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## Meeting Announcement

**Date:** Tuesday, August 9th

(Please note, due to Oshkosh, the meeting is a week later than normal.)

**Time:** 7:30pm

**Program:** National Guard Fire Dept Tour

The National Guard Fire Department will give us a tour of their place. Their address is listed below. Please allow some extra time to get through the gate. A business meeting will follow the tour.

**Place:** 2420 West Butler Ave – Lincoln, NE

## President's Message Erick Corbridge



The summer is coming to a close and there have been some great opportunities to celebrate aviation. The B-17 was here a couple of weeks ago and overall it was a rip-roaring success. I was out there the first day and had a great time. I was able to share this experience with my kids and they truly enjoyed being able to see this old warbird. Thank you every one for all your hard work and a special thank you to Dennis Crispin and Andy Lahr for all the time and scheduling that made this experience a success. I hope everyone had safe travels if they

were able to make it up to Oshkosh this year. I look forward to hearing the stories and seeing the pictures that will be available at the next meeting or at the annual picnic. Hoping everyone is staying safe in this heat and is taking time to enjoy the summer. Here is wishing everyone a warmer start to the day and happy flying to all.

Erick Corbridge

## July Program

Harold Dwyer talked about his career in aviation at our July meeting. He left Hastings in June, 1944 to begin his flying career. He wanted to fly a P-38 but ended up flying a B-17. He flew 9 missions before the end of the war. He continued flying a B-17 after the war. Biegert Brothers in Shickley, NE purchased a B-17, converted it to a crop sprayer and Harold flew it for them. Harold has logged about 1,000 hours of B-17 time.



*Harold Dwyer pictured above. I found out afterwards, Harold, 86 did a tandem skydive jump in June. – Ed.*

## A Day at Oshkosh

By Doug Volkmer

I didn't know if I would make it to Oshkosh this year. I've been dealing with some health issues with my father and I didn't know if I would be able to pull it off. As it turned out, I was able to get away and take in the first day of Oshkosh.

My son and I drove up on Sunday and stayed in Sun Prairie, WI. It is about 1 1/2 hours south of Oshkosh.

Here is a recap of our day at Oshkosh:

**7:50am** Arrived and parked at Oshkosh. I found a place to park for \$5 and was very happy with that. The parking attendants were an older couple and were very friendly.

**8:24am** Arrived at the gate, paid and are now sporting a hot pink wrist band. The weather today looks fantastic. Sunny, clear skies with a forecast high in the low 80s and a comfortable dew point. Should be a great day.

**8:52am** We sat in on an Electrical Design Forum. It was led by a former Cessna employee. This part is coming up on my RV-7 project and I thought it might be helpful. It was somewhat interesting. He referenced AC 43-13 alot and I have a hard copy of that. He said most electrical problems can be attributed to poor grounding.

**9:52am** We headed over to the homebuilts and toured the RVs that flew in. Several nice ones were parked there. When I'm looking at RVs, I always find myself studying the area of the plane I'm currently working on. We saw Mike Howard from Chapter 80 in Omaha. He had just got in and was tying down his RV-6. He flies that plane all over the place. He said he made it to Oshkosh in 2 1/2 hours. Wow! What a time machine.

**10:37am** We headed over to the Repair Barn to look up Tom Henry. He volunteers there every year. Sure enough, he and Dwana were there visiting with some fine people from Chapter 75 in Davenport, IA.

**10:52am** We stopped and saw the One Man Band performing. Everyone who has been to Oshkosh knows what I'm talking about. He's a fixture at Oshkosh. He was surrounded by several people taking pictures.

**11:45am** With a light breakfast, our tummies were telling us it was lunch time, so we went looking for some food. While doing that, we passed by the Mark Gaffney family. They were just finishing up lunch. They flew up in their Cessna 172 on Sunday and were camping in the Vintage Camping area. They said they had to dodge a few storms. Their daughter Veronica loves their plane. Mark says she calls it "the airport".

While having lunch, a gentleman kindly asked us if he could join us at our table as an empty table

during lunch hour was hard to find. I asked where he was from and he said Lake City, Florida. He said he flew up in his Navion. I mentioned to him we have a guy in our EAA Chapter in Lincoln, NE that has a twin engine Navion. He replied, "Don .... Shoemaker?" It turns out, he knows Don and said he saw him earlier. Those Navion flyers are a tight knit group.

After a brat (you must have a brat when you are in Wisconsin) and a cold drink, we were ready to do some more walking.

**12:15pm** We headed toward the Exhibit D building. My mission on this trip to Oshkosh was to pick up as much literature as possible. I'm not sure what exactly I want to put on my instrument panel. It is time now to really start thinking about it before I start closing up the inside of my fuselage. There are some panels I can go ahead and close up but I'm holding off until I know for sure what wires I need to run where. I want keep my panel simple but may utilize some type of an EFIS, Engine Monitoring System and a two axis autopilot.

**12:40pm** We checked out the Fly Market and Aeromart. Lots of airplane hardware here, new and used.

**1:47pm** We walked around the Exhibit A building. The iPads in the cockpit seem to be the hot thing now. Instead of unfolding a sectional in the cockpit, you can look down at your iPad and see where you are at. If you use the

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software Foreflight, it'll provide you a moving map, weather, charts all for a subscription price of around \$75. While wandering through the Exhibit A building, we saw fellow Chapter 569 member Wayne Woldt. Wayne said he is camping out all week. Wayne was one of the Chapter members that flew on the B-17 to Minnesota. He said it was a great experience, even logged .2 hrs of PIC time and had his logbook signed.

**2:57pm** I received a Cleveland Gift Certificate for Father's Day so it was time to find the Cleveland booth. I decided to use it towards a mini fan rivet spacer. Most of the RV parts in the kit are pre-punched. However there are *very* few that you need to fabricate. It will come in handy to plot out the rivet holes for a tunnel cover that is currently on my list of things to do. I'll also add it to the Chapter Tool Box for anyone else to use.

**3:12pm** We stopped by the Van's tent. They had an RV-12 there on display. It was drawing alot of attention. They also had their RV-7A and RV-10 on display.

**3:25pm** We walked around the Exhibit B building. You name it, if it is aviation related, it is there. Lots and lots of aviation stuff, just like the other Exhibit buildings. Simulators, tools, engines, props, avionics, custom made airplane models, hanger doors, iPad experts, fuel bladders, supplies, etc.

**4:09pm** We found some lemonade and some shade and watched some

of the afternoon airshow. Team Aeroshell was performing. Those T-6s are pretty cool airplanes.

**4:43pm** We wandered around and looked at the homebuilts some more. If I started building my airplane in 2004 and finish it in 2013, is it still a new airplane?

**6:15pm** After touring some more of the homebuilts, we stopped and took in some of the REO Speedwagon concert. They were popular when I was in high school and still sound pretty good.

**7:15pm** Tired legs, sun burned and a 7 1/2 pound bag of literature, we were ready to call it a day. Will we be back next year? There's a good chance we'll meander our way through the corn fields of Iowa and Wisconsin one more time before we can actually fly over them. Hope you made it to Oshkosh this year also!

#### Minutes of the Club Meeting July 5th, 2011

The meeting was called to order by President Eric Corbridge at 7:34 PM.

The members were asked to introduce themselves and give a status report on their projects. Doug Volkmer reported progress on his fuselage while Roger Aspegren will be starting his fuselage soon.

Following introductions, the program was given by Harold Dwyer about his travels and experiences as a B17 pilot during WW II. Harold was one of the last recruits to serve in the European theatre. Harold related his experience flying a B17 that was leaking fuel on his last leg to Ireland. He also recalled being strafed by a lone German plane while serving at a air field in England. Part of Harold's service was flying food to the Dutch. Harold flew 5 missions supplying food under the eyes of the Germans and flew an

additional 9 bombing missions over Germany.

Dennis Crispin discussed the visit from the B17. Dennis attended the final coordination meeting with Silverhawk and the LAA before the event. Over 40 tickets have been pre-sold for the visit.

Tom Henry projected this months financials on the screen for the membership to review.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 9:22 PM.

Doug Elting, Secretary

### Classifieds FOR SALE

#### 1998 Pulsar XP



Bought an RV-6. Selling my Pulsar XP.

912 Rotax TTE-AF 645, Icon com, Terra TXP, Garmin Pilot III GPS, Intercom. New GSC ground adjustable prop. Bought from builder in 2008. Light (550lbs), FAST (150 mph), economical (4-5 gph of 91 auto or 100LL) and FUN!!! \$29k obo

(402) 643-3464 - Seward, NE

#### 1978 Piper Tomahawk

PA-38-112 2216 TTAF&E  
Very Clean, new June, 2010 Annual  
All AD's Current. \$19,500 obo

More Pictures at <http://tbarjne.com>

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### FOR RENT

Nice Cessna 152 available for rent out of LNK. \$85/hr includes all fuel and oil...you provide the fun! Complete checklist and radio script always handy. No instructor charge for rental checkout. Call John Cox 402 239-3953

## Events

**York Airport (JYR)**, EAA Chapter 1055 Fly-in breakfast on the 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of every month. 0800-1000. Free will donation.

**Crete Airport (CEK)**, EAA Chapter 569 Fly-in breakfast on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of every month. 0800-1000.

**August 7**, Red Cloud Fly-in breakfast (7V7), 0700-1000. Free will donation. PIC eat free.

**August 21**, Columbus Fly-in breakfast, (OLU) 0700-1200. PIC eat free. Young Eagle Rides, 1000-1200.

**August 26-28**, 30<sup>th</sup> Annual NE Chapter of the Antique Airplane Association Fly-in, Minden, NE.

For more info call: Todd Harders: 308.380.5079

**August 27-28**, Offutt Air Force Base Open House. For more info call: 402.294.6158 or 402.294.6311.

**September 10-11**, Guardians of Freedom Airshow, Lincoln, NE, <http://www.lincolnairshow.com/>.



### Upcoming Young Eagle Events

2 Young Eagle events coming up. If you can help out in any way, contact Cristi Higgins or Tom Trumble.

- Sun Aug 21st 1000-1200, Columbus, NE
- Sat Sep 10<sup>th</sup> 0800-1000, Fremont, NE

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