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## PIREPS

### Christmas Party Tue. Dec. 14, 2010

In spite of the weather forecast that predicted icicles on all noses, about 30 members and guests came to Betty and Keith's house who had again graciously invited us to their home. Many members attended that we hadn't seen in a while. Everybody present enjoyed the hors d'oeuvres Betty had prepared. Most liked the way we arranged for food this year: It is just so much easier to keep chatting and exchanging the latest aviation news when you are not interrupted by a sit down dinner. A welcome interruption though was the gift exchange, which brought a good number of jokes and laughter to the group. At the end of the party Pres. Mike thanked Betty and Keith for organizing the event and for putting up with us in their home.



Member Phil M surrounded by chapter ladies

May we introduce our new officers?

Left: Ernie - Membership  
Right: Steve - Treasurer



Alex will probably negotiate a gift exchange with his wife!



Jim: "Slice it, dice it! As seen on TV". Instead of a Ginsu knife set, he won handy pliers.

## OUTLOOK

### "Crossing the North Atlantik, Part I The Dos and the Dont's" Members Meeting Jan. 11, 2011 at 7:00 PM

A transatlantic crossing is not like a breakfast trip to Okeechobee. It is an experience of a lifetime that will broaden your horizon not only as a pilot, but also as a global citizen. Members Gerd and Sylvia made the trip last summer in their Cessna 340. There is so much to talk about this subject that Gerd decided to do two presentations.



In this first part he will focus on:



- Safety Equipment & Insurance
- Weather Information & Maps
- Route Planning
- Why Greenland is so Special

Mark your calendars, bring your spouse and/or a friend! Betty will provide treats and there will be coffee for the break.

Location: Flight Safety Main Hangar, Classroom M  
3530 Cherokee Drive, Vero Beach FL  
For directions and to download a flyer for electronic distribution log on to [www.eaa99.org](http://www.eaa99.org).

### Aviation Day 2011 Preparations

Aviation Day 2011 will be held February 12, from 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM. History Flight will bring a B-25 and a T-6 and give rides in both. History Flight began advertising Gift Certificates on Sunday, December, 5, in the hope of people buying them as Christmas presents. This will run until Christmas Eve.



Todd expects about 50 aircraft to attend, including the "Blue Angels" L-39 that was with us last event. The L-39 can do some fly-bys again. Keith will apply for 20 road sign permits and hopes to do the same for some "Bombers Today" signs we have. Preparations are in full swing:

Event flyers have been printed and will be distributed at our members meeting on January 11. Good news: Richard Ch. has again volunteered to bring his laminating machine for all of you who like to post the flyers on their cars. HELP SPREAD THE WORD and put up the attached flyer at a suitable location!





Weekly preparation meetings have been scheduled to start on Tue. Jan. 4th, 2011. Location: Airport Terminal meeting room #201, KVRB.

Volunteer Positions are available  
Please consider volunteering your time. If you are interested, come to our volunteer meeting on January 4 or send an email to [info@eaa99.org](mailto:info@eaa99.org)

## LAST NOTES

### ➤ **Vernon Khail Gone West**



Vernon W. Khail Sr, 88, passed away Nov. 22, 2010 at VNA Hospice, Vero Beach. He was born in Manitowoc, WI and lived in Vero Beach for 49 years. Before retiring Vernon worked at Piper Aircraft for 24 years. He was a 20 year veteran of the Army Air Force and Air Force serving in WWII and the Korean War. He was a flight engineer for the B-17. Although the B-17 was a two-pilot airplane, a flight engineer received special training and was supposed to not only be able to fly, but also take the top gunner position if necessary.

Vernon was an active member of EAA Chapter 99. He preferred to work quietly in the background. Usually he was the first to show up on Young Eagles Saturdays or later on our Learn To Fly Saturdays, preparing for the breakfast. You could always count on him to make coffee for the meetings. Besides this ongoing commitment, he helped out wherever an extra hand was needed, may it have been for Aviation Days or B-17 visits where he initiated the aviation greenhorns to the secrets of the B-17.

Until about two years ago he attended every monthly meeting, then his health started to deteriorate.

Memorial Service was held Nov. 24, followed by interment at Crestlawn Cemetery. A couple of members were able to attend, among them Gene, Phil M., Alex and Lucas. Bill Z. and Carl M did a fly by which was appreciated by Vernon's family.

The chapter sent a sympathy card to Betty Khail. An obituary will be posted on <http://eaa.org/apps/obituaries>. Vernon will be missed greatly.

## CHAPTER DUES 2011



Yes, it's this time of year again: 2011 membership dues are due!

Your benefits include an annual subscription to AirSpeed, e-mail notifications of chapter happenings, member-only events like our famous XMas Party, use of the chapter lending library and more (see application). Our application is printed at the end of this newsletter and is also available for download on our web site: [www.eaa99.org](http://www.eaa99.org).

Remember, membership in the national EAA is required to belong to a local chapter. Renew or join online at [www.eaa.org](http://www.eaa.org).

### ➤ **To join/renew your membership, please:**

1. Check your national EAA membership or renew.
2. Fill out our application form, see the last page of this newsletter.
3. Mail it along with your check to the address shown or bring both to our meeting on January 11 and give them to Ernie.

Remember: Gary E is off the hook! Our new Membership Chair is Ernie S. Here is his contact info:

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Thank You!!

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## CALENDAR - EAA CHAPTER 99

Flight Safety Main Hangar Classroom M  
3530 Cherokee Drive, Vero Beach Airport

### ➤ **Planning Meeting**

1st Tuesday of every month at 7pm (Airport Terminal mtg room #201):

- Jan. 4, 18, 25, 2011
- Feb. 1, 2011
- March 1, 2011

### ➤ **Members Meeting**

2nd Tuesday of every month at 7pm (bring a guest):

- Jan. 11, 2011
- Feb. 8, 2011
- March 8, 2011

### ➤ **Learn To Fly, Social & Pancake Breakfast**

4th Sat. of every month, 8:30am - 11am

Cancelled until further notice!

### ➤ **Upcoming Events:**

Jan. 11, 2011  
"Crossing the North Atlantic"

Feb. 12, 2011  
Aviation Day

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# JOIN EAA AND EAA CHAPTER 99!

## 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.

**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?

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: **E. Santana, 3490 7th Pl. SW, Vero Beach, FL 32968**  
Questions? Contact Ernie: **772-643-4414 or flyerniefly@msn.com**  
THANK YOU for supporting EAA and local Chapter 99.

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

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

City, State, ZIP .....

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

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

Aircraft Project Under Construction .....

**Contact Chapter 99**  
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**Meeting Location**  
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