



EAA Chapter 729 Newsletter

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January Program

Member Dan McElroy has been hard at work preparing his program on the new Eclipse twin jet aircraft. Dan brought back a great deal of information from his recent visit to the factory in Albuquerque, New Mexico. The meeting will take place on **Wednesday January 16th** at 7:00 PM in the Columbus Municipal Airport basement conference room. For a sneak preview, checkout the following sites:

www.eclipseaviation.com

www.williams-int.com

We hope to have a good turnout for this meeting – bring a friend!

Please note that the meeting has been moved to Wednesday in lieu of our normal day of the week. This was due to a schedule conflict in booking the room.

December Program

Dr. James Stribling (seen on the left with his beautiful RV-4) gave a slide presentation on the recent flying adventure (18 days, 3600nm) he and friend Kent Witte had exploring the Australian Outback via light plane. They utilized an Australian Flying Service that provides aircraft (C-172's), lodging, and catering for self-flown tours of the Outback. Jim's photos illustrated the vast expanse of the Outback as well as the varied scenery from desert to beaches. He and Kent recommend this way to see Australia to anyone who might be interested.



Guests at the meeting included: Jim's wife Ann Courtney, Kent Witte, Martin Cole, Larry Bothe (representing the Freeman Field Flying Assoc.) and his wife Pat.

February Program

We have scheduled a FAA Safety (Wings) Program for the February meeting. Lew Owens from the FAA Indianapolis FSDO will provide the program. The meeting will take place on Wednesday February 20th at 7:00 PM in the Columbus Municipal Airport basement conference room.

March Program

We will return to the usual "3rd Thursday" schedule for meeting with the March meeting on Thursday March 21st.

Young Eagles

Chapter 729 has flown nearly 700 Young eagles during its existence. We owe our success to our many volunteers: congratulations to our leading Young Eagle

Pilot – Dick Belush. Dick has flown a total of 120 Young Eagles to date! Congratulations also to Larry Morlock who has just flown his 100th Young Eagle! Also to our associate Robert Brennan from Fishers, IN who has flown a total of 105 Young Eagles. Robert has flown around 20 Young Eagles for Chapter 729. Continued thanks go out to all of our Pilots and Ground Volunteers for making this a successful program.

Board of Directors Meeting

The January Board meeting was held Jan 3rd with Toby Orme, Dave Timbers, Larry Morlock, Barty Moffett, and Mike Foushee in attendance.

2001 Financial Report

Opening Balance 01/01/2001

Checking Account	\$ 496.13	
Petty Cash	\$ 25.00	
Name Tags & Badges Fund	\$0.00	
Total		\$ 521.13

Debits

Newsletter & Postage Expense	\$ 120.85	
EAA National Chapter Dues & Insurance	\$ 130.00	
Membership Drive (Postage and Letters)	\$ 186.13	
501c3 Application Fee	\$ 150.00	
Christmas Party	\$ 24.53	
Total		\$ 611.51

Deposits

Membership Dues	\$ 480.00	
Total		\$ 480.00

Closing Balance 12/31/2001

Checking	\$ 364.62	
Petty Cash	\$ 25.00	
Name Tags & Badges Fund	\$ 5.70	
Total		\$ 395.32

He noted that the EAA chapter fees have increased as follows: Chapter registration from \$20 to \$40 and insurance from \$40 to \$90.

Chapter Hangar - Larry Morlock

Larry reported that the IRS has rejected our application as Chapter 729 for 501C3 status (too many other activities besides education and philanthropy).

We can still pursue this status for a separate corporation under the Chapter for purposes of obtaining tax-deductible donations for a hangar to support community activities such as Young Eagle Flights.

Aviation/Member News

Chapter 729 membership would like to thank Past President Larry Morlock and Past Newsletter Editor Dan Villiger for their leadership and extensive efforts in making Chapter 729 an outstanding success!!

Toby Orme reported that the Chapter can access the EAA video library for free. These videos include Fly-In coverage as well as the "How To" videos. The videos are available for a 3-month rental free of charge to Chapters on a "first-come-first-served" basis. Members wishing to rent a video should contact Toby.

Interesting Web Sites

Mike Williams has renamed his website as follows: www.mikeshanger.com

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 Mike by phone at 342-3032 or e-mail at mike.j.foushee@cummins.com by the first Friday of each month. If you are receiving this via regular mail but would like to get it via E-Mail, please send me your E-Mail address – it saves the chapter money and you get it sooner.

Since I'm requesting member input, I thought I'd kick things off by including a photo of my Mustang II center section that is underway in my airplane factory (aka garage).



Eventually, I hope it ends up looking like the one below built by Paul Cox from Louisville.



Calendar of Events

The Young Eagle Flights for 2002 are scheduled for the following Saturday mornings:

June 22nd
July 20th
August 18th
September 21st

Remember we need pilots, aircraft, and ground support to make these events successful – please volunteer.

Officers for 2002

President – Toby Orme
Vice President – Doug Burgham
Treasurer – Barty Moffett
Newsletter Editor – Mike Foushee
Class III Director – Larry Morlock
Young Eagles Coordinator - Open
Webmaster - Tom Dollmeyer
Historian - Dave Timbers
Technical Counselors: Jerry Brown, Karl Schilling, Jim Shaffstall, Mike Williams

If you would like to nominate someone (or yourself) for the Young Eagles Coordinator position please contact one of the current Chapter 729 Officers.

Aviation Humor

Some actual in-flight quotes:

On a Continental flight with a very “senior” flight attendant crew, the pilot said: “Ladies and gentlemen, we’ve reached cruising altitude and will be turning down the cabin lights. This is for your comfort and to enhance the appearance of your flight attendants.”

On landing the stewardess said: “Please be sure to take all of your belongings. If you’re going to leave anything, please make sure it’s something we’d like to have.”

“There may be 50 ways to leave your lover, but there are only 4 ways off this airplane.”

“Thank you for flying Delta Business Express. We hope you enjoyed giving us the business as much as we enjoyed taking you for a ride.”

As the plane landed and was coming to a stop at Washington National, a lone voice came over the loudspeaker: “Whoa, big fella, WHOA!”

After a particularly rough landing during thunderstorms in Memphis, a flight attendant on a Northwest flight announced: “Please take care when opening the overhead compartments because, after a landing like that, sure as hell everything has shifted.”