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FORWARD

There was quite a crowd at the July 4th gathering made up of airport firefighters, hangar tenants, chapter 99 members and guests. The food was good, the weather great and the fireworks entertaining. At the July meeting Ken Mishler gave a great program on flying the Velocity. After seeing his videos, we can understand why he is building another one. There is no specific program lined up for August and September, but we may have something of interest. Perhaps somebody who attended Oshkosh can tell us about it.

MINUTES: EAA CHAPTER 99 MEETING, July 11, 2006

In the absence of both the President and Vice-President the meeting was run by ex President Keith Gordon who opened the meeting at 7:03. After the introduction of two guests, the minutes were read and approved and the treasurers report showing a balance of \$11,605.12 was also read and approved.

Under builder reports John Murphy stated that he has completed the second wing for his Zenair 701 and is going on vacation so there will be no further progress at this time. Bill Zorc completed the checkout in his recently purchased RV-8 and is still working on his Corby Starlet. Ken Mishler has slowed any progress on his new Velocity kit due to vacations and other family commitments. Don Key completed another tail cone skin for his Mustang II but will also be leaving for vacation. Spencer Gould has completed the ribs for his own design homebuilt and is currently trying to get the Corvair engine assembled with the help of William Wynne.

Keith Gordon announced that he had completed the article about Chapter 99 for the Press Journal and to watch for it to appear soon. A pitch was made by several members to check out the parts and equipment for sale by Chapter 99 member Bob Davenport. Don Key

told of a Mustang II project for sale in the local area by the widow of the builder.

Keith then requested volunteer pilots for July 22 Young Eagles. Bill Zorc and Ken Mishler responded with Jim Davis a maybe. He then closed the meeting at 7:40 PM.

Ken Mishler then presented a program on flying the Velocity with several excellent videos of thrilling flight sequences with Velocities and other homebuilt aircraft.

July 22, YOUNG EAGLES, PANCAKE BREAKFAST & FLYOUT

The forecast was for it to be cloudy with scattered showers and thunderstorms beginning about noon. Not a great Young Eagles day. At 8:30am Ken Mishler opened his hangar doors and was waiting for a very slight almost shower to subside when Bill Zorc arrived in his newly purchased RV-8. About that time two Young Eagles showed up. Marty took them aside and since the computer for the simulator crashed, he used a neat model of a Smith Miniplane to show them the hows and whys of flight. At the conclusion of his demonstration the two were escorted to Ken's Velocity for their flight only to have one of the lads change his mind. Their father decided to take them home and return later with the single flyer. In the meantime three more boys showed up, but only two wanted to fly. Marty again did his demonstration and tried to calm the fears of the third. The two flyers were then escorted to the flight line where Bill and Ken each took one of the boys for their Young Eagles adventure. While they were flying Marty continued his talk to the one remaining but to no avail, he just did not want to go. After all, flying is not for everyone. By the time the first two flights were completed, the father returned with the first boy to have his turn so Ken took him and the father for a memorable flight.

On the breakfast side of things Gene and Vern were kept busy serving parents, kids, members, friends and visitors. One visitor turned out to be a curious retired

airline captain who saw the signs and just followed them in. Since no more youngsters showed up, Bill gave some of the chapter 99 members a ride in his new super steed. As showers loomed on the horizon and no other craft showed up for a luncheon flyout, the pilots and crew feasted on a lunch of pancakes and hangar flying.

FOR SALE

Builder must sell Long EZ fuselage project, parts, materials, special aircraft tools, general tools and much more. For 3 page listing check bulletin board in meeting room or contact me (Landis at 772-567-2506) or seller, Bob Davenport 772-562-9095 any day between noon and 1 PM or after 6 PM.

Mustang II Center Section and Wing Jig - still in crate, flap completed. The Mustang II is a good looking, side by side, excellent performing airplane and this is the start of a good project at a fair price. For information on the Mustang II and this kit, call Don Key (772) 581-9587 or cell phone (586) 524-7034.

CALENDAR OF CHAPTER 99 EVENTS

T-Hangar #16 at 2703 Flight Safety Dr., Vero Beach Municipal Airport

- Tue. Aug. 01, Ch. 99 Staff & Planning meeting, 7:00PM incl. Aviation Day (members welcome)
- Tue. Aug. 08, Ch. 99 Regular monthly meeting, 7:00 PM Bring an interested guest
- Sat. Aug. 26, Ch. 99 Young Eagles & Pancake Breakfast 8:00AM members & guests welcome Luncheon flights for pilots to follow
- Tue. Sept. 05, Ch. 99 Staff & Planning meeting, 7:00PM Incl. Aviation Day (members welcome)
- Tue. Sept. 12, Ch. 99 Regular monthly meeting, 7:00 PM Bring an interested guest
- Sat. Sept. 23, Ch. 99 Young Eagles & Pancake Breakfast 8:00 AM members & guests welcome Luncheon flights for pilots to follow