

# EXPERIMENTAL AIRCRAFT ASSOCIATION



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Vero Beach, FL



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### FORWARD

Summer break is coming to an end; this is the perfect time to draw conclusions from the survey we took at the July members meeting about interesting educational programs. At the next planning meeting on Sept. 5, we will try to set up the program for the following months. It is obvious that our members are interested in one or two "Seminars in a box" from AOPA or EAA. To get this going we need at least one member, who wants to take over responsibility for these presentations. We think about an experienced pilot or CFI (not necessarily current) who is able to narrate the seminars. Members who are interested in helping mold the future of Chapter 99 are urged to attend on September 5.

For the September meeting there will be a very special program. We have been working on it since months. The officers kindly ask all members to come to the meeting if ever possible. We can not tell you more at this time but we assume it will be well worth your time. Watch for your reminder email!

### MINUTES: EAA CHAPTER 99 MEETING, August 08, 2006

In the absence of the President and Vice-President, the meeting of 19 members and 3 guests was conducted by Todd Scher opening at 7:05 PM. Todd first introduced the guests. He then called for the minutes of the July meeting which were read by the secretary and then approved as read by those present. In the absence of the treasurer, Todd gave a brief report on the chapter finances and of a recent expenditure in the purchase of a computer to run the flight simulator which the chapter uses for the Young Eagles program. The arrival of the treasurer produced a balance of \$10,333.31.

Builder reports: Spencer Gould is awaiting the arrival of a crankshaft for his Corvair engine. While at Oshkosh, he bought material for his own design homebuilt. Other builders showed no progress due to vacations.

Todd Scher reported that the airport recently passed a FAA Part 139 certification inspection with zero discrepancies. Great job! He also explained the position of the airport with reference to the intent of the Wings and Wheels air show to move to Vero Beach. Since it does not look favorable at this time he is proceeding with plans for our own Aviation Day.

Keith Gordon announced a fly-in at Rockledge Airport on August 19. Todd then closed the meeting.

After a refreshment break with treats from Gene and Keith, the new computer was put to work showing a series of photographs of airplanes at Oshkosh Airventure 2006 taken by Spencer Gould. Jess Krall also produced a large map of the event on the high light board and explained about his judging activities and just how the whole thing works.

### August 26, YOUNG EAGLES, PANCAKE BREAKFAST & FLYOUT



*Bill and his beautiful RV-8 with a Young Eagle*

*The guy who has always a joke ready: Gene serving pancakes*



Although rain was forecast for the afternoon, the morning weather was very good. A pleasant surprise was the arrival of Rod Gier from Cocoa, Florida in a J-3 Cub to help us out. Rod along with Bill Zorc and Ken Mishler flew sixteen Young Eagles. Gene and Vern served up the pancakes while Marty was busy teaching

Young Eagles all about flying with the help of the new computer. The following message was received by a friend of Chapter 99 who spread the word about Young Eagles:

*Thanks so much for the info on the "Young Eagles" I took my daughters today ages 16, 13, and 8 they had a blast! They had a 20 minute airplane ride in a Velocity SUV plus the simulator w/instruction prior to their flight. I can't say enough about Chapter 99, they are extremely nice, knowledgeable and helpful. My daughters had a terrific time and received their "Young Eagles Certificate" and a free pancake breakfast!*

*Thalia Sotter*

Messages like this let us know how our program is being received and how important it is.



*Young Eagles kids waiting their turn while Marty teaches on the Flight Sim*

*Rod Gier made Gerd feel like in paradise: back in a tail dragger!*



### **HELP WANTED for Young Eagles Days**

The last three Young Eagles Saturdays we had more than 10 kids, plus parents and young siblings. People were hanging out outside at the flight line, too close to running propellers. Some were walking down to the taxiway movement area to watch without any instructions whatsoever. It is dangerous and we don't want to get in trouble with the tower either. We need a person outside at the flight line making sure that no kids or adults get too close to moving aircraft. This person not necessarily needs to be a pilot; we see a perfect opportunity for a spouse, teenage aviation enthusiast or family member to participate.

### **COMPUTERS**

The chapter has two computers that just don't seem to work out with the flight simulator. If you think you could use one or both of them, come to the next

meeting where a decision will be made as to their disposition.

### **DONATION**

An engine overhaul stand was generously donated to the chapter by member Bill Ford. It is the type that holds the crankshaft in a vertical position for complete engine assembly. It is stored in the chapter hangar and is available to any chapter member who needs it.

### **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. Sept. 05, Ch. 99 Staff & Planning meeting Including Aviation Day (Interested 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

Tue. Oct. 03, Ch. 99 Staff & Planning meeting Including Aviation Day (Interested members welcome)

Tue. Oct. 10, Ch. 99 Regular monthly meeting, 7:00 PM Bring an interested guest

Sat. Oct. 28, Ch. 99 Young Eagles & Pancake Breakfast 8:00 AM members & guests welcome Luncheon flights for pilots to follow

Landis & Sylvia . . . . . 772-567-2506