



# Drag-On-Flyers

## EAA Ultralight

### Chapter 17

"For Ultralighters and Sport Pilots"

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### *The Prez sezs...*

**Next Meeting: Tuesday, Mar 31, 7 pm @ Chalco Hills Recreation Area**

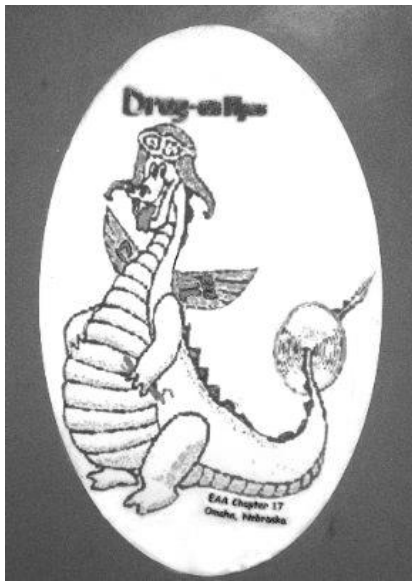
What a great time of the year! The calendar says that it is spring! Oh sure we will have those days of snow flurries and cold, but we are seeing light and warmth at the end of the tunnel of seasons.

We are planning on putting the ANUG event together this year. ANUG stands for "Annual Nebraska Ultralight Gathering" and the dates have been selected as July 10th through the 12th. We will arrive on Friday the 10<sup>th</sup> of July, have our events on Saturday the 11<sup>th</sup> of July and return home on Sunday the 12<sup>th</sup> of July. This will take place at the David City, Nebraska airport. We will plan our events for good weather or not so good weather. It should be fun, safe, a way to gain knowledge, and memorable. With that in mind, we could use your help for ideas, planning, and service.

Keith has said that he would like to serve lunch as our first monthly activity taking place at Plattsmouth Airport, on Saturday the 11<sup>th</sup> of April. More details may be in this newsletter or will be available at the meeting.

See you at the meeting Tuesday, March 31<sup>st</sup> at Chalco Hills Recreation Center, 154th and Giles, at 7:00 p.m. We may be directed to a different meeting room, because of use by the NRD. 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

Apr 11, Keith (Plattsmouth)  
Lunch, 11 a.m. – 1 p.m.

Jul, Harold (Missouri Valley)  
Date/Time TBD

Jul 10-12, ANUG (David City)  
Times TBD

Aug, Brad (Safford Int'l)  
Date/Time TBD

Sep, J.D. (Field of Dreams)  
Date/Time TBD

Sep, Bob (Scribner)  
Date/Time TBD

## Others

Apr 21-26, 2015, Sun-n-Fun  
Lakeland, FL

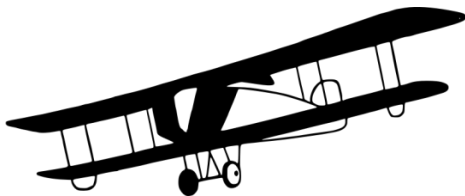
May 9/10, Quad City Air Show  
Davenport Municipal Airport, IA  
Featuring “Blue Angels”  
[www.quadcityairshow.com](http://www.quadcityairshow.com)

Jun 6, CAF Flight Breakfast  
Council Bluffs Airport, 8-11 a.m.

Jul 20-26, EAA Airventure  
Oshkosh, WI

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

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



# Chapter 17 Minutes

## Chapter 17, Feb 24<sup>th</sup>, 2015

The meeting was called to order at 7:13 p.m. at Chalco Hills Recreation Center.

A motion was made that the minutes be accepted as they were written in the newsletter. The motion was passed.

Treasurers Report -- The club has a balance of \$1030.75. Several folks paid dues at the meeting.

### Unfinished/Old Business

Newsletter inputs needed by the Wednesday before the meeting.

The turnout was good for the holiday party last month.

SAS Museum Indoor Airshow went well. Steve encouraged folks to attend next time.

### New Business

Steve finished up the EAA club official awards (from the Jan meeting) by presenting Brad with a certificate and pin for his 7 years as Secretary.

Duane and Cheryl Ransdell from Columbus came to talk to club about the David City Fly-In formerly known as ANUG (All Nebraska Ultralight Gathering). Duane has a Kolb Mk3 that was a barn find, but flies an Aeronca Champ. Duane came to support the club in having a fly-in to David City. He has visited with the city and they are interested in us continuing. Duane would like to have some way for visitors to fly. Steve suggested inviting EAA Chapter 80 to participate. Richard will contact them. There was a suggestion to keep it simple this year. Bob offered to create flyers for club members to leave at airports advertising the event. Duane talked about getting a group from town to do a meal or inviting the CAP and Commemorative Air Force if possible. Contacting the Omaha balloon club was also suggested. UL flying would be on the grass; heavies on the pavement. Steve suggested flying around the city as an activity. If weather is bad show DVDs inside. Duane will check to see if the large hanger is available to use.

Field of Dreams needs folks that use it to pay \$120/yr. so they can pay the rent.

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### Coming Events

04/15 -- Plattsmouth

07/15 -- Missouri Valley

07/11/15 -- David City

08/15 -- Brad's Air Park

09/15 -- Field Of Dreams

09/15 -- Scribner

Green Wienie -- It remains with Steve as the flying weather has been poor.

50/50 Raffle -- \$6

*Respectfully submitted by Bob Furr.*

## ***"The New Guy"***

*By Bob Furr*



First a request. I am 95% sure I loaned my fabric tester to someone in the club, but really don't remember who that was; I need it back please.

Finally got a flight in after nearly 3 months, but not before figuring out a problem I was having. Once I got the hanger doors open and the temps came up enough to work on the plane and the wind died down to less than gale force, it became evident that something was wrong.

I started my Rotax after a couple of pulls and it ran very roughly. Thinking it was the plugs that I knew needed replaced (because they had been in the engine for about 35 hours and I commonly replace them every 25 hours of operation), I pulled them and put new plugs in. It continued to run roughly...and I began to think about what could be happening. With good two cycle design there are really 3 things that can go wrong. One is spark and I knew I had that fixed. The next is compression, but that seemed unchanged from last November when I had last flown. The third is fuel.

I thought about when I had last purchased fuel and realized it had been October since I had filled the tank. Although 100 octane aviation fuel stores well, automotive gas does not. So I drained my tank and after I had that done I replaced the fuel lines, the primer bulb, the fuel filter and even installed a shut off valve in the line so I would no longer need to pinch the line to shut off the engine. I filled it with fresh 91 octane fuel and oil mix with about twice as much Seafoam as I had been using and started the engine. The reward was a smooth running engine that sounded great!

Test flight went very well as I brushed the cobwebs out of my brain shooting touch and goes for about a half hour. Glad to be back flying!

## *In Aviation Media*

The March edition of EAA's Experimenter magazine features articles on:

- the history of the Mini-Max ultralight
- dead stick landing techniques
- how to ruin an airspeed indicator by blowing compressed air into the pitot

The complete edition is available here: <http://experimenter.epubxp.com/i/471466-mar-2015>

## *Helpful Hint (well, maybe)*

I needed to paint some long 2" O.D. tubing, so I got some cheap paint trim rollers and cut their handles off. A few holes drilled to accept them in a 2x4 and instant paint rotisserie! *Ed.*



## *Warbirds at Oshkosh Airventure 2014*



**De Havilland  
Caribou**

*Photo courtesy W.  
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**Huey Cobra**

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**Huey**  
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**Skyraider**  
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**P-51 "Pecos Bill"**  
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**P-51 "GunFighter"**  
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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 [howardkj411@gmail.com](mailto:howardkj411@gmail.com) no later than the **Wednesday** before the monthly meeting.

