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Quality Aviation Training

The program for this month was presented by Eugene Jedlicka, Chairman of the Aviation Technology Department at Iowa Western Community College. Eugene gave an overview of the two year A&P program offered by the school. The Aviation Department is located on the Council Bluffs airport in a beautiful classroom and hanger facility. The program offers five aviation related programs to include: (1) Aviation Airframe Certificate, (2) Aviation Power



Plant Certificate, (3) Aviation Maintenance Technology, (4) Aviation Management, and Aviation Professional Pilot. You can complete the certificate courses in 18 months each, but the others require two years. Class size is 12 students and the cost is \$132.00 per hour instate tuition or approximately \$18,000 for the two years. They run two classes simultaneous.

The hanger facility is 13,000 square feet and is filled with various fixed and helicopter airframes as well as engines of various types. I observed three different helicopters, a twin engine Cessna and a Baron, a single engine Cessna and a Piper Tri Pacer. There were engines of all sizes from a Rotax to a million dollar DC10 engine. All of this equipment is available for the students

use during training. There are also classrooms where airframe components are created and tested. In another classroom, engines are torn down and rebuilt under the all seeing eyes of an instructor. The bottom line is that this appears to be a well equipped facility if you are interested in becoming an aircraft maintenance technician. See the following pictures.



Beech Baron with shortened wings (smile)



A jet and a helicopter.



Cessna 182.



DC10 Engine.



Airframe Workshop



Power Plant Workshop

REMINDER

Please see the membership chairman and get current on your dues if necessary.

Chapter 80 Meeting Minutes February 10, 2014

The meeting was called together by President Tom Mann at 19:00. Meeting was held at A&P School of Iowa Western Community College. There were 31 members present and one guest, Terry Stewart.

- *Minutes: A motion to approve the minutes from the previous meeting was placed, seconded, and passed.*
- *Treasurers Report: Checking Account \$3,506, Money Market Account \$4,908, and CD \$1,548 for a total of \$9,963.54. Treasurers report approved.*
- *Membership Coordinator: Dues are being received. 55% of members have paid their dues. An appeal was made again for all members who have not done so, to please pay their dues.*
- *Tool Committee: All tools accounted for. Bob Harvey's widow donated a fabric tester.*
- *Young Eagles: There were no YE events. Had a preliminary meeting to develop flying schedule and agreed that first rally will be April 19th. Still looking for ideas on how to increase attendance.*
- *Tech Counselor/Fly-out: Nothing to report.*
- *Flight Advisor: No report.*
- *Social Coordinator: TW Reporting. TW provided pizza for our visit to Iowa Western.*
- *Builders Report:*
Chris Halfman working on electrical system of his RV-7A.
Jerry Ronk: 33 hours on his F1 Rocket. GAMI injectors installed. Had a malfunction with his PFD.
Tom Mann is taking over and continuing construction of Rich Urbans Velocity.
Gene Larsen completed construction of RV-12 with Delbert. The plane has now flown 17 hours with no problems.
- *Old Business: We need to be out of the Wahoo hanger by September. We need to find a place for a metal bending brake. A question was posed as to what to do with the tables, chairs, and the propane tank we have at the hanger. Still dis-*

cussing.

- *New Business: No new business.*
- *Raffle: No raffle held.*
- *Classifieds:*
RV-7 tail and wings for sale. Contact Dale Botkin.
Tube flaring tool for sale, \$50. Contact TW.
- *Program: An overview given by Eugene Jedlica of the Aviation Technology Department at Iowa Western Community College. See main story.*

Meeting adjourned at 20:09

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David Silchman, Secretary

March Meeting

The March meeting will be held on March 10 at 7:00 PM in Hanger One at Millard.

TW will be heading up some demonstrations on rib making. Ken Bar will be bringing some Sonex wing rib forming blocks and working with TW demonstrating how a part can start as a flat piece of metal and be transformed into a flanged wing rib with lighting holes. TW will be bringing some Bearhawk forming blocks and metal and demonstrating how smaller parts are formed.



Cessna 340 Twin



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

SportAir Workshops

EAA SportAir Workshops: Watsonville, CA , Mar 22, 2014

EAA SportAir Workshops: Griffin, GA, Mar 29, 2014

Come gain the knowledge and hands on experience you need to see your dreams take flight. .

Courses offered in Watsonville: **Composite Construction**, 2 days, \$349

Fabric Covering, 2 days, \$349.– FULL

Sheet Metal Basics, 2 days, \$349.

Electrical Systems & Avionics, 2 days, \$349.

What's Involved in Kit Building, Evening, \$25.

Course offered in Griffin: **TIG Welding** 2 days, \$349

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PIREPS

Nebraska Department of Aeronautics

- **York Airport (JYR)**, EAA Chapter 1055

Fly-in breakfast (free will donation) on the 1st Saturday of every month, 8:00-10:00.

- **Crete Airport (CEK)**, EAA Chapter 569

Fly-in breakfast on the 3rd Saturday of every month. 8:00-10:00.

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