EAA Chapter 974 News Letter

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Ed Schwinn, Chapter President

2009 is off and running for the chapter. Our first meeting of the year was held at Moss Vale. Thanks to Tim Morris for opening up his business so we could stay warm.

Brian was somehow able to talk his wife into preparing homemade brownies and carrot cake setting the bar really high for the rest of the year.

George Theobald gave a technical presentation on GPS. Many of us use them every day in the air and on the ground. George was able to explain how these amazing devices communicate with the 24 satellites in orbit and be as accurate as they are.

This marks the beginning of my helm as your president. I want to thank the membership of EAA 974 for having the confidence in nominating and electing me president. I will do my very best to continue the success the Chapter has had over the years. I also want to thank our outgoing officers (Kent, Linda and Elizabeth) for all of their contributions while serving their positions. All of you will be missed. Having said that, I also want to thank our incoming officers (Brian Charlton and Brad Payne) for agreeing to serve and John Wilemski for his willingness to continue to serve. I look forward to another great year for the chapter.

So having said all of that, who is this guy you elected? What's his connection to aviation? Is he working on a project? Does he have an airplane? Is he even a pilot? Will he be this verbose every month? The only thing we know about him is his wife can cook.

So here are your answers. I've been exposed to aviation most of my life. My first memories were of my father and a friend of his rebuilding an Aeronca Chief in our 1 car garage. I remember the smells of dope, solvents and paint permeating throughout the house as the project progressed. It was quite a neighborhood gathering as the fuselage was rolled out of the garage, attached to the bumper of the car and taken to Lunken airport for final assembly. The wings were retrieved from neighbors garages, placed on a trailer and joined the procession. The plane was christened "Dimples" and spent many weekends flying to

pancake breakfasts', poker runs and just burning holes in the sky. My father took a lot of people for their first airplane ride in her long before there was a young eagles program.

Before long, it became apparent that 2 seats were not enough and a little extra speed would be nice. Of course, there would be no compromise on key design features - tail draggers only, as these required the skills of a "real pilot". "Dimples" was sold and replaced by a Cessna 170B (N1981C) which remained in the family for many years. Fortunately, 81C is still around and is currently owned by Gary Collins (EAA Chapter 174).

Shortly after the acquisition of 81C, my mother decided if she wanted to spend time with my father, she better learn how to fly. What??? Women fly airplanes? Is it possible? At the time, I only knew 2 "girls" that flew, Martha Lunken and her sister Mary Franke. Needless to say, mom proved she had the skills and was an excellent pilot.

My first attempt at obtaining my pilots license was after being discharged from the service in 1975. It was short lived, as college was a little more expensive than I had budgeted, and adding the responsibilities of a family made it impossible. The dream was shelved until about 10 years ago when I finally obtained my license. Of course, I had to get a tail dragger endorsement to keep peace in the family.

Although not currently flying or working on a project, my interest in aviation remains as strong as ever. Tom Graumlich and Barry Fear are kind enough to let me help them with their project on Saturday mornings. So far I've managed to not hurt myself or be the cause of any rework.

Oshkosh continues to be one of the highlights of the year for me. I really appreciate the workmanship I see on folk's projects — they are all works of art to me. Tom and I have attended every year since 1990, which is how I ended up in EAA 974.

Finally, I want to thank my wife Patty for all of her culinary expertise. I can honestly say that during my term as vice president, no one left a meeting hungry.

Board Meeting Minutes

Brad Payne Chapter Secretary

No Report

Chapter Meeting Minutes

Brad Payne Chapter Secretary Meeting called to order February 1st, 2009

Attendance

- Guests
 - 1. John Filipa

Reports

- Secretary's Report
 - No Report
- Treasurer's Report
 - Paid hanger rent for next 6 months and EAA Chapter dues
 - Dues are \$20 per year. Please pay John Wilemski your dues
- Tech Counselors' Reports
 - Ray Parker
 - No report
 - Mark Taylor
 - No report
- Young Eagles Report
 - o no report
- Hanger Master's Report
 - We can use the FBO for meetings in cold weather
- Web Masters Report
 - $\circ\;$ Banquet video from Bob is on the website
- Librarian's Report
 - No report
- Chapter Historian's Report
 - Created a video of the banquet that has been posted on the website
- Publicity Officer

- No report
- Presidents Report
 - Banquet attendance was terrific considering the weather. Banquet was not rushed since we
 did not have a guest speaker. Would like to consider not having a guest speaker for next
 year.
- Project Reports
 - Mark Taylor Has 4 wings covered and is working on the ailerons. Hopes to have all fabric done by the end of the month
 - Brett & Elizabeth damage is almost repaired and is ready to repaint.
 - Bob Buls– Redoing wiring and adding fuel pressure sender.
 - Tom Hogan Waco is ready to hang the engine. Starting to add upholstery. Planning to fly by June.
 - Wright B flyer (Tom Hogan) Plane assembled. Part of the center section needs to be covered. Looking for volunteers Next 2 Saturdays (2/21 and 2/28). Hoping to fly by April or May.
 - Brian Charlton- YX is started. Flaps and ailerons Done.

Announcements

- Brian needs people to volunteer to give Tech Programs at future meetings
- Brad Ankerstar If interested in a Piper Apache being converted to a Aztec, there is one for sale in Lebanon.

Old Business

- We were going to vote on 1998 hanger agreement. It is on the website. Will move voting to next month.
- No word on Milling machine. George Thobold offered members use of the milling machine in his hanger.
- Tax forms for 503C were filled by Elizabeth.

New Business

- Next meeting March 1^{st} at the hanger.
- Sun n' fun is coming up in April.
- National BiPlane flyin This is the last year for it. First weekend in June.

Program	
George Theobold – Handheld GPS	

Member Attendees

- 1. Ankerstar, Brad
- 2. Buls, Bob
- 3. Brainard, Jerry
- 4. Brainard, Linda
- 5. Broge, Chuck
- 6. Burke, Sharon
- 7. Charlton, Brian
- 8. Conn, William
- 9. Hogan, Tom
- 10. Hurd, Doug
- 11. McClary, Terry
- 12. Morris, Tim
- 13. Parker, Ray
- 14. Payne, Brad
- 15. Payne, Paul
- 16. Raney, Dave
- 17. Rose, Roger
- 18. Schwinn, Ed
- 19. Wilemski, John
- 20. Callahan, Pat

Web Tip of the Month

No Report

Amateur-Built ARC Completes Mission

Major recommendations echo EAA's concerns

The amateur-built Aviation Rulemaking Committee (ARC) reconvened for a three-day session last week in Washington, D.C. to examine thousands of comments to the FAA's much-debated proposals for policy and procedural changes to the U.S. amateur-built aircraft regulations. The ARC, co-chaired by Earl Lawrence, EAA vice president of industry and regulatory affairs, identified the main areas of concern expressed by the public and provided additional input for the FAA to render its final version, which is expected to be published in the Federal Register before AirVenture this summer. Although the FAA has yet to issue its final statement, Lawrence described the ARC's discussions as "very positive."

Read the story

Upcoming Flying Destinations

- **Feb 14 Zionsville, IN.** Indianapolis Executive Airport. 1940s Valentines Evening Gale. The Indiana Wing of the Commemorative Air Force (CAF) is hosting an annual St. Valentines Evening Gala in the spirit of a 1940s era USO gala. Tickets are \$75/couple and include fine dining catered by Keltie's and dancing to the swing and big band music. Contact Carl Winkler, 317-769-4487; **Email. Website**. Event ID: 12146
- **Feb 19 Mattaponi (West Point), VA.** Middle Peninsula Regional Airport (KFYJ). Virginia Aviation Structure. Randy Burdette, Director VA Aviaion, Airport status & ADIZ impacts.. Contact Tim Gaylord, 804/785-9725; **Email**. **Website**. Event ID: 12061
- **Feb 21 Canton, MI.** Mettetal (1D2). Frost Bite Chili Fly-in. Frost Bite Chili Fly-in/Drive-in sponsored by EAA Chapter 113. Join us in a warm hangar for some hot food, and good company. Chili, hot dogs, and brats will be provided. 11:00 AM 3:00 PM.. Contact Dave, 734/223-2675; **Email**. **Website**. Event ID: 12093