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The March meeting will be held Tuesday April 25th, 7:30pm at the CAP Hangar, Timmerman Field. **Save your money for the Spring White Sale...Bring your Name Tag!**

Program: Delta Hawk Diesel Engines of Racine.

Chapter 18 Calendar of Events

April 2006

4/25/2006 Monthly Membership Meeting
7:30pm CAP Hangar, Timmerman Field

Anniversary celebration 7AM-12PM at the
Rockford Airport.

5/9/2006 Board Meeting 7:30PM
Fritz Jorgenson's House

May 2006

5/7/2006 Chapter 22 (RFD) Annual Fly-In
Drive-In Pancake Breakfast and 50th

5/23/2006 Monthly Membership Meeting
7:30pm CAP Hangar, Timmerman Field

LANDINGS

SCOTT CROSSFIELD DIES IN CRASH AMIDST SEVERE WX

Scott Crossfield was enroute from Alabama to Manassas, VA when his Cessna 210 crashed in mountains 50 miles northwest of Atlanta late Wednesday morning. Thunderstorms had been in the area at the time of the crash; Crossfield's body was later found Thursday in the wreckage, he was the only person on board.

Scott Crossfield learned to fly at an early age with his career accelerating while in the Navy during World War II. After the war he became part of a cadre of civilian test pilots for the National Advisory Committee on Aeronautics, the forerunner of NASA. While at NACA Crossfield and Air Force pilots such as Chuck Yeager vied for the chance to fly the X series of airplanes, the hottest assignment in flying as romanticized in the movie "The Right Stuff".

Crossfield eventually flew almost all of the X-planes in those days including the X-1, X-4, X-5, YF-92, D558-I and D558-II. In the D558-II, he became the first person to exceed Mach 2, a mark bested by Yeager a month later. The tit for tat of that era highlighted the competition amongst pilots in those days fueled by the Cold War and ego.

Crossfield is probably more famous for his flights in the X-15 where speed, altitude and operations at the edge of space were the goals of the program. His other achievements in this realm includes helping to design and develop the first full pressure suit which has a legacy in the suits used by military and NASA pilots today.

Crossfield worked for North American Aviation during his time flying the X-15, but later he would work for Eastern Airlines, Hawker-Sidley, and served as a technical consultant for congress on aviation matters. Although he retired in 1993, Crossfield continued to

enjoy aviation through his participation in the EAA, appearing at AirVenture and Sun N fun each year. Most recently he advised and trained the pilots who flew The Wright Experience's replica of the Wright Flyer during the 2003 re-enactment of the first flight. Ironically, during one of those training flights, Crossfield was thrown from the airplane but survived with nary a scratch; only now to be felled in a much more reliable and docile descendant of that first aircraft.

Scott Crossfield was 84.



Scott Crossfield sits for an EAA Radio interview during AirVenture 2005

EAA RADIO INTERVIEW OF SCOTT CROSSFIELD AVAILABLE

The interview was conducted during AirVenture 2004. Scott Crossfield had dropped by the EAA Radio studios to chat one day during the afternoon airshow. Mr. Crossfield spoke with EAA Radio's Digital Dave and Radial Rob about advising the Wright Experience on the re-enactment of the Wright Brothers flight in 2003 and how that technology leap compares to today's design achievements. The interview is 32 minutes.

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CHAPTER 22 (RFD) CELEBRATES 50 YEAR MEMBER

I had the pleasure of attending the April meeting of EAA Chapter 22-Rockford, IL. The Chapter hangar is based at the privately owned-open to the public Cottonwood Airport (1C8). Much like Waunakee airport, it is owned and operated by the tenants. Cottonwood is a 2500 foot lighted grass strip (RWYs 36-18) located on the west side of Rockford just north of busy Auburn Street. The entrance is partly guarded by a sports bar which makes it the perfect spot for any airport; almost all the pleasures in one place!

What makes Cottonwood even more special is that the RWY 36 takes you right over the stadium for Auburn high school which is across the street from the airport. The 18 approach is a very flat farm field. It was very nice to see a nice grass-roots airport existing in such an urban setting.



While not as vigorously attended as Chapter 18 meetings, Chapter 22 is very active and the meeting was filled with upcoming activities including their annual Pancake Breakfast taking place on May 7th at the larger Rockford Airport (RFD). This year Chapter 22 is celebrating 50 years in existence and the birthday party is part of the breakfast events.

The April speaker did not show, but that afforded a unique opportunity to hear from Chapter 22's version of Carl Schultz.

Hendley Hall (EAA #2175) joined the chapter 50 years ago and while he is not a charter member he is the only surviving member from the year of 22's inception in 1956. Hall said that in the early days the chapter met in all kinds of places including a horse barn, an 8x30 room at the Rockford Airport, and then in the terminal building. The airport location lasted 3-4 months before they moved north into town, meeting in a warehouse, and then in a metal shop.

Dues in those days were \$7 per year. Hall remembers attending one of the EAA Fly-ins in Oshkosh in the late 1950s. He said they even had a spot landing contest, which in his view were really controlled crashes. Hall also remembers in those early days one of the original members of the chapter built the wing of a "Jodell" in his bedroom. The builder later had to get members of the local football team to help him carry the wing out the window and over the porch roof.

Hendley Hall began learning to fly in 1952 when he found an instructor who would teach him how to fly if he bought an airplane. That instructor was Fred Machesney who had an airport north of Rockford on the current site of the Machesney Park Mall. (Machesney Park is a suburb of Rockford)

Hall bought an Aeronca Champ for \$400 and began learning to fly from Ray Bloomster, one of Machesney's instructors. Unfortunately for Hall, Bloomster was trying to build time and thus did most of the flying during the lessons. Hall eventually got his ticket in 1961 from examiner Roy Van Galder. Two weeks later Hall had to renew his medical and his blood pressure was too high and in the 45 years since he has never tried to get a medical again. Hall, who is 90 years old, remains an ardent aviation enthusiast to this day. EAA Chapter 22 meetings are the first Tuesday of every month at 7:30PM. – **Fareed Guyot**



Hendley Hall (EAA #2175) speaks to Chapter 22 about his 50 years as a member of the chapter.

CHAPTER MEMBERS FILL TWO VOLUNTEER POSITIONS

Thank you to **Todd Wenzel** who has agreed to take over the Webmaster duties from **Doug Landman**. Thank you Doug for your many years of service!

Thank you to Chapter Secretary **Jim Hatzenbeller** for agreeing to host the spring picnic at his hangar at Timmerman Field on June 3rd.

Wording for Bill Bateman's plaque on the Memorial wall in Oshkosh has been approved by the board after input from the membership at the March meeting. The plaque will read as follows:

Lt. Col. Bill Bateman
F-16A Sport Pilot Ch. 18

COFFE & DONUT GENERAL STILL NEEDED FOR MEETINGS

Ever since the loss of Joe Fricano in June of 2004, the “coffee and donuts” element of the monthly meeting has been temporarily provided by Gert Van der Sanden; often with the assistance of his two sons “The Mud Twins”. Gert, up until this point had been performing double duty both as Tool Librarian and meeting host. Gert has since retired from both duties and the chapter is in need of a new meeting “host”. The meeting host will be asked to set up coffee, donuts, and sodas for the intermission of each meeting. If the host is unable to attend a meeting the board will assist in making other arrangements. A short-term temporary arrangement is still in effect for a limited time. If there are no volunteers soon, coffee and donuts will not be offered at future meetings until a new host is found.

CAPITOL DRIVE AIRPORT (02C) NEEDS YOUR N-NUMBER

Currently Capitol Drive Airport has 104 aircraft registrations and qualifies as a reliever airport for Waukesha County airport (UES). This designation means that the airport is eligible for state and federal aid. In the strategic plan for the airport, a temporary slurry coat for the paved runway (3-21) could be laid down as early as this summer. That would even out the bumps in the slowly deteriorating runway. If registrations remain above 100, further monies would be available for additional improvements in the next few years. This includes a permanent re-paving of RWY 3-21, the paving of RWY 9-27, and the possible commissioning of an instrument approach.

While an actual airplane doesn't need to be at the field to be registered, Brookfield Aero (the all volunteer FBO formed to keep the doors open) is offering free tie downs and some hangars are available. Those of you still building but have not found a home can help out an airport before even buying that first gallon of fuel. If reliever status is lost, all funding timetables will likely be set back and there is a possibility that the airport could be sold if momentum toward improvements is interrupted.

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A caution to golfers on Drummond Island, MI

Board Meeting Minutes for April "06"

The April meeting was called to order by President Eric Whyte at Jim Hatzenbeller home at 7:40 PM. Jeff Point, Stephanie Murray, Fritz Jorgenson, Andy Jaskie, Dave Alberti, and Gert Vander Sanden, were present.

The minutes from the March Chapter meeting were read and accepted. The treasurer's report was given and accepted. Programs for upcoming meetings were discussed. The April program is tentatively scheduled to be presented by the Delta Hawk group. If any Chapter member has a suggestion for a program or would like to put on a program, please contact any board member.

The Chapter is still in need of a volunteer to take over the duties of making the coffee and getting doughnuts for the chapter meetings. A **short term arrangement** is in place for coffee and doughnuts at the Chapter meetings. We need someone to come forward to take over this job.

Stephanie has volunteered to be Dean's assistant as Young Eagles coordinator. The wording for Bill Bateman's memorial plaque at Oshkosh was discussed and finalized.

The April Chapter meeting will be your last opportunity to order clothing with the Chapter logo on it. See Dean to order.

Eric reported on receiving a letter asking if the Chapter would be interested in doing some volunteer work at an air show scheduled for July 15 and 16 at Milwaukee's lakefront. He will ask if there is any interest at the April Chapter meeting.

It was suggested that anyone planning to fly to Oshkosh for AirVenture read the NOTAMs. Meeting adjourned at 8:30 PM. Respectfully submitted, Jim Hatzenbeller (Secretary).

Chapter 18 Minutes from the March "06" Meeting

The March meeting was called to order by President Eric Whyte at 7:40 PM at the CAP Hangar at Timmerman Field. Eric reported on the passing of Chapter member Bill Bateman. He expressed his thanks to all who helped with the memorial service. Donations to Bill's memorial fund will be used to purchase a brick on the EAA Memorial wall at Oshkosh. Any left over funds will go to the Young Eagle Fund in Bill's name. A motion was made to provide an honorarium to the CAP for use of their hangar for Bill's memorial. This was seconded and passed after a brief discussion. A second motion was made for a free will giving to cover the costs of Bill's memorial. This was seconded and passed. A donation can was circulated through the membership. Any excess funds will go to the Young Eagles fund. Those not in attendance at the meeting, who wish to contribute can send their donation to Fritz Jorgenson.

A discussion of how to word Bill's memorial plaque took place. The suggested wording is as follows:

Lt. Col. Bill Bateman F-16A Sport Pilot Ch. 18

Guests were asked to introduce themselves, and 1 person did so.

Building Reports: Fred Keip reported that his Wag-a-Bond Traveler is on the gear and he is working on the wings. Marcus Collins asked for volunteers to help turn his Modified Cozy over. Ken Freiesleben reported that the fuselage is finished on the Fokker project and work is commencing on the wings. Jim Becker reported that John Lumkes, former chapter member now living in Indiana, is working on a Zodiac 601HD. Ken Klima is working on the push tubes for his RV. Chris Good reported that his finished RV6A is not really finished as he is now working on a mandatory service bulletin related to a fuel pick up tube in the wings. Chris reports over 1,100 hrs of flight time on his plane.

Flying Reports: Eric reported that the Champ has been sold and is on its way west to the Air Force Academy. Ken Klima reported on flying his Kitfox. It was reported that Manitowoc airport has a J-3 Cub that it will rent for \$75 an hour this summer. Chris Good reported on doing lots of formation flying with other RV's. He also reported on flying down to Key West. He also bought a place in an airpark near Savanna, GA. Chris Esselstyn reported on flying his modified Cozy. It cruises at 280 knots with a fuel burn of 10 gallons per hour. The plane has a range of 1500 miles. Eric reported on flying to St. Thomas. Most of the time they were within gliding distance of one island or another.

Tech Counselors: Ron Scott reported that people who experience wheel shimmy on the nose wheel or main gear of their RV's can most likely fix the problem by balancing the wheel pants.

Old Business: Minutes from the previous meeting and the treasures reported were approved as published. It was noted that dues are due. If you are not paid up, this may be your last newsletter. It was

reported that newsletters were mailed out a little late this month. It was also reported that Bob Novinske, former Chapter secretary has passed away.

The Chapter is still in need of someone to take over the coffee and donuts duties. Todd Wenzel has stepped forward to take over and maintain the Chapter website. The Spring Chapter picnic will be at Jim Hatzenbeller's hangar at Timmerman field on June 3rd. It was reported that Blue Angel #7 will be on display at Oshkosh for AirVenture this year. The Air Force ThunderBirds will do an Airshow in Milwaukee this year on July 16 and 17th.

By order of a member of the Milwaukee Police Dept., Fareed Guyot is to be publicly censured for non attendance of this meeting under the pretext of being on a date. As everyone is aware, women are accepted and even encouraged to attend our open meetings. Let the records also show that Jeff Point was not in attendance for reasons unknown.

Break for coffee which was followed by a cockpit video of Bill Bateman doing flight testing of the F-16.

Meeting adjourned at 9:50pm. Respectfully submitted, Jim Hatzenbeller (Secretary)

TREASURER'S REPORT

From the WALMART Industrial Bank office in Paulina, IA

	March	2006		
Checking				Savings
Beginning balance	1-Mar-06		\$770.03	1,452.82
Receipts				
	14-Mar-			
Dues	06	\$205.00		
Fines		\$0.25		Interest
	23-Mar-			
Bateman Memorial	06	\$583.75		Transfer in
Total Income		\$789.00		
Expenses				
	23-Mar-			
Phil Greybar	06	\$35.94		
	14-Mar-			
Best designs	06	\$4.35		
	23-Mar-			
Stamp Best Designs	06	\$14.30		
	23-Mar-			
Best designs	06	\$11.99		Transfer out
	28-Mar-			
Phil Greybar	06	\$18.97		
Total Expenses		\$85.55		
Ending balance	31-Mar-06		ok \$1,473.48	1,452.82

Young Eagles Account

This account is a part of the savings account total

	Date	Expense	Income	Total
	12-Aug-			
Beginning Balance	99		\$1,603.00	\$1,603.00
Oshkosh/Headquarters	12-Aug-	\$100.00		\$1,503.00

	99		
Radios and supplies	12-May-01	\$164.85	\$1,338.15
Bullhorn Computer supplies	7-Jun-01	\$349.19	\$988.96
Printing Supplies	12-Jun-01	\$57.00	\$931.96
Stamps	25-Jun-02	\$37.00	\$894.96
Young Eagles Rally Supplies	10-Jun-03	\$60.95	\$834.01
Safety Vests	8-Jul-03	\$73.30	\$760.71
YE Tape	9-Sep-03	\$104.74	\$655.97
YE Supplies	14-Oct-03	\$26.57	\$629.40
YE Stamps	14-Apr-04	\$151.22	\$478.18
Supplies	10-May-05	\$27.00	\$451.18
Gift P. Comte	14-Jun-05	\$27.60	\$423.58
Bateman Memorial	29-Jun-05	\$ 50.00	\$473.58
	23-Mar-06	\$ 583.75	\$1,057.33
	4-Apr-06	\$ 418.00	\$1,475.33
		\$	
Service Exp.	5-Apr-06	459.17	\$1,016.16
		\$	
Memorial Wall	5-Apr-06	350.00	\$666.16

Chapter 18 Fly-Market

New Item! Lycoming 290 D2A No Log, All Accessories included, \$3000 Bill Spellman 262-544-6252

New Item! Overhead Projector: Needed for EAA Chapter 18 meetings. Either as a donation (tax deductible) or on loan as needed for presentations.

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