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An RV-7 With Attitude

Our September program highlighted an RV-7 built by chapter member Bob Cartwright. Bob built his beautiful aircraft over an eight year period starting in 2003 with completion in 2011. He just recently retrieved the plane from the paint shop. The RV-7 you remember, is an all around sports plane with great cross country capability. It can hold two FAA



standard pilots, 100 lbs. of baggage, and 42 gallons of fuel. Bob's RV-7 is equipped with a 180 hp engine using electronic ignition and automotive plugs. Top speed is probably well over 200 mph. Bob says he now has over 100 hours in the aircraft and is still learning how to fly it since it is so markedly different from his previous aircraft, which was a Navion. As you can see, the cockpit is very well equipped and the overall aircraft reminds me of a slogan used on an old TV program, "have gun will travel". I know Bob is proud of his accomplishment, and he should be.



Here are additional pictures of Bob's plane.



October Meeting

The October meeting will be held on the 14th at 7PM in Hanger One at Millard Airport.

Our speaker will be former Navy pilot Shane Osborn who in 2001 had a midair collision with a Chinese fighter jet over China. Osborn and his crew of 23 was held for 12 days before being released. Osborn went on to become Nebraska State Treasurer for one term.

Young Eagles

Our last Young Eagles rally is scheduled for 9:00 AM on October 12. We have had a great year and so far I have approximately 20 kids scheduled for this rally. Dale and I would like to close the season out in style, so we would ask that the pilots and those who can participate as ground crew give us this last day of support. It has been great all year and we just need one more day.

September Meeting Minutes

The meeting was called together by President Tom Mann at 1900. There were 28 members and 2 guests. A motion was made and the minutes of the August meeting were accepted.

- **Treasurers Report:** Treasurer Ed Haffke reported \$2988.84 in checking, \$4906.84 in Money Market, and \$1544.53 in the C.D.
- **Membership Coordinator:** Membership Rosters are available. Guests that sign up will receive our newsletters free for three months.
- **Young Eagles:** The rally held at Plattsmouth on Sunday flew 23 kids. Great thanks to the pilots and ground crew help.
- **Tech Counselor/Fly out:** Nothing new.
- **Social - Coordinator T.W. reporting:** Christmas will be Friday, December 13th at Arbor Hall for \$30 per head. The picnic held at KPMV on September 8 was attended by about 40 people.
- **Tool Committee:** Doug Humble reported a c-frame dimpler was donated by Jim Beyer.
- **Builders Reports:**
Chris Halfman reported his baffles are done and he is working on the airbox and ordering electrical and avionics.
Mike Howard reports his wings, flaps, and control surfaces are done. He is waiting on Van's for the fuselage kit.
- **Old Business:** Wahoo hanger needs a work day scheduled after it cools

down.

- **New Business:** T.W. repacked the bearings and bought a spare wheel and tire for the club trailer.
- **Raffle:** Ted Drefs won the 50/50 raffle.
- **Program:** Bob Cartwright presented his beautiful, freshly painted RV-7 and a slide show of the build.

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Kitplanes Editor Paul Dye became the first journalist to fly the new Panther single seat sport plane this week in Florida. The clean-sheet design from Sport Performance LLC is in the process of being kitted, and the company reports that they have several on order and a number of builders already working on their tail kits. The prototype is flying with a Corvair engine, specially modified for aviation use, and gathered significant interest at Airventure 2013.

"The airplane flies very well, and I felt at home doing rolls and other mild aerobatics within the first half hour in the airplane" Dye said. "For a prototype with only about 60 hours of flight time, the design feels and looks very mature and is an impressive achievement at the less expensive end of the market. The cockpit was comfortable, the controls responsive, and it didn't appear to have any bad habits on take-off or landing."

Look for a complete flight review and kit report on the Panther in a future issue.



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SportAir Workshops

EAA SportAir Workshops: Dallas, TX, Oct 19, 2013.

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Nebraska Department of Aeronautics

York Airport (JYR) EAA Chapter 1055 Fly-In breakfast on the 1st Saturday of every month, 0800-1000. Free to PIC.

Crete Airport (CEK) EAA Chapter 569 Fly-In breakfast on the 3rd Saturday of every month, 073-1030.

Seward Airport (SWT) Midwest Aerobatic Club has regular meeting on 3rd Sat of the month.

-October 19- Sidney (SNY), Fly-in breakfast from 7:00-Noon.

Breakfast free to pilot-in-command. For more information contact

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There are lots of activities occurring within the state. Please go to: <http://www.aero.state.ne.us/octnov13pi.pdf/> for additional events.