



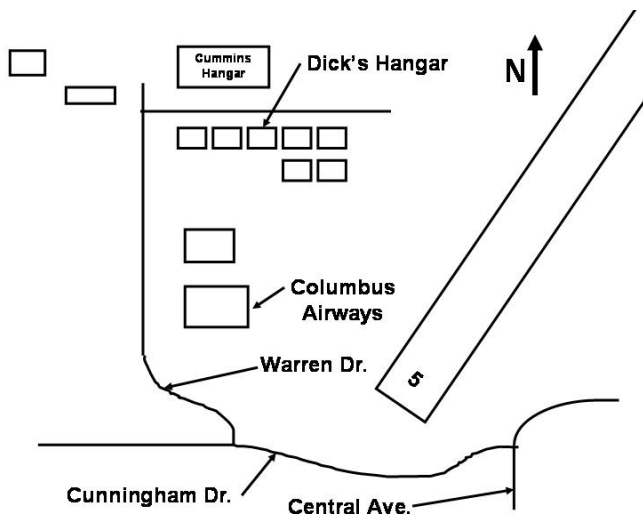
Columbus Area Aviators

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August Meeting

The August meeting (Thursday evening August 2nd) will be a recap of AirVenture 2007 so bring your pictures and stories. If you didn't have a chance to get to Oshkosh then this is an opportunity to see what you missed. A number of us from Chapter 729 will be there for most of the week, so there should be lots of pictures and stories from a number of perspectives.

The meeting will be held in Dick Gaynor's hangar – see map below. If the weather cooperates, try to show up early and we'll see if we can get some flying / airplane rides organized before the meeting. Seems like an appropriate activity for an organization that claims to like aviation.



The meeting will start at 7:00 PM (or perhaps slightly later if we can get some flying in before the meeting); so come out early for flying, refreshments, or both. If you have some "camping chairs" please bring them.

July Meeting

The July meeting included an excellent presentation by Jim Stark on his experiences as a Navy pilot flying Lockheed P2V7 "Neptune" patrol planes.



Jim has written a book on his Navy career titled **"Two Turning, Two Burning, Memoir of a Naval Aviator"** (the name comes from the fact that the plane had two radial engines and two turbojet engines).

The description of the techniques for locating and then tracking "cold war" subs was quite interesting; as were some stories of the "friendly harassment" between the aircraft crews and the Russian trawler crews.

Notes From The "Prez"

It's only a few days before we leave for AirVenture and preparations are well under way. We should have a great Chapter 729 contingent at the annual Oshkosh event this year. I've counted about 10 members that I know of who will be there. We hope to see you all during the fly-in. Mike & Jeff Foushee, Larry Morlock, Rebekah Spalding and I will be camped around 32nd St, between Schaik and Lindbergh, and will be registered at the camp office if you are settled in elsewhere and would like to visit.

Some of the highlights are listed on the www.flightsmith.com website in preview and, of course, the entire schedule is on www.airventure.org. I am especially looking forward to seeing the F22 Raptors again, and this year they are scheduled to be there every day for a few minutes.

On the Ford Tri-Motor topic again; we had an addition to the sponsorship money which I missed in my summary at the last meeting. We had \$250 of sponsorship from the City of Columbus which I was reminded of during presentation of a "Thank You" certificate to Mayor Armstrong. We have also delivered or mailed "Thank You" letters and certificates to all of the sponsors and the major supporters of the event.



If you know of someone who helped, supported or just 'cheered us on', please be sure they get a resounding THANKS from the Chapter.

We've already talked about the next meeting being an Oshkosh review... LOTS of pictures and "hangar flying". With that in mind, let's do it at my hangar and if we can get together early, we'll do a few rides around the patch to start the evening.

See you all at the meeting in a couple weeks if not at Oshkosh next week.

Dick Gaynor

Aviation/Member News

Officers For 2006

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Ford Tri-Motor Visit Statistics

The visit last month by the EAA Ford Tri-Motor was certainly a success in terms of community support and participation. Over the 2 and one half day period, there were 45 flights with a total of 367 passengers. To put this into perspective, Columbus Ohio (a much larger city) had less than 300 passengers and their visit included a weekend whereas ours was held on weekdays only. Thanks again to everyone who helped support this event.

Based on the success of this year's event, the Ford may return to Columbus in 2008 tentatively on the weekend before Father's Day (get your gift requests in now).

EAA B-17 Visit to Bloomington (BMG)

The EAA B-17 "Aluminum Overcast" will make a visit to Bloomington airport (BMG) on Tuesday Sept. 11th and Wednesday Sept. 12th.

Flights in the aircraft will be available (\$359 in advance for EAA members). For more information go to www.b-17.org

Boeing 7-Series “Reunion”

Amid all the 787 roll-out hoopla, perhaps the coolest event went unnoticed. On Saturday night, Boeing had all of the 787 airline representatives at an event at the Museum of Flight. At 7:07 PM, an Omega Air Refueling Services 707 landed in front of the crowd (after taking off from Paine Field in Everett). At 7:17, an AirTran 717 landed. This continued until 8:17 when an Air France 777-300ER landed.

In the end, the 707, 717, 727, 737, 747, 757, 767, and 777 were all lined up nose-to-tail on the taxiway. It is the first time Boeing has had every 7-series airplane in the same place (not including the 787, which, of course, couldn't make the flight).



Interesting Websites

- www.flightblogger.blogspot.com/
- www.air-races.com/
- www.fighter-planes.com/
- www.redarrows.com/
- www.flyingdirectory.com/

2007 Young Eagle Flights

The remaining Young Eagle Flight events for 2007 will be held on the following Sat. mornings.

Aug 4th Sept 8th

These events are a great way to introduce kids to the wonders of aviation (not to mention a good reason to go flying on a Saturday morning).

We'll obviously need pilots with planes to volunteer; but it is equally important to have volunteers for ground operations. Please mark these dates on your calendars.

Calendar of Events

- July 23-29 AirVenture Fly-In
Oshkosh, WI (OSH)
- July 28-29 Dayton Airshow
Dayton Int'l Airport (DAY)
- Aug 11 North Vernon Airport Day
North Vernon, IN (OVO)
- Aug 11-12 Chanute Air Museum Air Fest
Rantoul, IL (TIP)
- Aug 12 “Sinful Sunday”
Lee Bottom – Hanover, IN (64I)
- Aug 25-26 Indy Air Show (Blue Angels)
Mt Comfort Airport (MQJ)
- Aug 25-26 EAA Mid-Eastern Fly-In
Marion, OH (MNN)
- Sept 1 Fly-In / Cruise-In
Marion, IN (MZZ)
- Sept 11-12 EAA B-17 Flights
Bloomington, IN (BMG)
- Sept 14-16 Terre Haute Air Fair
Terre Haute, IN (HUF)
- Sept 21-23 Dawn Patrol WWI Fly-In
Wright-Patterson – Dayton, OH
- Sept 22-23 Blue Ash Airport Days
Cincinnati, OH (ISZ)
- Sept 27-30 Gathering of Mustangs/Legends
Columbus, OH (LCK)
- Sept 29 Wood, Fabric & Tailwheel Fly-In
Lee Bottom – Hanover, IN (64I)

Future Meetings

The 2007 chapter meetings are tentatively scheduled for the first Thursday of each month.

Sep 6th Oct 4th Nov 1st Dec 6th

Chapter meetings are a good way to meet others in the local area who share your interest in aviation – homebuilding, restoration, aviation history, military aviation, hangar flying, etc. It is also a way to become involved in activities such as Young Eagle events, visits to member projects, “fly-outs”, etc. Come join us – you’ll find that it is another way to stay involved in aviation.

Newsletter Input

The newsletter editor is always looking for member input. If you have input please contact Mike by phone at 812-342-3032 or E-mail at mike.j.foushee@cummins.com by the third Friday of each month.

Items For Sale or Needed

As long a space is available, I’ll list items either wanted or for sale that are AVIATION related. If you will provide me with a brief description and contact information, I will include your items.

Don’t “Take Your Tent” To Oshkosh -

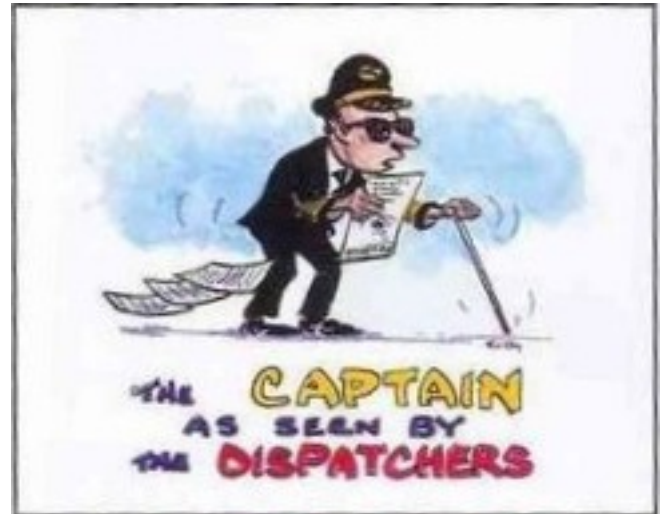


1975 Revcon motorhome \$6,000
One owner (and it knows the way to OSH)
All aircraft aluminum construction
Olds 455 drivetrain - 15 mpg
Can be seen at Best Muffler – 25th St & Central
Contact Mike Williams 812-375-1954

Aviation Humor

Airline Captains

This is the fourth in a series of caricatures of airline captains as seen from different perspectives –



Flying Truths

The scientific theory I like best is that the rings of Saturn are composed entirely of lost airline baggage.

An old pilot is one who can remember when flying was dangerous and sex was safe

Airlines have really changed, now a flight attendant can get a pilot pregnant.

Both optimists and pessimists contribute to the society. The optimist invents the aeroplane, the pessimist the parachute.

If helicopters are so safe, how come there are no vintage/classic helicopter fly-ins

Death is just nature's way of telling you to watch your airspeed or rotor RPM

Real planes use only a single stick to fly. This is why bulldozers & helicopters -- in that order - - need two."

There are only three things the copilot should ever say:

1. Nice landing, Sir.
2. I'll buy the first round.
3. I'll take the ugly one.

As a pilot only two bad things can happen to you and one of them will.

- a. One day you will walk out to the aircraft knowing that it is your last flight.
- b. One day you will walk out to the aircraft not knowing that it is your last flight.

There are Rules and there are Laws.

The Rules are made by men who think that they know better how to fly your airplane than you.

Laws of Physics were made by the Great One.

You can, and sometimes should, suspend the Rules but you can never suspend the Laws.

About Rules:

- a. The rules are a good place to hide if you don't have a better idea and the talent to execute it.
- b. If you deviate from a rule, it must be a flawless performance. (e.g., If you fly under a bridge, don't hit the bridge.)

The ideal pilot is the perfect blend of discipline and aggressiveness.

The medical profession is the natural enemy of the aviation profession.

Ever notice that the only experts who decree that the age of the pilot is over are people who have never flown anything? Also, in spite of the intensity of their feelings that the pilot's day is over -- I know of no expert who has volunteered to be a passenger in a non-piloted aircraft.

Before each flight, make sure that your bladder is empty and your fuel tanks are full!

He who demands everything that his aircraft can give him is a pilot; he that demands one iota more is a fool.

There are certain aircraft sounds that can only be heard at night.

The aircraft limits are only there in case there is another flight by that particular aircraft. If subsequent flights do not appear likely, there are no limits.

Flying is a great way of life for men who want to feel like boys, but not for those who still are.

Flying is a hard way to earn an easy living.

Forget all that stuff about lift, gravity, thrust and drag. An airplane flies because of money. If God had meant man to fly, He'd have given him more money.

If black boxes survive air crashes -- why don't they make the whole plane out of that stuff?

If the Wright brothers were alive today Wilber would have to fire Orville to reduce costs.

In the Alaska bush I'd rather have a two hour bladder and three hours of gas than vice versa.

It's not that all airplane pilots are good-looking. Just that good-looking people seem more capable of flying airplanes. Or so seasoned observers contend. A matter of self-confidence? No doubt, no doubt.

I've flown in both pilot seats; can someone tell me why the other one is always occupied by an idiot?

Son, you're going to have to make up your mind about growing up and becoming a pilot. You can't do both.

There are only two types of aircraft -- fighters and targets.

You define a good flight by negatives: you didn't get hijacked, you didn't crash, you didn't throw up, you weren't late, you weren't nauseated by the food. So you're grateful.

You know they invented wheelbarrows to teach FAA inspectors to walk on their hind legs.

New FAA Motto:

"We're not happy till you're not happy"
