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## September 2010

### Where are you going to be on Sunday?

Just in case you have not heard, Chapter 80 is hosting several events at the Plattsmouth airport on Sunday September 12th. Yes, this September 12th.

First, we are hosting a Young Eagles Rally from 9AM to 12PM. Ground Crew volunteers are needed! We will have 7 planes flying Young Eagles. We will be operating out of Kevin Faris' hangar and parking on the grass. We need people to help with paperwork, an extra photographer and lots of ramp escorts. Please contact Kathy if you can help.

Second, we are hosting an End of Summer Picnic right after the Young Eagle Rally. The picnic will be at the smaller of the main hangars, right across from Kevin's hangar. Don't worry, it is impossible to get lost at the Plattsmouth airport. Anyway, the Chapter will provide drinks, hamburgers, hot dogs, pasta salad and potato salad. All you need to bring is yourself and a dessert to share. You can also bring a significant other and family members. All we ask is that you let us know. For those of you with email, please answer the email sent out by Kathy. For those still without email (or those who we do not have a valid email). please call a Chapter officer to indicate your numbers.



Kevin Faris talking about his RV-7 at the August meeting. Photo by Dick Austin

The end time of the picnic is up to you. Stay a short or a long while. Have fun! If you want to come early you can enjoy the Fraternal Order of Eagles Fly-in/Drive-in

Breakfast from 8AM-1PM in Plattsmouth's main hangar - the big hangar.

Now, who says there is nothing to do in this Chapter?

#### "Sloshkosh"

I appears the unofficial name of AirVenture 2010 is Sloshkosh. The best thing to have the weekend before the official start was a good pair of rubber shoes if you ventured off the hard surfaces onto the grass.

The responses to my question on the top five things was very limited, therefore I will run all the responses I received.

"One word. SLOSHKOSH! It was extremely muddy, and soggy after the area received 12" of rain in the days preceding OSH. Near the ultra light barn there was water running over the road Sat & Sun, and some wise guy put up a sign that read; "NO WAKE ZONE" so when the cars drove though they would slow down. I'm NOT kidding!"

- 1. The colored spot at the middle of the runway is not yellow (the tower kept saying land beyond the yellow spot) it is orange.
- Do not try to sleep within 200 yards of the Margaritaville Bonanza parked in the Vintage

Aircraft area.

- 3. Airplanes do not roll worth a dam on soggy turf.
- 4. All of the ice cooled lemonade and tea you can drink is located in the welcome tent about 100 yards SW of Vans aircraft display.
- 5. You can buy X-Plane 9 for \$30 and it will install on a Mac or a Windows PC.

This one came with photos. (see attachment)

- 1) Mud!
- 2) A guy sky diving above a big fan without a net.
- 3) Nicely restored DC2.
- 4) Mike Howard standing up at "taco/margarita night"
- 5) My son & I having a great time.

#### Now for a different perspective:

"As a newbie, as I was called, and a wife of a pilot I went to my first Oshkosh Air Venture. My husband finally talked me into going this year. After years of going to car shows I expected Air Venture to be the same. Rows of planes and a lot of "plane talk". Although, that was true, it was a lot more exciting then any of the car shows we have attended. Here is my top 5 list of things to do at Air Venture 2010 as a pilot's wife's perspective.

- 1. Exciting air shows! Some of the world's best aerobatic performances, war birds, and skydivers, just to name a few. 2. Every type of plane imaginable to see from war planes to futuristic inventions.
- 3. Meeting new friends and seeing old ones! My favorite was meeting Clayton Kelly Gross (Live Bait), a WWII Ace, who recounted his experiences while flying with the 354th FG.
- 4. Evening entertainment! Movies, concerts, and getting together with friends at the campgrounds for a cookout.5. Shopping, shopping, shopping! Hey, I'm a woman. Can't leave that one out."

Thanks to Larry Geiger, Edward Haffke, Doug Humble and Diane288 for their comments.

## September Meeting Time & Location

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

## September Program.

We will be continuing the theme of SLOSHKOSH. Various Chapter members who attended Sloshkosh this year will give us the real story (or at least their version). Come and hear what you missed.

#### **Our 2010 Young Eagles Schedule**

September 12 Plattsmouth, NE 0900 October 23 Council Bluffs, IA 0900

Kathy received the following two thank you emails from parents of kids flown at our last Young Eagles Rally.

"I just wanted to take a minute and thank everyone involved with this organization. My son flew on Saturday and had such

a great time. He was so excited and really enjoyed himself and is now wanting to save his money to take lessons once he turns 16. Again thank you to the group for the generosity of time and money as I know it must be pretty expensive to do this. You sure made my 13 year olds month with this moment." Sincerely, Stephanie

"I would like to take a minute to thank each and every person that was involved with setting up and running the Young Eagles Program. It took many different people to assist in running a quality program....THANK YOU to all the volunteers! Many of the children that participated will remember this for the rest of their lives. Once again thank you to everyone that was involved with this program."

<b>EVENTS:</b>	(B) - Breakfast / (L) - Lunch	
1st Sat	Chapter 1055 (B) (0800-1000)	York, NE
3rd Sat	Chapter 569 (B) (0800-1000)	Crete, NE
Sept 12	Fly-in (B)	Plattsmouth, NE
Sept 18	Fly Iowa Airshow	Burlington, IA
Sept 18	Fly-in (B)	Broken Bow, NE
Sept 18	WMNCC Fly-in (B)	Sidney, NE
Sept 22	AOPA Safety Seminar "Real World IFR Bellevue, NE	
	Bellevue West High School, 1501 Thurston Ave	

#### Oct 2 Nebraska State Fly-in at Kearney (EAR)

0800 - 1000 Fly-in/Drive-in breakfast hosted by Kearney EAA Chapter, PIC Free!

0800 - 1300 Public viewing of aircraft, NE National Guard Exhibits, Roger's Helicopter Air Care, NE Aviation Hall of Fame, Evelyn Sharp Memorial Plate Dedication, Western NE Community College Aircraft Engine Display

1100 - 1500 Music by The Rumbles 1200 - 1300: BBQ on the airport. More info: jlynaugh@kearneygov.org.

#### SCHOOL LAUNCHES AGING AIRCRAFT MAINTENANCE SITE

A new website has been developed that aims to provide one-stop shopping for general aviation maintenance information and, specifically, for help maintaining aging aircraft. Wichita State University's National Institute for Aviation Research has developed the Aging General Aviation Education & Training website (http://www.aginggeneralaviation.org/) to provide information to the general aviation community through an extensive searchable database of maintenance documents and training materials. The site hopes to help users identify potential type-specific problems, offers links to outside resources and includes recommended training and education materials for pilots, mechanics and avionics technicians. It also offers a growing collection of "war stories."

#### 121.5 MHz ELTs still legal for aviation use

You're still perfectly legal to fly with that 121.5 MHz ELT in your aircraft. Rumors that the Federal Communications Commission was going to ban the use of 121.5 MHz ELTs by Aug. 1 have sparked concern in the general aviation community. While the FCC has proposed to ban the "certification, manufacture, importation, sale, or continued use of 121.5 MHz ELTs," the FAA and general aviation groups have taken steps to prevent such a ban from happening. So far, the FCC has not published its proposal in the Federal Register. (From AOPA ePublishing)

# EAA Chapter 80 August 9, 2010 Official Meeting Minutes

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

- Jim Ratte, President
- Bill Stromenger, Vice President,
- Don Meyer, Secretary
- Ed Haffke, Treasurer.

#### **Treasurers Report:**

Motion to accept passed.

#### **Meeting Minutes:**

Motion to accept passed.

#### Young Eagles:

- Mathew Callaghan presented his report on his YE camp experience this summer. Mathew enjoyed the experience and brought some items that he built at the camp. Thank you Mathew for your report and help you provide for the chapter.
- July 19, flew 9 YEs who are sight impaired. They had a fantastic time and so did the pilots!
- August 7, flew 32 YEs
- September 12, YE event at Plattsmouth Airport 9:00 to 12:00
- Chapter needs to identify future candidates for YE camps

#### **Builder's Reports:**

TW has flown off the required time on his RV-6 and reports that it is flying very well.

#### Tech Counselor / Flight Advisor:

LSA Repairman Class, 16 hours of instruction, trying to form class in Denison, Iowa.

#### Fly-Out Report:

• Poker run to be scheduled for fall.

#### Social Coordinator:

 September 12 @ Plattsmouth, Chapter 80 Fall Picnic scheduled after YE event finished. Should be close to 12:00

#### **Old Business**

None

#### **New Business:**

• Need to update membership list and publish for chapter.

#### Librarian Report:

None

#### **Membership Report:**

• Updated information now on computer.

#### **Tool Report:**

Engine hoist in Ronye McKay's hanger

Trailer: AHQScales: TWJacks: Ron Wood

Brake Bleeding Set: Ron Wood

Grills: At AHQ

#### Web Site:

www.eaa80.org

#### **Program:**

• Kevin Farris presented an interesting talk on his and Sandy's RV-7 building experience. They also had their plane on display for the chapter members.

Meeting adjourned.

Don Meyer Secretary



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The interior and exterior of Kevin Fairs' RV-7. Photos by Dick Austin.