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What does EAA Mean to You?

I recently received a copy of an email sent to Tom Wieduwilt (TW) from EAA headquarters concerning an issue he had with the Sport Aviation magazine. (See emails at the end of this article.) TW's email made me think of what EAA means to me and may mean to you.

I joined EAA almost 22 years ago because my father-in-law was a long time member and we would go to Oshkosh every year. However, my real understanding of EAA did not occur until Bill Berrick got me involved with this Chapter in 1993. I found a common bond amongst members - a passion for anything aviation related, especially the building and flying of anything that will get airborne.

This Chapter and EAA are open to anyone who shares a passion for aviation. However, the diversity of this passion means that people may have different ideas as to what the emphasis of the EAA should be. This is evident by how the EAA has changed over the years, especially the annual event at Oshkosh. The current "AirVenture" is nothing like the old days. But the old days for me are different than those of my wife who remembers going to the EAA fly-in at Hales Corners and Rockford as a kid. She continues to be shocked and amazed at how those little fly-ins have turned into a "week of all sorts of events" it is today. I agree with her that if you can not find your aviation niche at Oshkosh, then either you are not looking or it may be your niche is limited to one.

To some it appears that in their drive to be something to everyone, EAA has gotten away from it's initial intent of helping those who want to fly what they build. I know the support for the basic tenets of EAA are still there, it's just that they may be harder to find. If you are having trouble finding support or need help, contact our Chapter Tech Counselor or EAA directly.

Talking about EAA - **This Saturday, May 7th is cleanup and tool room reorganizing day at our famous Wahoo Hangar.** Let TW know if you can be there 9:00-11:30 tewied@cox.net

From: Tom Wieduwilt

Subject: When will the magazine show me articles on home building

Lets get back to building a home built, and less on some mustang or astronauts flying. Out here in the real world, where not every one has a extra \$300.00 laying around, we are wanting to build on a budget, not wanting to here about some guy who is strapping a wing on his back and thinking he a supper hero from the comic strips. The bottle cart in homebuilder hints is a start but let's now look at the torch, a way we can fit tubing, the weld. All of us may have a



Our very own Ward Combs talking about the weather at Sun-N-Fun at the April meeting. Our other speaker, Kathy Callahan, was too shy to have her picture taken, but we still appreciate the work she, and her family, does for our Young Eagles program. Photo by Dick Austin

torch and bottle gas set, but is the torch we have the correct choice? I'm venting but the magazine has little of what I experienced in building my RV. Less Young Eagles and more hands on; less \$100,000 Glass instrument panels and more simple plain Jane aircraft that most of us could build or at least dream of building. TW

Response:

Hello Tom,

Thanks for taking the time to write and share your concerns. We hear you loud and clear and will endeavor to include more homebuilding information of the kind you suggest. The Homebuilder's Handbook section is our major attempt to provide "how to" info for homebuilders/restorers, and we are committed to continuing that kind of content. We recently did a contents review of the magazine and will be introducing some minor changes to content that I trust you will find to your liking. We also will work to make sure there's a solid homebuilding/restoring article in the feature section of the magazine each month as well.

Thanks for being an EAA member and for sharing your thoughts.

Sincerely,

Mary Jones, EAA 224626

Director of EAA Publications

See you at EAA AirVenture Oshkosh 2011, July 25-31

May Meeting Time & Location

This month's meeting is Monday May 9th at 7PM at Hangar One at Millard airport in Omaha. The airport is still located on South 132nd Street between Q and Harrison.

By the way, what are you doing July 11th? Our July meeting will be at Duncan Aviation in Lincoln. See ya there.

May Program.

Dr. Patrick O'Neil, a professor at the UNO Aviation Institute, will be speaking on the challenges of flight training in today's environment and how UNO students and instructors are meeting the challenges. Pat is an Assistant Professor of Aviation and Public Administration. He teaches a variety of undergraduate and graduate courses including safety and security, aviation law, transportation analysis, and research methods. Prior to entering academia, Capt. (ret.) O'Neil served for over 26 years in the United States Navy as a carrier Naval Aviator. He was assigned to numerous operations and maintenance positions leading to selection for senior operational and staff positions while completing seven deployments including Persian Gulf combat operations. Dr. O'Neil has logged over 5,000 hours in complex, high performance aircraft and holds a black belt in Tae Kwon Do.

Young Eagles

We had perfect weather for our YE event on Saturday, April 30th. We flew 18 very enthusiastic kids from the UNO Aviation Explorers. The next event is Saturday, May 14th at Council Bluffs airport in Iowa. Set up starts at 8:00 with flying starting at 9:00. Please contact Kathy by calling, emailing or in person at the meeting on Monday if you can help.

Our 2011 Young Eagles Rallies schedule is:

Saturday, May 14 at 9 AM
Council Bluffs Airport
Saturday, June 11 at 8 AM
Millard Airport
Saturday, July 2 at 8 AM
Millard Airport
Saturday, August 6 at 8 AM
Millard Airport
Sunday, September 11 at 9 AM
Plattsmouth Airport
Saturday, October 8 at 9 AM
Council Bluffs Airport
Saturday, November 5 at 9 AM
Millard Airport

EVENTS: (B) - Breakfast / (L) - Lunch
1st Sat Chapter 1055 (B) (0800-1000) York, NE
3rd Sat Chapter 569 (B) (0800-1000) Crete, NE
May 7 Rich Rhea Memorial Fly-in Versailles, MO
May 21 Learn to Fly Day Beatrice, NE
May 21 Fly-in (B) Excelsior Springs, MO
May 22 Fly-in (B) at Museum Sioux City, IA
May 28 Wings over Atchison St. Joseph, MO
June 2-5 National Biplane Fly-in Junction City, KS
June 4 State Fly-in Scottsbluff, NE
June 4 Fly-in (B) (see below) Council Bluffs, IA
June 5 Fly-in (B) Audubon, IA
Jun 25-26 Midwest Aerobatic Championship Seward, NE
June 25 Stearman Field Fly-in(B)(L) Benton, KS
July 8-9 Wing Nuts flying Circus & Fly-in Tarkio, MO
July 12 & 13 B-17 Tour Lincoln, NE
July 25-31 AirVenture Oshkosh, WI

CAF SPRING OPEN HOUSE and FLY-IN/DRIVE-IN

BREAKFAST—June 4, 2011 - 8AM TO 4PM At: Great Plains

Wing of the Commemorative Air Force
Council Bluffs Municipal Airport KCBF, 16301 McCandless Road; Council Bluffs, IA 51503

All you can eat pancakes by 'The Pancake Man' 8am to 11am
Breakfast FREE to Pilots-in-Command

Aircraft on Display; Mustang P-51s; Mohawk OV-1; Alfa Jet; Stinson L-5; Aeronca L-3 and many others. For more info: Call Dale Standley 712-366-6631 or email dales51503@cox.net. (got this from PIREPS)

Wanted: Steve Farner is looking to join or create a partnership for a heavy single (6-place) or light twin. Blair airport (BTA) is preferred, but would consider other options also. He can be reached at steve.farner@bellevue.edu, or at 402-690-8751.

Wanted: Rod Matlock from EAA Chapter 1055 in York NE is looking for an engine for his Pietenpol project. He is looking for an O-200 or something similar (90-110hp). If anyone has an engine for sale/trade or any combination, please contact him at 402-362-2669 or redoakrod@stewireless.com

For Sale. Harry Wingert is selling his Kolb Twinstar MKIII. It has a 582 Rotax (65hp), 3 blade warp drive propeller, BRS VLS, EIS, 17 gal fuel tank and comes with handheld radio and two headsets. See Attached sheet for more info and a picture. Contact harry at 402-203-5696 or geezertwo@cox.net .

EAA Chapter 80
April 11, 2010
Official Meeting Minutes

The Chapter 80 EAA meeting was held at the Millard airport in the facilities of Hangar One. The meeting was called to order by President Bruce Callahan at 7:02 PM.

Treasurers Report:

No prepared report this month
Approximately \$4000 in checking.
Approximately \$10,000 total funds
The Treasurers report was approved as given.

Minutes: The minutes of the March meeting were accepted.

Membership Coordinator: Craig Vinopal reported we are still accepting dues for anyone who may have forgotten to renew their membership.

Young Eagles: Kathy Callahan reported there will be a Young Eagles Event April 30 with the 18 students interested in the UNO aviation program. The 2011 schedule was introduced and schedule cards were given out:

May 16th -- Millard, **June 13th** -- Millard (14th rain date), **July 18th** -- Millard (19th rain date), **August 8th** -- Millard, **September 13th** -- Plattsmouth, **October 17th** -- Millard, **November 14th** -- Millard

Builders Reports:

- Bob Cartwright reports the engine, cowl of his RV-7 are done. Plans early summer first flight
- Dan Hunt reports his Gyro is nearly ready for FAA inspection.

Harlan Hain reports winglets and extra fuel tanks were added to the Epic.

Tech Counselor: Mike Howard stated there is nothing new to report.

Fly Out: Mike Howard reports there will be a flyout to St. Joseph Rosecrans sometime in June. Date to be determined. Mike also reports five flyouts for July, York, Crete, K18 in Kansas, etc. T.B.D.

Social Coordinator: Tom Wieduwilt discussed a spring poker run/ rally/ chili feed. The date was set for May 21 at the Wahoo hangar.

Old Business: None

New Business:

- Dale McClure discussed the "Dakota Thunder" airshow at Ellsworth AFB in South Dakota. With prior approval you can land at the base for the airshow on June 4.
- Kathy Callahan reports Ameet Savant needs to give up the webmaster task. Kathy will take over the task and requests assistance from anyone familiar with content management website operations.

The business meeting adjourned at 7:22 PM with a short break and followed by Ward Combs presentation.

Website:

www.eaa80.org

Program:

Member Ward Combs gave a nice presentation about the Sun-N-Fun fly-in. There were slides showing some of the weather-related damage that occurred. . The meeting adjourned at 08:23 PM.

Meeting adjourned,
Kevin Faris, Secretary

For sale **1/4 ownership in a 1956 Cessna 172** four seat plane. Aircraft is hangared at Millard-(MLE). Aircraft has an STC for autogas. Share cost is \$7500.00, hourly rate is \$25.00 dry. Hangar rent (\$150.00 a mo.) and insurance (\$750.00 approx.yr.) are shared between 3 owners (for now). An ideal trainer/first aircraft or time builder. If interested, call Ken Bahr at 402-559-0133.

I am **interested in an older Aeronca, Luscombe, Piper or Taylorcraft**, restored and in top condition; or a more recent used American Champion, Luscombe, Taylorcraft or RANS under \$75K. Must meet FAA criteria for Light Sport Aircraft. Please contact me at Ron Chandler, 2127 Melrose Lane, Salina, KS 67401 or 785-825-7101 or rchandler44@cox.net. I am a member of Ellsworth, Kansas Chapter 1127.

Don Meyer has two **Bose X Headsets** for sale, \$400.00 each. They are in excellent condition and are in original boxes and cases. He can bring them to next meeting if anyone wants to take a look at them. Call 402-650-2551 or email he at airmeyer1@cox.net.



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