

Newsletter



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Meeting Announcement

Date: Tuesday, February 5
Time: 1930 hrs
Program: Ground School - Navigation
Exercises without a GPS
Place: Duncan Aviation Engine Shop
5000 NW 44th St

Warm feelings on a cold day

President's Message

Don Shoemaker



(Contributed by Roger Aspegren. – Ed.)

“What in the world is wrong with us?” Driving to the Crete airport at 6:30 am on Saturday morning with the temperature gauge showing -13 doesn't seem too smart. “Will anybody show up for breakfast today? If we don't show up will anybody care?” But, then we have always told people we will never cancel a breakfast so we'd better be there. When Charlotte and I pulled into the parking lot we saw “good ol” Norm Sell and Kevin Rock were already there and had most of the tables and gear set up and the heat was on (courtesy of Pat). Joyce Sell, Diane and Larry Geiger showed up shortly after to complete our crew. At 8:00 am the grills were hot and we were ready to cook....and the people came.

I didn't get an exact count but we had a great crowd with one fly-in. Doug Hill flew his Cherokee 140 in, admitting that he had pulled it into the heated hangar the night before. Rod and his wife from York also drove in (they usually fly). As always we had some great conversations, great food and I caught Kevin patting the pancakes twice!

Another great thing happened. We signed up four new members that morning. New members bring new ideas and vitality to our club. Please greet them at our next meeting and get to know them.

If you were a pansy and didn't want to venture out in the cold for the breakfast we missed you. If you were busy with something more important we excuse you, but be there next month.

"INSIDE" OSHKOSH TV SPECIAL

You may recall at Oshkosh last year, two crews from National Geographic Television were on the grounds, taping segments for a one-hour special that showed some of the inside elements of organizing and operating AirVenture. After several months of reviewing the nearly 100 hours of footage shot at Oshkosh, the special is finished. It will premiere on Friday, Feb. 22, at 8 p.m. on the PBS/HD Channel. You may want to check your local listings and PBS outlet for local availability, as this channel may not be available in all regions.

Memo from the Breakfast Committee

The Breakfast committee paid for the favors for our Christmas Party. The candy came to \$26.41 and the napkins and ribbon were \$12.00. As of January 1st, 2008 we have \$313.72 in the Breakfast fund. Come down and have breakfast with us.

The Breakfast Committee

FlightAware

For pretty neat free flight tracking website, go to www.flightaware.com. FlightAware offers live flight data, airport information, weather maps and charts, as well as aviation news to nearly two million users a month. FlightAware also powers operational management and dispatch software, airport FIDS (flight information displays), and provides reporting data to aircraft and airport operators.

2008 EAA Calendars are in

The 2008 EAA Calendars are in. If your name is listed below, please contact Tom Henry to make arrangements to pick up your calendar. Tom can be reached by phone at 402-791-2116 or by email TomHenry3@aol.com.

- Jim Finnerty
- Roger Tracy
- Bill Straw
- Steve Lukehart
- Robert Pribil
- Rollie Woodruff

Things to Do

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. 0800-1000.

National Stearman Fly-In

(by Doug Volkmer, Editor)

A co-worker of mine, Jason Meyer and his brother Bret both attended the 36th National Stearman Fly-In. The Fly-In was held September 3 – 9, 2007 in Galesburg, Illinois. There were roughly 200 airplanes that flew in for the show with 123 being Stearmans.

Jason and Bret's interest in aviation began as young boys when their grandfather Elmer Harms would give them rides in his biplane. Elmer, who had flown a B-24 in the Pacific during WWII owned a Stearman that he flew out of his farm in Pickrell, Nebraska.



Elmer (farthest left in the back row) and his B-24 crew.

Jason and Bret are already making plans to attend the 37th National Stearman Fly-In this year scheduled for September 1st through the 7th. For more information go to www.stearmanflyin.com.

Minutes of the Executive Meeting January 16, 2008

Meeting was attended by: Don Shoemaker, Eric Corbridge, Tom Henry and Dave Zichek.

Topics Covered:

We discussed ideas for possible programs for future meetings:

- Contest for triangular cross country flight

- FAA presentation for LSA license
- Bob Chambers cartoonist
- Gregg T give presentation on flight testing
- Eric C give a presentation on going to Oshkosh Fly-In

EAA 569 is current with EAA national.

You can go to our web site (www.eaa569.org) for announcements and other information.

Tom Trumble is doing a fine job with Young Eagles and he can be contacted to volunteer.

We ended the meeting with hangar talk that ranged from powered parachutes to Navions and Oshkosh fly in experiences. Meeting duration 19:30-20:30 hrs.

Dave Zichek, Secretary

Minutes of the Club Meeting January 8, 2008

President Don Shoemaker called meeting to order at 19:33.

Two new members were introduced.

The Treasurer report was read. There are 49 paid members now.

Club owned equipment was discussed. The club has a low pressure paint system, a PA system and other items in various storage locations.

Newsletter distribution was discussed. There were no complaints, so evidently it is working OK.

Crete breakfast was discussed. President Shoemaker wonders why not more participation?

Bob Chambers wants to share expenses for travel to Oshkosh. He says his magazine gives him press credentials and states he may be able to get an additional press pass.

The Nebraska aviation symposium was noted. PIREPS says Jan 23-26 in Kearney.

Wayne Martin has some composite materials he will GIVE to anyone who can use them; glass cloth, Kevlar cloth, peelply, glass microspheres, Rutan epoxy pump etc. Currently stored in Ray Supalla's hanger. Also have a forced air kerosene heater and other stuff from hanger.

For the program, Rich Boelts and Ray Supalla talked about and showed pictures of their July trip to Saskatoon in Canada in Ray's Glasair. They had pictures of Lester David's biplane, being completed by Emil Bererov and Emil actually getting into the plane. Hard to believe for someone as big as Emil.

Dave Zichek, Secretary

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