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This Meeting –16 February 2008

AFTER the Fly-In, At Moontown. Weather should start getting better – come enjoy.

President’s Notes:



And the projects abound! Last month we spent a little time with Tom Rains and his beautiful Glasair 2+2. We traveled to Tom’s hangar at Madison County Executive after our chilly fly-in to look at his fine craftsmanship. The temperatures were not so friendly that morning, with reported snow to our south keeping the fly-in pretty light. Tom is a relatively new active experimental enthusiast. He had a tremendous career as a helicopter pilot and is a local business man in the Huntsville community. Tom has promised to give us the full skinny on his efforts Glasair facility in an intensive 2 week build program with amazing results. So look for the full article in next month’s newsletter.

The shivering bunch consisted of about six EAA members and several of Tom Rains’ close friends that we getting their first look at the 2+2. I am sure that Tom will grace the Moontown grass with the 2+2 once the weather gets a little better. Tom is

getting ready to work off the 40 hours required to make his 2+2 ready for final sign-off.



I will have to say that this aircraft is a fine machine, very nicely appointed interior and excellent access for both front and rear passengers. The glass panel will provide Tom with excellent situational awareness during his many flights.



So, look for Tom’s article in the next newsletter addition.



We are looking for more projects to visit even with other chapters. If you have a project that you want to share with us, give us a call or send us an email. Even if you have completed your project, we would love to see it. For those of us who are building, we have the opportunity to learn from other designs and experiences and take those aspects of existing kits into consideration for our own kit processes.

Thanks Tom, for sharing this great airplane with us and your build experience.
...Pres

Scout Day:

For all that participated in Scout Day last year, we need to gear up for the next Scout Day. **April 26th is the next Scout Day.** We will get the materials put out on the website for your review. We need to ensure we have Young Eagle Pilots available for the day and instructors ready to go. What we really need is another great guest speaker that may have the culmination of Military and Commercial flight experience. If you would like to share your flight experience with the Scouts, we would like to hear from you. We have a limited number of Scout slots. Ten slots will go to the Boy scouts and ten slots to the Girl Scouts. More to come on this as we get closer to the date.

Military Static Displays:

If you are part of our military community and work with an organization that has access to some of our great military hardware, we would like to have a few pieces of that equipment available for our

Annual Grass Field Fly-in. Now is the time to start working on those in control to see if we can have that type of equipment on Moontown proper for our big event. There is a formalized process to ask for equipment. We can also ask recruiting offices to provide assets to include the Rock climbing wall and other display pieces.

Aircraft Parking

We need a volunteer to help park aircraft for our March 15th Pancake Fly-In. I will be headed to Destin, FL that morning as early as I can get my crew on the road for Spring Break and photographic events. Please talk to George Myers or Jon Moore to figure out where you may best serve.

Minutes from January Meeting

President Will Good called the meeting to order after the Fly-In breakfast. He announced that Geoffery Jeram had taken a position in Salt Lake City and would no longer be acting in the capacity of Club Secretary. The undersigned has volunteered to fill out his term. The means by which the Chapter Website would be updated was discussed. Jon Moore said he would take action to contact Mr. John Zapp of Aeroevent to accomplish this. Mr. Wayne Johnson was also mentioned as a possible point of contact. It was agreed the total amount of the proceeds from this month's Fly-In breakfast would be donated to the band whose membership had provided the food and cooked the breakfast. The total amount of the December proceeds was also donated. The rationale for these actions was the relatively small turnouts for both months due to bad weather.

The membership was reminded that dues for 2008 are due. Payment of dues should be made to Treasurer Brian Tauchen accompanied by the forms provided so information on members can be kept current. It was noted that collection of dues should have started back in November. It was agreed the Treasurer would develop a current active membership list to be kept on the Moontown computer for use in

distributing the newsletter. The Secretary also needs a copy of this list.

Plans for Scouts Day were discussed. This event will be held on April 26, 2008. Lisa said 20 Scouts could be accommodated - 10 girls and 10 boys. Jeff Spenser took action to arrange for Young Eagle pilots and aircraft. The Webmaster will be alerted to include this event on the schedule on the Webpage.

Will Good summarized what he wanted the the Board meeting to address:

- A club donation to the Emily Clark Scholarship Fund.
- A donation to the Space Camp Aviation Challenge Scholarship Fund.
- Obtaining EAA Chapter hanger space.

Brian Tauchen passed out a summary of the Chapter's current financial status.

Ways to increase the income from the annual fly-in were discussed. EAA rules prohibit charging an admission fee, but putting signs next to buckets soliciting contributions should be acceptable.

George Myers gave a brief summary of actions left to be accomplished from the 2007 Fly-In. These include the article for Sport Aviation, awarding of trophies, and a Thank-You letter for the speaker.

The meeting adjourned to KMDQ to inspect the Glasair Sportsman recently completed by Mr. Tom Rains in the Glasair "Two Weeks To Taxi" program.
..... Ed McWhiney

A Safety Item for Discussion

Good aviators, constantly reflect on their experiences and learn from their mistakes and others'. The community is made up of many ego driven folks, who communicate via light hearted sayings – but those sayings are the result of the harsh realities experienced. A few cases: “Never let an airplane take you somewhere your brain didn't get to five minutes earlier” simply says, those that don't think ahead get in trouble. “Unskilled pilots are always found in the wreckage with their hand around the microphone” goes with “No

matter what else happens, fly the airplane!” Flying is not dangerous, crashing is. “An airplane may disappoint a GOOD pilot, but it will never surprise him”. I think it was the old cowboy philosopher Will Rogers that said “Good judgment comes from experience and that often comes from bad judgment.” So in the end, the best pilots do one simple thing

**Keep your head ahead
of the plane and the
flight. . .ed**

Upcoming Events

EAA has started up a site that can help you find out what's going on. Try www.eaa.org/calendar .

Sourced with many thanks, from EAA and Southern Aviator and other EAA chapter web sites.

Weekends –

1st Winchester TN (BGF) EAA 699 Fly-In Breakfast 931-967-3148

1st Lawrenceville, GA (LZU) - EAA Chapter 690 Breakfast. Various Programs. jlevine@bellsouth.net www.eaa690.org

2nd Murfreesboro TN (MBT) EAA Chapter 419 Fly-In Breakfast

3rd Huntsville, Al Moontown (3M5) EAA 190 Fly-In Breakfast.

4th Shelbyville TN (SYI) Shelbyville Fly-In Breakfast 0700

5th Fort Payne, AL (4A9) EAA Chapter 890, Fly-in Breakfast

Other Scheduled Events-

3/8 Auburn, Alabama --(KAUO). 5th Annual “heroes Take Flight” Fly-In, 10am-3pm. bwitten@leeredcross.org www.leeredcross.org/Fly-In.htm

4/8 – 4/13 Lakeland, FL (LAL) Sun 'n Fun 4/12- 4/13 Smyrna, Tennessee --(KMQY).

Air Show w/ the US Navy Blue Angels. 4/26 - 4/27 Peachtree City, Georgia -- WWII Heritage Days. Vintage aircraft invited to fly-in. cjmadrid@yahoo.com www.wwiidays.org

4/26 - 27 Atlanta, Georgia (FFC) WWII Heritage Days, Peachtree City, Falcon Field. cjmadrid@yahoo.com www.wwiidays.org