EXPERIMENTAL AIRCRAFT ASSOCIATION - Chapter 35 - San Antonio, Texas

APRIL MEETING - Saturday the 11th, 7:30 PM at the Chapter Building, Westside Airport. The program to feature Keith Lytle, Jr., the 2nd Grand Prize Winner of the Recent South Texas Science Fair and his wind tunnel, plus a slide show on Ballooning and its place in sport aviation.

Congratulations - We are all proud of Irene Benson, Rosalie Cerna, Nancy Mason and Erin Rainwater for having passed the writtens for their private pilot ratings. Knowing the talent we have in Chapter 35, I would wager they all passed in the upper 10% of the class.

More Accolades- It is one thing to talk about what should be done and quite another to do it. In response to an urgent appeal for assistance in establishing a new Air Explorer Troop in San Antonio, Denver Barr, Gordon Eells, Nancy and Lou Mason, and Ray Shannon have volunteered their talents and time. Best of Luck.

Help Wanted - We still need a Newsletter Editor.

Design Group -"Now twice a month". At the end of the March get together by unanimous vote, we all decided to meet on the 1st and 3rd Friday of each month. These meetings are informal technical sessions where we all sit around a big table and talk nuts and bolts, engines, designs and numbers.

Next session is scheduled for 7:00 PM, Friday, April 17th at the Chapter Building. We will continue the discussion of how to select design features that will most closely provide the performance that a person wants his aircraft to attain. Last session, on April 3rd, we saw how the new Radio Shack TRS-80 Pocket Computer could be programmed to instantaneously and painlessly calculate all the basic performance formulas we routinely sweat over. We also talked of span loading, aspect ratio, taper, washout, stall, and flutter generators. We started into cockpit design and will continue it next session. At the March 20th meeting we covered landing gear alignment and ground loop tendacies, exotic versus the more familiar airfoils, and various reference publications that best fit our needs. Come join us.

Kerrville Fly-in - We are bringing our Project list up to date for the Chapter page in the brochure. Those with new projects since last year, let us know so that we can give you recognition. We also need 3X5 photographs of your creations.

Short Fuse Notice - The North San Antonio Chamber of Commerce Aviation Committee is sponsoring a special briefing with the FAA at 7:00 PM, April 8, at Blossom Athletic Center, to discuss the impact of a strike by the Professional Air Traffic Controllers Association. They will cover Airport Closures, Limiting VFR activities, Priorities, Fixing Departure Times, Canned Route and Altitude Structures, Anticipated Strike Duration, and Military Flight Restrictions. Also to be discussed are establishing Stage III/TCA rules at SAT, new flight services, airport construction and runway closures.

For Sale - George Waterman came across a Pulse Jet engine, 110 lbs. static thrust, very light, very noisy, made by Solar Aircraft Co. Contact Donald H. Topel for details, P. O. Box 1089, 8J Runway Rd., Huntly, Ill. 60142.

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Keith Lytle's Wind Tunnel









