



EAA Chapter 729 Newsletter

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August Program

Our August meeting will be a joint meeting with the Air Force Association – Local Chapter 288 – by invitation from General John Hoff. Cummins Retiree and WWII P-47 pilot Ernie (Bill) Schorr will give a presentation on the China, Burma, India Theater of Operation during WWII. The meeting will be held at the Bakalar Museum. Social gathering will begin at 6:30 PM with the program starting at 7:00 PM on Thursday, August 16.

July Program

We traveled to Southeast Indianapolis to Post-Air (7L8) for a joint meeting with Chapter 900 at the American Military Heritage Museum/Hangar. We were the guests of Martin Fall and Chapter 900 President Frank Rushton. Shortly after we arrived at the Museum/Hangar we were given a brief tour of the impressive facility. Next, Jim Graham, retired naval aviator, gave a very interesting/entertaining presentation about his experiences with Naval aviation. His discussion ranged from how he got into the flight school while being ½ inch too short, to his experience flying a blimp (and many other aircraft). Thanks to Chapter 900 and Jim Graham for allowing us to participate in their chapter meeting.

The American Military Heritage Museum and Martin Fall were featured in an article in the latest Sport Aviation (August 2001, page 73). The article highlighted EAA Chapter 900's efforts to introduce aviation to the Girl Scouts.

September Program

Our September program will be focused on powered parachutes. Local flyer Russ Kuhn will host our Chapter meeting at his home airstrip located near Grandview Lake. Russ flies a Buckeye powered parachute (these are manufactured here in Indiana). Directions to Russ' home will be printed in the September newsletter.

Chapter Website

Tom Dollmeyer is still in need of information related to member projects to post on our web site. Tom and Barty Moffett will make the scanner available at future chapter meetings. If you have any photos you would like to post, please bring them to the meeting or forward them to Tom. A very short descriptive caption should accompany the photo(s).

If you need to know the current ID and password for the members only section of the web site (www.bakalar.org/ea) please contact Barty or Tom.

We still plan to post photos and flight planning information from our June meeting (Dr. Riley/Jim Pirtle) on our website.

Young Eagles

Our July Young Eagles Flight Rally was a great success. Thirty-seven Young Eagles took to the skies on Saturday, July 14, 2001. Afterwards, they were treated to "rumble seat" rides in a Model A Ford. Witnesses report seeing big smiles on everyone's faces (kids,

pilots and Model A drivers). Thanks to our volunteer pilots – Dick Belush, Tom Dollmeyer and Larry Morlock – for their continued support. Thanks to the ground support volunteers – Doug Burgham, Kelly Cain, Joe Cartwright, Mike Foushee, Jesse James, Toby Orme and Karl Schilling – for running a fun, well organized safe event.

The next two Young Eagle Flight Rallies will be Saturday August 18 and Saturday September 22, 2001. Due to some complications with insurance the Girl Scouts will not be participating in a special Young Eagles Flight Rally. The Girl Scouts will be invited to participate (as individuals) in our scheduled flight rallies.

We have had additional discussions with the Boy Scouts. They are planning a three-day event October 26-28 to help Scouts earn Aviation Merit Badges. They expect to draw 120-150 scouts from four local counties (Bartholomew, Jennings, Jackson and Decatur).

Phillips 66 fuel rebates for Young Eagles flights will be available again in 2001. Ask Rhoades Aviation about this rebate when you fill your fuel tanks.

Chapter Hangar - Larry Morlock

No activity in July on the hangar project, but we will resume meetings in this month at 7:00pm on Wed, Aug 8, and Wed, Aug 22, both in the small upstairs conference room at the Columbus Airport terminal building. We also have a meeting scheduled with the Airport Manager, Rod Blasdel, to continue the dialogue about the hangar and to discuss possible Phase One alternatives. We have heard back from the IRS, as expected, with a number of additional questions about our 501c3 tax status application, which Eric Bradley is responding to. Our committee's immediate focus is still to define a Phase One approach for a chapter hangar that we think is viable for our organization.

Board of Directors Meeting

As a reminder, the Board of Directors meeting for September will be held on Thursday, September 6 at 4:30 PM in the small conference room upstairs at the Columbus Airport Terminal Building.

Aviation/Member News

Ultralight flight rally at Hepler Field sponsored by Evansville EAA Chapter on August 11.

Fun Fly-In/BBQ lunch sponsored by EAA Chapter 920 at Howard Brandon's Private Air Strip (2100' grass 19 and 01) on Saturday, September 8. 36° 34'33.2" N. 088° 18' 48.131" W. Monitor traffic on 122.8. For additional information call airport at (270)753-6789 or e-mail jparker@wk.net

Jerry Brown was interviewed for an article that appeared in the July 2001 Sport Aviation (see "Group Therapy" article on page 59).

Congratulations are in order for Mike Williams. He received an Outstanding Open Cockpit Biplane [Bronze Age – 1933-1941] for his 1940 DeHavilland Tiger Moth DH 82A (N8879) at Oshkosh Airventure 2001. It is nice to see that awards do go to individuals who do their own work.

Dan McElroy was involved in a serious auto accident in mid-July in Michigan. He is out of the hospital and recovering now. He expects to have a full recovery in 4-5 months, but it may be longer to get his medical certificate back. Dan, I'm sure we all hope you have a quick and complete recovery.

Interesting Web Sites

www.tillamookair.com

Tillamook Air Museum homepage

Nametags

Nametags with our EAA logo, your name, and one line stating your interests (Aircraft, N-Number, etc.) will be made available free of charge to those members who have not yet received one. Replacement nametags can be obtained for \$6.00. Contact Barty Moffett if you are interested in getting a nametag.

Newsletter Input

The newsletter editor is always looking for member input. If you have input please contact Dan by phone at 378-8865 or e-mail at villiger@hsonline.net by the first Friday of each month.

My computer problems last month were caused by a virus. This virus found my e-mail address list and sent itself out to some people on that list. If you received some strange messages from me in July, I did not intend to send them to you. I have removed this virus using Norton Anti-Virus software.

Dr. Riley and Jim Pirtle

June Chapter Meeting



Calendar of Events

- Saturday, August 11
Ultralight Flight Rally
Hepler Field near Evansville
- Tuesday, August 14 – Indy Aero Club
Capt. John Purdy – P-38 Pilot
Contact Dick Egan for reservations
(317) 253-5923
- Thursday, August 16, 7:00 PM
Membership Meeting
Bakalar Museum
- Saturday, August 18 YEFR
Columbus Airport
- Wednesday, August 22, 7:00 PM
Hangar Committee Meeting
Upstairs meeting room at BAK
- Saturday, August 25
Washington Co. Pilots Fly-in Breakfast
Salem Airport
- Fri-Sun August 24-26
AL Overcast Rides
Cincinnati (LUK)
- Sat/Sun August 25-26
VW Engine Enthusiasts
Fulton Co. Airport
Wauseon, Ohio
- Tuesday, September 4
Chuck Yeager to speak at fundraiser in
Indy. Call (317) 781-4775 for details
- Thursday, September 6, 4:30 PM
Board of Directors Meeting
Upstairs meeting room at BAK
- Saturday, September 8
EAA 920 Fun Fly-In/BBQ Lunch (free)
Howard Brandon's Private Strip
Near Murray, KY
- September 7-9
Mid-Eastern Regional Fly-In
Marion, Ohio
- Wednesday, September 12, 7:00 PM
Hangar Committee Meeting
Upstairs meeting room at BAK
- Thursday, September 20, 7:00 PM
Membership Meeting
Russ Kuhn's Airstrip
- Saturday, September 22 YEFR
Columbus Airport
- Saturday, September 29
Wood, Fabric & Tailwheels Fly-In
Lee Bottom Airport (64I)

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Standing Room Only at the June Chapter Meeting!

