

EAA CHAPTER

80

NEBRASKA IOWA



News!

Visit Our Web Site
www.EAA80.org

April 2011

President

Bruce Callahan
402-291-3903
callahanfishing@gmail.com

Vice-President

Dale McClure
402-894-1492
Mccland@cox.net

Secretary

Kevin Faris
402-296-6907
kf64358@windstream.net

Treasurer

Ed Haffke
402-935-0803
eohaffke@gmail.com

**Membership
Coordinator**

Craig Vinopal
402-289-4741
craigvpal@cox.net

**Tech Counselor/
Flight Advisor**

Mike Howard
402-991-0403
acepilot59@cox.net

Librarian

Leonard Lawton
712-526-2198
ldlawton4me@aol.com

**Young Eagle
Coordinator**

Kathy Callahan
402-291-3903
kathyclutter@gmail.com

Social Coordinator

Tom Wieduwilt
402-934-9580
twied@cox.net

Newsletter Editor

Will Kroeger
402-331-3887
pilotwill@cox.net

WebSite Manager

Ameet Savant
402-516-4546
Ameetsavant@yahoo.com

Are you insured?

The recent weather events at Sun-N-Fun had me thinking about my precious Cherokee 180G. I wonder if my plane would have been covered if it had sustained damage during the "windstorm" or was it an F1 tornado? I think the term used to describe the weather event would have made a difference to my insurance company. But then again, maybe they are just really nice people who would overlook the term used to describe the weather that hurt my precious baby and provide me full coverage.

Then again, maybe they would have nitpicked the wording in my policy which would resulted in us having some really heart-to-heart discussions. I can imagine some of the conversations that would have transpired: them referring to my intellect on comprehending the terms in my policy or defining what the term "Natural causes" really means; my references to their relationship to a female dog or that they are a piece of *&#\$. We would do the dance of "was your hull coverage within 95% of actual value at your last renewal" because I might have underinsured my plane - a sin in the insurance world - which might result in a reduced payout!

Lucky for me, this whole thought process is just a "what if" situation and is like playing "what would I do if I won the lottery" game. However, unlike the lottery game, I do have a means to play the "what do I have" game when it comes to the coverage on my plane. To determine what I am covered for all I have to do is read my policy. If I have a question I can call the insurance company and get clarification. I can ask fellow aviators about the insurance on their planes and about the quality of the company that provides them insurance. I can do research on the internet. I can go to the AOPA and EAA websites and see what kind and the amount of coverage I should have for my plane.

Did you notice a continual theme here? "I" (you) need to do the work to insure adequate coverage for my plane. A company may just sell their "standard" policy and provide the hull coverage you ask for without asking a lot of questions like the condition of exterior/interior or if there are any avionic upgrades. It is up to the person that knows your plane the best to insure it has the right coverage—you!

In closing, I would like to pass my condolences to those who were injured or had aircraft damage at Sun-N-Fun. I can not imagine the feelings one goes through when part of such an event.



Bruce Belugum from the FAASTeam presenting an overview of aviation safety at our March 2011 meeting. Photo by Dick Austin

Now for the lighter side of the storm. The following appeared in AVweb on Monday 4/4/2011.

"The Sun 'n Fun tornado last week was certainly a dramatic enough event, and affected enough people, that a T-shirt to commemorate it was inevitable. By Saturday, show-goers were turning up with gray T-shirts that proclaim, "I survived Sun 'n Fun 2011," with a graphic of a spinning tornado tossing tents, airplanes, and various critters into the air. The actual tornado that hit the airport, while it was certainly damaging, was not quite so dramatic as the one on the T-shirt, but for those who were there, it's now officially a t-shirt-worthy event."

April Meeting Time & Location

This month's meeting is Monday April 11th at 7PM at Hangar One at Millard airport in Omaha. The airport is still located on South 132nd Street between Q and Harrison.

By the way, what are you doing July 11th? Our July meeting will be at Duncan Aviation in Lincoln. See ya there.

April Program.

Our very own Kathy Callahan will be talking about our very successful Young Eagles program. She will recognize ground crew and pilots, present the 2011 schedule and talk about supplies, volunteer recruitment, scholarship recipients, and the latest news regarding the Young Eagles program.

Also, Ward Combs just returned from Sun-N-Fun and has some interesting stories.

Young Eagles

Our first YE event of the year was weathered out on Saturday, March 26th. However, we will not be defeated by the Nebraska weather and have scheduled two events specifically for the following small groups. Note: These rallies are not open to the public.

Three or four pilots are needed on Tuesday, April 12 at 10 AM at Millard. We are providing Young Eagle flights for 13 students from King Science and Technology Magnet School.

Six pilots and a few ground crew volunteers are needed on Saturday, April 30 at 9 AM at Millard. We are providing Young Eagle flights for 18 Aviation Explorers affiliated with UNO's Department of Aviation.

Please contact Kathy if you can help out with either of these Young Eagle events.

Talking about Young Eagles, go see the EAA YE facebook page at (not that I know anything about this face book stuff) http://www.facebook.com/EAA_SkycatcherTour

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

1st Sat	Chapter 1055 (B) (0800-1000)	York, NE
3rd Sat	Chapter 569 (B) (0800-1000)	Crete, NE
Apr 7-10	Balloon Fly-in (see below)	Des Moines, IA
Apr 16	Kansas State University Fly-in (B)	Salina, KS
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 7	Rich Rhea Memorial Fly-in	Versailles, MO
May 22	Fly-in (B) at Museum	Sioux City, IA
May 28	Wings over Atchison	St. Joseph, MO
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/>

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)

It is now official – the **EAA's historic B-17 Flying Fortress will visit Lincoln**, Nebraska on Tuesday and Wednesday July 12 & 13, 2011.

The **Doolittle Raiders** will be having their **69th reunion** at the Strategic Air and Space Museum April 14-17, 2011. There are only 5 raiders left, out of 80, and all will be attending this reunion. There will be events everyday to meet the Raiders. In addition, there will be 2 B-25's available to give rides Wednesday through Sunday at the Lincoln airport for \$425 for 30 minutes. For more info, go to www.doolittlereunion.com/events.htm

EAA has video website called EAA Video Player. It has some interesting videos. For more info or to see some videos go to <http://www.eaavideo.org>

The FAA Safety program has announced a new **WINGS- Pilot Proficiency Program User's Guide**. It has helps and tips, screen shots, and even contains a section "Especially for Instructors," which will prove most helpful for instructors participating in the **WINGS** Program. For more info go to: [/http://faasafety.gov/documents/Wings_Manual.pdf](http://faasafety.gov/documents/Wings_Manual.pdf)

Wanted: Steve Farner is looking to join or create a partnership for a heavy single (6-place) or light twin. Blair airport (BTA) is preferred, but would consider other options also. He can be reached at steve.farner@bellevue.edu, or at 402-690-8751.

EAA Chapter 80
March 14, 2010
Official Meeting Minutes

The Chapter 80 EAA meeting was held at the Millard airport in the facilities of Hangar One. The meeting was called to order by President Bruce Callahan at 7:01 PM. Attending were forty-four members and three FAA representatives.

2011 Officers:

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

Treasurers Report:

Checking \$5,087.17

A C.D. matures in March and will “roll over” into a new one.

Chapter 80 totals \$11,437.57

The Treasurers report was approved as given.

Minutes: The minutes of the February 14 meeting were accepted.

Young Eagles: There will be a Young Eagles Event March 26 with approximately 26 people from the UNO aviation program. We will need five or six pilots.

Builders Reports:

- Mike Howard reports his airframe is complete and the engine mounted on his plans-built autogiro.
- Tom Mann reports the right wing of his Long EZ is complete, starting on the left.
- Chris Halfman reports the cabin angles are drilled and working on the rudder pedals of his RV7A.
- Doug Humble is working on his Thatcher CX4 fuselage.

Tim Hewett is working on baffles and cowl of his RV8A.

Tech Counselor: Mike Howard reports that no one has approached him so far to be a tech counselor or flight advisor.

Fly Out / Social Coordinator: Mike Howard reported there will be a fly-out to Columbus on March 27. The plan is to arrive at the shop of Muhle Aviation by 12:00. We will tour the shop of Paul Muhle and Frank Cuba. We will be picking up sub sandwiches for lunch.

Old Business:

Membership Coordinator Craig Vinopal reminds members to pay your 2011 dues.

New Business:

- Bruce Callahan announced we have a chance to host the Ford Tri-motor in September. Members were generally not-interested in hosting it. We will inform EAA of same.

The business meeting adjourned at 7:16 PM for a short break and folled with the FAA safety program.

Website:

www.eaa80.org

Program:

The program was given by FAA FFAST team members Bruce Belgum, Verle Engel, and Bobby Reed. Bruce Belgum presented information on situational awareness and flight safety issues. Verle Engel covered amateur built and light sport maintenance issues. The meeting adjourned at 08:57 PM.

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 rchandler44@cox.net. I am a member of Ellsworth, Kansas Chapter 1127.

Don Meyer has two **Bose X Headsets** for sale, \$400.00 each. They are in excellent condition and are in original boxes and cases. He can bring them to next meeting if anyone wants to take a look at them. Call 402-650-2551 or email he at airmeyer1@cox.net.



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



Members and some of the things they saw during the flyout to Columbus, NE. to visit Paul Muhle (winner of two Oshkosh grand champion trophies) Muhle Aviation works, and Frank Cuba of LiteWings who has an LSA dealership and repair facility. Paul is working on a Pitts Model 12 and an Extra 300
Thanks to Dick Austin for the photos.