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Information on TSA Directive

I received the following from the EAA Chapters manager concerning the latest TSA directive.

"I am writing today to share with you the latest information on the controversial TSA Security Directive (1542-08F). The directive, which has a June 1st implementation date, applies to airports where general aviation operations coexist with scheduled airline service, even where the airline service is minimal.

Details of this TSA directive started coming to light late last year, as airport officials began advising airport users to prepare for security changes. Since then, EAA has partnered with AOPA, NBAA, GAMA and others to voice concern and raise awareness on The Hill.

We believe the measures are unnecessary, don't enhance national security, are costly, impractical, and threaten general aviation activity.

We all have objected to the way TSA is handling this situation. TSA packaged the new requirements as a security directive (think of it as a secret internal memo) to airport managers instead of allowing public input and comment.

Because of this secretive approach, we don't have all the details of the program. However, enough of the pieces have come together and we have a feel for the major provisions. If adopted in full by the beginning of next month, the directive would:

- apply only to airports that have commercial airline service, even those with minimal airline operations and those where commercial and general aviation operations are already well-segregated;
- institute background checks and require I.D. badges for all aircraft operators, passengers and related personnel based at these airports, including general aviation airport users;
- require anyone who does not have an airport-issued I.D. to have an authorized escort, even at airports that are sparsely staffed; and
- leave specific implementation methods and details to each respective airport, resulting in a lack of standardization of airport-security policies, procedures, and protocols.

EAA government affairs representatives continue to press the aviation community's concerns with the TSA, with Department of Homeland Security Secretary Napolitano, and with key legislative contacts in influential Capitol Hill committees.

Our objections to the directive include:

- **It's redundant.** FAA already has extensive information of general aviation aircraft owners and operators.
- **It's inflexible.** The major directive requirements apply similar requirements at small, remote airports and much busier, high-traffic airports, even though the security needs are likely very different. It appears that the directive would also treat the security



Dr. Tom Sears talking about the signs, causes and prevention of strokes at the April Match 2009 meeting. Photo by Dick Austin.

sensitivity of different areas of the airport uniformly, even though these areas may have quite different security considerations.

- **Its required practices are not standardized.** Whereas the major requirements discussed above are too inflexible, at the other end of the spectrum the details regarding how to implement these provisions are at the discretion of each individual airport. The burden will lie with owners and operators to track the differences. (TSA indicates, however, that the background checks and badge requirements would not apply to transient aircraft.)

Our goal is to convince the TSA to explore alternatives that would address their objectives without suppressing general aviation activity and your access to general aviation airports.

We have provided this information to keep you and your fellow Chapter members informed on this issue. EAA, along with other aviation groups, continue to work to preserve airport access and the future of general aviation.

If you or your members have additional questions about this issue or other government-related issues facing aviation, please visit our web site at www.eaa.org/govt."

Sincerely,
Steve Buss
Manager, EAA Chapters

May Meeting Time & Location

This month's meeting is on Monday May 11th at 7:00PM at Hangar One at Millard Airport. The airport is still located on South 132nd Street between Q and Harrison.

May Program.

Once again our very own Mike Howard will be our speaker. He will be talking on Aircraft Structural Design. Maybe he can give us some insight into the Zenith Zodiac CH-601XL problems.

June program: FASST Team Aviation Safety

EVENTS:	(B) - Breakfast / (L) - Lunch	
1st Sat	Chapter 1055 (B) (0800-1000)	York, NE
3rd Sat	Chapter 569 (B) (0800-1000)	Crete, NE
4th Sat	Aviator's Breakfast (0800-1000)	Chadron, NE
8-10 May	1st Annual Air Show	Branson, MO
9-10 May	Regional Air Festival	Cape Girardeau, MO
16 May	Fly-in (B)	Lee's Summit, MO
17 May	Our Chili Feed & Poker Run	Wahoo Hangar
23-24 May	Salute to Veterans	Columbia, MO
23 May	44th Annual fly-in	Atchison, KS
May 30-31	Open House and Airshow	Ellsworth AFB, SD
	go to http://www.dakotathunder.com:80/	
6 June	State Fly-in & Air Show	Fairmont, NE
6 June	Family Fun Day 7 Fly-in (B)	Scottsbluff, NE
7 June	Fly-in (B) (L)	Central City, NE
7 June	Fly-in (B)	Audubon, IA
27 June	Fly-in (B) 0730-1030	Aurora, NE
28 June	Fly-in (B) 0800-1200	Pender, NE
29-30 Aug	Offutt AFB Open House	

Nebraska State Fly-in and Air Show, Fairmont, NE. Fly in breakfast hosted by EAA Chapter 1055. Static aircraft with and air show in the afternoon. Come visit the historic Fairmont airbase!

- <http://www.nebraskastateflyin.com>
0800-1030 Breakfast
0900-1200 Tours of Historic Fairmont Air Base
0900-1200 Seminars
1130-1330 Lunch
1230-1500 Airport Closed for 1300-1430 Airshow

Anybody ready for some Chili? Well, our Chapter's **Spring Poker Run and Chili Feed** is scheduled for **Sunday May 17th**. Mark your calendar now! No time set yet, but we normally race starting at 0900 and eat at 1200. Please bring a side dish.

Don't forget to order your 2009 AirVenture NOTAM
Get a jump on preparations for EAA AirVenture Oshkosh 2009? You can by pre-ordering the 2009 EAA AirVenture Notice to Airman (NOTAM) today. The booklets should be printed by now, along with an online version. Go to https://secure.eaa.org/airventure/notam_request.html

YOUNG EAGLES — Red Oak Airport, 8 May 0900
Millard Airport, 16 May 0900
Call Jim Ratte if you can help.

EAA Chapter 94 in Mason City, IA, is hosting an **Aircraft Electrical Systems seminar**, to be held June 27-28 at the Mason City Airport (MCW). The presenter is Bob Nuckolls, author of the AeroElectric Connection, a reference book which has been used widely by the homebuilt community for over 20 years. Information is available on the EAA website at www.eaa.org Click on Calendar of Events. Or contact Tom Barter EAA Chapter 94 esleyelectric@chooseblue.coop

The Deadline is Approaching for Compliance With the New Department of Homeland Security Rule Affecting Private Aircraft on International Flights
On December 18, 2008, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), U.S. Bureau of Customs and Border Protection (CBP) issued a new rule that affects private aircraft operating on international flights. Compliance with this new regulation has been voluntary since December 18, 2008, however, **compliance becomes mandatory effective May 18, 2009**. The DHS Final Rule can be viewed at: <http://edocket.access.gpo.gov/2008/pdf/E8-26621.pdf>
Beginning May 18, 2009, all general aviation flights arriving into or departing out of the U.S. require the pilot to electronically submit crew and passenger manifests and other flight information to the CBP at least 60 minutes prior to departure. This information must be submitted to the CBP using their Electronic Advance Passenger Information System (eAPIS) website or through an authorized third party vendor. Pilots failing to meet these reporting requirements can be fined \$5,000 for the first violation and \$10,000 for each subsequent violation. More information can be found at the U.S Customs and Border Protection website: http://www.cbp.gov/xp/cgov/travel/pleasure_boats/private_flyers/ From FAASafety.gov

EAA Chapter 80
April 13, 2009
Official Meeting Minutes

The meeting was called to order by President Tom Wieduwilt at 7:00 at Hanger One, Omaha, NE.

- Tom Wieduwilt, President
 - Jim Ratte, Vice President,
 - Don Meyer, Secretary
 - Ed Haffke, Treasurer
- No guest present

Treasurers Report:

- Treasurer absent

Meeting Minutes:

- A motion was made and passed to accept the previous month's minutes.

Chapter Property:

- Scales Ronye Mckay
- Trailer Back at AHQ
- Brake Bleeding Device Ron Wood
- Grills At AHQ
- Jacks Ron Wood

Young Eagles:

- 2009 Schedule on web site
- April 18, MLE 9:00

Builder's Reports:

- Glastar being painted Ron Ousley
- RV 6 Canopy on TW

Tech Counselor / Flight Advisor:

- None.

Fly-Out Report:

- Chapter will plan a poker for May 17 with Chile lunch to follow. Bring your best chili or dessert.

Old Business:

- No response from Lincoln Chapter regarding sharing Wahoo hanger.

New Business:

- None

Membership:

- Need all members to pay dues and become current.

Librarian Report:

- None

Web Site:

- www.eaa80.org

Program:

- Stroke Prevention by Dr. Tom Sears
- We need suggestions or help with future programs.

Meeting adjourned.

Don Meyer
Secretary

For Sale by long time member Ralph W. Andersen

Headsets: Two Sigtronics Model 40, Noise Reduction, Electronic Mic and Transcom Model SPO22 Intercom - Play/Record, plus case - \$300
GPS Garmin III, Version 2 - purchased July 1998 - \$250.00
Two Italian 20 inch fold up adult bicycles - \$50 each.

Seeking Help

Tom Newell is rebuilding the Stearman he found in a barn. He is in need of help re-covering the plane. Is there anyone out there that can assist him with this fabric work? Tom says he is willing to pay for any help.



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More photos from the Chapter trip to Paul Muhle's Hangar in Columbus, NE.
Photos by Dick Austin