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EAA Ultralight

Chapter 17

"For Ultralighters and Sport Pilots"

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The Prez sezs...

Next Meeting: Tuesday, Aug 26, 7 pm @ Chalco Hills Recreation Area

August - we are back from Wisconsin and ready to enjoy a fantastic fall. We love the planes, but on November 15 you have to be careful of the Badgers in Madison. (That's their football team for those that don't know.) Rick and Nancy did a wonderful job of taking care of the campers in the ultralight section. (They didn't lose a one of us.) So far, it has been a great summer!

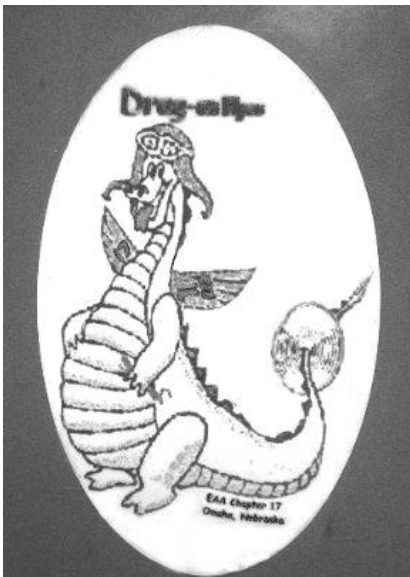
Saturday, August 30th, is a Fly-in at Craig and Sue Spetman's. There is a Flier somewhere in this newsletter that will give you all of the details. I am sure that this will be a great time.

I am working on a weekend in September at David City. On the 13th, Nebraska plays a late football game (9:30 PM). Sunrise is 7:06 and Sunset is 7:43. That would give us plenty of time to fly, eat, and watch the game. I will check with David City.

At this meeting, we will have a short explanation of a Bing carburetor and how to change the jets as well as some film on what happened in Oshkosh. Rick has supplied us with some items from Oshkosh. This will be a good meeting to attend.

See you at the meeting Tuesday, Aug 26th 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 in the back room at El Bee's, 10402 South 144th St. around 5:30 or so.



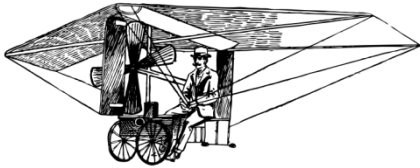
Calendar

Chapter 17 Events

Aug 30 - Craig & Sue (Horse Creek), Noon lunch
See last page for details.

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

Oct 11 - Bob (Scribner),
Time TBD



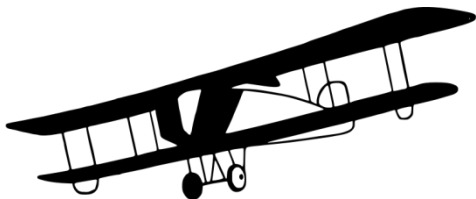
Others

Aug 24, 2014, Fremont Airport
Fly-In Breakfast & Open House
7:30 – 11:30 a.m.

Sep 6, 2014, Council Bluffs Airport
CAF Flight Breakfast
8 – 11 a.m.

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

Note: These are the May minutes. A corrected newsletter will be published with the June minutes. Ed.

Chapter 17, May 27th, 2014

The meeting was called to order at 7:03.

The minutes were accepted as they were printed in last month's newsletter. There was no Treasurers report due to the treasurer not being present.

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

ANUG – There will be no ANUG at David City this year. The club is trying to do something at the Blair airport. Gady, Harold, Mack, and Dick met with the Blair airport authority about having a fly in there. They are concerned about insurance for the event. It was agreed to check to see what the club has for insurance. They need to know by July 4th. They are also concerned about how everybody flying will communicate.

Monthly Activities

Plattsmouth was a big success.

May 31st – SAS museum Bob is doing presentation on ultralights.

June 7th – Brad's -- CANCELED

July 28th – Aug. 3rd – Oshkosh

Sept. 27th – 28th – Field of Dreams, J.D will host

Oct. 11th – Scribner, Bob will host

Unfinished Business

Still have Larry Bonkers plaque to get finished.

Jerry Herbster is now at home after his stroke.

Craig said he sold the Legend cub that he had and that he had to have a new ankle put in.

Green Weenie

Bob got to keep it another month.

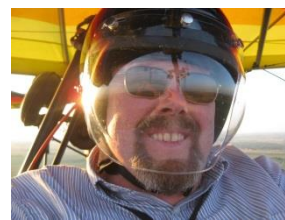
50/50 raffle

Dave Miller won \$7.00

Respectfully submitted Brad Safford, Secretary.

"The New Guy"

By Bob Furr



I just learned that the Fremont Fly In Pancake Breakfast will be August 24 this year. Last year the weather did not cooperate, so I missed the event, but two years ago it was great fun with folks asking questions from 9 till almost noon. I will try to get more info as it gets closer, but normally breakfast is free to anyone who fly's in. Bring your own tie down anchors as there is plenty of room in the grass, but there will not be enough tie downs on the pavement. Plan on using the short North/South runway if possible, and watch carefully for traffic as there are corporate jets and other large (and quick) aircraft that will also be there.

I stopped by QC Supply on the way home from work last week and found a little treasure. Unfortunately, Walmart dropped the really high quality permanently inflated wheelbarrow tires that are permanently mounted on their rims about a year ago. Well, you can still get them with aircraft style slotted tread at QC Supply. They are \$49.95 plus tax, but I consider that a bargain as they last 3 or 4 times longer than air filled tires that will cost you at least \$25. Also, there is never a need to fill a flat or a chance at a blow-out on landing. Just a good deal all the way around and they weigh less than a pound more than the air filled tires and rims that I was using. While you are there check out the cold weather gear. Farmers who work outside really know how to dress when the weather cools down.

The 19th of August starts my 4th year flying my ultralight. It's been interesting. I've had a great time and honestly my wife says I'm more relaxed than I have been in years. According to my logbook, I've had a hundred and forty eight hours of flight time and about 600 landings. What I don't understand are the folks that claim thousands of hours flying ultralights, because they must live somewhere where the weather is nowhere near as fickle as Nebraska. I want to thank all of you for your support, your understanding, and the accumulated wisdom that this club offers. I'm pretty sure that I wouldn't have done nearly as well without your support.

Bob also encourages each of us to take a look at PIREPS, the Nebraska Department of Aeronautics, bi-monthly newsletter. It's full of what's happening in Nebraska aviation. Check it out here: <http://www.aero.nebraska.gov/publications.html>

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Independence Day 2014

On July 2, 1776, the Second Continental Congress voted to approve a resolution of independence that had been proposed in June by Richard Henry Lee of Virginia declaring the United States independent from Great Britain. On July 4, 1776, Congress approved the legal separation of the Thirteen Colonies from Great Britain. Today we celebrate July 4th with parades, barbecues, carnivals, fairs, picnics, concerts, baseball games, family reunions, and political speeches and ceremonies (Source: Wikipedia). Seward, NE, has all of that plus a great airshow at the local airport, which was attended by nearly 2000 people.

Harry Burr's Aerial Circus started the day at 10 a.m. with an all-performer meeting conducted by Air Base Dale Syrkin and Seward Airport Manager Greg Whelan. FAA Supervisory Aviation Inspector Roger Zimmerman (replaced Dan Petersen who is now the FAAST manager for Nebraska) attended the briefing and is a new addition to the Lincoln FSDO. Roger is from California but married to a very nice lady who was born and raised in Wemyss.

The briefing went well, and the show began at 11:00 a.m. with skydiver Larry Bartlett arriving on the field with the US flag streamer behind him.

Bob Burr had been circling the field waiting for Larry to arrive and shortly after Larry touched down, Bob began his low-level aerial ballet routine in a Pitts aircraft. Next on the agenda, Harry Burr landed his J3 Club on top of the McDevitt's mailroom at port, driven by Jim DeBus.

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Oshkosh Airventure 2014



**North American
P-64 Advanced
Trainer**

**Backyard Flyer
with VW engine,
re-drive, and a
really big prop.**





Five “Revo” trikes;
several of these flew
in from Florida.

Close-up of the
“Revo” trike tug;
pretty cool!





**M-Squared Breese
2-seater; ready to
fly with a Rotax 582
for under \$40k.**

**Finally, a true
ultralight, the
Aerolite 103;
ready to fly with a
28 hp Hirth for a
little over \$15k.**





**Electric powered
PPG**

*Photo courtesy W.
Seiffert*

**Blackhawk
“quad” PPG**





**Alan and Rick
taxiing for takeoff
on the UL runway.**

*Photo courtesy W.
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**Plans built
Weedhopper
powered by
Kawasaki 440A.**

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Instruction, Services, For Sale, Etc.

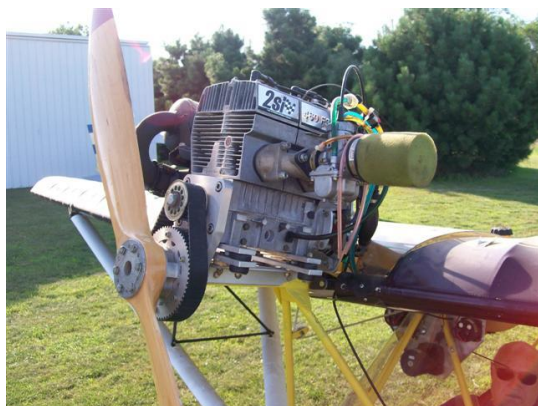
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Flitplane For Sale

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
402-334-1595



Buckeye Powered Parachute For Sale

Originally made for a two-place trainer, but will fit a single place Para Plane lifting up to 750 lbs. for plane and pilot. Don't let your weight keep you from flying safely. The minimum that the chute requires for plane and pilot is 550 lbs. The chute, frame, and engine weigh 300 lbs. in this configuration. The Rotax 582 has less than 50 hours on the engine, and the chute has been checked by a qualified rigger and passed in 2013. The Para Plane comes without a trailer. Price \$4999.00.

Contact Steve Peck: skp333@cox.net



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.



HORSE CREEK FLY-IN

**Where: Spetman's Horse-Fly Landing Strip
1998 Horse Creek Rd., Sidney IA**

When: August 30, 2014, Noon lunch

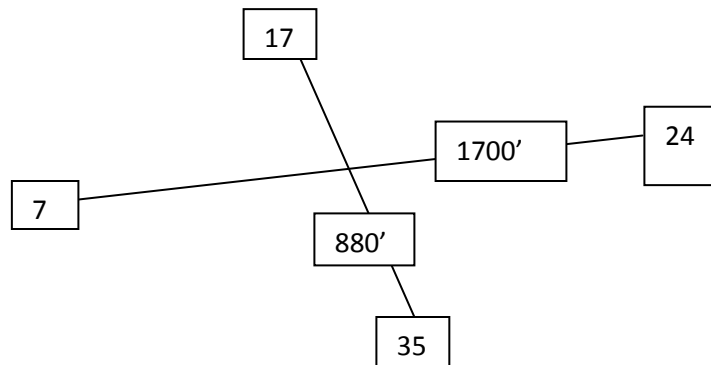
Grass strip runways	7 - 24	East – West 1700'
	17 - 35	North – South 880'
Unicom 123.45		N 40° 45.589
Elevation 1150'		W. 95° 42.567

For those who need a longer landing strip, you can fly in to Golden's Landing Strip which is 2400' grass strip and transportation will be provided (only about 1.5 miles away).

Elevation 940'	15 - 32	N. 40° 44.461
		W. 95°43.542

Questions: Call Craig or Sue at 712-374-2084 or 712-828-0731

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Driving in

Take I29 south to Thurman exit 20.

Go 3 miles east into town and take a right at the stop sign.

Take a left at the next stop sign.

Go 4 blocks and turn right onto Washington St.

This turns into Bluff Rd. as you head south out of town.

Go 7 miles and turn left onto Horse Creek Rd (gravel)

Go 1.25 miles to 1998 Horse Creek Rd.; green gate will be open.

Follow the windy road back and up the hill.

