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### **NOVEMBER 2013 NEWSLETTER**

## **An Unplanned Visit to China**

Shane Osborn was our speaker this evening. Mr. Osborn is a Nebraska native who had the unfortunate experience of crash landing on the Chinese Island of Hainan in 2001 while performing



reconnaissance for the US military. The short version is that Shane and his crew of 23 were flying in international airspace about 70 miles from Chinese territory performing reconnaissance when a Chinese fighter got too close and impacted the left wing and engine of Shane's aircraft. The crash left enough control for Shane to land the aircraft intact on the island. Shane stated that as they were

getting ready for the emergency landing, they destroyed intelligence equipment and sensitive documents. He and the crew were



subsequently detained by the Chinese and interrogated for 12 days before US diplomatic efforts got them released. The Chinese dismantled the aircraft and returned it in boxes after months of scrutiny. Osborn was awarded the distinguished Flying Cross for this action. Shane left the military in 2005 and in 2006 won the election for Nebraska State Treasurer. During his tenure in office, he was committed to bringing transparency to the office and was recognized by his commitment to returning unclaimed property to Nebraskans. He also reduced the Treasurer's budget by 12.8 % and froze salaries of his top managers. In 2009 Osborn announced that he would not seek re-election for the Treasurer's office.

On June 2013, Osborn announced he would seek election to the US Senate after

Senator Johanns announced he would retire after his term. Shane was asked if he still flew and he responded that he did when he could, which was not often.

# NOVEMBER MEETING

The next meeting will be held November 11, 2013, 7:00 pm, at Millard airport. Our speaker will be John Thompson. Mr. Thompson is a former Marine Aviator. Since leaving the Marines, John has owned a crop dusting business in Iowa and is currently flying a water bomber as part of the forest and wildfire control effort in Oregon. He will be speaking about his firefighting experiences over the past fire season.

## **Young Eagles**

Well the season is over and I feel like we had a decent year. We flew 104 young eagles and 2 adult eagles. We had at least five pilots who flew 10 or more kids this year. Dale and I would like to thank all of the pilots and the ground crew folks for making this year a success. My special thanks goes out to Dick Austin and Kathy Callahan. Dick for his dedication to being there and Kathy for her willingness to share her knowledge and for her and her family's ground crew help.

## **Meeting Minutes October 2013**

The meeting was called to order by President Tom Mann at 19:00. There were 26 members present. A motion was made and the minutes of the September meeting were accepted.

- Treasurers Report: Treasurer Ed Haffke reported \$3148.70 in checking, \$4908.84 in Money Market, and \$1546.28 in CD.
- Young Eagles: Lester reported flying 21
   Young Eagles in the final event of the
   year. Lester gave thanks to all of the Y.E.
   participants.
- Tech Counselor/ Fly Out: Nothing new.
- Social: Coordinator T.W. reporting -

Christmas dinner will be Friday December 13 at Arbor Hall. Menu choices are to follow.

There will be a hanger work day on October 26 from 09:00 am to 11:30 am at Wahoo. PS - Changed to 11/27/13

• Tool Committee: No report

#### New Business:

We need a new Audio/Visual cabinet built to accommodate easy setup and teardown.

Don Meyer attended the AOPA Summit. One of the discussions concerned law enforcement performing "aviation searches". AOPA has suggestions on how to behave if you are stopped.

The AOPA medical seminar was presented by Dr. Warren Silberman, the retired FAA medical branch head. His presentation was on sleep apnea and the "maintenance of wakefulness" test.

There is a new \$600 ADS-B unit for the IPAD.

All U.S. Pilots are checked against the terrorist watch list daily.

- **Raffle:** Rick Jacobson won the 50/50 raffle and donated it back to the club.
- Program: Shane Osborn presented a program on aviation stories and his political ambitions to run for the U.S. Senate.

Website: www.eaa80.org

Meeting adjourned at 20:47

Kevin Faris, Secretary

## **Wahoo Hanger Cleanup Crew**

The Wahoo cleanup proceeded as scheduled. Special thanks to Tom Wieduwilt and Tom Mann for taking on the drywall repairs and to Arnie Wiese for freezing his hands and cleaning the windows. Here is a list of the members who turned out to help:

Jim Rush Tom Mann Bob Cartwright Jon Breeze Kim Fostvedt Jerry Ronk

Bill Hass Doug Humble
Tom Wieduwilt Kevin Manning

Arnie Wiese

Dynon Avionics releases Skyview V7.0 Software - Adds Charts and Airport Diagrams. This is an important release for the Skyview system: with new georeferenced charts and Airport diagrams, customers can now fly their aircraft "paperless". Available at a cost of \$99 per year with no hidden fees.





### **SportAir Workshops**

EAA SportAir Workshops: Riverside, CA, Nov 16, 2013.

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Courses offered in Riverside: **Composite Const** 2 days, \$349

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For workshop info, go to http://www.sportair.com/workshops/ and select the workshop you are interested in. E-Z pay is now available. Call the SportAir hotline at 1-800-967-5746 to register using this option.

## PIREPS Nebraska Department of Aeronautics

**York Airport (JYR) EAA** Chapter 1055 Fly-In breakfast on the 1st Saturday of every month, 0800-1000. Free to PIC.

**Crete Airport (CEK)** EAA Chapter 569 Fly-In breakfast on the 3rd Saturday of every month, 073-1030.

**Seward Airport (SWT)** Midwest Aerobatic Club has regular meeting on 3rd Sat of the month.

-There are lots of activities occurring within the state. Please go to: http://www.aero.state.ne.us/octnov13pi.pdf/ for additional events.