



## SUMMERTIME IS UPON US!

When the weather gets hot and our seasonal friends go north in search of cooler climates, Chapter 99 goes into "Summertime Mode", and that is exactly where we find ourselves now!

Make no mistake; we still get together for our regularly scheduled meetings. The only real difference is that there are no formal educational presentations for the next few months, so the floor is opened up to you! This is a great opportunity for our members to share videos, pictures, and interesting aviation experiences. Nobody does this better than Chapter 99 members! We have a great wealth of talent, knowledge and experiences to share...so come on out to the summer meetings and be a part of Chapter 99 "Improv"!

## FRED WEICK MEMORABILIA

Several Chapter 99 members met at the Airport Terminal Building on Friday, May 28, to inventory and photograph the Fred Weick memorabilia collection. After many years on display at the Sun N' Fun Air Museum in Lakeland, the collection was returned to Vero Beach in the care of Landis K. and Gene G.



Landis and Gene, along with a number of Chapter 99 members, had originally set the display up in Lakeland. Landis says that he and Gene are the only members of that group that are still with us. Landis has arranged for the collection to be donated to the Piper Aviation Museum in Lock Haven, PA, and Gerd has volunteered to fly the

memorabilia to Lock Haven when he returns from Europe. Landis is hopeful that Chapter 99 can create a photographic display in the Airport Terminal Building in honor of Weicks' connections to Chapter 99 and Vero Beach.

Always ready with her camera, Sylvia compiled an extensive photographic record of the collection, which will become the basis for the planned exhibit.

**Landis and Alex working on the collection.**



## THANKS, PHIL!

What a great presentation Phil M. gave about his experiences in the Boeing B-17 Flying Fortress at the June meeting. Although he went into great detail about the design and construction of the B-17, Phil related his experiences in such a personal way that one could almost feel what it must have been like for him. His presentation was very well received and appreciated!



**Phil M. presents a plaque to Chapter 99 on behalf of the 99<sup>th</sup> Bombardment Group, which he flew with during WWII. The aircraft pictured on the plaque are B-17s of the 99<sup>th</sup> BG.**

## **FAASTEAM JULY SEMINAR**

The Treasure Coast FAA Safety Team (FAASTeam) will present its monthly safety Seminar at 7:00 PM on Thursday, July 15 at FlightSafety Main Hangar, Classroom M. The July program will feature Captain Rob Keith speaking on international flying, compliance with new TSA security requirements and use of the eAPIS system.

## **KVRB AIRPORT NEWS**

After a short delay, the Runway 11L-29R Rehab project is now under way. Currently, Runway 11L-29R, Taxiway F and a portion of Taxiway D are closed, and will not re-open until completion of the project, which is expected in mid-October.

At some point during the project, it will be necessary to close Runway 4-22 as well, for a period of 7 days. The exact date of this additional closure is yet to be determined. Construction project information is available by checking NOTAMs, from the Airport page on the City of Vero Beach website ([www.covb.org](http://www.covb.org)) or by contacting the airport directly at (772) 978-4930.

Please be diligent in checking NOTAMs for every flight!

## **JUNE 2010 MEETING MINUTES:**

*Minutes of the General Membership Meeting June 8, 2010, by Alex W.*

President Mike D. opened the meeting at 7:05 PM. There were 26 members and 2 guests present. Our guests introduced themselves and were welcomed and invited to join and participate in our Chapter events.

**PRESIDENT:** Mike D. asked about the status of Don Gaunt and Bill Z. and Landis K. reported that after their move Don and his wife were adjusting to their new environment. Mike then asked about the LoPresti Fly in. John M. reported that it drew fewer than anticipated attendees mostly due the threat of thunder storms in the area but they hope it will continue as an annual event and that it will grow in attendance in the coming years. It was pointed out that the charge for the event had gone up to \$8 and it was noted that \$4 goes for the breakfast and \$4 goes to the supported charity.

**SECRETARY:** Alex W. reported to the membership that the minutes of the May meeting were posted on the bulletin board and may be read online at the Chapter 99 website.

**TREASURER:** John M. reported our current balance and also reported that he had received a hard copy of the Federal form 990M and that we were all up to date with our reporting requirements.

**VICE PRESIDENT:** Keith G. reported that EAA Headquarters was reviewing the Parental Consent form that was mandated by recent actions of the State Legislature but he has not heard back from them. He does not know whether or not it will change the procedures for the EAA Young Eagles program.

**WEBMASTER:** Sylvia P. reported that she was posting updates to the calendar. She also reported for Gary E. that our membership now stands at 74 members. Gary was unable to attend the meeting because he was out of town picking up his recently purchased Beechcraft.

**BUILDERS:** Bill Z. reported on the progress of his aircraft project and also reported that there is an EAA chapter at the Marathon airport that has a fuel buying arrangement where their members can buy fuel at cost. He also invited anyone interested to join the formation flying group that he is affiliated with. Richard C. reported that the progress on his project was slow but that he had been working on the Fort Piece chapters' Piper and was making progress on it. Ernie S. reported that he had installed his COMM radio with an internal antenna and had it working in his Barracuda. He is now in the process of installing his transponder and asked the members if anyone knew how to test the transponder.

**OLD BUSINESS:** Gerd reported on his Atlantic crossing plan and his progress getting approvals for all the non-important things to make the flight are all taken care of, now he is working on the aircraft data plate, markings on an airspeed indicator and small items so that they will conform to Atlantic crossing requirements. He said that he will report in September whether this crossing was a good idea or not! He also reviewed the educational program and complimented the chapter on a job well done.

Alex W. reported that the Chapter decals had come in and were for sale at \$1 each. Phil M. has the decals and will handle the sales of the decals.

Todd S. reported on the new taxi instructions being issued by tower personnel after June 30 and the reasons for the changes. It is an attempt to make runway incursions less frequent and make our flying activities even safer. Todd also reported that several other changes have and are being made to bring our rules and practices in line with ICAO policies and procedures. More changes are on the way.

**EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM:** After a break Phil M. gave a very interesting and informative presentation on the B-17 and his experiences flying the B-17 in combat during the war. He was able to show with photographs just how rugged and reliable the aircraft was and was able to convey convincingly just how brave and courageous the crews were. Phil also made a presentation from his WWII bomber group (The

99<sup>th</sup>) to our Chapter 99 of a large framed photo featuring the B-17 and the Bomber Wing that Phil was associated with. It was a very well received presentation and he received a resounding round of applause.

He was thanked for his presentation and also for his service to our country by Mike D. The meeting was then closed at 8:57 PM.

**NEW BUSINESS:** Todd S. and Keith G. presented a custom plaque made from a refurbished KVRB runway light fixture, to Gerd and Sylvia in appreciation for their years of time and hard work and devotion to Chapter 99. The plaque came complete with extra lenses in case the original was to get run over.

### **Scenes from the June 2010 Members Meeting**



**Gerd: "I just missed this light one time when I was landing!"**  
**Todd: "Maybe you shouldn't land on the taxiways!"**



**"You know, blue doesn't really go with our interior décor...do you have any other colors?"**



**Whoever is speaking definitely has the attention of the audience, but it looks like Bill Z isn't buying it, and Romeo looks a bit doubtful, too!**



**OFFICERS PLANNING MEETING**

1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of every month,  
7:00 PM

July 6, 2010  
August 3, 2010  
September 7, 2010

*(Interested members  
always welcome!)*

**CHAPTER 99 MEMBERS MEETING**

2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of every month,  
7:00 PM

July 13, 2010  
August 10, 2010  
September 14, 2010

*(Bring an interested guest!)*

**LEARN TO FLY SATURDAY EVENT.**

4<sup>th</sup> Saturday of every month,  
8:30 AM

July 24, 2010  
August 28, 2010  
September 25, 2010

*(Volunteers always  
appreciated!)*

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**STEP 1: JOIN THE NATIONAL EAA:**

National Membership is required in order to belong to a local chapter. Dues vary on what membership option you choose and do NOT include dues of a local chapter. Log on to EAA.org for most current details. You can join online.

*Chapter 99  
Dues per Year:  
\$20.00*

**STEP 2: JOIN EAA CHAPTER 99:**

Please print and fill out this form.  
Make your check payable to: **EAA Indian River Chapter 99, Inc.**  
Mail both to: **G. Embrey, 152 35th Sq. SW, Vero Beach FL 32968**

THANK YOU for supporting EAA and local Chapter 99.

**CONNECT** with aviation minded people and participate in chapter happenings. Your benefits add up: In addition to your benefits as a member of the national EAA (details at EAA.org), by joining Chapter 99 you will receive our monthly newsletter and e-mail notices of chapter meetings, socials and aviation events. A local chapter supplies helpful information and offers valuable resources. Did we mention the fun and camaraderie that comes with sharing the love of flying, building, or restoring an aircraft?

Name ..... EAA No .....

Street ..... Exp. Date: .....

City, State, ZIP .....

E-mail ..... Phone .....

FAA Ratings ..... Current Aircraft Owned .....

Aircraft Project Under Construction .....

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