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This Month's Program

The February meeting will be held on, Tuesday the 24th, at 7:30 p.m. at the CAP Hanger, Timmerman Field.

Final Approach

As many of you know, I'm now living in Virginia Beach. The outlook for mechanics at Midwest was looking very grim... at least, for the bottom of the company seniority. I had an opportunity to accept a full time teaching position at an A&P school, so I took it before the ax fell. Email communication has not been smooth so this newsletter is late, very late. Sorry.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the entire chapter for their help and support during this past year. I've been a member of your elite group since arriving in Milwaukee but my last year has been by far the best. The genuine interest and concern this group has shown for aviation and its followers far exceed anything I have ever been associated with. In closing, I received more than I ever gave and for that I will always be grateful. Thank You.

Fran and I are renting a house on the ocean in Sandbridge, Va. thru April. If any of you are down this way and need a place to spent the night, the welcome mat is out.

Finally, I have a flying story to tell the chapter but alas cannot be there in person, so this will have to do. I had given notice that December 3rd was to be my last day at Midwest. On November 28th or 29th the weather looked very good for a flight from Milwaukee to Virginia. So on December 1st I flew my Cardinal to Virginia. Well, sometime it seems that things just cannot go right. First, I had to wait for a locksmith to open and make me a set of keys for the plane. Mine were in Virginia. Next, after getting to Capitol Drive Airport, I discovered no one was there who could sell me fuel. It now seemed I would be lucky to get to Chicago the way things were going. I flew to Timmerman to get fuel and check on the weather. It was cold and windy that Monday. How often do we have a tail wind then flying somewhere? Almost never, at least for me. The wind was out of the west and I was going east. What luck! My plan was to fly south along the lake shore until I reached Gary, IN and then climb. I climbed to 9500 MSL and proceeded to Parkersburg, WV for a fueling and pitstop. ATC showed me at 195 ground speed. NICE! For the flight advisors, on this leg I discovered what the back side of the power curve feels like.

This was my first experience with adding more power, increasing angle of attack with the results of a negative climb. For a few minutes I couldn't figure what was taking place. Once I did, I lowered the nose to almost level and started to climb. For me, I usually fly below 6000 MSL with the 180hp engine and when I want to climb, it's throttle in - yoke back and up you go. Flying IS all about learning! The next leg was even sweeter. I climbed to 13500 MSL and leveled out with a ground speed on the GPS of 247mph. REALLY NICE! If I had had oxygen I could have gone higher and done even better. I finally caught up with the front moving east over Richmond, VA. Another new experience. It turned me every way but loose. In a matter of seconds I was in a 70 degree roll to the left then to the right then up then down. This lasted for about 10 to 15 minutes. The landing in Portsmouth, VA was perfect. My longest and highest flight to date. It started slowly but what a flight! 800 miles in 4 1/2 hours flight time. SWEET!! The only sad point was flying past Miigs Field and seeing the runways gone.

PS Hope to see you all this summer at Oshkosh or here at the beach house sometime before May.



Chapter Minutes – from the November Meeting

The November meeting was called to order by President **Fred Keip** at 7:40PM at the CAP Hangar at Timmerman Field. Fred announced that this is the last meeting for 2003. It was also announced that the December Board meeting will be held at the Prime Quarter Restaurant on Layton Ave in Milwaukee. It will be held on Dec. 9th, starting at 6:30 and is open to all. Fred also brought in several aviation magazines that are free to the taking. **Dean Bourgeois** is now collecting dues for the 2004 year. **Dave Alberti** is selling calendars at \$10 apiece. There will also be an RV assembly workshop held at EAA headquarters in Oshkosh on Dec. 12th & 14th

Guests were asked to introduce themselves, and 2 people did so.

Building Reports:

Marcus Collins is filling and sanding on his Cozy Mark 4.

Fareed Guyot bought **Bob Lang's** house and the Garage/airplane factory will be open for a few more weeks until Bob gets everything moved to Waunakee.

Ron Scott is working on the door for the Fokker.

Scott Jones has his Velocity signed off and is ready to fly. He also reported on getting in some stick time on the factory trainer. He then reported on doing 1st flight in his plane. He flew over to Juneau and back. Reported oil temperature to be a little high, but now all is fine and he is conducting flight testing.

Chris Heitman reported that his RV-9A is signed off and he is preparing for 1st flight and testing.

Jim Becker reported on having fuel feed problems on his plane which eventually turned out to be a problem with a worn out gas cap.

Tech Counselors:

Ron Scott reported on an inspection of an RV7 fast build kit and it is coming along fine. He also reported that he has a few more inspections to do on other planes, mostly Sonex's.

Carl Schultz asked if people would first give their name when doing building reports. This helps everyone get to know each other better. He also reported on a magazine article on rapid descent sink rates on homebuilt planes taken from the Experimenter magazine

Young Eagles:

Dean Bourgeois reported that EAA reached it's goal of 1 million Young Eagles flown. He also reported that we flew 26 Young Eagles at Timmerman on November 8th. No further events are planned until next spring.

Minutes and treasurer's report were accepted as published in the newsletter.

Elections:

Tom Martin was nominated for president but declined. Since there were no other nominations, a motion was made that all candidates listed in the newsletter be appointed for another term by proclamation. This was seconded and passed.

Service Awards: At this time, Fred passed out service awards to all officers for the past year. Also receiving service awards, were Young Eagles coordinator, tech counselors, flight advisors and the newsletter editor.

Break: After the break, a video was shown on how to do an engine teardown, what to look for and how to put the engine back together.

Meeting adjourned at 10:00PM.

Respectfully submitted **Jim Hatzenbeller** (Secretary)

Editor's note: Dave Alberti is Membership Chairman for 2004 and will be collecting dues as of Feb. 1)

Board Minutes - for January "04"

The meeting was called to order by President **Eric Whyte** at 7:35 PM at Eric's house. **Fred Keip, Fritz Jorgenson, Dean Bourgeois, Jim Hatzenbeller, Dave Alberti, Gert Van der Sanden, Fareed Guyot, Todd Wenzel, Allen Bruggink, and Tom Martin** were present. It was reported that **Gary Krause** has moved to Virginia Beach where he is now working, and **Fareed** will assume the duties of newsletter editor.

The minutes from the November Chapter meeting were accepted. The treasurers report was also accepted. Eric reported that a volunteer is needed to take over the awards committee. Contact Eric or any board member to take over this position.

Young Eagles: Dean reported that the next scheduled Young Eagles event will be Armed Forces Weekend. The tentative date is May 14, 15, & 16 and is to be held at the 128th 's hangar.

New Business: It was reported that **Don Gunderson**, FAA tower supervisor in Milwaukee has retired. Eric announced that a new membership chairman is needed. **Dave Alberti** agreed to take on this position along with help from Fareed.

Dates and locations for board meetings and programs for year 2004 were discussed. The dates and locations for the chapter picnics were tentatively set. The spring picnic will be on 5-29 at Hartford and the fall picnic will be at East Troy on 8-28.

Fred had some suggestions on future chapter programs to include more how to do it and hands on programs. If any chapter member has any suggestions as to what they would like to see in a program, contact Eric or any board member. Fred announced that he will stay on as a tech counselor. He will also help to organize more "project patrols" and suggested that the chapter hold a Fly Market as one of its monthly programs. He also donated some boxes of aviation books and videos to the chapter.

Eric reported that Chapter 252 will host a program in Oshkosh called "Special Night Celebrating Flight". This program will be on Feb. 7th. Contact EAA Headquarters for more details. Eric will be getting quotes on hat pins, patches and polo shirts with the chapter's logo on them.

Due to his health condition, **Joe Fricano** will be out of action for a short while. Gert has volunteered to take on the job of coffee man at the meetings until Joe returns.

The spring bus trip to Dayton, OH and the museum has been tabled due to logistics problems.

Dean has suggested that the chapter have more fly-outs this year.

A motion was made to increase the initiation fee to \$10 for all new members and to hold the dues at their current rate. This was seconded and passed.

It was announced that Sun & Fun will be the week after Easter this year. April 13 to 19.

Todd proposed some "short" fly-outs this year. Fred has agreed to do First Flight plaques for this year.

Meeting adjourned at 9:05 PM at which time cake and coffee was served.
Respectfully submitted, **Jim Hatzenbeller** (Secretary).

Treasurers Report - Fritz Jorgenson (Not available at time of printing)

Chapter 18 Fly-Market

FOR SALE: Maxair Hummer Ultralight Project. This is a great winter project, a complete Maxair Hummer, with a Kawasaki 440 engine. The airframe is finished and the airplane was flying, it needs new fabric on the wings and tail. The Hummer is a single seat, high wing, V-tail taildragger. It was the forerunner to the Maxair Drifter, which was the basis for the "Air-Cam" twin. \$1000 OBO, Make an Offer! Contact Andrew Cook (414) 350-7346 or skywaycaptain@hotmail.com or see Eric Whyte at the Nov. meeting.



RV-6/A wooden fuselage jig for sale, \$75 (OBO - just trying to cover the cost of the wood). Available immediately.

Jim Schmidt - 262-644-1506

FOR SALE: Lycoming O-235-C1 Engine Parts: Crankcase, oil sump, and rear accessory case with logs, \$850; 2 bare cylinders, chromed to standard, \$100 ea; set of connecting rods, \$100; starter, \$75; and MA3A carb \$75. Also, two flywheel/ring gear assemblies for O-360, \$75 each. Fred Keip, 262-835-7714 or fredkeip@aol.com

Chapter 18 Calendar

January 27th Chapter Meeting
February 10th Board Meeting
February 24th Chapter Meeting
March 9th Board Meeting
March 23rd Chapter Meeting

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