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This Meeting – 19 July 2008

AFTER the Fly-In about 1030, At Moontown. Should be a good weekend. Plane count is going up – we need help for an hour or two! For chapter members we need your presence. Be there if you can!

President’s Notes:

As all of you probably know, our aviation community has suffered another loss of significance. Our local media has been covering the story over the last few days regarding Don Langford’s crash and the loss of our fellow aviator. Don has had a huge impact on our local aviation community and to so many other aviators on a global scale that it is hard to fathom the numbers of lives Don has touched. For the Chapter, Don performed duties as our flight advisor and was highly respected by many as a true expert. Don will be truly missed. EAA Chapter 190 sends its deepest sympathies to Don’s family.

Moontown’s Annual Fly-in: We are ramping up to have another tremendous Annual Fly-in Sept 20-21. We need more help from our aviation community to make all of this work. We are still looking for a great guest speaker to entertain us at the banquet. We need assistance for parking cars for both days of our event. We need folks that can provide a little crowd control for aircraft coming and going. We need folks to help up set up for the banquet...etc. etc. Speaking of banquet, we need musical entertainment for that evening. So if you know of a group or someone that can provide music, we would consider them.



Other requests for this year’s fly-in include any aircraft that can provide an interesting fly-by. Last year, the fly-in opened with two great passes from a beautiful P-51 Mustang. The year before that, we were fortunate enough to have an L-39 Jet do several low passes. We would like kit manufactures present to show off their wares, RC Clubs, antique cars and hot rods. So if you know some of this kind of talent, invite them. I have no doubt that this year will be as good as last year.

My Kit: The Retract, Turbo-charged, AeroCanard. We are preparing to purchase materials for the fuselage sides and assembly, as well as materials for the canard. We are pressing ahead with the kit at the prospect of finishing as my youngest child finishes college. I would love to have it finished by this fall so that I would not have to rely on the airlines for my business

travel. All of the fun has been taken out of airline travel and it now costs more for less. I would rather dictate my departure time and choose the lay-over points and times to my liking. I will also have 100% success with my luggage showing up with me.

Hangar Space: I have located several vendors that can provide hangar space at a relatively low cost. These are the same folks that can build large metal structures for business or a large garage for your backyard. The construction would run about \$11,000- \$12,000. We would have to add a hangar door at an additional cost. I would like the board to discuss this as a real possibility and then work with George Myers to locate some real estate to erect such a building. Most of this can be done within our budget.

New Officers: It is not too early to be considering your mission with the EAA for the next two years. We have just two months left before we vote on our new group of officers. I would like to invite any and all EAA Members to consider what you might do for this organization that serves our aviation community, our general public, and the future aviators of our community. It is truly an honor to serve.

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Minutes From The General Meeting, Held On Saturday June 21, 2008, At Moontown Airport
The results of Scout Day were discussed. It was agreed that even with the relatively small turn out the day was a success.

Grass Field Fly-In. The date has been set for the third Saturday in September. The date is September 20th.

- Potential vendors need to be identified and invited to come.
- Similarly, invitations to organizations that might have displays need to go out -- National Guard, Reserves, Coast Guard, corporations, etc.
- Kiddy entertainment such as the donkey train used last year needs to be arranged.
- Jon Moore took an action to provide a power supply for the air controller radios.
- Club officers will review the available club signage and arrange for new signs to be made where needed.
- This year, a sign soliciting donations along with a collection jar will be placed near the Visitor/Vendor tent. Proceeds will be used to defray expenses yet to be identified. This tent will be relocated from the spot used in past fly-ins.
- Lisa B. will look into the possibility of getting scouts to help with directing people and parking.
- George Myers will distribute a list of tasks for club members similar to what has been put out for past fly-ins.
- Safety considerations. Club members will be identified to supervise areas where crowds and aircraft movements are likely to overlap. The Young Eagle area and the gas pumps are of particular concern.

Club Hanger. There was further discussion about the possibility of obtaining a club hanger. It turns out that one of the hangar owners has yet to be contacted. Also, some new cost estimates for a new hanger have been obtained which are lower than those made in the past. It was decided to have a BOD meeting prior to the next club meeting (19 July) to discuss this further.

June 21 Fly-In Notes. Approximately \$600 was taken in and half of this will go to the Meridianville Middle School band, (the band provides and serves the breakfast - ed). In addition, a number of Young Eagle flights were made. Several potential new club members attended the meeting.

Ed McWhiney, Secretary

A Note Or Two Regarding Our Loss

When I moved to Huntsville in 88, the very first aviator I met was Don Langford. He was the chapters newsletter editor, and I met him outside of the place we met at the time near the senior center. He was quiet. Over the years, he remained quiet, but when he said something, it was usually about flying or planes or electronics, and you listened. He never boasted, or put anyone down – he kept an even keel and had his sights set for the next goal. I took the leadership of the chapter back then, Don was my source for everything. While I wrote articles and such, we would meet at his home from time to time to assemble the newsletter and look at the Wagabond project and the electronics he was working and so forth. He was always into something neat.



Don was a giver, a rare entity in this day. Several times I asked for his advice and help and he gave it with no reservation. I have learned in the last few days, talking with many of his friends, that he was just that way - always. While quiet, he was very focused on the next goal, and was unrelenting in his pursuit of that goal. In the background he was always attaining new qualifications and capabilities. He never really talked about them, just sort of mentioned them in the stream of conversations we had from time to time. These were significant accomplishments, yet he was quiet on the subject.

Don had a sense of humor that was subtle and sophisticated, we did laugh. He was not one for the camera or notoriety. I had to steal the shot below

(and I apologize for the focus).

The community of aviators has lost one of its “golden rivets”. He was the single point that tied so many people together, that linked flight activities and supported so many builders, pilots, students and interested people. His fellow professional pilots held him in the highest regard, and that is a real sound indication of his professionalism. He was, of course, also a father and husband, a brother, and son. The loss to his family cannot be described or calculated – it is immeasurable.

I know that Don is on “laughter-silvered wings” – he will be sorely missed.

Jon

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.

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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-

7/19 LaGrange GA EAA 1350 Air Grangers Pancake Breakfast, LaGrange Callaway (LGC), <http://www.eaa1350.com/index.html>

7/28-8/3 OSKOSH WI, Air Venture - What else do you need to know! www.airventure.org

08/02 Lawrenceville, GA, Gwinnett County – Briscoe Field (LZU), EAA Chapter 690 1st Saturday Aviation Program & Breakfast, <http://www.eaa690.org>

9/20 Bluegrass Spash-in, Florence, AL. See flyer included in this newsletter. Contact Denis Odern 256-767-0096. www.alabamaaviator.com/calendar.asp?ac=ind&event=38110

Note that there are several ELSA Training courses for Repairman Certificates in the next few months. Check it out at EAAs Calendar of events site.



BLUEGRASS SEAPLANE SPLASH-IN

WHERE: SHOALS CREEK SEAPLANE BASE
LAKE HOME OF DENNIS & CAROLYN ODEM
FLORENCE, ALABAMA
N 34° 53.955'
W 087° 35.180'

WHEN: SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 2008
10:00 A.M. UNTIL

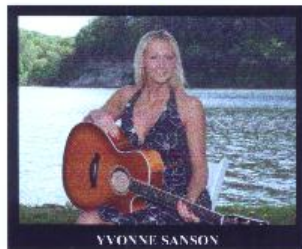


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