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Words from the Chapter 80 2015 Vice President.



Hi, everyone! I'm Chris Halfman, your 2015 EAA 80 Vice President. For those that are able to attend meetings, you've probably seen me around at meetings the last few years. I've been a member for several years before that. I'm a mechanical engineer by schooling and work in the facility planning (macroengineering) department at Northern Natural Gas. I've been there 8 years. On the airplane side of things, I'm a low time pilot that just finished building a Van's Aircraft RV-7A. The first flight was in August. The Hobbs just turned 100 hours.

Enough about me Events for March include: Rick Bernardi will give a presentation at the March 9 meeting on hitching a ride with a friend that had an opportunity to attend a fly-in on the Edwards Air Force Base lake bed. Also at the March meeting all the books that are in the library will be set out for distribution. The library has virtually been underutilized the last few years. Not helped by the easy access of information on the internet. The books will be set out at the next meeting for your taking. Left over books will most likely find their way to the dumpster. For the April Meeting, Jim Beyer and Paige Hoffart will be giving us a presentation on formation flying. I look forward to meeting those I don't know.

Pilots Bill of Rights

Send e-mails to your representatives in Congress. Click on the following link and enter your zip code and the site will automatically generate emails to your representatives in the house and senate. It's easy and it's fast.

http://govt.eaa.org/17422/support-pilots-billrights-2/?m=5245104

Second Pilot's bill of Rights includes Medical Reform

On Thursday, bipartisan groups in both the U.S. House and Senate introduced "Pilots Bill of Rights ii" legislation that had a number of provisions that would benefit general aviation pilots. Most noticeable within the language is aeromedical reform that would allow pilots to self -certify medical fitness for aircraft up to 6,000 pounds carrying up to five passengers for VFR or IFR flights, day or night. Sen. Jim Inhofe (R-OK) is primary author in the Senate, although 12 other senators immediately signed as co-sponsors. Rep Sam Graves (R-MO) is spear heading the legislation in the house, with two Democrats and one other Republication joining as co-sponsors. This is a tremendous move forward in EAA's efforts for aeromedical reform, as we also continue the push behind the FAA rulemaking process long promised from the U.S. Department of Transportation and Office of Management and Budget. Special thanks to Doug Macnair for all his Capitol Hill work in getting this measure introduced, and especially his behind-the-scenes efforts to secure bipartisan co-sponsors. EAA asks all members to take action through the Rally Congress website, urging their home state lawmakers to support this measure.

Please forward this to all that might have an

interest. This is really important.

Central Cylinder Trip

For all of you who attended last months visit to Central Cylinder, I would be interested in sharing your experiences with the rest of the members. If interested, let me know.

Document Confusion

I want to make a personal apology for the fact that the February meeting minutes are not a part of this document. Due to not being at the meeting, illness, and other issues, the information was not captured. I realize that the group met at Central Cylinder last moth and we may not have much, but I will get you what we have.

February 9, 2015 Meeting Minutes

Meeting held at Central Cylinder facility @ called to order @ 1920 by President Jerry Ronk.

Minutes of the January were approved.

Treasurer Report: Checking \$3,746

Money Market \$1,554

CD \$3,910

Membership: Tim Hewett reported 64 paid members. Please get your dues paid.

Tech Counselor: No Report

Young Eagles: Dale McClure handed out business cards with YE dates.

Dale announced that Kathy Callahan will again assist with the YE program.
Tool Report: No changes.
Builders Report: Dale Botkin is making progress with RV-7A.
Old Business: Library will be cleaned out and closed. Need to update Newsletter
New Business: None
March meeting will be held @ Oracle Aviation. Formerly Hanger One MLE.
Medical Issue: Everyone needs to contact their congressional members to support this issue.
Service Awards: Ed Haffke
Meeting Adjourned.
Program was a tour of Central by George and the staff at central cylinder. Thank you George and staff.



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