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# EAA Chapter 569 Newsletter

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## Meeting Announcement

**Date:** Tuesday, January 6<sup>th</sup>

**Time:** 7:30pm

**Program:** History of Lee Bird Field

Jerry Clinch is going to share with us the history of KLBF, the North Platte airport.



**President's  
Message  
Harold Bickford**

A Happy New Year to everyone in Chapter 569! I trust everybody had a good Christmas and holiday season. We have much to be happy about and thankful for. Part of our holiday was spent in Santa Cruz and San Diego with family. An aviation highlight was visiting the Tutima Air Academy run by Sean D. Tucker. The facility is at King City between Santa Cruz and Monterey. The concept is to teach people how to handle aircraft at the limits of the flight envelope. Courses for both aerobatic and confidence training are offered as well as custom programs.

As we look forward to 2015 I would like to encourage folks to consider building or working on a plane. While perhaps not for everybody the challenge is worth considering. There are lots of possibilities; one of those kits or plans just might be the project that

inspires. Of course as EAA'ers we have plenty of opportunities to enjoy aviation along with running an EAA chapter.

At our January meeting (1/6/15 @7:30) we'll have plenty of opportunity to get moving on 2015. Remember too that Keith Gomon has sourced shirts for Chapter 569 so we can do some good self promoting.

See you on the 6th!

Harold Bickford,  
Chapter President

## 2015 Dues are Due

Believe it or not, it's time to renew your Chapter dues. The amount remains at \$20.

Whether you are a new member or renewing your membership we are encouraging members to go to the Chapter website ([www.eaa569.org](http://www.eaa569.org)) and fill out the online form. To get to the form, select Join on the Chapter website home page and follow the instructions on the page. After submitting your form, you will be instructed on where to mail your \$20.

For those members who prefer to fill out the paper form, we have included a copy of the form on page 6.

Again, whether you are a new member or renewing your membership we ask that you fill out the form.

## Christmas Party 2014

*By Doug Volkmer*

The Christmas Party Committee really hit it out of the park this year! They switched things up and selected The Lodge at Wilderness Ridge as the venue for the Christmas Party.

Dinner entrees were either marinated chicken breast or the slow cooked beef pot roast. I'm a pot roast fan and that had to be the best pot roast I've ever had.

Entertainment was freestyle dancing by the Ewings brothers. I wish I could moonwalk like they can. I'm not so sure we needed entertainment as outgoing President Cristi Higgins brought her A-game and kept the party entertained with her teasing and funny stories. I really think she should give stand-up a try.

The party concluded with the drawing of the door prizes. Thanks to everyone who donated prizes. Also, a big thanks to the Christmas Party Committee for all of their work in making this a very merry special evening.



**These 2 young ladies, Paige Higgins and Yvonne Shoemaker greeted party goers as they arrived.**



**Bob Chambers and Keith Gomon. Keith has done a wonderful job as Vice President the past 2 years.**



This was a real bear! One of the owners is an avid hunter. Most of the animals on display are from his personal collection.



The Christmas Party Committee did a great job with the decorating. Thanks to Dave and Sean Fritz for providing the airplane centerpieces. These lucky people got the table with the Pitts.



Dennis Crispin surprised President Cristi Higgins with an award and thanked her for her exemplary leadership and loyalty to the Chapter for the past 2 plus years. She is also receiving aerobatic rides with Harry Barr and Doug Roth, a ride with Larry Geiger in his RV-8 and flight time in John Cox's Archer, a plane she calls "Sandy".



Aerial prints, t-shirts, books and a bunch of other goodies were given away at the end of the evening. A big thanks to all who donated door prizes.



Brothers LJ and Jerrin Ewings show off their dancing to the group.

### Accident Report

Accident occurred Thursday,  
February 10, 2011 in Novato, CA  
Probable Cause Approval  
Date: 01/15/2013  
Aircraft: AERONCA 7AC,  
registration: N2659E  
Injuries: 1 Uninjured.

The pilot reported that while in cruise flight, the engine suddenly started running rough and the engine rpms rapidly decreased from 2,100 to 1,900. The pilot immediately applied full carburetor heat, but the engine continued running rough so he headed toward the nearest airport. While on the base leg of the traffic pattern, the engine lost all power. The airplane subsequently touched down short of the runway and collided with a fence. Postaccident examination of the wreckage found that the left auxiliary fuel tank was empty and the right auxiliary tank was about one-third full. The auxiliary tank fuel selector under the instrument panel was found in the off position. The main fuel tank, which was configured to feed the engine, was full and the fuel indicator also indicated full. Further examination of the engine revealed no evidence of mechanical malfunctions or failures that would have precluded normal operation.

The pilot reported that the main fuel tank fuel cap was misplaced when the airplane was refueled. The pilot then borrowed a fuel cap from a local mechanic and installed it on the main tank filler port. An examination of the airplane revealed that the borrowed fuel cap was a non-vented type; because there was no other vent for the

main tank, the only vent would be through a vented cap. As fuel was used from the main tank, the lack of a vented cap caused a vacuum within the main tank that eventually reduced the fuel flow, starving the engine. Had an auxiliary tank been selected, adequate venting would have occurred because both auxiliary tanks had vented fuel caps.

The National Transportation Safety Board determines the probable cause(s) of this accident as follows:

- The pilot's use of a non-vented fuel cap, which resulted in a total loss of engine power due to fuel starvation.

### REMEMBERING BARRY DANIELS

*By Tom Winter*

Barry Daniels was a treat to know, especially if you like old airplanes. Barry's gone now these dozen years or more, but I still have Barry's business card. It's there in my workshop to remind me. It says "We like old Airplanes."

"You've entered a time warp," Barry said when I first entered his FBO at the Weeping Water Airport. And no kidding! It was about 1955 in there. This was before I had my pilot's license, and I had chosen Brown's Airport as a bicycling destination. I returned sunburned, enriched, and happier.

Soon after, I was there again (with a car this time!) to contribute two boxes of my oldest aviation magazines, for fun, to add to the period flavor of the Pilot Lounge,

and because I knew he'd enjoy them.

Favorite recollections of Barry? I close my eyes and remember: summer, 2000, Barry helped me fly some rubber-powered model airplanes I'd brought along, and one rather successful flight ended up on the roof! Barry was still fit enough to haul out a ladder, climb it, march across the hangar roof, and retrieve the model. Or one of those times in his shop, perhaps the time he introduced me all over again to my favorite plane: the Ercoupe, telling me everything about it, and the designer, Fred Weick -- "Mr. Fred" to Coupe fans. We both enjoyed the fact that it had downthrust and right thrust built right in, like a free-flight model! A treat to just listen to him talk about old airplanes. Jan assured me later that the prize Ercoupe has stayed in the family.

And of course, reveries of Barry Daniels must include the annual Chili Feeds that he and Jan hosted. Great opportunity to see and talk about a special set of planes. Just the ones that you'd land on grass!

Some time after he passed on, Jan returned the old aviation magazines. Yes, they're a delight to explore in, but I'm truly sorry to have them back. And now he's gone.

You can't get into that time warp any more. Barry Daniels took it with him. Weel, maybe. Try it. Shut your eyes, and remember.

*(Contact Tom Winter at [c150gpilot@yahoo.com](mailto:c150gpilot@yahoo.com) if you have any memories of Barry Daniels to share. – Ed)*

**New! Chapter 569 Shirts Now Available!**

<b>T-SHIRT ORDER FORM</b>									
QTY	SIZE				NEED IT LONG?		COLOR	PRICE	TOTAL
	S	M	L	XL	YES	NO	(please circle)	PER SHIRT	
	S	M	L	XL	YES	NO	GRAY or WHITE	\$7.46 ea	
	S	M	L	XL	YES	NO	GRAY or WHITE	\$7.46 ea	
	2X	3X	4X	5X	YES	NO	GRAY or WHITE	\$9.56 ea	
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	S	M	L	XL	YES	NO	GRAY or WHITE	\$12.78 ea	
	S	M	L	XL	YES	NO	GRAY or WHITE	\$12.78 ea	
	2X	3X	4X	5X	YES	NO	GRAY or WHITE	\$12.91 ea	
	2X	3X	4X	5X	YES	NO	GRAY or WHITE	\$12.91 ea	

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	S	M	L	XL	YES	NO	GRAY or WHITE	\$12.78 ea	
	2X	3X	4X	5X	YES	NO	GRAY or WHITE	\$12.91 ea	
	2X	3X	4X	5X	YES	NO	GRAY or WHITE	\$12.91 ea	

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There are 3 styles available: (1) T-Shirt; (2) Long Sleeve Shirt; (3) Sweatshirt. Keith is wearing the sweatshirt on page 2 of this newsletter. Also, you have the option of 2 colors, gray or white. Our Chapter Logo  is on the back. All longs are \$2 extra.

**Want to own a 1/4 share of a 2007 Van's RV-9A?**



Meticulously built by the late Roger Aspegren, this is a strong running airplane that can go anywhere right now. Recent panel upgrade, now IFR equipped. Runs on auto gas with a very economical burn rate. Cruise speed is 170mph and the prop and engine combination is smooth as silk. Please contact Andy Lahr at 402-840-5235.

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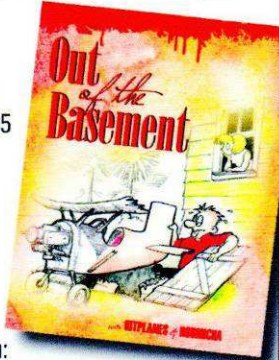


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## Events

**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.

**July 20 - 26**, AirVenture, Oshkosh, WI, <http://www.airventure.org/>

### EAA Chapter 569 Membership / 2015 Renewal Form

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