



President's Message

by Roger Aspegren

April 1996

The York EAA Chapter were excellent hosts at our last meeting. They served very tasty chili and sandwiches, and we saw a beautiful RV-6. We discussed the B-17 "Coming Home" tour and they said they would help us if needed. I understand we received 3 historical memberships from their members so far. We also discussed the possibility of joining up on a fly-in picnic sometime this summer. I apologize to the people that showed up at the York Municipal airport and could not find us. The meeting was moved at the last minute because of the size of our group. I mistakenly assumed that we would all be meeting at the Cobbler Inn and that everyone would be notified then.

The board completed the assignments of members to the B-17 committees. The assignments will be posted at the next meeting. If you would rather be on another

committee let me know. Not being on a committee is not an option. Mark Lucey has been working hard and things are progressing well. I will fill everyone in at the next meeting, but if you can not make the meeting, call Mark Lucey or myself and we will let you know everything we know.

The weather is getting warmer and the days longer so we are all anxious to do more flying. Please make sure you and your airplane are ready. We do not want to read about you in Larry Craig's "crash" column in Pireps.

Our young eagles day event scheduled for June 9th was discussed at the board meeting. We thought maybe we could increase the response from the public and the news media if we had it at Lincoln Municipal. We want to discuss this more at the meeting so bring your thoughts.

Please make sure you and your airplane are ready.

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MEETING: Tuesday, April 2, 1996

LOCATION: Cobbler's Inn

Shoemakers Truckstop, West 'O' St.

TIME: 7:30 PM

PROGRAM:

Larry Craig will be the guest speaker. Larry brings some recent news from the FAA regarding medical certification and 'Free Flight' and will present his '30 ways to crash an airplane'.

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EAA Chapter 569

NEWSLETTER

Editor's Corner

by Mark Turner

Here we are in April and it's still looking a lot like winter around here. You all need to remember that I was born and raised in California, this winter stuff is sure different here in Nebraska! Don't get me wrong, I'm glad to be living here. Let's just see what we can do about warming up the winters a bit.

The cold has kept me from starting my airplane. I was hoping I could start back in February, but the garage has been much too cold and I don't think my wife would take to kindly to epoxy smell in the house. I can barely get her to fly with me much less build an airplane with me. The weather does look promising, and just might warm up enough to work in the garage very soon.

This month's newsletter is a little short. I had several members submit articles for last month's newsletter, but only one was submitted for this month's issue. I could use a little

help with material for the newsletter. Anything you wish to submit will be accepted. My address is on the front page of the newsletter, please get them to me by the 20th of the month.

I would like to give you my thoughts on a Young Eagles program hosted at the Lincoln Municipal Airport. While the Shoemakers Airfield in Denton is a cozy, down to earth location to host an event it is a little out of the way for most people coming from Lincoln. The Lincoln Airport is a little more difficult when it comes to aircraft operation but conversations with tower personnel have indicated that they would be open to giving us a 'quick clearance' and working to make things run as smooth as possible. Remember that Chapter 569 has pledged to fly 180 Young Eagles in 1996. If we are going to reach that goal we need to have our Young Eagle event accessible to the young members of our community.

Minutes of the March Meeting

By Mark Lucey

The meeting was held March 5, 1996 in York Nebraska. Meeting was held with the York Chapter. Chili and conversation with other members. York Chapter president, Boyd Tietmeyer, called the meeting to order at 8:40. The York Chapter is selling T-shirts and ballcaps, June 15 & 16th will have a reunion at Fairmont Airport. April 14th York will have a fly-in.

Roger Aspegren took over at 8:47. Book and video orders are due by the April meeting. Pegler-Sysco asked if we could provide an airplane for them to display outside over some weekend in April. Roger talked a little about the upcoming B-17 visit then handed the floor to Mark Lucey to talk a little more on the B-17 visit and to answer any questions. Meeting adjourned around 9:00 PM.

Survey Factoids

- ♦ 70% of registered general aviation aircraft flew in 1994.
- ♦ 170,600 aircraft flew 24 million hours and 3 billion miles, made 35 million landings and used 735 million gallons of fuel.
- ♦ 75% of these aircraft were flown primarily for personal or business reasons but these uses account for less than 50% of the total hours.
- ♦ The average aircraft flew 136 hours during 1994 - up from 134 in 1993.
- ♦ Aircraft built between 1980 and 1984 had the highest average hours per year - 230.
- ♦ 18% of aircraft had GPS equipment in 1994 compared to 16% in 1993.
- ♦ 22% of all flight hours were flown under IFR.

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for your article

FAA Revises Aviation Medical Standards

From The Internet

The Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) issued a final rule on March 13, 1996 that comprehensively revises and upgrades pilot medical standards and certification procedures.

The rule is an exhaustive rewrite of the medical standards used by the FAA in issuing airman medical certificates. The rule considered and accepted many recommendations from the aviation and medical community. During the 4-month-long comment period in which the FAA held three public hearings, the agency received more than 5,200 responses--an unusually high number--from individuals and industry.

In a move to reduce the regulatory burden on many pilots, the current 2-year validity period for a third-class airman medical certificate will be revised into a two-tier system. Under age 40, the certificate will be valid for three years. For age 40 and over, the certificate will be valid for two years.

Other highlights of the rule include: Heart replacement, permanent cardiac pacemaker implantation, and cardiac valve replacement will be disqualifying heart conditions for all classes of airman medical certificate. The FAA will continue, however, to certify through a waiver process those applicants whose conditions are stable, and who individually have been determined to be safe. A verified positive drug test result under a US DOT drug testing program will become the basis

for medical disqualification. Previously, an established diagnosis of drug dependence was necessary for medical disqualification.

Airline transport and commercial pilots over age 50 will now be annually tested using a new intermediate vision standard. This will ensure that these pilots have the ability to view their instrument panels. Also, a new near vision standard is being implemented for private pilots. This will ensure that these pilots can perform flight duties such as map reading.

Hearing tests may now include the use of modern audiometric equipment or conversational voice in lieu of the current whisper voice test, and the standards for ear, nose, mouth, and throat will specifically target pathologies that are hazards during flight.

The FAA chose not to adopt a new requirement for resting electrocardiograms (ECG) for second-class medical certification. A recent review of current certification practices found that airmen whose medical history and examinations indicate ECGs or other tests are needed obtain the testing before receiving certification. It was determined that additional requirements would not result in further strengthening the level of safety in this area.

The rule will take effect September 16, 1996.



Young Eagles Report

Our Young Eagles program will be held June 9th. As Roger mentioned in his article, we are considering holding the Young Eagles program at the Lincoln Municipal Airport. There will be a discussion at the April meeting regarding this decision.

We could have a very large number of Young Eagles to fly this year so we will be needing volunteers who can bring their airplanes and help fly.

I would like to challenge each and every member to bring 2 Young Eagles to this event. Everyone knows 2 young

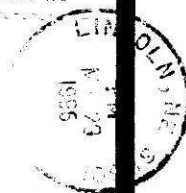
people. Children, grandchildren, neighbors children, co-workers children - all of these are potential Young Eagles! Lets all work together to make this the most successful Young Eagles program that Chapter 569 has ever had.

**Remember, if you have time to fly, you
have time to fly Young Eagles**

You might be a REDNECK pilot IF....

- your stall warning plays "Dixie."
- your cross-country flight plan uses flea markets as check points.
- you think sectional charts should show trailer parks.
- you've ever used moonshine as Avgas.
- you have mud flaps on your wheel pants.
- you think GPS stands for Going Perfectly Straight.
- your toothpick keeps poking the mike.
- you constantly confuse Beechcraft with Beechnut.
- just before impact, you are heard saying "Hey, ya'll watch this!"
- you have a black plane with a big #3 on the side.
- you've ever just taxied around the airport drinking beer.
- you use a Purina feed bag for a windsock.
- you wouldn't be caught dead flying in a Grumman "Yankee."
- you refer to flying in formation as "We got ourselves a convoy."

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Chapter Notes

- The Chapter meeting this month will be back at the Cobbler Inn. Larry Craig will have some words about the FAA and safety issues.
- The *Coming Home* Tour will be in Lincoln July 4-8 - Committee assignments have been made. Check the committee rosters at the April meeting.
- The Chapter is still looking for a cabinet to house our library. We would like to find a nice cabinet that can be kept in the meeting room at the Cobbler Inn. If anyone has a cabinet to donate to the Chapter please contact Roger Aspegren
- EAA is offering books at a discount to chapter members. Orders and payment must be given to Mark Lucey at the April meeting, this is your last chance!
- Parts is Parts. Mark Lucey is starting a building project and is looking for the following items: AN hardware, Instruments, Wood, Glue. If anyone can help Mark with these items call him at: 484-8460
- Clay Champoux has a VJ-24 hang-glider for sale. 80% complete, make offer. Call Clay at 423-3798.

Coming Plane Stuff

April 2

Chapter 569 Meeting • 7:30 PM
Cobbler Inn • Shoemakers Truckstop

April 14

York Fly-In
York Municipal Airport

June 9

Young Eagles Day - Lincoln Municipal

July 4-8

The 1996 Coming Home tour stops in
Lincoln, NE

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