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NOVEMBER GATHERING REVIEW

As seen below there was a good turnout for the November gathering. VP Joey Shreve conducted the meeting for Prez Tom who was away. Below right chapter secretary Brandi Brewer serves up pizza bake casserole made by VP Joey and treats us to her own apple cake. Wonderful! Thank you Joey and Brandi!

Joey urged chapter members to make their reservations for the Christmas Party at Hannaford Inn and Suites on Sat. Dec 4. Watch for email reminders as the date draws near. The dinner will be catered. Joey and Brandi will provide deserts. Be sure to plan for our traditional white elephant gift exchange.

Items for sale:

- Appareo GPS receiver from Charlie Corder
- Piper Cherokee from Roger Rose.
- Bob Ferguson's Sky Ranger

Valentine Boehm has some chapter items stored in his hangar. See him for details.

Joey and Brandi will be leading a hangar cleanup and reorganization. Volunteers will be needed to help.

Project Reports:

- Dave Griffith reported on his Arrow nose gear trunion. More details next page.
- Mark Reising reported on Poplar Grove Jenny's first flight. Pictures this edition.
- Bob Dombek made several good flights in his Tiger Moth. Pictures this edition.



Visitor Logan Barr, left, is seen with chapter member Mark Taylor. Logan is learning to fly at Clermont County, but often finds himself at Butler County for landing practice. Logan and Mark have a connection by attending the same church.

Welcome Logan! Please come back whenever you can!

Photos: e.



Pictured left and right is the nose gear trunion from Dave Griffith's Piper Arrow. He has been working on the Arrow for several months. As noted last month, it started out as an engine overhaul and morphed into an extensive restoration with upgrades. Dave wanted to point out the way pending failures can hide from a casual inspection. In this case the trunion had a significant crack which was hidden by a guide. See left. When the guide was removed, there was the crack. See right. Dave pointed out that it could have been developing for years but was hidden the guide. The trunion required complete replacement. Thanks Dave for this important lesson in careful inspections.



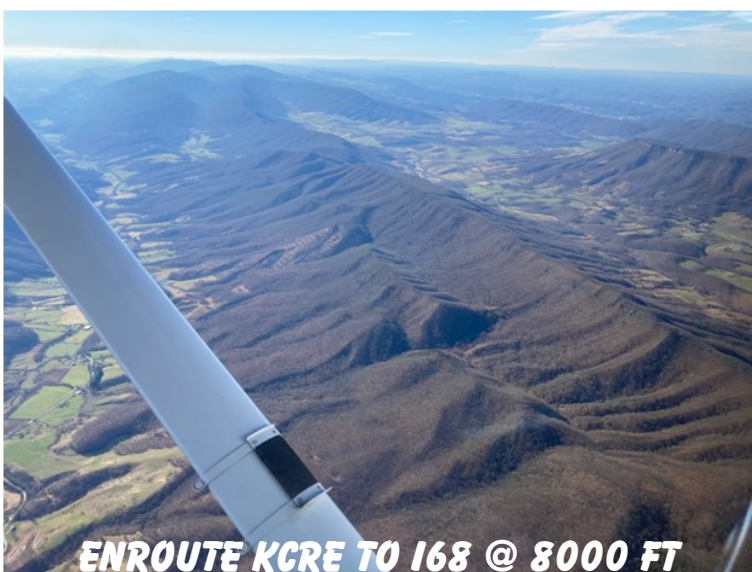
Bob Dombek and Roger McClure purchased the chapter hangar heater following approval by the board. Bob and Roger drove to Hog Slat, a vendor in Union City, Ohio, a supplier for farmers who raise hogs and poultry. With help from Ray who drove the fork lift, the heater was hung and tested. Thanks Roger and Ray! This will give us comfort for January, February, March and perhaps April chapter gatherings. Photos: ed.



GATHERING AS A COMMUNITY...

Hi everyone,

Having just had the opportunity to celebrate Thanksgiving, spending time with friends and family at the dinner table, it reminds me just how much each of us have to be thankful for. One of the things that I know I'm thankful for are the friendships that have grown out of being a part of our EAA Chapter.



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We are a special group of aviation enthusiasts, each with our own passions and skills. Everyone has a unique background, stories to share and certainly skills and knowledge pass along.

It's great to see everyone at each of the monthly gatherings, but I always look forward to the annual Chapter Christmas party! For me, it's not only a special time of year, but being able to gather as a community, share a meal, and getting to meet and talk with everyone's supporting spouse, partners and friends make it extra special.

After us having to cancel last years event due to the pandemic, I'm looking forward to this years event even more!

For those who may have missed the past couple of monthly gatherings, we are holding this year's Christmas party next Saturday December 4th. We are having the food brought in from Maggiano's so important that we quickly get a final attendance count. Please reach out directly Roger McClure to make plans to settle up the \$25.00 per person payment.

I can't wait to see everyone to get to raise a glass of cheer, and celebrate our opportunity to gather as a community!



Blue skies! Tom

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TOM RETURNING FROM MYRTLE BEACH

You are probably aware that Prez Tom makes frequent trips to Myrtle Beach in one of Flying Neutrons airplanes. I always enjoy seeing his pictures . I love these shots of crossing the Appalachian Mountains. He does a great job with lighting and composition. Thanks for sharing with the chapter, Tom!

Photos: Tom Martin



YOUNG EAGLES RC BUILD AND FLY FIRST FLIGHTS!

Our Young Eagles RC Build and Fly crew, Camden, Milo and Myan, got a chance to spread their wings. On 11-6 dads Greg and Joe and I caravanned to the Cincinnati Silent Flyers flying field. Using two transmitters linked via a buddy box system, each Young Eagle put in one training flight apiece. On 11-20 we got lucky with another decent flying day. Milo and Myan put in 3 training flights each. By the end of the day, I developed a callus on my index finger from holding the training button down. That was because the guys were getting so good I didn't need to rescue them. They made real progress and I was proud of them! We'll keep our eyes peeled for another good day, but this time of year they are far and few between. Congratulations to our Young Eagles! Photos: Greg Koedel



JENNY N1DP AT POPLAR GROVE, ILL. FIRST FLIGHT

If you'll remember at our September gathering, we saw slides from the builders log of the Jenny being constructed by members of EAA chapter 1414 at Poplar Grove Airport. The Jenny was built in concert with the Vintage Wings and Wheels Museum, also at Poplar Grove Airport, Illinois. The presenter was Steve McGreevy who was invited to our chapter gathering by chapter member Mark Reising.

Mark reported at the November gathering that the Jenny has had it's first flight. The flight apparently went well, but he said that it was reported to feel tail heavy and under powered. All the same, what a beautiful master piece!

What a terrific achievement for chapter 1414 and the Vintage Wings and Wheels Museum! Thank you Mark for keeping us up to date and informing us of the flight. Photos courtesy of Mark Reising.



A FEW MORE TEST HOURS FOR THE TIGER MOTH

Well, It was bound to happen. We had a warm weather teaser during the second week of November. That gave me 3 straight days of relatively warm weather testing and a little open cockpit sampler. It gave me a chance to trouble shoot a couple of engine instrument bugs and try a few touch and go landings.

*Alas, all good things must come to an end. It was time to quit while I was ahead and everything was working well. I put the Tiger Moth on the lift for the winter after wiping her down and draining the fuel. She has traded places with the Rans who needed to stretch her legs. Besides, the Rans condition inspection is due soon. Can't wait for spring!!
Photos: ed.*



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