



# PROP WASH

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EAA Tennessee Valley Chapter 190

06 June 2004

## Meeting Notice

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## Events

The June meeting will be at the **Moontown Pilots Lounge on the 15<sup>th</sup> at 7 PM. Breakfast is on the 19<sup>th</sup>.**

We had a great Annual Fly-In. We still had some rain, but we had a good number of planes and people. Sunday was absolutely beautiful in the afternoon, and we flew until sundown. The Young Eagles crew headed by the Merchant's flew somewhere around 126 kids. John Frerichs, Duane Ridenhour, Wayne Hample, Jim Harchanko and others flew the kids.

The elder eagles were flown by George, Alan, Gordie, BJ, Tom and others in a continuous set of flights, that continued any time there was air clear enough to fly. Not only that, but the YAK and CJ community provided the Huntsville International Airport with some overhead action during their aviation day with a six plane formation.

The breakfast was a great success thanks to Mike Wesley and his crew. Lisa Brunegraff set up the visitors booth at the base of the field tower/wind sock, and coordinated all day, both days. Wil Good – our newest member – took on a full day of aircraft movement with hardly a break. Lt. Col. Bagley and his ROTC team provided superb service in managing the safety of the visitors.

The Ultra Light Association gave rides and made popcorn for a large number of folks. Likewise the Huntsville Soaring Club flew many demo rides, and provided some interesting fly-bys.

Saturday night was our annual banquet at George's hangar. It was a sold out event. The food was exceptional, and I hear the entertainment was as well. Awards were presented for several classes as judged by our own Don Langford.

There were about 500 or so that visited across the 2 days. They enjoyed the activities, and the food and they were the cleanest bunch of folks that I have ever seen. When we cleaned up Sunday afternoon, I was able to find one foam cup.

While all of the financial data is not completed, it looks like we completed the event having made a very small amount, but at least it was a positive number this year. Doesn't matter, because we did what we set out to do and that was to help educate the general public on the fun available in sport aviation and the generosity of its members.

For each of you that helped put this on – Thanks for a job well done. To Jim Harchanko – who managed the Fly-In team you did a great job and again you made it look effortless.

As I sat in the crows nest on Sunday, I was once more impressed

### 1st Saturday:

Lawrenceville, GA. (LZU) Ch 690  
Winchester Municipal, TN. (BGF) Ch 699

### 2nd Saturday:

McMinnville, Tenn. (RNC)  
Murfreesboro, TN (MBT) Ch 419  
Rome, GA. (RMG) Ch 709

### 3rd Saturday:

Chattanooga, TN (3M3) Ch 150  
Covington, GA (9A1) Ch 1025  
Dawson, GA (16J) Ch 354  
Moontown Airport (3M5) Ch 190

### 4th Saturday:

Kennesaw, GA (RYY) Ch 268  
Dayton, TN (2AO), CAP  
Memphis, TN (M01)  
Russellville, AL (M22)  
Shelbyville, TN 7-11AM

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by the professionalism and degree of involvement of each of those that flew in, or supported the fly-in in anyway. Not a hitch!

...Jon

### Minutes of April 20 Meeting:

Chapter 190 meeting was held on May 18, 2004 at the Moontown Airport lounge. Mark Bowden presented a video slide presentation on his laptop computer of pictures taken at the annual fly-in. Following this presentation, comments were solicited on the fly-in. In general, everything went very smoothly. Air traffic control was excellent, 126 young eagles were

flown (Wayne Hampel will prepare the report to EAA); publicity and good weather on Saturday brought out a large local crowd and approximately 45 airplanes; 110 tickets were sold for the banquet; the banquet food, entertainment and program were great; food snacks and book concessions netted the chapter \$225 (15 % of sales), and initial accounting shows an overall modest net profit. Areas for improvement are: expand the snack food menu, rope off the parking area to better protect neighbors property (no damage was done but parking intruded onto neighbors property), get more scout support for automobile parking, cadets are for crowd control---not aircraft parking, and cleanup after the Sunday breakfast was left to two already overworked volunteers.

Everyone who enjoyed this fantastic grass field fly-in appreciates the hard work of the many volunteers who helped make this fly-in a success.

Jim Harchanko

### Airmanship Corner

I believe it was Will Rogers that said "Good judgment often comes from experience, and experience is often the result of bad judgment." We had only once incident of poor judgment at the fly-in. His failure to pay attention to what was being discussed on the air and being observed by all other pilots, could have put him on his back. The AN-2 was performing is run up, when this pilot just got upset and pulled around behind him and crossed the runway in the prop blast. Fortunately, the AN-2

was not a full power, so the unwitting pilot, thinking everyone else was a dud, got away unscathed, thankfully.

Getting in a hurry, or succumbing to get-homeitis places you and usually others in harms way. Pay attention.

### Un-Official Fly-In Finances

#### Expenses:\*

Banquet Catering \$1,298.70  
Portable Toilet \$150.00  
George Forman Grill \$107.99  
Breakfast Supplies \$187.38  
Table & Chair Rental & half the moon bounce was \$390.21  
sub-total 2,134.28 \* \*

#### \*Proceeds:\*

Young Eagle Donations \$39.25  
Breakfast Proceeds \$584.00  
Banquet Ticket Sales (107 paid tickets) \$1,605.00  
Food Vendor Sales \$180.00 Book Vendor Sales \$45.00  
sub-total \$2,453.25  
**Net \$318.97**

It's the EAA 190 Breakfast. **19<sup>th</sup> of June 2004** at Moontown International (3M5). Please join us and if you are a member please spend an hour and help!

### More Events – Courtesy of Southern Aviator, and EAA

**7/27/2004 - 8/2/2004 Oshkosh, Wisconsin -- EAA AirVenture Oshkosh**

**7/3/2004 Jasper, Georgia -- Pickens County Airport Appreciation Day (JZP).** Col. Steve Collins, owner of Bi-Planes-R-Us, will hop rides in his Stearman. Static Displays. Fly-in and have lots of fun in conjunction with the city of Jasper's Fourth of July festivities.

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**7/10/2004 Gainesville, Georgia -- EAA 611 36th Annual Cracker Fly-in; Pancake breakfast 7:30 a.m. Web: eaa611.org**

**7/3/2004 Winchester, TN Chapter 699 Fly-In Breakfast, Winchester BGF Contact Information: Dan Greeson 931-967-3148**

What follows are a few pictures of the fly-in activities. There are more and we will show some of those throughout the rest of the year. I wish I could have taken a picture of the group starts when the YAKs and Cjs started engines simultaneously. All those round engines thundering into action was just chest pounding wonderful. Guess you can't get a picture of that, you just had to be there.



Wayne Holt and Jimmie caught a few really great pictures. Wayne said they had about 1200 – can't wait to see the others. Anyway, Top left is a shot of the line and the traffic pattern. This fellow did not make his call at the initial – just wandered in, high and slow. Next is John Adams and his beautiful Auburn Aerocoupe. Middle left are two perfect J-3s and a Champ. I believe the red J3 won an award. They were all perfect – Don must have had a hard time. Next, the young Eagles desk looked like this constantly. Below that and to the right is Duane Ridenhour showing his Eagles the ins and outs of 11R before their flight. Finally, George Myer, our Airport Commander, recognized Patricia and Johnny Hooper for being so much of a help to all of us at Moontown. They were married on this field last year and have been indispensable friends – Oh! and they make the Saturday lunch. Come by and join us for a really good time.