

# EAA Chapter 974 Newsletter

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### The Prez Says

Linda Brainard, Chapter President

You may or may not know that I came into this position with my heels dragging, or that I wasn't particularly looking forward to any part of the job. I wasn't sure what to expect as I called the first board meeting, and was much heartened as the board members all worked extremely well together to provide the basis for a very productive February meeting. And then the chapter members made the meeting happen. As I write this I'm buoyed by the success of that meeting and am very much looking forward to serving as president for the remainder of the year.

Several people deserve special recognition for the February meeting. Patty Schwinn baked great chocolate chip cookies and an excellent chocolate cake. Thanks to Ed Schwinn who brought refreshments and who had the good sense to marry Patty. Mark Taylor provided a wonderfully warm and sunny meeting space. Mark presented a well organized and highly educational technical program on tips and techniques for spray painting. Everyone learned something from the presentation, and some of us painting neophytes increased our knowledge by about 1000 percent.

Lastly, thanks to everyone who braved the cold and wind to attend the meeting. It was a great first meeting for me. You are a great group, and you all provided a lot of good input.

Looking back, I would like to offer a belated thanks to those who made the chapter Christmas party happen. Ed Schwinn stepped in and took care of a great deal of the legwork. Elizabeth did a wonderful job with chapter awards. John & Becky Wilemski, Ken Jones and his daughter, Kendra,

for handling all the money. More thanks to Steve Statkus, Brett Ferrell and Elizabeth Szoke, who contributed door prizes. A special note of recognition goes to Al Wolfson, who entertained us with a slide show from his Alaskan flying adventures.

For the year past and the year upcoming, there are not enough words to express my appreciation to our webmaster extraordinaire, Brett Ferrell, who has whupped the chapter's website into a sleek and well-oiled machine. He is always several steps ahead of me. Eventually I'll figure out that if I'm thinking of posting something on the site, Brett already has it in place.

Looking forward, I'm excited about our March meeting, where Tom Hogan will host the technical session with support from the Wright B Flyer project

Linda

## Board Meeting Minutes

Kent Forsythe  
Chapter Secretary

No report

## Meeting Minutes

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Chapter Secretary

Meeting was called to order on February 10, 2008. Location of the meeting was Mark Taylor's workshop. President Linda Brainard presided over the meeting.

### Attendance

- 19 Club members (attendees found on last page)
- No Guests

### Reports

- Secretary's Report
  - o We need to get members to provide their national EAA number if we don't have it. You can either login to the website and update enter your number or bring it to the next meeting.
- Treasurer's Report
  - o We came out ahead financially on holiday party.
  - o Sent out emails today to people who have not yet paid for 2008.
- Tech Counselors' Reports
  - o Ray Parker assisted Matt Hoffman. They were getting his aircraft into light sport category before the deadline.
- Young Eagles Report
  - o None.
- Hanger Master's Report
  - o Brett informed the membership that someone left a couch in the hanger if anyone would like it.
- Web Masters Report
  - o Pictures from the Christmas party are on the website.
  - o Some people are having problems with link to the newsletter send in emails. If you are having this problem, please forward the email to Brett.
  - o Still need pictures of member's projects and biographies on people in the club.
- Librarian's Report
  - o None
- Chapter Historian's Report
  - o Reading great books
  - o § Black and White airmen.
- Presidents Report

- o None.
- Project Reports
  - o Brainard's Velocity – Epoxy issues with old epoxy.
  - o Wright B Flyer project.
    - § Loaded up wings successfully
    - § Saturday morning – start to cover the elevator (• Will take about two weeks working both Saturdays and Sundays).
    - § Need more assistance
    - § Might need to go up to Dayton to cover the top wing.
  - o Kent's RV10
    - § Wings done except for lower skins. Ailerons done and working on flaps
  - o Brett & Elizabeth's Velocity.
    - § Elizabeth in Florida doing transition training.
    - § Brett recommends factory training if available.

## Announcements

- Steve Stakus brought a box of videos to the hanger if anyone wants to watch them.
- Last Saturday of February (23rd) is a fly-in in Richmond KY (airport I39). Informal fly-in.
- Rolf was asking if we want to do t-shirts for this year. There was enough interest so Rolf will look into the costs and designs.
- National gun show in Louisville on Feb 23rd. George Theobald is flying down on Saturday from HAO.
- This Friday (2/15). There is an event at airmen's club at Lunkin Airport. \$5 fee, open to everyone. At the old terminal building.

## Old Business

- From Last Meeting
  - o Hanger Policy
    - § Aircraft storage limit (consecutive)
      - § 6 or 12 month renewable term? Membership at the meeting was split between the two options. Will keep working the issue.
      - § Currently no lease agreement is actually setup. We should be doing this.
  - o Barry suggested we purchase 12 new chairs to buy new padded chairs.
    - § Maximum of \$350
    - § Voted and approved.
  - o Dues of \$20 are due.
  - o Middletown Aero club wants to put on an air show. Mike Williams wants to come to next month's meeting to talk the options.
  - o Aeronca fly In in June at Middletown

## New Business

- Insurance
  - o Our current insurance may be inadequate to cover having airplanes in the hanger.
  - o We may need to have coverage or verify that the person keeping an airplane in there has coverage. Also may need to have person leasing area sign a release.
- March program will be Wright Flyer at the Hogan's hanger.

## Program

- Mark Taylor provided a great talk regarding painting and priming. He showed how he setup his own paint booth in his work area complete with home-made ventilation equipment. There were lots of good details regarding different types of paints and equipment.

## Attendance

- |                    |                      |       |
|--------------------|----------------------|-------|
| 1) Brainard, Jerry | 11) Jones, Ken       | 21) - |
| 2) Brainard, Linda | 12) Osterhues, Chris | 22) - |
| 3) Burke, Sharon   | 13) Parker, Ray      | 23) - |
| 4) Conn, William   | 14) Rose, Roger      | 24) - |
| 5) Dombek, Bob     | 15) Schwinn, Ed      | 25) - |
| 6) Ferrell, Brett  | 16) Taylor, Mark     | 26) - |

- |                   |                      |       |
|-------------------|----------------------|-------|
| 7) Forsythe, Kent | 17) Theobald, George | 27) - |
| 8) Graulich, Tom  | 18) Wilemski, John   | 28) - |
| 9) Hetico, Rolf   | 19) Wyss, Mark       | 29) - |
| 10) Hogan, Tom    | 20) -                | 30) - |

## February Meeting

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Mark Taylor was good enough to open up his shop for us this month, and served up a good program on spraying paint. Unfortunately, I wasn't feeling well and bailed early, so ask someone who stayed for some tips!



**Mark's Shop - warm and cozy**



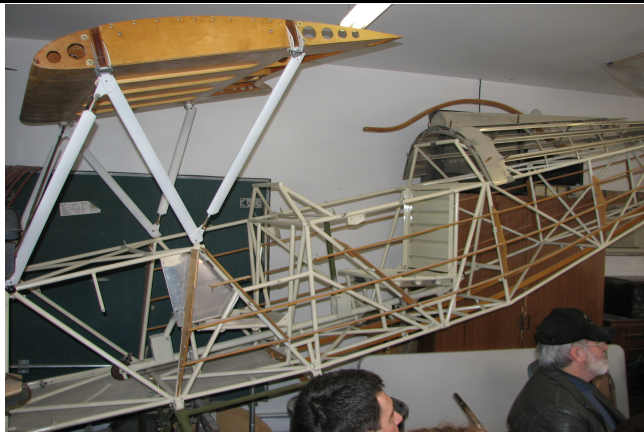
**The Teacher starts show & tell**



**The biggest windsock EVER**



**Red Adaire? - Oh, you need A-I-R....**



What's with older men an Hatz?...



and the paint goes here



Oh, apparently this is a dust collector



Have gun, will travel... the sign of a man...



at this precise moment, Kent realizes his plane will need paint



The sun actually came out, which was good with the bitter wind



Mark has a great paint booth solution



## Web Tip of the Month

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In this third installment of the Web Tip of the Month (WTOM), I'm going to introduce you to the chapter projects page. Last month we showed you how to check the chapter Calendar and News items, and create your login to the website was in December. If you missed those, you might want to check them out.

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- Young Eagles
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- Send an email Alert
- Photo Roster
- Help/FAQ
- Email Webmaster
- Search Website



[Brad Anke](#)



[Brad Payne](#)



[Brett Ferrel](#)  
FG/XI

First off, the purpose of the projects page is to help everyone in the chapter keep in touch with what everyone else is building or restoring, so if you have a project that you would like to have included here, just send me some pictures (electronic or prints, I can scan them) and I'll create one for you.

OK, so how do you get there? First, you select "Our Builders" on the lefthand navigation bar, highlighted and selected in this picture.

Once selected you see the project page, with a thumbnail image representing the current (usually) state of the member's project along with their name, and the make and model of the project. Note that I've tried to keep similar projects grouped together for your convenience.

Our chapter has many flying aircraft and lots of things under construction. Click on the links below to see photos of the aircraft types as well, with links to individuals personal websites where available.



[Brad Ankerstar KR2](#)



[Ken Jones KR2](#)



[Tom Koch KR2](#)



[Brad Payne KR-2S](#)



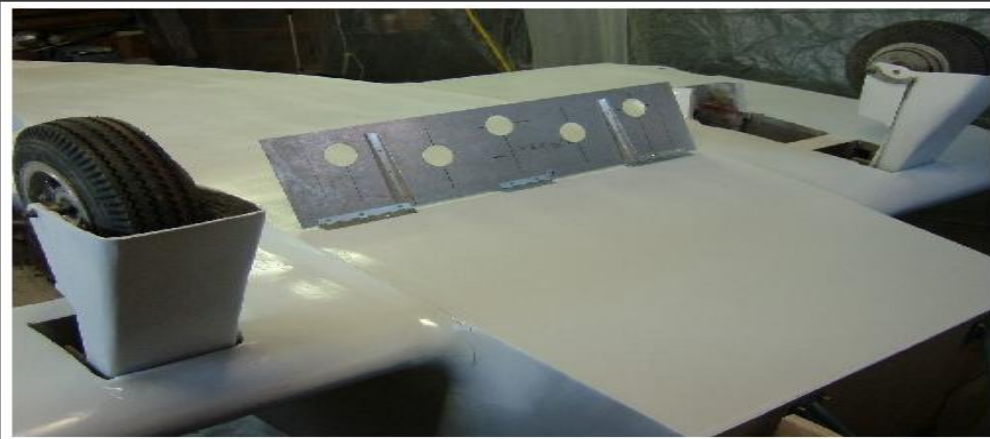
[Dan Reagan Lancair IV-P](#)



[Ken Jones White Lightning](#)

Once you select a project, you'll be presented with a set of options for project. You can select to start a slideshow outlining the history of the project, or select individual pictures from a series of thumbnails.

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In a situation reminiscent of Mayor Richard Daley's closure of Chicago's Meigs Field, the city government of Berlin, Germany, has moved forward with plans to close Tempelhof, the city's historic downtown airport. The airport could close as early as Oct. 31. Built in 1923 and enlarged during the 1930s under the Hitler regime, Tempelhof is best known as the terminal that saved West Berlin from a Soviet blockade during the Berlin Airlift of 1948-1949. After the blockade, Tempelhof continued to serve as a U.S. Air Force base until 1993. AOPA-Germany and a coalition of Tempelhof supporters have mobilized to help save the airport. Read more on [AOPA Online](#).

## REMEMBER TO SUBMIT YOUR EVENTS TO NEW ONLINE EAA CALENDAR

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New Events Calendar Since we got the word out about our new [Calendar of Events](#) that will officially launch next month, EAAers like you have responded tremendously by submitting more than 600 local events. Thank you! The new events calendar includes powerful search functions allowing users to quickly find aviation events in their local area or according to their area of interest. It also automatically generates useful information such as maps, airport information and links to the EAA Flight Planner. To make this the most comprehensive aviation events calendar on the web, we need to list as many aviation events as possible. Where better than to start than with EAA Chapter network, which generates more than 10,000 aviation events per year? For more information on the new EAA Calendar of Events, visit our [FAQ page](#).



### ADAM AIRCRAFT SUSPENDS OPERATIONS

From AVweb

Adam Aircraft has suspended operations at its Colorado facilities. In a short news release, the company said the action was taken "due to the inability of the company to come to terms with their lender for funding necessary to maintain business operations." The news release doesn't identify the lender, but previous rounds of financing, totalling almost \$300 million, have included such major investment houses as Goldman, Sachs and Co. and Hunt Growth Capital as participants.



In January, Adam announced that it needed \$30.5 million in interim financing to allow its current financial partner, Citibank, the time to find the \$75 million to \$150 million it needed to get into production and start selling against a backlog of orders the company estimated to be worth \$1 billion, according to some reports. In a letter to shareholders leaked to the media in late January, CEO John Wolf said that if the company didn't have the \$30.5 million by the end of January, the company was likely doomed. Monday's announcement seems to echo that sentiment while leaving the door for a miracle open a crack. "The company is currently exploring all of its alternatives and will provide further guidance when decisions are made, which is expected to be later this week," the release said.

As little as a week ago, company officials were claiming that the search for funding was continuing and that production of the fifth A700 jet was under way. The jet has not achieved FAA certification but the A700 push/pull piston twin has. Adam has reportedly sold 17 of the piston aircraft and delivered seven. Meanwhile, the city of Pueblo, Colo. didn't wait for Monday's announcement to demand \$2 million in incentives it says should be returned. The city says Adam promised to create 448 jobs and actually created about 90, most of which disappeared in a round of layoffs and plant consolidations in January. The city of Pueblo has placed liens against Adam's equipment in the city-owned buildings that were part of the incentive package. [AVweb.com Story](#)



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### UPCOMING FLYING DESTINATIONS:

**Casa Grande, Ariz.** The Fifth Annual Arizona Flying Circus takes place Feb. 8 through 10 at the Francisco Grande Resort. For more information, visit the Web site.

**River Ranch, Fla.** Lakeathon 2008 takes place Feb. 10 through 14 at River Ranch Resort (2RR). Contact Marc Rodstein, 561/483-6566, or visit the Web site.



### ★ UPCOMING FLYING DESTINATIONS IN THE EASTERN REGION:

**Batavia, OH.** A Sporty's Hot Dog Fly-In takes place every Saturday at Clermont County (I69). Free hot dogs every Saturday from noon until 2 p.m. Contact Jason Pruitt, 513/735-9500.



### ★ UPCOMING FLYING DESTINATIONS IN THE GREAT LAKES REGION:

**Batavia, OH.** A Sporty's Hot Dog Fly-In takes place every Saturday at Clermont County (I69). Free hot dogs every Saturday from noon until 2 p.m. Contact Jason Pruitt, 513/735-9500.

**Sheboygan, Wis.** Aviation Heritage Center Movie Night takes place Feb. 8 at Sheboygan County Memorial (SMB) at 7 p.m. Contact Lorri Rommelfaenger, 920/467-2043.

**Newberry, Mich.** The Winterfest Ski Plane Fly-In takes place Feb. 9 at Luce County (ERY). Contact Airport Manager, 906/293-2926.

**Plymouth, Mich.** An EAA Chapter 113 Frost Bite Chili Fly-In takes place Feb. 16 at Canton-Plymouth-Mettetal (1D2) from 11 a.m. until 3 p.m. Contact Dave, 734/223-2675.

To [submit an event](#) to the calendar or to [search all events](#) visit AOPA Online. For airport details, including FBO fuel prices, see [AOPA's Airport Directory Online](#).