

AA CHAPTER 234 Newsletter – September 2009

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MEETING DETAILS

Meeting will be at NMC's Mtech building on Aero Park Drive at 7:00PM on **Tuesday Sept. 8th**.
Program is "A Half Pound of Ether and Five Gallons of Gas". Presenter is Bill Ballard from Gladwin. Bill is an aviation historian of all things Michigan.

Talking points

Flyin in breakfast wrap up. Some bills pending.

July Business Meeting Notes

Note ; no meeting was scheduled for August. Nor was there a newsletter.

Craig opened the meeting.

Minutes read, seconded and approved.

Treasurer's report read, seconded and approved.

Agreed to buy 30 gallons of gas for T-28 ride from the May picnic.

Air Academy stipend tabled- **Jim Anderson** will coordinate. Aero academy students (NMC) are good prospects.

Open house at Green Lake Ap. discussed – some 85 Young Eagles "slipped the surly bonds." Kudos to **Jim Anderson, John and Susan Hughes**.

Teddy bears – Service clubs like Elks and Rotary will be contacted.

Joe Seibold feted for a volunteer service award.

New member **Norm Weber** was introduced. Norm has been an EAA'r since '81. Welcome aboard.

The 50/50 drawing winner was J. Amon, he collected \$97.50.

Neil Hanson passed out some cd's and info re the Air America (no, not the liberal radio network) efforts in SE Asia. He urged everyone to support senate bills 1126/2577 which will recognize service of those folks who served well and some gave the ultimate sacrifice..

Most noteworthy was the induction of **Roy Pinner** into the EAA Hall of Fame. Roy's early involvement with the ultralight, the Drifter, and several EAA awards was noted.

July Program Highlights

Roy Pinner, who was recently inducted in the EAA's Hall of Fame, gave a tech lesson on wiring a home built. Various tools of the trade, types of connectors, wire gages and tips were covered- good stuff all. Got a question for him? Give him a call.

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**. – 30 hrs to date. Cowling repair done.
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 Sport Cruiser SLSA – **Joe Seibold** – Has 30 hours on it.
Cessna 140 - **Dan Ahrn** – Doing annual
Callaire & Volksplane – **Jim Gurr** -the 1450' farm strip is available. Got his Class 3 med. back
Pulsar - **Lou Aug** – Installing cockpit adjustable mixture control. New wiring yet to be tested.
T-28 – **Duane Kalember** – Painting some parts – Flew in the cherry Festival Air Show.
Evektor Sport LSA- **Bob Witkop** – Has a 255 plus hours on it.
Challenger – **Phil Cannon**. Flight tested by a hired gun. Phil flew it after getting some tailwheel time.
GlasAir – **Mike Stimec** – Bought a partially completed project.
Steve Fisher Koala – **Lloyd Freeman** – Have 30 hours on it.
RV6 & Kitfox – **Dave Harden** – Kitfox “on ice” for winter.
GlasAir - **Jim Palmer**. Engine breakin on going.
GlaStar Sportsman – **Craig Sawka**. On wheels. Doing some Swit-T work.
Beeker – **Cessna 180**. XCountry to Kansas City. MO.
RANS S6A –Rod Christopher- Flying off the hours.
Schmidke – Bonanza – Rocky Mountain cross country planned.
Murphy Elite on Floats – **Roy Penner** – flew it home from Florida.
Note; Some of the above info is dated.

CHAPTER WEBSITE-www.eaa234.org

Website has pictures from Chapter events, BBB schedule, links to weather and other sites. www.eaa234.org

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
<http://thevintageaviator.co.nz/> - New – great site

OTHER STUFF

It is with a heavy heart to report the loss of two members of our chapter. Steve Stasinov's wife, Ann, passed away in July and as did Fred Eaton. Our thoughts and prayers are with the families and friends.

On a lighter note our annual chapter picnic was held again at the lake front home of Craig and Gwen Sawka. It was very well attended and a good time was had by all. The Sawkas were nice enough to erect a shelter for the occasion.

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

AREA AVIATION BUSINESSES & SERVICES

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 fiyazureair@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. 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 info@torchport.com

Cessna 172. (2) 1/8 shares available. Club based at TVC since 1960. 450 hours SMOH, 6300hrs 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).

Hanger 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

For sale: 1/2 share in 1978 Cessna 172XP hangared @ Y89, low hours all around, IFR, Garmin 430, Good P&I, Bruce Cotton 231.564.1691 or cotbton@yahoo.com

Midget Mustang kit – Call Jim Anderson at 947-4598 for details

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

Sept 8th Mtech 7:00 PM Bill Ballard "A Half Pound Of Ether and Five Gallons of Fuel" (Aviation History)

AVIATION EVENTS

Mid-Eastern Regional Flyin. Grimes field (I74). Urbana, Ohio. Sept. 12 & 13, 2009.

BBB SHEDULE

Check the web site for latest info.

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

Previous to this time I had never even a balloon except from a distance. Being interested in their construction, I was about to institute a thorough examination of all its parts, when the aeronaut announced that all was ready. He inquired whether I desired to go up alone, or he should accompany me. My desire, if frankly expressed, would have been not to go up at all; but if I was to go, company was certainly desirable. With an attempt at indifference, I intimated that he might go along.

— *George Armstrong Custer, while a Captain in the cavalry. Regards order to go aloft in one of Thaddeus Lowe's balloons to observe the movements of the Confederate forces. Quoted in 'Son of the Morning Star.' 1862*