

News! August 2018

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From the President

The Ever Changing Home-built Journey

Several years back, when the airplane was still not in the air, I talked about finishing it and being able to not have to work on it very much after that, other than maintenance. Someone quickly piped in, "It's a home built, you're never done building." I thought, that's crap. I'm an engineer and as I've gotten more experience, I really don't like going back and having to 'fix' projects I've 'finished.' I'm doing this project the way I want it the first time, so there's nothing to 'fix.' Well...... there have been small things I've messed with, but no major plans. Until now.

I put several hours of flying time in Jane-the-Plane the last couple weeks. The first trip was to AirVenture and the other trip was to Stacyville for Brat Daze. The more and more I use the airplane for travel, the more it seems being IFR rated might come in handy on marginal days and be a nice tool to have in the tool belt. It's still something that won't happen for a few years down the road, but I guess you're never done building!

As of right now, we don't have an August presenter, but will follow-up with an e-mail when one is finalized.

Chris Halfman

Young Eagles

Hi EAA80 Young Eagle Volunteers,

Thank you for a great rally July 14! We ended up flying 36 young eagles, which is awesome! We really appreciated your flexibility in dealing with the clouds and the delayed start time. Special thanks to Josh Tocko who brought in the water and doughnuts.

Our next rally is on Saturday, 8/18/2018 at 0800. I already put in the order for cool temperatures, clear skies and calm winds...maybe you could do the same. :-)

Thanks again!

Fly safe!

-Jim

EAA Chapter 80

Meeting Minutes

July 2018

The chapter meeting was held on July 9th at Millard Airport, Oracle Aviation. The meeting was called to order at 7 PM by President Chris Halfman.

One new member was introduced: Jacob Moore, stationed at Offutt AFB, is a single-engine pilot looking to add a glider rating to his license, perhaps an IFR rating. Not a builder.

Meeting Minutes: The June 2018 meeting minutes were approved as published.

Treasurer's Report: The July treasurer's report was approved as published. The report included receipts of \$25 (dues). Chapter expenses totaled \$27.46. Ending balance \$16,032.11.

Membership: Bob Condrey was absent, but it was stated that 20 members have not paid their 2018 dues.

Tech Counselors: Mike Howard had nothing to report on.

Young Eagles: The next YE rally is July 14th with 22 youth signed up thus far. Send EAA80YE to 84483 for a text alert for those supporting the rally.

Tools: Jerry Ronk had nothing to report.

Builder Reports: No activity to report.

Builders Meeting: None scheduled.

Fly-outs: Eric Stadjuhar reported on a fly-out to Tarkio, Missouri.

Social Coordinator: Nothing to report.

Old Business:

- 1) 501c(3) proposal. No update
- 2) EAA Chapter 80 sign. An updated signage was presented and the design approved by the membership. It was proposed that the cost to re-do the original sign with the new logo be determined. Additionally, it was suggested that the new signage be made available as a small window sticker for distribution (Josh to look into the cost of this).

New Business:

1) Tom Weduwit and Ed Kirker presented additional cost information on updating the microphone system with new lapel mics, mixer, etc. After a long discussion it was tabled until the next meeting so Ed could make a recommendation for purchasing a new or updated digital wireless system, and the cost.

Announcements:

- 1) Those going to Oshkosh can purchase a week's pass at ½ off if done on-line in advance.
- 2) At Oshkosh this year there will be an Infusion Project demonstration for composite aircraft dealing with wet layups and vacuum bagging.
- 3) Josh Tocko announced that Gilbert earned his private license.
- 4) Five aircraft will be coming through Omaha on 7/11 and extended an open invitation for EAA members to join them for dinner at Charlies on the Lake. They are participating in a race that leaves from Florida, stops in Omaha, and then continues to Calgary with the ultimate destination Oshkosh.

Presentation: After calling the meeting to order, the Nebraska Army Air National Guard provided a presentation on their mission here in Nebraska. CWO Bockelman was the presenter and flew in (and out) with the LUH-72 Lakota helicopter. The NAANG flies the UH-60L Blackhawk, the CH-47F Chinook, and the LUH-72 Lakota. The units are stationed at Lincoln and Grand Island. Very interesting information provided, and it was great to snoop around the LUH-72 and ask questions.

August Meeting: The next meeting is August 13th at 7pm, at Millard Airport Oracle Aviation.

Raffle Drawing: The \$56 50-50 raffle drawing was won by Bill Haas (\$28).





Oshkosh 2018

2018 marks the first year I flew in to Oshkosh. An unusual year in that the airport was closed to VFR arrivals almost all of Saturday and Sunday morning, traffic was especially heavy when we arrived Sunday afternoon. Airplanes everywhere! Took about 8 tries and a fuel stop to finally get into KOSH using the FISK arrival.

Camping in the ultralight area with the best hosts Rick and Nancy was an oasis in this huge AirVenture experience.
Great evening meals surrounded by the nicest people and being show center for the Twilight Flight Fest was a real treat. We had the best seats for the EAA STOL Invitational, the Paradigm Aerobatic Team, and the 3D RC demonstrations each evening.

Combine those experiences with vendors from all over the world, forums about almost anything aviation, demonstrations from WWII fighters, B1 bombers to homebuilts and everything in between, and there is truly something for everyone at AirVenture.

Please send your story along with any pictures to share with our chapter to newsletter@eaa80.org

Or 402-740-9309

See you at the meeting







August Webinars

What's Changed, What Hasn't

Wednesday, August 8 – 8 p.m. CDT Presenter: Mike Busch | Qualifies for FAA Wings and AMT credit.

Register Now >>

164 Years of Glider Homebuilding and Future Glider Amateur-Building

Wednesday, August 15 – 7 p.m. CDT Presenter: Murry Rozansky Register Now >>

Plan, Fly and Log with iFlightPlanner

Wednesday, August 22 – 7 p.m. CDT Presenter: Andy Matthews | Qualifies for FAA Wings credit. Register Now >>





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