



N565VT Certification and First Flight

On November 12, Joe Norris (DAR) inspected the RV-9A that we had been so carefully building for nearly four years. Thanks to the advice and encouragement of all our EAA technical counselors (Chris Good, Jeff Point, and especially Rick Glick), the inspector found no deficits and consequently granted N565VT the status of "airplane" by issuing it an experimental airworthiness certificate.

We then set quickly to the task of returning access panels and covers to their appropriate locations. With an eye towards Nov 21 and building high pressure, we saw a weather window that looked perfectly suited for a first flight. As the fog lifted on Saturday morning, a busy crew of family and friends made final flight preparations. Rick Glick who had graciously offered to fly his RV-7A in chase and as camera platform took to the air first.

Then the time had come. Even with more than two thousand hours of careful work on this airplane and multiple high-speed taxi test runs behind us, there was still that hint of uncertainty on just how the engine and control systems would perform when a full air load was put on them. There was only one way to find out; push the throttle in and be ready for anything. Our airplane broke ground quickly and climbed with the same passion the builders had put into its construction. During this one-hour flight, the RV flew straight and true demonstrating no undesirable characteristics. Marmy and I had always thought that flying the airplane largely built in our home would be an amazing experience. It proved to be that and so much more.



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Dues

FAA Plastic Certificate
Requirement

Chapter 18 Website

Did you know that our chapter website has a members only section with contact information for the chapter membership. The website is:

www.eaachapter18.org

The password for members only is **MWC5275**. The password is case sensitive. Check it out.

presidents corner



President's Rant- January 2010

Welcome to the January Flypaper! I hope you all had a blessed Christmas and a Happy New Year. Santa must be getting to know me, because once again he sent me just what I wanted-tubing! Lots and lots of tubing! I hope he was good to all of you as well.

It's good to be back at the keyboard after the December layoff. OK, I'll be quite honest- the December layoff is a nice break from having to turn out the Flypaper for 11 months of the year. Ever time I sit down to write my monthly column, I feel a great deal of empathy for those poor souls who write for a living. I can't imagine my livelihood being dependant on my own ability to turn out prose. I far prefer my livelihood being dependant on something a little more stable. Anyway, a little vacation time, even from your favorite avocation, is good for the soul. The pause that refreshes, so to speak. In any event, here we are in a brand new year, so it's off we go.

A new year also means a change in chapter leadership, and I'd like to officially welcome our newly elected chapter officers. Longtime member Sune Ericson and new member Andy Laures were both duly railroad... er, elected at the November meeting, and according to our by laws, are officially installed in January. I think the bylaws also say something about new officers having to buy beer for the group, but I'll have to double check that. In any event, thanks to Sune and Andy for stepping up.

As some of you know by now, January 1st, 2010 was the 50th anniversary of the incorporation of Chapter 18 as a separate chapter of EAA. We all know that "It All Started Here" and that during the first few years of EAA's existence, the operations of the Milwaukee chapter were so closely intertwined with that of EAA National, that they were virtually one and the same. In fact, we were even referred to as the "Headquarters Chapter" in the early days. The program for the January meeting will be a celebration of our 50th anniversary (or is it birthday?) complete with

cake! Reminiscing about the early days, complete with pictures, video and historical chapter documents will be the order of the day, so come on out to help celebrate our first half century!

January is the month in which your board of directors lays out the schedule of programs for the year. This is a much bigger job than one person, or even a committee, can pull off, and we are always looking for help. If anyone has any good ideas or suggestions for programs for the year, we'd love to hear them. Show and tell, extended project reports, guest speakers, let your imagination run wild. It doesn't even have to be strictly aviation related. If it interests you, then there is a good chance that it will interest the rest of us too. The chapter is only as good as the people who make it up, and this is one area where this is especially true, so step up to the plate.

Some of the things that we have planned for this coming year are already in the works.

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Over the past few years we've started a couple of events that are well on their way to becoming chapter traditions. One of these is the Winter Project Patrol. For those who haven't attended one, the P-P goes something like this: a pack of hungry Chapter 18ers descends upon a local eatery for breakfast. After stuffing our faces, we then set off like a pack of car-pooling wolves in search of a suitable airplane project. Finding our prey, we surround it and spend the better part of an hour or two giving it a good going over, and providing its hapless builder with oodles of worth-every-penny-they-paid-for-it advice and critique. Once the carcass is picked down to the bone, the pack sets off in search of another project. The process is repeated two or three

times, until we run out of projects, or until the DNR declares project season to be over.

The 2010 menu of projects includes Dave Leikam's RV-10, Fred Keip's Wag-a-Bond, and, if we are really lucky, the famous/ infamous Scott/ Freisleben Fokker D-6 1/2! Won't that be a treat! The date for the patrol is tentatively set for Saturday February 20th, so mark your calendars now.

2009 marked the inaugural year of the Chapter 18 Builder's Workshop, sort of our own mini version of a Sportair type workshop. In 2009, chapter members were introduced to the wonderful world of aluminum aircraft construction, and spent the day learning about the theory behind aluminum

construction, the tools and processes used, and best of all, lots of time for hands on practice. The 2009 event was very well received, so in 2010 we are planning another workshop, this and this time the subject will be gas welding/ steel tube construction. The date has not been set as of press time, but look for it on a Saturday in early April.

A busy year awaits us. We are right in the midst of the "building" half of the "flying season/ building season" of the Wisconsin calendar, so I hope all of you are spending lots of quality time in your workshops. Looking forward to lots of good building reports at the meeting. Until then, keep your airspeed up, and keep your workshops warm this winter!

CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2010

| DATE | TIME | EVENT | LOCATION |
|-----------|------|-------------------|----------|
| 2.20.2010 | | Project Patrol | |
| TBD | | Builders Workshop | |
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Chapter 18 Minutes from the November "09" Meeting

The November meeting was called to order by President Jeff Point at 7:40 PM at the CAP Hangar at Timmerman Field.

Announcements: The Chapter 18 Memorial plaque is now displayed on the wall of our meeting room. The December board meeting will be held at El Fuego on Layton Ave. on Dec. 8th and is open to all as no business is conducted. Fred Keip announced that he has been selected by EAA to be one of five members on the Homebuilt Aircraft council. Fred is looking for 5 ideas to present to help enhance the Homebuilders experience at AirVenture. If you have a suggestion, please contact Fred. The January Chapter program will be the 50th anniversary of Chapter 18 and it will be "history night" with cake and coffee. Also upcoming events this year will be the annual "project patrol" and possibly another Chapter hand-on workshop about welding.

Building Reports: Jack Beck reported that after 4 years of building, his RV9A was inspected on 11-22-09 and first flight took place on 11-21-09. Jim Hatzenbeller reported that after hanging the wings on his GlaStar, the cables for the flaps, ailerons, rudder and

elevator have been completed along with help from Sune Ericson. Jim Phillips reported that his Skybolt is on the gear and he has the engine hung. He is now working on the cowling. Jim Riordan reported that that his Defiant is completed and that taxi testing is now being conducted. Brian Krebs reported that the wings on his RV8 are finished and he is fitting the canopy framework. Dave Hoefgren reported that he is working on the canopy and cowling on his RV10. Andy Laures gave a report on getting parts of his Mustang II alodine coated at a local supplier. Fred Keip reported that he is sandblasting the rust off of his Wag-A-Bond fuselage and getting it ready to prime. Jessie Bentley reported that he is working on the cowling on his RV8. Jeff Point reported that he is welding the fuselage on his Breezy.

Flying Reports: Dave Hoefgren reported on flying to lola for lunch. Fred flew over to Palmyra as well as Ron Scott. Eric Whyte reported on 2 of his students who are taking IFR instruction.

Tech Counselors: No report

Young Eagles: No report

Flight Advisors: Eric Whyte reported that after March 31st, paper certificates will no longer be valid as a pilot's license. You must upgrade to the new plastic one.

Break was taken after which time elections were held. Treasurer's report and minutes have been approved. Nominations for elections were closed. As there were no challenged positions, all

nominees were confirmed by voice vote. Jeff Point will be President for another 2 year term. Ken Klima will be treasurer for another 2 year term. Mike Woods will serve another 2 year term. New board members are Sune Ericson and Andy Laures. Stephanie Murray will continue as the Young Eagles coordinator. As this concluded business for the evening, a session of "hangar flying" was conducted.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:55pm.

Respectfully submitted, Jim Hatzenbeller (Secretary)

Board Meeting Minutes for November, "09"

The November Board meeting was called to order at 6:30 by President Jeff Point at the CAP hangar at Timmerman Field. Jim Hatzenbeller, Tom Stranak, Darrell Kufalk, Chris Esselstyn, Joe Ptaszek, and Fred Keip, were present. Minutes and Treasurer's report from the previous meeting were approved as published in the newsletter.

Old Business: Jeff announced that elections are to be held at the Chapter meeting later tonight. The position of President, Treasurer and 3 board positions will be on the ballot. Fritz Jorgenson and Stephanie Murray will be ending their position on the board. Mike Woods has agreed to run for another term, as well as Jeff for President and Ken Klima for Treasurer.

The Chapter program will be "Open Mike" or talk about whatever you want.

It was reported that the Oct. dinner banquet went well and we should plan to do it at the same place again next year. The addition of door prizes was well received and will also be continued next year.

Young Eagles: No report

New Business: The December board meeting will be held on Dec. 8th at El Fuego on Layton Ave., the same location as the old Prime Quarter restaurant. As always, this is open to all members. Drinks at 6:00 and eat at 7:00.

It was reported that January 1st 2010 is the 50th anniversary of Chapter 18. With that in mind, the January Chapter meeting program will be Chapter history

night, along with coffee and cake.

Meeting adjourned at 7:25.

Respectfully submitted, Jim Hatzenbeller (Secretary).



REMINDERS

- January is the primary month for collecting the annual dues for Chapter 18. \$10 due for 2010. Once again there is no increase in cost to the members and the \$10 payment covers all your expenses throughout the year. If possible, bring a check with you the January meeting payable to **EAA Chapter 18**.
- The FAA now has a requirement that all paper pilot certificates must be replaced by the new plastic pilot certificates by **March 31, 2010**. As outlined in FAR Part 61.19(3)(g):

"Duration of pilot certificates. Except for a temporary certificate issued under 61.17 or a student pilot certificate issued under paragraph (b) of this section, the holder of a paper pilot certificate issued under this part may not exercise the privileges of that certificate after March 31, 2010.

You can replace your certificate by going to the following link on the faa.gov website:

www.faa.gov/licenses_certificates/airmen_certification/certificate_replacement/

It may be renewed on-line or by a downloadable PDF form. The fee is \$2.

NOVEMBER – DECEMBER 2009 BUDGET

| | Checking | Savings | | |
|---|------------------|-------------------|---------------|------------------|
| Beginning Bal. 11/1/09 | \$910.29 | \$1,671.10 | | |
| Receipts | | | | |
| Calendars | \$358.13 | \$170.00 | | |
| Dues | | \$40.00 | | |
| Interest | | \$0.50 | | |
| Total Income | \$358.13 | \$210.50 | | |
| Expenses | | | | |
| Memorial plaque | -\$210.20 | | | |
| Banquet deposit | -\$300.00 | | | |
| Paint mask | -\$69.56 | | | |
| Calendar sales tx. | -\$31.25 | | | |
| Nametags | -\$7.78 | | | |
| Banquet door prizes | -\$89.26 | | | |
| Total Expense | -\$708.05 | \$0.00 | | |
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| Ending Bal. 12/31/09 | \$560.37 | \$1,881.60 | | |
| <i>The following account totals are included in the balances above This information is only reported once per year.</i> | | | | |
| Young Eagles Account | Date | Expense | Income | Net |
| Net carried forward | 1/1/09 | | \$529.33 | |
| Bateman Scholarship | 4/22/08 | -\$200.00 | | |
| Murray Supplis | 5/26/09 | -\$103.89 | | |
| Bateman chapter contrib. | 7/10/09 | -\$50.00 | | |
| Supplies, Murray | 9/21/09 | -\$71.88 | | |
| | | -\$225.77 | \$529.33 | \$303.56 |
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| Patches Account | Date | Expense | Income | Total |
| Initial supply | 7/10/09 | -\$250.00 | | |
| Sales | 7/22/09 | | \$92.00 | |
| Sales | 8/25/09 | | \$30.00 | |
| Sales | 10/27/09 | | \$4.00 | |
| | | -\$250.00 | 126.00 | -\$124.00 |
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| Calendars account 09-10 | Date | Expense | Income | Net |
| Initial supply | 10/27/09 | -\$656.25 | | |
| Chapter sales | 10/27/09 | | \$160.00 | |
| Microlite Flyers | 11/03/09 | | \$98.44 | |
| Chapter 22 | 11/21/09 | | \$229.69 | |
| Sold | 12/08/09 | | \$30.00 | |
| Sold | 24-Nov | | \$170.00 | |
| | | -\$656.25 | \$688.13 | \$31.88 |
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| Banquet Account 2009 | | Expense | Income | Net |
| Cash collected | | | \$1,206.00 | |
| Dinner cost w/ Bar tender | | -\$1,313.35 | | |
| Chapter contrib. Door Prizes | | -\$89.26 | | |
| | | -\$1,402.61 | \$1,206.00 | -\$196.61 |
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| Bateman Scholarship Fund (Closed) | Date | Expense | Income | Net |
| Net carried forward | 1/1/09 | | 1550 | |
| Jeff ? | 5/26/09 | -\$600.00 | | |
| Aaron | 5/26/09 | -\$950.00 | | |
| | | -\$1,550.00 | 1550 | \$0.00 |

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