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COMING EVENTS

- **SEPT 8 CHAPTER GATHERING**
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- **OCT 13 CHAPTER GATHERING AND HANGAR CRAWL**



CHAPTER GATHERING AUGUST 17 2024

We had another good turnout for our first post Oshkosh chapter gathering. Best count was 44. Thanks to all who came. Scott Balmos led off with a reminder about our upcoming Young Eagle Rally which on Aug 17. More about that later in this edition. Meanwhile, below, right, Joey Shreve and Brandi Brewer fed us well with Joey's excellent taco salad and Brandi's German Chocolate cake and peach cobbler. Thank you Joey and Brandi!



Third down, Brandi reported on her a very successful Youth Aviation Center at which she and Keilah Gill participated. They taught kids how to use hand tools as they built a wood tool box. Congratulations Brandi and Keilah!



Other Oshkosh Reports:

Steve Pollack reported on a Fly-By-Wire Pressure Sensor conversion he saw.

Steve Rumsic flew his recently finished RV to Oshkosh

Keilah Gill reported on her first Oshkosh experience.

Stephen Brewer volunteered at Vintage, helping with Vintage In Review daily. He was on hand for Fred Hogan's Chief being presented.

Kevin Gassert reported on successful Camp Scholler compounds organized by him and Valentine Boehm.

Bob Dombek presented a video of our camping experience .

Congratulations and Thanks to all who attended Airventure and reported on your experience at Airventure!



Visitors:

Seen right, we had visitors from New Carlisle, Ohio. Their field is known as Andy Barnhart Memorial, 30H0, a few miles north east of Dayton. They were Matt Wolff, Hayden Cress and Scott Taylor. Welcome to Chapter 974! Good to have you with us! Hope you come back!!



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CHAPTER GATHERING AUGUST 17 2024

Project Reports:

Joey Shreve acquired a Fisher Horizon 2. Much of it is complete but will need some spot repairs. Being all wood, it will need to be varnished. There's much work ahead but it's a very worthy project. Congrats Joey!



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Ray Parker completed an EZ-Pedal Plane which he had been working on for some time. He has added this to his Pietenpohl pedal plane in his hangar. Wish I was smaller! Looks like fun! Nice job Ray!



Runway Grooving:

Billy Bie started a discussion about the runway grooving. The consensus is that it won't have much affect on those of us flying lighter, general aviation aircraft. It may affect take off and landing performance of heavier, higher performance aircraft. He said according to his wife, a recently retired UPS Captain, she has observed grooving to be a world wide standard for commercial airports. There could be some insurance impacts depending on carrier and type of aircraft. Tom Hogan contributed that the grooves will need to be cleaned periodically. The grooves tend to fill with dust and debris over time, reducing the traction benefit.

Ohio Airport Designation.

Russ Pfeiffer told us about the process of applying for designation for his private field. He is now 20H7. Congratulations Russ!

PROJECT REPORT UPDATES

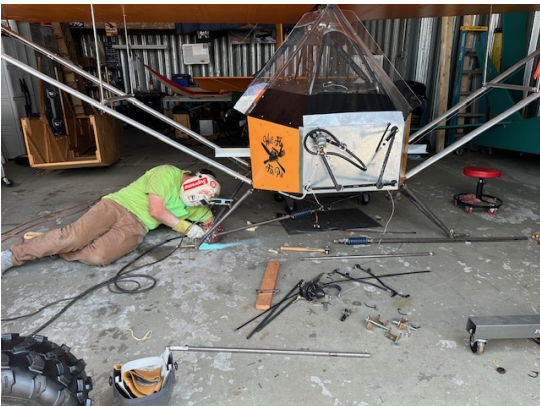
I have some progress to report on two ongoing projects on the field. First is the the Culver Cadet restoration project of Bill Morris, Tim Morris and Matt Wikeette. Tim says it is nearing completion with the final work being done prior to test flight. The airplane hasn't flown since 2004. It has a different set of wings, ADS-B, an overhauled engine, and rebuilt landing gear, just to mention a few things. Taxi testing is almost complete. The airplane is good and stable on the ground with good braking. Next will be test flights in the local area., but date uncertain right now.



The airplane is a 1942 Culver Cadet, first flown after the Pearl Harbor attack. It has a 90 HP Franklin engine with a wood propeller. It has retractable landing gear with a cruise around 127 miles per hour. The wing is elliptical with wing slots similar to the Globe Swift. It's color was a predecessor to the Globe which was all metal while the Culver is all wood and fabric.



Way to go Tim, Bill and Matt! Can't wait to see it fly, but don't rush it until you're ready.
Thanks for the report and pictures!
Photos: Tim Morris



The next project is the repair of Joey Shreve's Double Eagle Light Sport. Joey's son, Logan, has been welding the landing gear with careful attention to proper alignment. They have added better wheels than the spoked bicycle type wheels that were previously installed. Once the landing gear is complete, Joey says he will install a new throttle cable. There will also be some minor repair work done to the wings. Thank you Joey and Logan for your hard work, report and pictures.



Photos: Joey Shreve



CHAPTER BOARD BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES

6:07 p.m. - Meeting called to order by Tom Martin

Attendees: Grace Hogan, Tom Martin, Roger McClure, Bob Dombek, Scott Hersha, Ray Parker, Joey Shreve

Secretaries Report –

- Motion made to wave reading minutes- posted in chapter newsletter.

Treasurer's Report –

Income	\$ 764.36
Expenses	\$ 66.11
Balance: Checking	\$ 3,325.65
I-Bond	\$ 5,556.00
CDs	\$ 10,681.04
Savings	\$ 2,003.60
Total	\$ 21,566.29

Young Eagles -

- Next date: August 17th
- Third Saturday of every month
- New yard signs for directions on airport

Old Business -

- Runway grooving starting 8/8- 8/14 at night (7pm to 7am).
- **Movie night** on tentatively on September 21st Top Gun Maverick- Bring your own chairs
- Ray Scholarship
- T-shirts

New Business –

- Christmas Party- Same place

UPCOMING 2024 MEETINGS

August 11th

September 8th

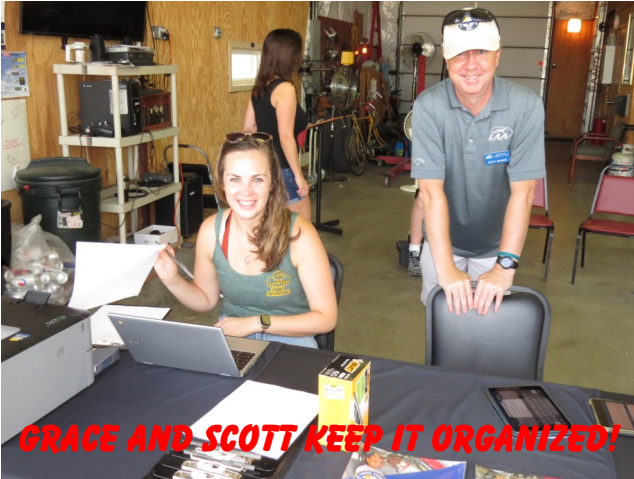
October 13th- Hanger Crawl

November 10th- Elections

December 8th- Chili Cook-off

6:30 p.m. - Meeting adjourned by Tom Martin

YOUNG EAGLE RALLY AUG 17 2024



GRACE AND SCOTT KEEP IT ORGANIZED!



SCOTT HOLDS PILOT BRIEFING



SCOTT HELPS RAY SIGN IN



BILLY BIE HOLDS INTRO GROUND SCHOOL



NICE LINE-UP OF 10 SHIPS TO FLY KIDS!



KEILAH AND TEDDY HAVE A GOOD FLIGHT!



SAM DID DID A GREAT JOB FLYING!

KEVIN GASSERT'S PICNIC AUG 17 2024



A GREAT TURNOUT ON A GREAT DAY!



THANKS KEVIN FOR A GREAT DAY!



RAY IS AFTER SOME GREAT DESERTS!



GOOD TO SEE RICH WITH BEAUTIFUL LOTUS!



CHECKERS PAID US A VISIT FOR THE PICNIC



GOOD TO SEE RICH AND PAT TOGETHER!

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LIBERTY AVIATION MUSEUM, ERIE-OTTAWA, PORT CLINTON

I last visited the Liberty Aviation Museum in 2016. It is located at Erie-Ottawa International Airport, (PCW) in Port Clinton, Ohio. We had another family road trip in early August from which I was able to sneak away to visit the museum. (We have a souvenir from this museum from my last visit in our chapter bathroom.) It would be well worth a cross country flight as well. It is chock full military goodies. In addition to aircraft, there are tanks and a PT boat under restoration. On my last visit I saw a Ford 5AT Trimotor in a much earlier stage of restoration. It is now fully painted in the Island Airlines livery and is about to undergo final assembly. I remember making several trips to Put-in-Bay back in the day when Island Airlines had scheduled runs to the Lake Erie Islands. I can't wait to see it fly again!



2024 EAA CHAPTER 248 TAIL DRAGGER FLY-IN

Labor Day weekend always seems to be a time for fly-ins. Possibly one of the longest running is the airshow, fly-in and pancake breakfast at Red Stewart Airfield near Waynesville, Ohio, hosted by EAA Chapter 284. It is known as the Tail Dragger Fly-in as it attracts tail-wheel aircraft due to the field's long, wide, beautifully maintained turf runway.. Of course all aircraft are invited and welcome. The beautiful runway seems to be especially kind to nosewheels! I had the pleasure of taking one of our recent Young Eagle Flyers, Teddy Stricker. Teddy shows signs of becoming a natural pilot. Your editor enjoyed flying as a passenger coming and going as young Teddy got lots of stick time in my Rans S7

