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Do you need an EAA Technical Counselor or Flight Advisor?

Are you building or restoring an aircraft? Are you designing or redesigning all or part of an aircraft? Are you getting ready to fly a new or restored aircraft? If you answered yes to any of the above questions, then you may need a Technical Counselor or Flight Advisor.

What is a Technical Counselor? A person with the education, experience and training to convince the EAA headquarters that they are competent to assist and inspect EAA member's aircraft.

What can a Technical counselor do for you?

1. Inspect your aircraft before you close up any structure to be sure that the inside will be as airworthy as the outside.
2. Inspect your aircraft before the FAA or DAR inspects it so that it has a better chance of passing its final airworthiness inspection.
3. Evaluate if you are using materials that are appropriate for use in an aircraft.
4. Some counselors can help you with the math required on design problems or weight and balance.
5. Recommend tests that should be performed during construction to assure the structure is sound.
6. Recommend tests that should be performed before final inspection and flight.

What is a Flight Advisor? A person with the education, experience and training to convince the EAA headquarters that they are competent to advise EAA members regarding flight test of their own aircraft.

What can a Flight Advisor do for you?

1. Evaluate your flight experience to help you decide if you are the proper test pilot for your new or restored aircraft.
2. Help you select a test pilot.
3. Suggest training that will help you get ready to flight test your aircraft.
4. Help you pick an airport that is appropriate for the flight testing of your aircraft.
5. Set up a preflight tests to be sure the aircraft is ready to fly.
6. Develop a list of safety equipment and people to assist you or your test pilot in the event of an emergency.
7. Develop a flight test protocol so that you have a plan for flight testing, know what type of tests to perform, know what type and how to gather data necessary to complete aircraft performance information required by the FAA.

Would you like a Technical Counselor or Flight advisor to help you? If so, contact Mike Howard. Think you might want to be a Technical Counselor or Flight Advisor? Once again, contact Mike Howard for help in applying. Who knows, Mike might keel over dead one day and Chapter 80 will need a new one.

Thanks to Mike Howard for the above article.

Response to last months article on the cost of flying in the UK.

Hi Will,

Regis alerted me to the mention you gave me in the Chapter 80 Newsletter. Yes, you guys just don't know how lucky you are to have free landings and cheap fuel. But, the love of flying is such that we willingly pay the high prices you saw in our newsletter.

I hope I mentioned to you that the Gloster Strut is modeled on Chapter 80. I was a Chapter member for a couple of years 1988-90 and have many very happy memories of the friends I made and the times I had with a great bunch of guys.

Best wishes to you all.

Harry Hopkins

March Meeting Time & Location

This month's meeting is Monday March 14th at 7PM at Hangar One at Millard airport in Omaha. The airport is still located on South 132nd Street between Q and Harrison. Don't forget to set your clocks forward on the 13th.

March Program.

Bruce Belgium from the FAAS Team will be presenting an overview of "LSA FAA Safety". He has some interesting information on the accident rate while 2nd/3rd owners of experimental aircraft transition to these aircraft.

EVENTS: (B) - Breakfast / (L) - Lunch

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| 1st Sat | Chapter 1055 (B) (0800-1000) | York, NE |
| 3rd Sat | Chapter 569 (B) (0800-1000) | Crete, NE |
| Mar 26 | Young Eagles (see below) | Millard, NE |
| Mar 29-Apr 3 | Sun 'n Fun | Lakeland, FL |
| Mar 19 | Chili Fly-in (L) CAF Museum | Council Bluffs, IA |
| Mar 26-27 | Indoor Fly-in (see below) | Ashland, NE |
| Apr 7-10 | Balloon Fly-in (see below) | Des Moines, IA |
| Apr 17 | Fly-in (B) | Dubuque, IA |
| Apr 20-21 | Iowa Aviation conference | Des Moines, IA |
| May 1 | Fly-in (B) | Red Oak, IA |
| May 22 | Fly-in (B) at Museum | Sioux City, IA |
| June 2-5 | National Biplane Fly-in | Junction City, KS |
| June 4 | State Fly-in | Scottsbluff, NE |
| June 4 | Fly-in (B) (see below) | Council Bluffs, IA |
| June 5 | Fly-in (B) | Audubon, IA |
| Jun 25-26 | Midwest Aerobatic Championship | Seward, NE |
| June 25 | Stearman Field Fly-in(B)(L) | Benton, KS |
| July 8-9 | Wing Nuts flying Circus & Fly-in | Tarkio, MO |
| July 25-31 | AirVenture | Oshkosh, WI |

The **Balloon Federation of America** will be celebrating 50 years of ballooning (modern hot air). The event is taking place in Des Moines, April 7 through 10. <http://www.bfa50.com/>

The **Strategic Air and Space Museum** is having an "Indoor Air Show" on March 26 and 27. I think the glider group out of Omaha is planning on being at the program, with one of their gliders on display.

<http://www.sasmuseum.com/wp-content/uploads/indoor-air-show-flier.pdf>

CAF SPRING OPEN HOUSE and FLY-IN/DRIVE-IN

BREAKFAST—June 4, 2011 - 8AM TO 4PM At: Great Plains Wing of the Commemorative Air Force Council Bluffs Municipal Airport KCBF, 16301 McCandless Road; Council Bluffs, IA 51503

All you can eat pancakes by 'The Pancake Man' 8am to 11am Breakfast FREE to Pilots-in-Command Aircraft on Display; Mustang P-51s; Mohawk OV-1; Alfa Jet; Stinson L-5; Aeronca L-3 and many others. For more info: Call Dale Standley 712-366-6631 or email dales51503@cox.net. (got this from PIREPS)

European flying Cost Update: Copied the following from the AOPA magazine.

"In December 2010 at the Biggin Hill School of Flying near London, a Cessna 172 without a glass cockpit rents for \$164 an hour, but there is a VAT (value added tax) of \$36, a full-stop landing fee of \$36.84, and a "per-circuit" fee (touch-and-go) of \$12.21. In addition, the fuel surcharge for nonstudents is \$19.59 per hour (fuel is \$9.75 per gallon). The total hourly cost including one touch and go is \$268.64.

An ILS approach at Biggin carries a fee of \$78, so to make an approach and actually land the cost is \$114.84. Biggin Hill School of Flying instructors take their students to a less expensive airport and practice ILS approaches for \$25.75 per approach. To British pilots, America is still a bargain."

Young Eagles

Our first YE event of the year is Saturday, March 26th. Come to the meeting to find out how to volunteer and what the start time is. Another reason to come to the meeting is to find out who are two candidates are for our Chapter Young Eagle Scholarship program to attend the Air Academy in Oshkosh, WI.

Still not to late to submit your 2011 dues.

Please send your 2011 dues, which are \$25, made out to "EAA Chapter 80" to our Membership Coordinator, Craig Vinopal, at the following address:

EAA Chapter 80
c/o Craig Vinopal
17008 Decatur St.
Omaha, NE 68118-2838

We still have 2011 Calendars!!!

We have been offered the **opportunity to host the Ford Tri-motor** probably in September? All we need now is a volunteer to spearhead the operation. Any takers??

EAA Chapter 80
February 10, 2010
Official Meeting Minutes

The February 14 EAA meeting was held in the Advanced Air FBO facilities at the Council Bluffs airport. The meeting was called to order by President Bruce Callahan at 7:02 PM. Attending were twenty-two members and four visitors including Darrell Hall, a former C47 pilot from Peru.

The officers for 2011 were announced:

- Bruce Callahan - President
- Dale McClure – Vice President
- Ed Haffke - Treasurer
- Kevin Faris – Secretary

Treasurers Report:

President Bruce Callahan reported for Treasurer Ed Haffke:

Operating Account \$5,052.62, Money Market \$4,835.10, C.D.'s \$1,514.74

Motion by Ken Bahr to accept, motion passed

Minutes: Don Meyer made a motion and the November 8, 2010 minutes were accepted.

Young Eagles:

Special Young Eagles flight on Weds, 2-16-2011. We could use a pilot. The chapter is planning six Young Eagle events for 2011. We received a pair of thank-you notes from Kevin and Sasha McCauley.

Builders Reports:

Tim Hewett – Hung Engine on RV-8A

Paige Hoffart – Engine First Start

Tom Wieduwilt – Performing his first condition inspection on his RV-6.

Tech Counselor: Unavailable

Fly Out / Social Coordinator:

Tom Wieduwilt explained plans for two poker runs, a flyout event, and a picnic. No dates have been set at this time.

Old Business:

- Anyone who has not paid their Chapter 80 dues for 2011 should do so now!
- We have a new door and windows for the Wahoo hangar.

Bill Stromenger is requesting volunteers and a date to perform repairs at Wahoo.

New Business:

- EAA offered a B-17 mid-week tour stop in Omaha for mid July. Chapter officers met and declined due to short time-frame, volunteer schedules, and mid-week date.
- Dale McClure made a motion for EAA 80 to pay 50% of Matthew Callahan's EAA Air Academy this summer. Motion passed.
- T.W. discussed using chapter funds for tools, assistance and other things.

Don Meyer discussed a flyout last fall by Don, Mike Howard, and Kevin and Sandy Faris to the Beaumont Hotel in Beaumont, Kansas.

Website:

www.eaa80.org

Program:

Kevin Faris presented a program on APRS (Amateur Position Reporting System) in aircraft tracking applications. See: www.aprs.fi/N426KF for an example.

Meeting adjourned,
Kevin Faris, Secretary

For sale **1/4 ownership in a 1956 Cessna 172** four seat plane. Aircraft is hangared at Millard-(MLE). Aircraft has an STC for autogas. Share cost is \$7500.00, hourly rate is \$25.00 dry. Hangar rent (\$150.00 a mo.) and insurance (\$750.00 approx.yr.) are shared between 3 owners (for now). An ideal trainer/first aircraft or time builder. If interested, call Ken Bahr at 402-559-0133.

I am **interested in an older Aeronca, Luscombe, Piper or Taylorcraft**, restored and in top condition; or a more recent used American Champion, Luscombe, Taylorcraft or RANS under \$75K. Must meet FAA criteria for Light Sport Aircraft. Please contact me at Ron Chandler, 2127 Melrose Lane, Salina, KS 67401 or 785-825-7101 or rhandler44@cox.net. I am a member of Ellsworth, Kansas Chapter 1127.



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