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EAA Ultralight

Chapter 17

"For Ultralighters and Sport Pilots"

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The Prez sezs...

Next Meeting: Tuesday, April 29, 7 pm @ Chalco Hills Recreation Area

That pesky little ground hog was right; it has been six more weeks of winter. Rick and Nancy have returned to Scribner from southern Texas and I was hoping they would bring warm weather with them. It makes me appreciate nice weather more each day.

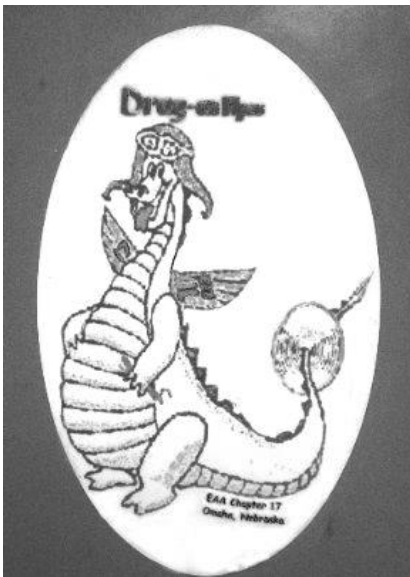
Our first "Monthly Activity" is scheduled for the first Saturday following our meeting, which is May 3rd for breakfast. Keith Howard will be putting on a breakfast at Plattsmouth Airport. If the weather is nice you can fly in, or if you're still waiting for parts (*like me*), you can drive in. We look forward to the start of our season. Next up is Brad's Air Park on June 7th for lunch.

Gady is checking for an airport closer to Omaha in which to have ANUG. David City is checking to see who wants to be in David City. Come to the meeting and see which way we go.

We have a chance to meet the public at the SAS Museum on Saturday, May 31st. We have one more meeting with the staff at the Museum, as well as one more club meeting in May.

See you at the meeting Tuesday, April 29th at Chalco Hills Recreation Center, 154th and Giles at 7:00 p.m. We will have cookies and drinks that mix with water.

If you're hungry, we will see you at El Bee's, 10402 South 144th St. around 5:30 or so. See you soon!!!



Calendar

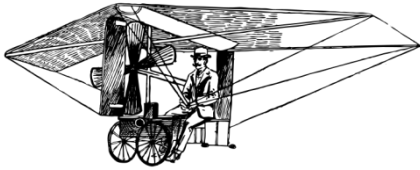
Chapter 17 Events

May 3 - Keith (Plattsmouth),
0830 – 1100 continental style
breakfast

Jun 7 - Brad (Safford Int'l),
11:00 a.m. lunch

Sep 27/28 - J.D. (Field of Dreams),
Time TBD

Oct 11 - Bob (Scribner),
Time TBD



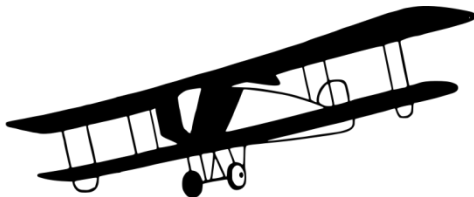
Others

May 31, 2014, SAS Museum,
Ashland, NE
Indoor Airshow

Jul 28 – Aug 3, 2014, Wittman
Regional Airport, Oshkosh, WI
Airventure

1st Sat. of Month - York Airport
EAA Chapter 1055
Breakfast 8 - 10 a.m.

3rd Sat. of Month - Crete Airport
EAA Chapter 569
Breakfast 8 - 10 a.m.



Chapter 17 Minutes

Chapter 17, March 25th, 2014

The meeting was called to order at 7:01 p.m. A motion was made to accept the minutes from last month's meeting as they were printed in the newsletter. The motion was seconded and accepted.

The Treasurer was not present, so there was no treasurer's report.

The Christmas party will be on Jan. 27th at El Bees in Millard.

ANUG

Dave Nissan is not going to host ANUG this year. Steve said he would like our club to take it over if we could get help. It was set for June 28th thru the 30th. It was brought up that we should move it to a closer airport and Gady said he would talk to the people at the Blair airport to see if we could hold it there.

SAS Museum Indoor Fly-In

There is to be a meeting tomorrow night, the 26th, to discuss the prospect of aircraft flying in. The fly-in is scheduled for the 31st of May.

Monthly Activities

Plattsmouth - May 3rd – 8:30 to 11:00 breakfast; hosted by Keith.

Brad's - June 7th - 11:00 lunch, but come any time before.

ANUG? - June 28th to 30th - MAYBE?

Oshkosh - July 28th to Aug. 3rd

Field of Dreams - Sept. 27th/28th hosted by J.D. and Dwight

Scribner - Oct. 11th; Bob will be hosting.

Unfinished Business

Still working on Larry Bonkers plaque for his family.

New Business

Steve said that Jerry Herbster is still recovering from his stroke. He is having trouble with his speech and walking.

Green Weenie

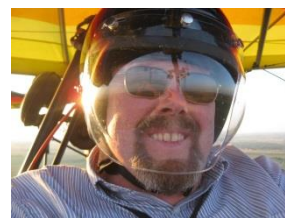
Bob Furr won the green weenie for starting his plane without chocks and letting it get away from him. Luckily nothing was hurt.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted Brad Safford, Secretary.

"The New Guy"

By Bob Furr



Bob reports he hasn't been able to fly much this month. He did pass on the following news from the Facebook light sport aircraft group.

Today, the FAA announced an NPRM (notice of proposed rule making), which if approved, would exempt pigs from having to possess a driver's license or a medical, before being allowed to fly under the newly created sport pilot rules. In a press release issued earlier, the FAA said "pigs have been discriminated against for years, because they are not eligible to obtain drivers licenses. These new rules will finally make it possible for pigs to legally fly". This NPRM is expected to draw many negative responses from the National Cattlemen's Beef Association. Phone calls to the National Pork Board have gone unanswered.

From the editor: I don't know what's taken the FAA so long on this issue. The military has had flying pigs for years. Meet one of my friends, Porcous Subsonicous, a RC-135 aviator. Here's a patch celebrating his time in jolly old England.



"Porcous Subsonicous"

"In Aviation Media Elsewhere"

From the editor: The April edition of *Powered Sport Flying* contains some excellent articles; I encourage everyone to find a copy and take the time to read the following:

A Tragedy to Learn From, by Roy Beisswenger, highlights the crash of a N-numbered powered parachute which resulted in two fatalities. The pilot in this accident held an ATP (airline transport) rating and had over 24,000 flying hours. The NTSB findings are highlighted and there's a follow-on piece by John LeBlanc (of Performance Design, one of the major chute manufacturers).

The Voice of Darkness, by Phil Russman, highlights the potential pitfalls of listening to some of those little voices we sometimes hear in our head while flying.

"Spray Tube Extensions"

by Cy Galley

Reprinted from the April 2014, EAA Experimenter magazine.



Spray tubes are a great addition to many aerosol-packaged lubricants, solvents, air, and even paint removers. They permit the application of the material right at the place necessary without getting the product all over the place. Tubes yield great control.

But the spray tube is not always a right length. You can cut it off if it is too long, but what do you do if it's too short? The electronics store has the answer – heat shrink tubing. It comes in 4-foot lengths in many different colors so one can cut it to length; I use color coding for different materials. Most nozzles are a universal size.

To lengthen the existing tube, add some heat-shrink tubing around it. You can shrink another tube at the exit. If the spray tubes are placed end to end without a gap, the result is very rigid. If you have nothing but shrink tubing between the two ends, it is very flexible.

In the photo, there is a large gap between the two tubes. Safety wire has been used to provide some rigidity, plus it allows you to bend the assembly to curve it around an obstacle. If you want a long, straight assembly, tape a dowel alongside.

I save the tubes and nozzles from spent cans, but beware that some of the tubes may have a slightly different diameter. It doesn't make any difference when building an extension, but they might not fit into the nozzle. If one nozzle is too large, try another. If it's too small, you can see how the safety wire in the inset is wrapped around the nozzle onto the tube, holding the two together. Another solution is to superglue the tube in place. I did that when a tube was needed on a can of starting fluid and the pressure of the fluid kept "blowing" the tube out of the nozzle.

“From the Wayback Machine” – Part 4

Here's even more photos from the wayback machine.





Instruction, Services, For Sale, Etc.

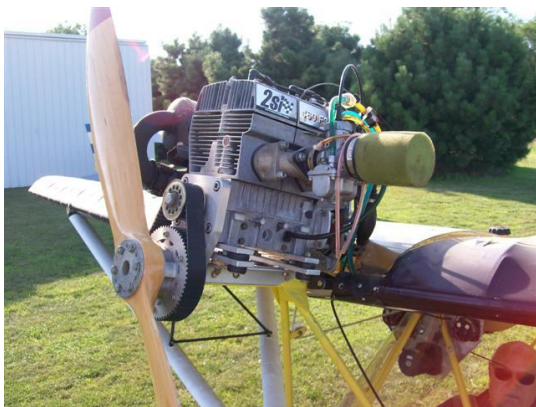
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Flitplane For Sale

This is the original factory demo machine used by the makers of the kits back in the late 90's. I bought it, hauled it back from Ohio and went thru the engine and repaired the broken wheel. Fly's like a real airplane. Only has about 2 hours on the engine since rebuilt by the Olenick outfit.

Dave Miller
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If you have anything to sell, or anything you need, send me an email – free to club members.

Also, we're always looking for your inputs, tips, photos, etc. for the newsletter.

E-mail submissions to howardkj@att.net no later than the **Wednesday** before the monthly meeting.