

EAA CHAPTER 234 Newsletter – March 2009

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MEETING DETAILS

Meeting will be at NMC's Mtech building on Aero Park Drive at 9:30 AM on Saturday, March 14th.

7:30 a.m. meet at Cottage Cafe for Breakfast for those interested.

Program will be "Alaska by Float Plane" - Randy Bowman. Dr. Kyff had to reschedule to a later date.

Talking points

- * May 3rd Pancake Breakfast planning with CAP.
- * Please also be prepared to discuss meeting times and dates for future meetings.
- *2009 dues will be collected.
- *EAA calendars are available at 10 bucks per.

February Business Meeting Notes

VP Jim Palmer opened the meeting .

Jon Schmidke introduced Merle Edinger's widow Lori and expressed the chapters appreciation to her for Merles contributions. Merles daughter and son-in-law were also there. Lori is donating Merles photos and tapes to the chapter.

Jon also presented the 1st Merle Edinger Scholarship to NMC Flight School student Lauren Hutchinson. Aaron Cook introduced her to the chapter and she thanked all.

Treasures report reported by Bob Witkop approved and seconded.

Steve Beeker reported this the May 3rd pancake breakfast;

Profits will be split 1/3 and 2/3s with the CAP and the Chapter, respectively.

T.B.A. will provide tables and chairs.

Location will be at Harbour Air, Sunday 7 to 11 ?

Ads will be in the Retches Eagle, Ron Jolly Show and local and state aviation publications.

EAA calendars are available at \$10 each.

February Program Highlights

FSDO safety instructor, Carol Callan, gave an enlightening presentation on Fatigue and how it relates to everyday happenings and in aviation. Studies indicate we need 7.5 to 8.5 hours of sleep (not rest) to function at peak. How much do Americans sleep, you ask? About 6.5 hours.

Also covered was ATC communications concentrating on ground ops.

Ms. Callan left a CD that has progressive taxi interface with the Chapter. She can be reached at carol.d.callan@faa.gov.

Besides all that the Chapter sprung for the Donuts.

CHAPTER LOANER TOOL LIST

<u>Name</u>	<u>Tool(s)</u>
Dan Ahrns	Differential Pressure Tester
Steve Stasinos	Nicopress swedging tool, to put loops in your cables
Ron Jones	Compressor, 220 volt
Duane Jorgenson	Kerosene Heater for workspace, 110 volt
Jon Schmidtke	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.

Cessna 140 - Dan Ahrn -Enroute from Alabama, now safely in a hangar in Indiana.

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 – Got Biannual. Possible reupholstery this winter.

RANS S-6 – Don Garrett - Engine back in and being flown.

T-28 – Duane Kalember – English wheeling fairings

Evektor Sport LSA- Bob Witkop – Has a 230 plus hours on it.

Fisher Koala – Lloyd Freeman – It flies !

RV6 & Kitfox – Dave Harden – Kitfox “on ice” for winter.

GlasAir - Jim Palmer. Engine bugs and doing interior work.

GlaStar Sportsman – Craig Sawka. On wheels. Flew to OSH and back.

Challenger – Phil Cannon. Inspection scheduled. 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.homebuilairplanes.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

Harbour Aire has and new owner and is switching the fuel supplier to Chevron. With that change comes a new policy on fuel purchases namely that payment can only be made with a check or a Chevron Credit Card.

Note the beautiful cover sheet and aircraft photo on the newsletter.....they are courtesy of Joe Seibold.

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/I.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, 361hrs 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. (2) 1/8 shares available. Club based at TVC since 1960. 225 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

March 14th Mtech 9:30 AM. Speaker – Andy Bowman's Float plane trip to AK.(Dr. Jeff Kyff rescheduled)

April 12th TBA Kevin Holgren USAF retired. Subject; Airborne Refueling

May 9th TBA

June 13th Mtech 9:30 AM Speaker – Bill Ballard "A Half Pound Of Ether and Five Gallons of Fuel" (Aviation History)

AVIATION EVENTS

May 3rd Harbour Air Pancake Breakfast. Co-hosted by CAP, Sky-hi hope, and EAA Chapter 234.

July 4th- 5th Battle Creek USAF Thunderbirds

July 4th EAA Ford Tri-motor event at Cherry Capitol Airport.(TENTATIVE)

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

BBB SHEDULE

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

A DC-10 had come in a little fast and thus had an exceedingly long roll out after touching down.

San Jose Tower noted: "American 751, make a hard right turn at the end of the runway, if you are able. If you are not able, take the Guadalupe exit off Highway 101, make a right at the light and return to the airport."

German air controllers at Frankfurt Airport are renowned as a short-tempered lot. They not only expect one to know one's gate parking location, but how to get there without any assistance from them. So it was with some amusement that we (a Pan Am 747) listened to the following exchange between Frankfurt ground control and a British Airways 747, call sign Speedbird 206.

Speedbird 206: "Frankfurt , Speedbird 206 clear of active runway."

Ground: "Speedbird 206. Taxi to gate Alpha One-Seven."

The BA 747 pulled onto the main taxiway and slowed to a stop.

Ground: "Speedbird, do you not know where you are going?"

Speedbird 206: "Stand by, Ground, I'm looking up our gate location now."

Ground (with quite arrogant impatience): "Speedbird 206, have you not been to Frankfurt before?"

Speedbird 206 (coolly): "Yes, twice in 1944, but it was dark, and I didn't land."