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FORWARD

Frank Haas' program at the May meeting was both enlightening and amusing. Probably the most important thing we learned was that the regulations are a bit nebulous, so beware. For next month



we will have a showing of "One Six Right, The Romance of Flying". This is an exhilarating 73 minute documentary film that celebrates the unsung hero of aviation - the local airport - by tracing the life, history, and struggles of an airport

icon: Southern California's Van Nuys Airport. The movie comes highly recommended by both EAA and AOPA.

Member Bob Davenport has generously donated his scale model collection of WWII aircraft to Chapter 99. We accept it with many thanks to Bob. The unique collection will be stored until a decision is made as to how it will be displayed. Does anybody have any suggestions? Your officers welcome your input.

JACK HEMSKEY LEAVING

Jack Hemskey, long time Chapter 99 member and past Secretary is leaving the area and moving to Virginia. We wish him well and hope he will enjoy his new home.



Jack trying to figure out the answers for Frank's quiz.

PARTNERSHIP AVAILABLE FOR CZAW LSA SPORT CRUISER

Chapter member Marty Marugg has placed a deposit on a new CZAW LSA Sport Cruiser. He is forming a partnership and needs two more partners. Capital

requirement will be \$25,000 per partner. The Sport Cruiser is an elegant, stylish and fantastic Light Sport airplane. For details contact Marty at (772) 564-2903 or send him an email: makind@bellsouth.net. Visit the manufacturer's website for details about the CZAW: <http://www.airplane.cz/sportcruiser.htm>



MINUTES: EAA CHAPTER 99 REGULAR MEETING, May 08, 2007

The meeting of 25 members and 5 guests was opened at 7:05 by Todd Scher with the introduction of the guests. Each one gave their name and brief aviation history. As a method of shortening the business part of the meeting, Todd explained there would be no reading of the minutes of the previous meeting as they are printed in the newsletter. The newsletter is available on our board in the meeting room and provided for download on our chapter website. Treasurer Mike David reported that there was no change to the balance of \$11,842.76 since the previous month.

Presidents Report: Pres. Gerd reviewed the results of his questionnaire that he passed out at the previous meeting and offered blanks to anyone who had not completed one. He also stated that he appreciates individual members volunteering for specific tasks such as Ed Crouse and Roger Doerr. They agreed to organize the Chapter fly-out activities. Ed then described a similar program conducted by his home chapter in Michigan where he will be going for the summer. Roger then spoke of an up to date list he is composing of available airport restaurants in south Florida.



Ed Crouse sharing experiences from Michigan

YOUNG EAGLES FLIGHTS & PANCAKE BREAKFAST



Roger Doerr filling out a questionnaire, right next to one of Bob's model airplanes.

Builder reports: Don Key reports that he is now working on the front end of his Mustang II in the area of the cowl mounting structure. John Murphy has sent the wings for his Zenith 701 out for painting. He has completed the instrument panel installation and is now working on the sheet metal in that area. Ken Mishler has completed the strakes on his new Velocity and is about to install the instrument panel structure. Spencer Gould has painted the crankcase of the Corvair engine for his own design airplane and has had a TC inspection on the composite fuselage. Lars DeJoungue reported that he received an award at the Sun 'n Fun fly in for his D Model Saab Sapphire which was rebuilt and painted by Bill Kaser.

Volunteer pilots for May 26 Young Eagles Saturday were Ken Mishler, Gerd Pfeifle and Jim Davis.

After a 30 minute break, the members and guests enjoyed member Frank Haas' program about service and repairs a pilot or owner can legally do on his or her airplane. Frank not only displayed funded knowledge, he also spiced up the presentation with good jokes. And with his quiz he really made the members sit down and work!



Frank Haas - he did not need hand cuffs for his presentation.

Cliff Loar and Jim Davis in the background.



The entire week before Saturday May 26, was breezy with winds above 30 miles per hour. The forecast for Saturday was no exception. As it was, the day dawned clear with scattered clouds and reasonable winds. Bill Zorc was the first pilot to arrive in his RV-8 and reported conditions as not too bad. With that he took off with the first youngster. Ken Mishler arrived soon thereafter, ready to fly. The next candidates were a mother with three children but only two of them wanted to fly. This seemed odd since the reluctant one was the oldest, fifteen years old. The mother insisted on going along as she didn't want to leave her eight year old. After some discussion Ken said this was okay, they would be well within the weight limits. However, upon returning Ken said the mother didn't go along anyway. This is only one example of the problems with parents on any given Young Eagles Day. Kid problems are minor.

Jim Davis with two youngsters that member Jim Welles brought in.



Bill Zorc doing a wonderful job with explaining his aircraft

Just after Ken's departure Bill Zorc returned after his first flight to report that the wind was increasing and the air was getting a bit bumpy. Jim Davis arrived with his Piper Cherokee to take three more youngsters. Upon returning it was learned that one of them decorated the interior of his airplane with a substantial amount of Orange juice, the result of a first timer and a bumpy ride. Jim says that in forty years of flying, that was the first time he had that experience. After cleaning up the airplane Jim made one more flight as did both Ken and Bill for a total of 13 Young Eagles for the day.

The breakfast was outstanding. In addition to the pancakes, Sylvia brought fresh strawberries and Patti Davis brought a delicious egg, ham and cheese casserole.

In addition to those mentioned here, there were at least a dozen other Chapter 99 member volunteers who contributed to a successful day. For those who have not been to any of these days, you don't know what you are missing. The breakfast alone is worth the trip to the airport and the camaraderie is a pleasant extra. Plan to attend the next one on June 23.

There were so many members present, that even Marty got a break from his Flight Sim Duty.

Marty enjoying a chat with John Murphy.



Guess who took over? Mr. President himself!

FLYOUT

Roger Doerr had prepared everything so well: There was a destination, a flight plan, weather briefing, map and the desire to fly - but the weather was not cooperating. It was really unpleasant in the air with the gusty winds, so the pilots decided to stay on the ground and try again next Young Eagles Saturday.

Pilots and crew members keep an eye on the weather while enjoying hangar talk.



JUNE FORUMS

The LoPresti forum for June 2, will be George Sigler, author of "Experiment in Survival." George has some great aviation adventure stories and this time he will talk about aviation history in the South Seas. The LoPresti hangar opens 9:30 AM on the north ramp of the airport.

The FAA Safety Meeting of June 21 in the Flight Safety hangar at the end of Flight Safety Drive will feature Jack Mill, Dir. Of Product Development for Piper Aircraft and Rodger Pridgeon, Pres. & Evan Lobdell, D. O. M. Corporate Air. For more information check www.faasafety.gov.

AIRCRAFT TRADING CARDS

Aircraft trading cards have returned. Those of us who were around in the '50's might remember the Wings series published back then. These now are much better. They have great photos of many types of aircraft that kids are likely to see at a local airport, museum or air show. For information check their website www.AlphaTangoCharlie.com.

CALENDAR OF CHAPTER 99 EVENTS

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

Tue. June 05, Ch. 99 Staff & Planning meeting, 7:00 PM
(Interested members welcome)

Tue. June 12, Ch. 99 Regular monthly meeting, 7:00 PM
Bring an interested guest to watch the "One-Six-Right" -Movie

Sat. June 23, Ch. 99 Young Eagles & Pancake Breakfast
8:00 AM members & guests welcome
Luncheon flights for pilots to follow

Tue. July 03, Ch. 99 Staff & planning meeting, 7:00 PM
(Interested members welcome)

Tue. July 10, Ch. 99 Regular monthly meeting, 7:00 PM
Summer break, no program, but social
Bring a friend

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

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