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Are you ready for Spring?

As I have mentioned in the past, some of the months just sneak up on me. I had a good article planned, but time was not on my side. Luckily, EAA has a nice reservior of aricles from other chapters which are available for late writers like me.

The following comes from the March 2009 newsletter of EAA Chapter 36.

March Again, Come on Spring This year March came in like a lion and hopefully it will go out like a lamb. It's that stir in the air that makes every winter-bound pilot start to look up and think come on spring and wanting to get back into the air!

It's also the time to start thinking about checking the plane and ourselves for the first spring flight to an EAA pancake breakfast. Getting the plane ready is a breeze especially if it's just been



Mike Howard talking about his trip to Mount Everest at the Match 2009 meeting. Photo by Dick Austin.

annualed in the past month or so. Otherwise it's time to change that oil and filter, gap the plugs, clean the air filter and check the pitot static system, just to mention a few things. Don't forget the tires. Even though we only need them on the ground, they are an important part of the plane too. A check of the air pressure after sitting all winter as well as checking for cracks is little work, but a very important part of maintenance. If you've ever ground looped you know the thrill and scare it leaves you. Now think, how would a blown tire on landing feel? Real scary for sure! Just as important are the tires on the family car, so are the tires on your plane.

Are all the books in order? Pilots logs, engine and airplane logs? Oh, and don't forget the ARROW.... Less one R these days. Maps, hum... Paper or GPS up-date? Well I always try to keep a paper map handy. I've always remembered what Dave, my flight instructor would say, "What do you do when the batteries go dead?" Ah, the good old set of spare "AA's" in the flight bag right? You know the same ones that have been carried around for maybe the past year for that "just in case". Well they just might be old enough to be dead too. So like the old scout motto says, "Be prepared".

Next, are we as a pilot ready to spread our wings and take to the air? Not only just passing the medical but are you current? Flight Review up to date? For those IFR rated, got your 6 in or is it time for that IPC? For those who are sport pilots, not requiring a medical, have you had a physical recently just to be sure you're still up to it? Don't want to endanger the ground pounders you know. Seriously, and in short, are you fit to fly safely? So now that we've stepped back and looked in the mirror and at the plane, ask yourself, am I ready to go flying? I hope so!

Fly Safe, Stay Safe, Mark Hissey President, EAA Chapter 36

April Meeting Time & Location

This month's meeting is on Monday April 13th at 7:00PM at Hangar One at Millard Airport. The airport is still located on South 132nd Street between Q and Harrison.

April Program.

Our April Program will be Tom Sears on Stroke prevention and cardiac care and prevention.

Upcoming programs are:

May: Mike Howard on Aircraft Structural Design June: FASST Team Aviation Safety

EVENTS: (B) - Breakfast / (L) - Lunch				
1st Sat	Chapter 1055 (B) (0800-1000	0) York, NE		
3rd Sat	Chapter 569 (B) (0800-1000)) Crete, NE		
11 April	Flying Cyclones Fly-In (B)	Ames, IA		
11 April	Fly-in Pancake (B)	Beaumont, KS		
http://www.hotelbeaumontks.com/				
18 April	Fly-in (L)	Hutchinson, KS		
http://www.hutchaviators.com/				
18 April	Wings of Remembrance Spring			
http://www.contrails.us/~wingsremembered/index.htm				
21-26 April	Sun 'n Fun	Lakeland, FL		
26 April	Arbor Day Fly-in (B)	Nebraska City, NE		
2 May	Fly-in (B)	Abilene, KS		
17 May	Chapter 80 Poker Run & Chili Feed Wahoo, NE			
6 June	State Fly-in & Air Show	Fairmont, NE		
8-10 May	1st Annual Air Show	Branson, MO		
9-10 May	Regional Air Festival	Cape Girardeau, MO		
23-24 May	Salute to Veterans	Columbia, MO		
29-30 Aug	Offutt AFB Open House			

Nebraska State Fly-in and Air Show, Fairmont, NE. Fly in breakfast hosted by EAA Chapter 1055. Static aircraft with and air show in the afternoon. Come visit the historic Fairmont airbase! http://www.nebraskastateflyin.com

Anybody ready for some Chili? Well, our Chapter's Spring Poker Run and Chili Feed is scheduled for Sunday May 17th. Mark your calendar now! More info to follow.

Our very own **Gordon Pahre** recognized as Master Pilot. Gordon first soloed in 1956 in a Taylorcraft as a military pilot near Newcastle, Delaware. He graduated from West Point Military Academy and joined the Air Force as a navigator. He flew with the military for 30 years, and one of his last military assignments was as a weather reconnaissance crewmember on a C-130 chasing and penetrating severe weather systems, while based at McClellan Air Force Base in California. Gordon was Chief Pilot at the Offutt Air Force Base Aero Club and currently supervises the daily activities of the FAR Part 141 Flight Training Center as the Operations Officer. From Feb/Mar09 PIREPS

FAA Issues Sun 'n Fun® 2009 NOTAM

With Sun 'n Fun 2009 right around the corner (April 21-26), FAA has issued a 40-page NOTAM highlighting arrival/ departure procedures, safety notices, equipment requirements, as well as a general list of do's and don'ts. To ensure clear and concise communications with ATC, pilots are requested to carry a copy of the 2009 Sun 'n Fun NOTAM aboard their aircraft. No Radio (NORDO) aircraft are prohibited at the event (except Ultralights). Be sure to check NOTAMs frequently to obtain the most current information before the event. Find the Sun 'n Fun NOTAM at: http://www.faa.gov/ airports_airtraffic/air_traffic/publications/notices/media/sun-nfun.pdf From FAASafety.gov

Pre-order your 2009 AirVenture NOTAM

Want to get a jump on preparations for EAA AirVenture Oshkosh 2009? You can by pre-ordering the 2009 EAA AirVenture Notice to Airman (NOTAM) today. The 32-page booklet is an absolute must if you're flying an aircraft to Oshkosh this year. It outlines all arrival/ departure procedures, radio frequencies, Wittman Regional Airport details and much more. Although many of the procedures are similar to previous years, there are updates in nearly every area to enhance safety, efficiency and convenience for the thousands of airplanes expected at the World's Greatest Aviation Celebration. The EAA AirVenture NOTAM is required reading and should be part of a pilot's preflight preparation. The booklets are expected to be printed and available in May, along with an online version. Go to https://secure.eaa.org/airventure/notam_request.html From EAA e-hotline.

TSA names GA liaison to take your questions

The Transportation Security Administration has created a new position for a general aviation liaison, and named Juan Barnes to the post. Barnes will be available via e-mail to address the public's concerns about security measures that impact GA operations. AOPA says questions may be submitted to Barnes via the e-mail address TSAGeneralAviation@dhs.gov. AOPA will automatically be carbon-copied. "General aviation stakeholders are encouraged to submit inquiries regarding TSA programs and policies. From Avweb

Exclusive offer for EAA Chapters Chapter members will receive 25 percent off the regular non-member price on select book and video combos from EAA's How-To series.

- F09626 Painting Book and VHS Combo Reg. \$29.99, members \$22.49
- F15246 Welding Book and DVD Combo Reg. \$29.99, members \$22.49
- F11619 Basic Aircraft Woodworking VHS Video/EAA Wood Building Techniques Book Combo - Reg. \$17.99, members \$13 (The special offer is valid through April 30, 2009 for phone orders only - not available for online orders. Call 800-564-6322)

There have been questions about what types of activities fall under the established Young Eagle guidelines and those that now fall under the **FAA Air Tour Rules** (91.146/91.147).

Activity	Young Eagles Guidelines	Air Tour Rules (91.146/91.147)
Fuel Discounts	Yes	No /
Tax Deduction for participating in YE flights	s No	Yes
"Donating" a YE flight fo a charity auction/fundrai	r	Yes

See the attached (electronic only) EAA Young Eagles official sheet for more examples or go to the Young Eagles website.

EAA Chapter 80 March 9, 2009 Official Meeting Minutes

The meeting was called to order by President Tom Wieduwilt at 7:00 PM. Meeting was held at Hanger One, Millard Airport, Omaha, NE.

- Tom Wieduwilt, President
- Jim Ratte, Vice President,
- Don Meyer, Secretary
- Ed Haffke, Treasurer
- Guest: Two Guest present

Treasurers Report:

• Operating Account: \$3,894.58, Money Market Account \$4,821.09, CD Balance: \$2,949.14. Total Cash Assets: \$11,664.81. Meeting Minutes:

• A motion was made and passed to accept the previous month's minutes.

Young Eagles:

Canceled Feb. 28th event and rescheduled to March 21 or 22.

Builder's Reports:

- Thatcher- Doug Humble
- · Zenith 601- Dave Miller and Brad Safford.
- · Vans Practice Parts-Tyler Sandberg.
- Long Eze- Tom Mann.
- RV-4- Ward Combs and Jerry Ronk
- Ward Combs looking for Wing Rack for RV-4.

Tech Counselor / Flight Advisor:

None

- Fly-Out Report:
 - Fly out to Columbus. Mike Howard will plan a date.
 - Need to plan Spring Poker Run-will e-mail date.

Old Business

- Projector donated by Ameet Savant.
- Insurance paid for 2009, Covered AHQ as a clubhouse due to activities we have.
- T-shirts and hats available. See Jim Ratte

New Business:

- · Lincoln Chapter looking for permanent home and will offer to share Wahoo Hanger and share expense.
- Randy Sawyers family donated \$100.00 to the Chapter in his memory.
- Discussed new plastic Pilot License and how to obtain one.

Librarian Report:

None

Membership Report:

- Need all dues paid asap!
- EAA building Founders Wing addition and is seeking donations.

Tool Report:

- Engine hoist donated by Ronye McKay. Directed Secretary to send thank you.
- · Trailer: AHQ
- Scales: Bob Condrey
- Jacks: Ron Wood
- Brake Bleeding Set: Ron Wood
- Grills: AHQ

Service Awards:

- · Young Eagles, Tammy Ratte, Jim Duke, Duane Clausen, Craig Tylski.
- Chapter Service Awards: President: Tom Weiduwilt; Vice President: Jim Ratte; Treasurer: Jan Daniels; Secretary: Don Meyer
 - News Letter: Will Kroger; Web Site: Ameet Savant; Membership: Bob Cartwright; Tech Counselor: Mike Howard Young Eagles: Jim Ratte

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Program:

Mike Howard presented his trip to Mt. Everest and flight around that area.
Meeting adjourned.

Don Meyer Secretary

YOUNG EAGLES — Millard Airport, 18 April, 0900 Call Jim Ratte if you can help.

For sale, 1956 Cessna 172, \$30,000. Contact Ed Haffke at 402-935-0803 or Ken Bahr at 402-559-0133. Total A/C time 6438 hours and 780 hours since major overhaul.



Experimental Aircraft Association -Chapter 80 C/O Hangar One 12916 Millard Airport Plz. Omaha, NE 68137-4280



Photos from the Chapter trip to Paul Muhle's Hangar in Columbus, NE. Photos by Dick Austin