to attend our next meeting on February 9, 2008 at the Dodge County terminal building. Bring a friend! Next, I would like to wish everyone a safe and enjoyable flying season. I'm sure as soon as the weather warms up activity at the airport will increase.

The leadership academy Glenn Ingram and I attended was very interesting; we were taken behind the scenes and introduced to the staff. We met chapter leaders from across the country and covered many subjects ranging from young eagles programs to fundraising and many subjects inbetween. My main goal was to find information about tax-free status for our hangar. Fortunately, I discovered an EAA staff member, Randy Hansen, who deals with government affairs and who, through several e-mails, has given me a good start. Wisconsin tax code 70.11 deals with tax exempt status for 501c3 organizations like EAA 897. We will move forward with the paperwork and see how we end up, I feel confident this can be resolved. Stay Tuned!

The next project in our hangar is completing the electrical work. Roger is working on seeing what we need for supplies and as soon as we can get the door open, we can start. I have talked to Craig Hady from Hady electric and he indicated he would sell us the supplies we need for cost. The conduit we get free from a source in Oshkosh. Thank you Roger for your planning efforts with the hangar.

The snow blower is up and running, however the electric start is non-functional. It starts on the second pull with the manual starter. I will see to it the electric starter is repaired ASAP. Any member in our chapter is welcome to use it.

Randy

UPCOMING EVENTS

February 10 Winter fly/ski-in 8th annual Log Cabin Airport Mondovi, WI (WS69)

10 a.m. to ? Chili, hotdogs, beverages, served at noon.
44-34-29.87N 091-32-49.56W Elevation 840
Frequency 122.9 Doug Ward (715) 287-4205

March 1 Weather date - March 2 Wheels and skis fly-in Northport Field Royalton, WI (38WI)

Poppy's Northport Chili served from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.
Sponsored by EAA chapter 444
Wayne Poppy (920) 538-0062
E-mail: poppyplumbing@centurytel.net



YOUNG EAGLES

Contact:

Ed Lachendro (920) 885-3968
Glenn Ingram (920) 887-2507
Dodge Co. Airport (920) 386-2402

Two California Highway Patrol Officers were conducting speeding enforcement on I-15, North of MCAS Miramar. One of the officers was using a hand held radar device to check speeding vehicles approaching near the crest of a hill. The officers were suddenly surprised when the radar gun began reading 300 miles per hour. The officer attempted to reset the radar gun, but it would not reset and turned off.

Just then a deafening roar over the treetops revealed that the radar had in fact locked onto a USMC F/A-18 Hornet which was engaged in a low flying exercise near the location.

Back at the CHP Headquarters the Patrol Captain fired off a complaint to the USMC Base Commander.

Back came a reply in true USMC style:

“Thank you for the message, which allows us to complete the file on this incident. You may be interested to know that the tactical computer in the Hornet had detected the presence of, and subsequently locked onto your hostile radar equipment and automatically sent a jamming signal back to it. Furthermore, an air to ground missile aboard the fully armed aircraft had also automatically locked onto your equipment. Fortunately the Marine Pilot flying the Hornet recognized the situation for what it was, quickly responded to the missile system alert status and was able to override the automated defense system before the missile was launched and your hostile radar was destroyed.

Thank you for your concerns. ”

WEBSITES YOU HAVE TO SEE

Short take off and landing contest

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OWDEYpqS0yw>

F-15 landing with one wing

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=e1aKxAN7bAs>

Track aircraft

<http://flightaware.com>

SPORTAIR WORKSHOPS

EAA SportAir Workshops will offer weekend E-LSA inspection courses in the coming months.

Oshkosh, Wisconsin,
March 7-9 and May 16-18

Successful completion of the FAA-approved, comprehensive course earns you the Repairman/Inspection certificate for your own airplane certificated in the E-LSA category. Tuition for this two-and-a-half day course is specially priced at \$299 for EAA members.

Class sizes are limited, so don't delay! If you'd like to register or need more information, call 800-967-5746, or visit us on the web at www.sportair.com.

*EAA CHAPTER 897 MEETING
JANUARY 12, 2008*

Vice President Dennis Winkel brought the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m. There were 16 members in attendance.

Tim Hoversten made a motion to approve the minutes from the last meeting. Dick Blawusch seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Treasurer's Report: There was no treasurer's report given. Glenn Ingram and Randy Clark were at an EAA leadership meeting. Dick Blawusch made a motion that if you pay for 4 years of membership dues all at once you would get the 5th year free. There were no seconds made on this motion. It was decided to table the issue until next month's meeting.

Hangar Report: The lights and some other miscellaneous items were cleared out of the hangar after the December meeting. Roger Vavra presented a lighting diagram that he made for the hangar. It was designed with low cost and ease of adding on outlets and wiring for a future workshop in mind. He said that we should be ready to start getting the necessary materials at this point. Dick Blawusch added that the card scanner could be ready to go when it is needed.

General Announcements: Ben Ludtke said that Linda was able to get the starting time of the banquet for next year moved ahead to 3:30 or 4:00 on a Sunday afternoon. Ben also thanked the chapter, on the behalf of Stuart Ludtke and himself, for the flowers that the membership sent for their mother's funeral. Dave Odekirk stated that the spot landing trophy is being made and should be ready by the next meeting. Dennis Winkel said that he has started planning for the next pancake breakfast. Please contact him with ideas for attractions, groups to invite, displays or any other ideas for entertainment.

Upcoming Events: Dale Wahl announced a trip to the Kalamazoo, Michigan Air Zoo museum. This trip is planned for Jan. 19. The group will leave at 8:00 a.m. It will be a several hundred-mile trip and will be VFR only. As of the December meeting four planes were planning to go. On Feb. 3, Dale also plans to take a group to Baja, Mexico. The trip will be about 10 days and cover roughly 1900 mi. They plan to cross in Arizona. Next year they are thinking about going to Cancun. Tim Hoversten announced that the EAA ski-plane event in Oshkosh is coming up. Dennis Winkel has attended in the past and said that it is excellent. He also mentioned a ski-plane fly-in in Brodhead on Feb. 2, and one in Marshfield on Jan. 19. Ron Romans said that there is an ultralight event in Wisconsin Rapids on March 1. There are more details about it in the December newsletter.

Builder Report: Roger Vavra said he decided against the Jabaroo 3300. There has been a large price increase on these engines recently.

Young Eagles: Ed Lachendro proposed having an event for families on 3 or 4 Saturday afternoons during the spring and summer months. He said that the event might include things like a barbecue, activities for the kids and flights. He would like to see the families be able to share in the joys of aviation together. He said that the gifted and talented class flights will still be done like in the past.

Ron Romans made a motion to adjourn. Bob Mueller seconded it. Motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,

Jeremy Wald
Secretary

JANUARY 16, 2008, PRESIDENT RANDY CLARK AND TREASURER GLENN INGRAM ATTENDED THE EAA CHAPTER LEADERS ACADEMY

A large group of nearly 3 dozen chapter leaders attended the Chapter Leaders Academy at EAA headquarters. Our chapter President, Randy Clark, and Treasurer, Glenn Ingram, report an interesting and informative weekend. Subjects included chapter fund raising, getting youth interested in aviation, how to get new members, chapter hangars and clubhouses, and other subjects. Participants did what they always do when pilots gather - talk about flying. Not only flying stories, but problems encountered at their chapters and how they solved them. The two day event provided Randy and Glenn with a way to tap into valuable resources EAA has to help chapters and members. EAA staff

members that have been, to this point, faceless voices on the phone were there to explain what they can do for the chapters and their members.

A behind-the-scenes look at EAA's AirVenture Museum and the Weeks Hangar were next on the agenda. After that, we were invited to a special screening of EAA's new "Spirit of Oshkosh" video narrated by Young Eagles Chairman, Harrison Ford. Everyone received a copy to add to their chapter video library back home. EAA President Tom Poberezny welcomed the group to Oshkosh on Friday evening before dinner at the Air Academy lodge.



FROM AV FLASH WWW.AVFLASH.COM

Overheard on a recent trip from Cross City to DeLand (Fla.), with flight following provided by Orlando Approach:

Orlando Approach:

"Cardinal 12345, destination is 12 o'clock 10 miles. Advise you have destination in sight."

Cardinal 345: "Approach, 345 has destination in sight."

Orlando Approach:

"Cardinal 345, Squawk VFR, frequency change approved, **no traffic observed between you and your present position.**"

Cardinal (pilot to co-pilot):

"I think that's good!"

Dee Ann Ediger
via e-mail

FUN FAMILY FLIGHT NIGHT
Ed Lachendro Young Eagles Co-Coordinator

What was proposed at the January chapter meeting is what I will call a Fun Family Flight Night or Flight Night. Basically it would be an evening of flight familiarization for the uninitiated but emphasis on fun for the entire chapter. Of course Young Eagles rides for all eligible youngsters. Multiple airplane rides for all ages would be encouraged and smiled upon! Hopefully we could follow on the next Saturday evening with a chapter Spot Landing Contest where those who attended the previous week, still excited over their flying experience the previous week, could get a glimpse of other fun activities the chapter hosts.

The event would begin around 3:30 p.m. (the start of calmer and cooler air) at the Chapter Hangar and continue until around sunset during the longer warmer months of the year - preferably on a Saturday. If we see it may work better for another day we could consider hosting a month where the Flight Night gathering takes place on say, a Friday evening. A BBQ would be on hand with some potluck, burgers brats and Dogs nothing fancy, unless Dick wants to really pull out the stops with some of his Betty Crocker recipes he will become famous for – bet you didn't know that Dick even had a cook book- neither did Dick until now!

The idea is that the traditional (some might say tried and true) one morning big Young Eagles chapter event takes a hiatus and we implement a monthly gathering of four or five families for Aero Activities and BBQ and loads of flying! Make that TONS of flying!

[with the noted exception that the May Young Eagles event in conjunction with the Science Fair hosted by the 5th grade Gifted and Talented Class from Trenton School remains relatively the same]

Any Chapter member would be encouraged to suggest [to the chapter Young Eagles coordinators] a family with perhaps 2 + kids along with parents, special family members - Grand Parents or close relatives would not be turned down - A set of dates will be posted and schedules made to accommodate the majority of the families suggested. More than one family can be submitted by a chapter member. Extended Chapter family members would also be encouraged to participate in these evenings.

We would like to begin slowly and work up to accommodating as many families as resources can handle. Logistics for Biffy's (Port-o-johns) and the like would have to be considered as well.

To begin with I would like to hear from all Chapter members whether they are interested in participating as ground handlers, pilots or Dick's Su Chef along with your contact information, telephone numbers and preferably Email addresses.

I believe 2008 can be an incredibly fun year for the chapter maximizing efforts and activities to showcase the new Hangar, and perhaps signing new members!

-Ed Lachendro Chapter 897 Young Eagles Co-Coordinator

Please mail me at : Lachendro@charter.net

***WEATHER WAS ISR (I SCUD RUN), BUT EVERYONE HAD A GOOD TIME
AT THE
2008 EAA SKIPLANE FLY-IN***

EAA'S PIONEER FIELD, OSHKOSH WISCONSIN, JANUARY 26, 2008



EAA founder Paul Poberezny mixed with the hundreds of EAAers. The crowd was warm, partly from consuming more than 140 pounds of chili, and partly from the camaraderie.



Bill Weber was the only pilot to make it into Oshkosh for Saturday's skiplane fly-in. He did it by scud running from Brodhead (C37) in his 1962 Champion Challenger. Oshkosh tower declared IFR as soon as Bill Landed.



Enjoying Audrey Poberezny's birthday cake are, from left to right, Stu Ludtke, Tim Hoversten, Dennis Winkel, Lee, a friend of Brian Lerwick, who is next and Ben Ludtke

15th Annual Ultralight and Light Aviation Safety Seminar 2008

Saturday, March 1st

9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Hotel Mead & Conference Center
Wisconsin Rapids, Wisconsin.

Registration at 8:00 a.m.

Morning Refreshments and Lunch Available.



Morning Sessions include:

Weight/Balance throughout Flight

Joe Norris, EAA DAR

Stalls/ Spins , Always Flying The Airplane

Jim Szajkovic

FAA Flight Standards Office

Proper Care/ Feeding Rotax 2/4 Stroke Engines

Brian Meyerhofer, Leading Edge Airfoils

Luncheon Break

Buffet line available on site

Afternoon Sessions Include:

Airspace Airport Etiquette

John Dorcey

Situational Awareness

Dennis Demeter

*Door Prize Drawings at “ALL BREAKS”
and
our Big Ticket Raffle at the close of our
Seminar.*

Big Ticket Raffle Items :

(2) Sets of 2 Week Long Passes to AirVenture 2008
Courtesy of EAA

Comtronics Headset - Courtesy of Comtronics

Windsocks – Courtesy of Bruce Hawk

Ultralight Winter Skis – Courtesy of Specialty
Welding –Greg Klemp, Neshkoro WI

Engine Cover – Courtesy of Sue Brown

Pennzoil Motor Oil – Courtesy of Pennzoil

Amsoil – Courtesy of Amsoil

I-COM Radio –Courtesy of I-COM

GPS – Lowrance

Quicksilver 15% Discount – Courtesy of Snyder LSA
and UL Sales and Service

Warp Drive propeller –Courtesy of Warpdrive

EIS System – Courtesy of Grand Rapids Technology

Seminar Lodging

Hotel Mead	451 E. Grand Avenue	(800) 843-6323
Quality Inn	3120 8 th Street South	(715) 423-5506
Super 8 Motel	3410 8 th Street South	(800) 800-8000
AmericInn Motel & Suites	3010 8 th Street South	(800) 634-3444