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The Prez Says

Ron Forsythe, Chapter President

Hi folks-

Thanks go out to BJ for holding off until the end of the year to break her arm. If it would have happened sooner we might have missed out on all of those wonderful baked goodies at the meetings. Seriously BJ, sorry to hear about your injury and hope it mends soon.

Well the year is about over and I'm a "Lame Duck". There's something about being a lame duck in a flying organization that is disturbing. Anyway, I've enjoyed the year and it's been a privilege to serve as President of the Chapter. So many people deserve so many thanks for what they do for the Chapter. Keeping the hanger ship shape, putting on programs, collecting cans, giving technical advice, keeping the records and baking cookies are but a small sample of the many things that deserve our thanks.

Thanks to Kent, Howard and Kevin for displaying their projects. There seemed to be a lot of interest. I think we should consider doing project tours a couple times a year. It's so much of what we are about.

This is my last "Prez Says" and given my limited writing skills it may be a relief to both the writer and the reader. Again thanks for the opportunity and I look forward to supporting the Chapter in other ways in the future.

See you at the Party

Ron

Board Meeting Minutes

**Brian Schermerhorn,
Chapter Secretary**

Tour, no business.

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Chapter Project Tours

**Many thanks to folks that let the chapter tour their projects at the November and December Meetings.
Here are some pictures courtesy of Bob Dombek.**



Brian Schmerhorn's Davis V-tail



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Bob Dombek's Buttercup awaits her master....



The Hogan's Waco Cabin Restoration



Howard Plevyaks Glastar



Howard Plevyaks Glaser



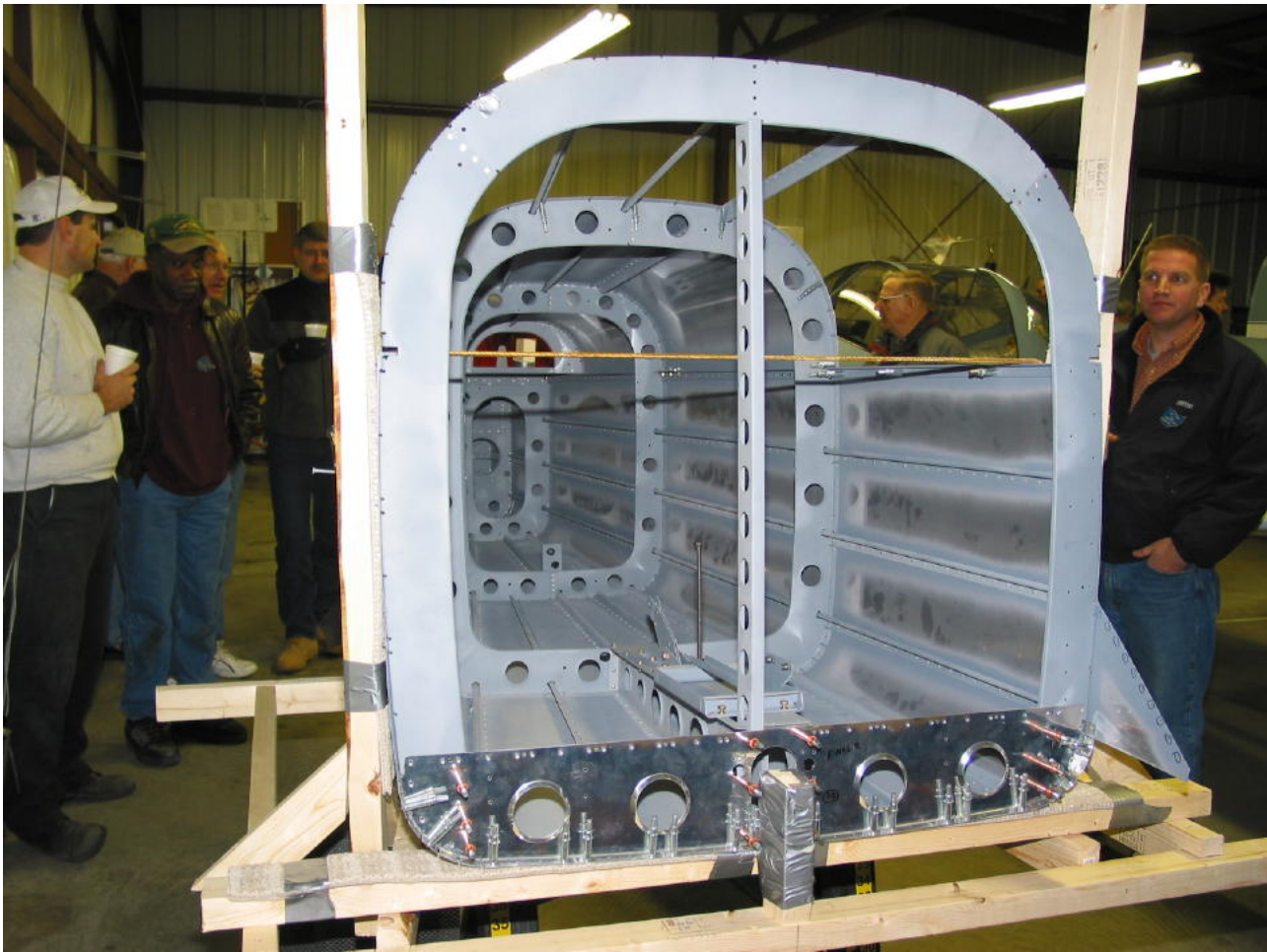
Howard Plevyaks Glastar and quarter panel fitting



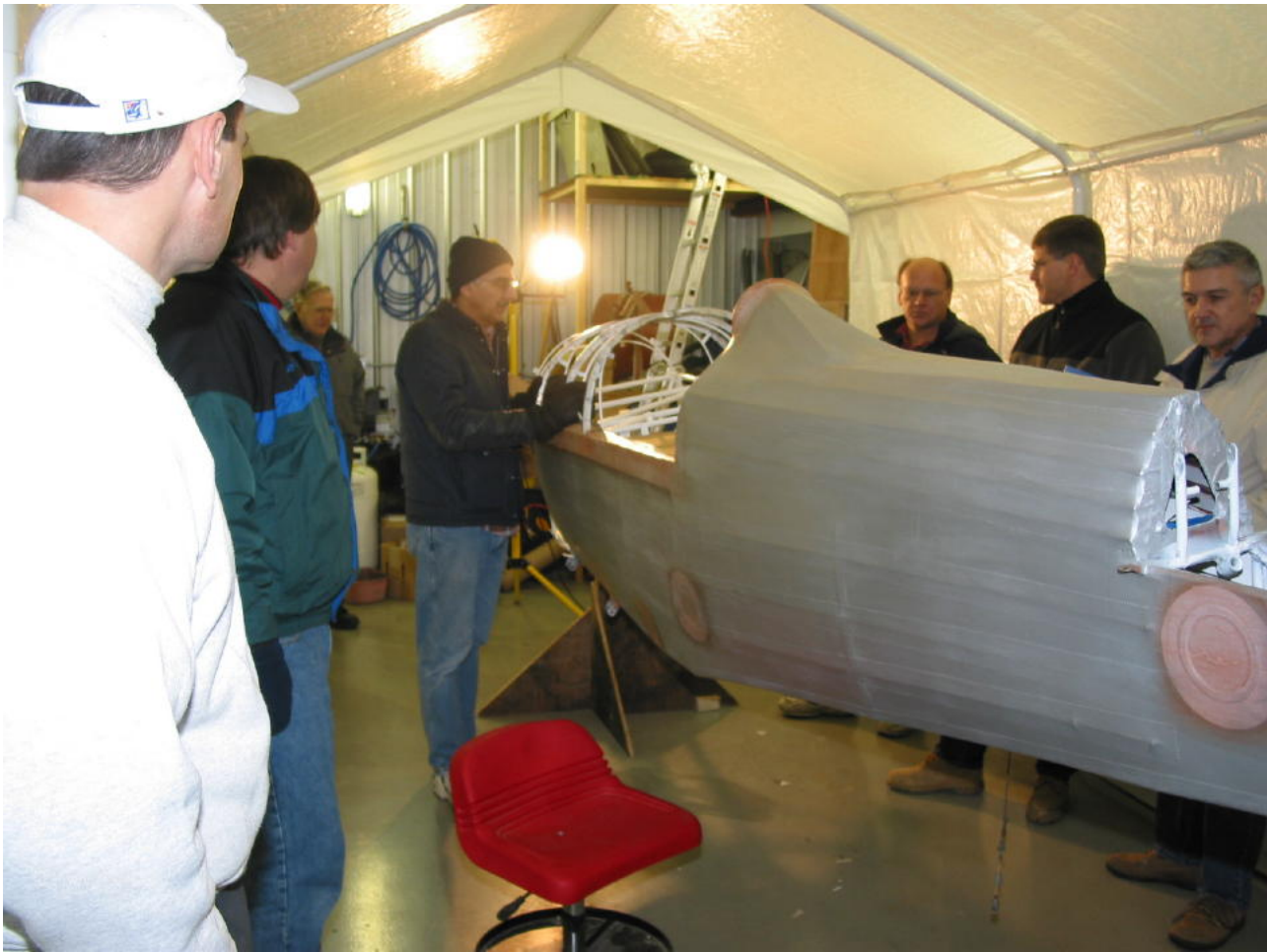
Ken Jone's White Lightning



Kent Forsythe's RV-10 tail cone



Kent's RV-10 close-up



Kevin Gassert and EAA Biplane Restoration



The important part of Kevin's workshop....



Kevin's biplane head-on



Ron Gielegem's RV-8



Scott Hersha's RV-6 Panel



Scott Hersha's RV-6

Christmas Party!

Put January 8th on your calendar. That's the date for the Chapter 974 Christmas Party. A cash bar will open at 5:00 p.m. and dinner will be served at 6:00. If you would like to participate in the gift exchange plan on bringing a less than \$10.00 item or some "white elephant" you've received in the past that will add a chuckle to the evening. Be sure and identify if the gift is for a male or female. There will also be some additional gifts and prizes for some lucky people.

The Party will be at Tori's Station. It's on the east side of route 4 in Fairfield just a short distance south of Pearls Restaurant. Another landmark is that it's near the intersection of Winton Rd. and route 4. The actual address is 74 Donald Drive, Fairfield, OH 45014.

The cost is \$17 per person collected at the door. We will be calling each of you to get a count of attendees.

Merry Christmas

Ride to Oshkosh?

Need a Ride to Oshkosh? Check out EAA's RideShare[NL] In early 2005, EAA launched RideShare, a new service that sought to pair those wanting to attend the annual EAA AirVenture Oshkosh fly in with those who had a spare

seat available, airborne or ground-bound. Hundreds of people took advantage of listing their names and contact information, no doubt allowing scores to attend who otherwise would have stayed at home. The 2006 version of EAA's AirVenture's RideShare is now available on the EAA AirVenture 2006 website, <http://www.airventure.org> ([read more](#))

Kentucky Airspace Restrictions?

KENTUCKY LAWMAKER THREATENS STATE'S AIRSPACE

Don't think an air defense identification zone (ADIZ) could be imposed outside of Washington, D.C.? Well, former Kentucky governor and current state Sen. Julian Carroll is [sponsoring a resolution](#), requesting the FAA to examine flight paths to Frankfort's Capital City Airport and to restrict air traffic around the grounds of the state's Capitol. Carroll was interviewed recently by a Frankfort radio station about the resolution and said he believes that restricting the airspace is a homeland security issue because terrorists may consider acts outside major cities. [Listen online](#). AOPA Southeastern Regional Representative Bob Minter is marshalling forces to defeat the resolution when the legislature reconvenes January 3.

A new Champion?

THE CHAMP IS ON ITS WAY BACK

American Champion is working on bringing back the classic tailwheel Champ, and it's destined to have, perhaps, even broader appeal. Dubbed the 7LS, it's a modernized version of the 7EC, featuring a Continental O-200 engine. American Champion President Jerry Mehlhaff said it will be type certified under an old amended certificate, but it will be light enough to comply with the specifications for light sport aircraft. American Champion expects the base price to be \$84,900 and plans to have it flying as an experimental before Christmas. Certification will soon follow. In addition, the company is working on certifying the Ultimate Adventure, a hopped-up version of the Citabria Adventure that features the Superior Air Parts Vantage engine and an MT composite propeller. It gives the airplane 20 extra horsepower along with the option of burning auto fuel for a markup of about \$7,000. The 2006 line of Citabria models feature lighter weight aluminum landing gear as standard equipment, which saves 13 pounds.

Upcoming Fly-ins

FLYING DESTINATIONS NEXT WEEKEND:

Denver, Colorado. An FAA seminar, "In-depth Insight into Weight and Balance," takes place December 10 at Jeffco (BJC). Featuring the principles of how an aircraft flies when adhering to the proper weight and balance. Contact Chris Lucas, 303/530-4495, or visit the [Web site](#).

California City, California. The Vintage Mooney Group Toys for Tots Fly-in takes place December 10 at California City Municipal (L71). We will meet at 10 a.m. with the parade of planes starting around 11 a.m. Let your love of flying bring a gift of holiday cheer to someone who needs it. Contact Scott McKelvey, 707/363-3674, or visit the [Web site](#).



★ FLYING DESTINATIONS IN THE EASTERN REGION THIS WEEKEND:

Millville, New Jersey. The Mid-Atlantic Pilots Association Monthly Fly-out takes place December 10 at Millville Municipal (MIV). Rescheduled for the following Saturday if weather is not VFR. Contact Carl Swenson, 908/276-9000, or visit the [Web site](#).

Batavia, Ohio. Sporty's holds a Hot Dog Fly-in every Saturday at Clermont County (I69). Free hot dogs from noon to 2 p.m. Contact Mike Lack, 513/735-9100 ext. 303.

