

EAA CHAPTER 234 Newsletter – Jan 2009

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MEETING DETAILS

The first meeting of '09 will be Saturday, Jan.10th at NMC's Mtech building on Aero Park drive. We will meet there for the first 3 months of the year.

Greg McMaster, TV 7's chief meteorologist, will be the guest speaker. Greg is an avid SCUBA diver and is an advocate for underwater preservation and promoting dive sites in Lake Michigan. He has done forensic weather forecasting to enable historic research of early Michigan.

December 08 Christmas Party

A good time was had by all at our annual Holiday celebration at Auntie Pasta's Restaurant. Service pins and attaboy awards were awarded to last year's officers. **Jon Schmidke**, outgoing president, was given a laser cut plaque for his service. **Jim Lagowski** was awarded his second First Flight award for putting air under the wheels of his Peitenpol.

Many, many thanks to Cruise Director **Gwen Sawka** for the decorations, party favors and all the other details it takes to make the celebration a success.

CHAPTER LOANER TOOL LIST

<u>Name</u>	<u>Tool(s)</u>
Dan Ahrns	Differential Pressure Tester
Steve Stasinis	Nicopress swedging tool, to put loops in your cables
Ron Jones	Compressor, 220 volt
Duane Jorgenson	Kerosene Heater for workspace, 110 volt
Jon Schmidtk	Borescope, oil filter cutting tool
Lou Aug	Torque wrenches, inch lbs., ft. lbs. to 150 lbs and metrics. Acetylene Torch.
Paul Kauffman	Weight and balance scales, HVLP paint system.
Jim Lagowski	Prop shipping box (courtesy of Ted Lanham)

BUILDERS/RESTORERS/AC OWNERS/PILOT MILESTONES REPORTS

NMC Super Cub - Steve Derr - On Amphibs. Available for conventional gear training.
Peitenpols air camper- Jim Lagowski - English wheeling nose skins. Nose gear rebuilt. It's back in the Air.
Ch601 XL (#1) - Joe Seibold - Installing vortex generators. Sheet metal work done.
CH 601 XL (#2) - Joe Seibold. Engine running but some idling issues.
Chekwerks SLSA - Joe Seibold - Bought new, to be delivered.
RV9A - Dan Arhns. Wings done. Kit is for sale.
Callaire & Volksplane - Jim Gurr -the 1450' farm strip is available. Got his Class 3 med. back
Pulsar - Lou Aug - Stainless firewall in and rewiring complete save a runup. Paint failures on horizontal stab will require stripping and repainting. Possible reupholstery this winter.
RANS S-6 - Don Garrett - Engine removed for a teardown check out due to an overheat/coolant loss issue
PK Special - Paul Kauffman - Sold the wings
T-28 - Duane Kalember - English wheeling fairings
Evektor Sport LSA- Bob Witkop - Has a 225 plus hours on it.
Fisher Koala - Lloyd Freeman - It flies !
RV6 & Kitfox - Dave Harden - Kitfox "on ice" for winter.
GlasAir - Jim Palmer. Engine start after 19years. Inspection soon and a test pilot is on tap.
GlaStar Sportsman - Craig Sawka. On wheels. Flew to OSH and back.
Challenger - Phil Cannon. Inspection scheduled in a few weeks. Fast taxiing. Arranging for a test pilot and getting some tailwheel time.
GlasAir - Mike Stimec - Bought a partially completed project.
Steve Beeker - Cessna 180. XCountry to Kansas City. MO.

Note; Some of the above info is dated.

CHAPTER WEBSITE-www.eaa234.org

Website has pictures from the Christmas Party, BBB schedule, links to weather and other sites.

OTHER AVIATION RELATED WEB SITES OF INTEREST

www.airnav.com Airport data, fuels, nav aids
www.homebuiltairplanes.com Forums, chat, etc.
www.skygod.com Humor, anecdotes
www.avweb.com Aviation news, articles, classified ads, access to FAA data base
www.aero-news.com Aviation news and commentary
www.taildraggers.com Discussion and topics regarding same and more.
www.faa.gov - Graphical TFRs, or how avoid an F-16 escort to the nearest airport - Aviation Data and stats. Lots of stuff.
www.aeroseek.com - listing of 10,000 aviation websites like airsicknessbags.com
www.aerofiles.com - North American aviation history
www.airshowjournal.com - Cool pictures and schedules
<http://www.usairnet.com> - weather for air related sports
www.100ll.com - tracks avgas prices and other stuff
www.crazyaviation.com/movies/CA_SU-30.wmv, www.overtheairways.com www.windmapper.com

OTHER STUFF

As most of you know we lost one of our most active members in December. Gone West is Murel Edinger. He was our photo guy and always had a thought or two to share regarding the club functions and his input was significant and appreciated. Our thoughts and prayers are with his wife Lori. RIP

AREA AVIATION BUSINESSES & SERVICES

Thompsonville Airport – New FBO, Proprietor Doug Hoverter. Ph. (231) 383-1843

Evans Avionics, LLC - 1190 Airport Access Rd. T.C., Ph.941-9764

Prop Balancing -Dynamic balancing done on your plane. Call Ed Borstel, A&P w/l.A., at 933-9355. **Azure Air Adventures**- Keith Messingschlage ASC BFI pfw/ppw/ufw/pla 231-883-8866 flyazureair@yahoo.com. Introductory flights \$45 in a Titan Tornado.

Aviation Medical Examiner - Jeffrey Kyff D.O., M.A.S. (Jeff is also a CFI, ASMEI) Ph. 206-0788 or home at 947-8205, email at - baron138Q@aol.com

Sport Pilot Course – Russ Miley CFI, \$3150 complete, 80hp Skyranger, call (231)620-0083.

Bill Birch –A & P, IA. Harbour Air Hangar. Bill can be reached at 499-3391(cell).

Tailwheel training available at NMC in a Citabria.

FOR SALE

Torchport Lots Call **Maryanne** - Airpark office: 231-599-3128 or sales - Maryanne Jorgensen 231-632-2412 or email torchport@torchportairpark.com.

Cessna Skyhawk II 172M – New annual, IFR Cert, Nice paint and recent seat reup. Digital Mark 12, ADF, 2 VORs, glide slope marker beacon. Extended baggage. 4300TT, 361 on PennYan reman. Hangared at TVC since '88. Asking \$52,500.Ph 228 5918, Lou.

RV9A – Empennage, Wing and control surfaces kits. All matched holes. Controls 90% and one wing clecoed. Some tools included. Receipts for \$11K, best offer. Call for details, Lou 228-5918

Cessna 172 1/3rd share. Beautiful condition in and out, leather interior, 180hp conversion. Call Rich Newman 941-5156.

Cessna 172. (2) 1/8 shares available. Club based at TVC since 1960. 125 hours since MOH, 6128hrs TT, clean, always hangared, no damage ever, excellent maintenance, all logs since new. KX170B, marker beacon, glideslope, moving map color GPS (yoke mount), 760 channel comm., Mode C, full panel, NOT IFR (but you can practice). Dues are \$80/month and \$10/hr dry. Call Shane at 499-6020 (cell) or Pete Bannister at 218-5569 (cell).

Hangar For Sale – Site #4 at Torchport, asking \$22,000. Contact Maryanne Jorgensen Cell 231-632-2412 or Office 231-264-9833.

New Hanger For Sale - 48'X48', Antrim County Airport (ACB). Call Bill Donberg 231-409-5780

WANTED. Sensenich M74 DM-52 Prop. Jim Gurr 213 331-6397

AVIATION CALENDAR

BBB FLYOUTS and AVIATION EVENTS

Bob's Breakfast Bunch departs TVC or where ever at 8:00AM every Sat. - if weather is a problem meet at Cottage Cafe for breakfast. Air to air frequency is 122.75

Check our web site for an up to date listings. Go to www.eaa234.org and click BBB link or send your email address to rhwitkop@aol.com.

EAA 234 CHAPTER MEETINGS

Jan 10th 09 Mtech 9:30 AM. Speaker – Greg McMaster TV7 Weatherman – Topic is Underwater Preservation Sites

Feb 14th 09 Mtech 9:30 AM. FAA Safety Team

March 14th 09 Mtech 9:30 AM. Speaker – Dr. Jeff Kyff- Aviation Medical Examiner

AVIATION EVENTS

July 4th- 5th Battle Creek USAF Thunderbirds

August 29th Thompsonville Airport National RC event. Airport will be closed to GA traffic

BBB SCHEDULE

01/03/09 Boyne Mountain (BFA)
01/10/09 Manistee (MBL)
01/17/09 Charlevoix (CVX)
01/24/09 Ludington (LDM)
01/31/09 Grayling (___)
02/07/09 Manistee (MBL)
02/14/09 Bellaire (ACB)
02/21/09 Cadillac (CAD)
02/28/09 Boyne Mt. (BFA)
03/07/09 Frankfort (FKS)
03/14/09 Charlevoix (CVX)
03/21/09 Crystal Mountain – Thompsonville (7Y2)
03/28/09 Boyne Mt. (BFA)

FUELING AROUND

Self-serve Fuel:

Clare..... (48D)
Boyne City..... (N98)
Hart-Shelby Oceana.... (C04)
Cadillac..... (CAD)

MOGAS:

Drummond Island-regular and Premium
Sparta (Y66) Regular

FINAL

In addition to communicating with the local air traffic control facility, aircraft are required to give the Iranian Air Defense Radar (military) a ten minute "heads up" that they will be transiting Iranian airspace. This is a common procedure for commercial aircraft and involves giving them your call sign, transponder code, type aircraft, and points of origin and destination.

I just flew with a guy who overheard this conversation on the emergency frequency 121.5 MHz while flying from Europe to Dubai. It's too good not to pass along. The conversation went something like this ...

Air Defense Radar: "Unknown aircraft at (location unknown), you are in Iranian airspace. Identify yourself."

Aircraft: "This is a United States aircraft. I am in Iraqi airspace."

Air Defense Radar: "You are in Iranian airspace. If you do not depart our airspace we will launch interceptor aircraft!"

Aircraft: "This is a United States Marine fighter. Send 'em up!"

Air Defense Radar: (no response ... total silence)