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# EAA Chapter 569 Newsletter

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## Meeting Announcement

**Date:** Tuesday, June 4<sup>th</sup>

**Time:** 7:30pm

**Program:** Brian York

Brian is a Curator & Security/Safety Officer for the SAC Aerospace Museum.

**Place:** Duncan Aviation Engine Shop  
5000 NW 44<sup>th</sup> St – Lincoln, NE



**President's  
Message  
Harold Bickford**

Our June meeting will be on Tuesday, June 4, 7:30pm. at the Duncan MPI shop.

The evening's program will be a presentation by Brian York, the SAC museum curator. Preservation and homebuilding are close cousins. In fact, some of us are flying what might be considered classic or antique aircraft thus this should be a presentation of great interest to say nothing of the historical significance of the Museum's collection.

The May 18 Young Eagles/Flying start event at Beatrice Airport went well even as weather had an impact. There were lots of smiles and "thumbs up" from those who went aloft. In regards to the Flying Start program we have two weekly AirVenture passes that will be awarded to two lucky month of May volunteers. We will have a drawing at our June 4 meeting to select the winners.

The Western Regional Aerobatic Championship runs June 21-23 at Seward. This is a fun opportunity to see some aerobatic competition. It is also a chance to help with the activity on the ground at an IAC (International Aerobatic Club) event. Tom Trumble, Harold Bickford or Edi Bickford can answer any volunteer questions you may have.

Anyone wishing to contribute to the EAA Memorial Wall in memory of Don Shoemaker is encouraged to do so through the chapter. A plaque in his honor and memory has been secured with the Chapter funding half of the cost required by EAA. As in times past members have made up the remaining half of \$250.00. Don's family was especially appreciative that EAA 569 had secured the plaque for this year's award ceremony at AirVenture on Sunday, July 28. Don, of course, was an integral part of the Chapter being a founding member and always a source of inspiration and commentary.

Every year on Memorial Day we take time to remember those whose sacrifice has been an essential element in the preserving of freedom and liberty. This past Memorial Day, May 27, we had opportunity to remember and honor those who gave their all in the defense of our common heritage. As we enjoy flying and the coming summer and airshow season let us take stock of the blessings that freedom and liberty bestow upon us.

Looking forward to seeing everyone at our June meeting along with the every third Saturday breakfast/fly-in on June 15, 0800-1000.

Harold Bickford,  
Chapter President

## Big Helicopters drop in for EAA 569 Breakfast

*By Dennis Crispin*

It seemed like big helicopter day at the Chapter 569 May Breakfast. Our own Keal Bockelman brought two National Guard aircraft and their crews. The Star Care air ambulance personnel also enjoyed omelets and pancakes with the EAA folks.



The big UH-60 Blackhawk helicopter (above) was on its way to participating in Helicopter Day at the Strategic Air Command Museum. Flying on the Blackhawk (left to right) were SSG Matt Hawke, CW3 Louis Messier, SGT Brad Wardyn, and CW3 Tom Morris.

The UH-72A Lakota Helicopter (above) was headed for a public relations mission at a fishing contest. The Lakota contingent consisted of (left to right) CW3 Keal Bockelman, CW2 Wes Newton, SGT Cody Howell, SPC Cody Baker, and SGT Max Maguire.

The StarCare medical helicopter is based at the Crete Airport. Left to right, the StarCare crew is Jim Lutz, Amanda Kaser-Malousek and Dan Duncan.



### Another Successful Young Eagles Rally

*By Dennis Crispin*

Saturday May 18 was the date of the annual Young Eagle event at the Beatrice Airport. Twenty-three kids came and all received their ride (and the pilots got home) before adverse weather canceled operations. The introduction to flight was quite well received by the new Young Eagles and their parents. One little girl told her pilot “I used to be afraid of airplanes, but now I’m not anymore!” Every returning aircraft unloaded a full complement of smiles.

The Beatrice aviation organization, Flying Conestoga’s, partners with EAA Chapter 569 in the planning and operation of this event. Diana Smith, Beatrice airport manager, served as the hostess and provided the beverages, sweets and hotdogs.



**Tom Trumble and his Cessna 172 Skyhawk has now flown well in excess of 900 Young Eagles!**

**Gary Bartels with his Piper Cherokee 235, has been a regular participant at the Beatrice Rally.**



**It was George S. Carr's first experience as a Young Eagle pilot, but he got off to a great start with four flights and twelve new Young Eagles to his credit. He flies a nice Cessna 182 Skylane.**



**Ji Guo's Cessna 150 can only hatch Young Eagles one at a time. The kids got a kick out of riding in the "shark face airplane."**



**Bill Stelling used his Piper Warrior 180 to teach the new Young Eagles about the art and science of preflighting the aircraft. Bill has done this for many years.**



**The grins seen through the cockpit windows made it all worthwhile.**

*More photos from the April and May Chapter breakfast along with the Beatrice Young Eagle Rally are on our website at <http://eaa569.org/gallery/>. Thanks to Dennis Crispin for sharing his photos.*

### More Young Eagle News

By Cristi Higgins

It's been very busy start to our Young Eagle flights. On May 20<sup>th</sup>, Tom Trumble flew a small group of home-schooled kids (and 2 excited adults) at the Department of Aeronautics. His son, Andrew, also gave two tours thru Duncan Aviation.

We had one kid, who was 17 and Mom just needed to know where to get him training. I knew the kid was a heavy hitter because he showed up with aviator sunglasses!! We walked him and his Mom two doors down to Performance Aviation!! Fastest we have ever had an YE join a flight school after his flight!!



## CHICKEN WINGS®

BY MICHAEL AND STEFAN STRASSER



## Minutes of the Club Meeting May 7, 2019

President Harold Bickford brought the meeting to order at 1930.

New members Tiffany Thompson and Tim Erickson were introduced.

Wayne Woldt related his experience flying N7187C, serial no. 1 Cessna 152-A in the 2018 AirVenture Cup Race held July 21, 2018. 75-80 aircraft typically participate. The race was timed on a course from Mitchell, SD to Owatonna, MN to Merrill, WI to Wasau, WI. Distance 372 NM. Wayne and his craft won their division with a time of 3 hr 57 min, for a speed of 108 mph. The entry fee has a generous cancellation policy. Wayne recommended any member interested should consider entering.

May 18 10 AM will be the Flying Start Event at Beatrice for Eagles and Young Eagles. Volunteers needed.

May 20 at the Dept of Aeronautics will be Young Eagles for Homeschoolers. Volunteers needed.

2019 will be the Year of the Fighter at Oshkosh.

Don Shoemaker's name will be added to the memorial wall at Oshkosh per family request. The deadline for 2019 arrived before the meeting. Harold sent funds to Oshkosh Headquarters to reserve the honor. A hat was passed for a collection, and donations will be solicited at the next fly-in breakfast. It was moved and seconded that any shortfall be covered by chapter funds.

Don Shoemaker was registered agent to file for non-profit status with the State of Nebraska. Harold Bickford volunteered to take over the role. Filing requires a \$20 fee, which he will see is paid.

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Jerry Mulliken, Secretary

### Accident Report

Accident occurred 12/24/2017, 1500 EST, Union Mills, NC

Aircraft: Cessna 172, Registration: N91SP

Injuries: 1 Minor

On December 24, 2017, about 1500 eastern standard time, a Cessna 172N, N91SP, was substantially damaged during a forced landing in Union Mills, North Carolina. The commercial pilot, who was also the owner of the airplane, sustained minor injuries. Visual meteorological conditions prevailed, and no flight plan was filed for the personal flight conducted under the provisions of Title 14 Code of Federal Regulations Part 91.

According to the pilot, the purpose of the flight was to perform approaches to the private airstrip that he was constructing on his property. He said the performance and handling of the airplane was "perfect" throughout the flight, and that he performed multiple low approaches successfully, with no anomalies noted.

The pilot said the airplane was travelling slowly over his strip, about treetop height, with full flaps

deployed. When he added full power to initiate a climb, the engine "sputtered" and stopped producing power. He performed a forced landing to the unimproved strip, "bounced" and departed the side of the cleared area where the airplane entered the woods and was substantially damaged.

When asked about the performance and handling of the airplane, the pilot said it was "perfect" and volunteered that the reason for the loss of engine power was carburetor ice. When asked if he had deployed the carburetor heat for the low approach and pass over his property, he said "No."

The pilot held a commercial pilot certificate with ratings for airplane single engine land, and instrument airplane. His most recent Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) second-class medical certificate was issued March 15, 2016. He reported 6,700 total hours of flight experience of which 3,400 were in the accident airplane make and model.

According to FAA records, the airplane was manufactured in 1978. Its most recent annual inspection was completed November 12, 2017, at 9,034.9 total aircraft hours.

At 1505, the weather reported at Rutherford County Airport (FQD), 7 miles east of the site, included an overcast ceiling at 2,200 ft, 10 miles visibility, and calm winds. The temperature was 10° C, the dew point was 5° C, and the altimeter setting was 29.97 inches of mercury.

According to an FAA carburetor icing probability chart, the atmospheric conditions at the time of the accident were conducive to "serious icing" at cruise power.

## Events

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

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

**June-July**, EAA Webinars. Some great ones lined up! [Click here for more information.](#)

**May 31 - Jun 1**, National Biplane Fly-in, Junction City, KS (3JC) <https://nationalbiplaneflyin.webs.com/>

**Jun 1**, Nebraska State Fly-in, Gordon, NE (KGRN) [Click here for more information.](#)

**Jun 22-23**, Midwest Aerobatic Championship, Seward, NE (KSWT); If you would like to volunteer, call or text Tom Trumble @ 402-540-6089.

**July 13**, Tarkio Air Show (K57), Tarkio, MO [Click here for more information.](#)

**Jul 22 - 28**, AirVenture, Oshkosh, WI <http://www.airventure.org/>

## For Sale

### Moni Motorglider Project Kit #00316

The work on this is of unquestionable quality (not by me). The kit is at the attach ribs and skin the wings stage so it is still reasonably easy to move. The spars are NOTHING short of ARTWORK. Most all of the parts are still packaged as they were when shipped.

This is an unmolested kit with all of the hard work done to NASA standards. I have all of the paper work (assembly manual, newsletters, invoices, personal notes, etc.). I very much would like to sell this to a Moni Nut. The kit comes with the build table as per manual and I guess the 12'x20' factory could be included & moved (however at a substantial expense). Asking \$4,000.

I am not much of a typer so if you feel you fit the conditions and would like to discuss the project further, please call me (Dave Ahlstrand) @ 402-228-9386 (Beatrice NE) or email [daveahlstrand1956@gmail.com](mailto:daveahlstrand1956@gmail.com)

### Free P-51 rides!!!!

Ok, now that I have your undivided attention. Due to many of our breakfast volunteers heading to AirVenture the weekend of July 20, President Bickford has made the difficult decision to cancel the July EAA 569 breakfast. Please spread the word! We look forward to hearing your AirVenture stories at our August 17 breakfast.

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