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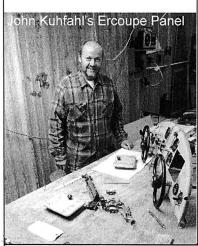
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By Oscar Zuniga

The EAA Texas Fly-In needs more volunteers; like Oscar Zuniga, who had this to say about his volunteer experience: "Well, I am just a lowly tram driver but it's been a rewarding volunteer effort each year because every time I board a family that is headed back to their car, way out in the far parking lot, I get the sense that they have gotten a day full of airplane sights, sounds, and smells! They are happy, tired, and full of thoughts and dreams of airplanes.

Last year at SWRFI, tram service dropped nearly to zero after the evening speaker, Spaceship One pilot Mike Melvill, began his presentation and everyone settled down to listen. I saw two fellows still manning their booth on the darkening flightline but aromatic smoke (steaks grilling!) was drifting around their trailer/booth so from the grill swirled around us in I let out the tractor's clutch and quietly eased my tram up to their position so as not to disturb Mr. Melvill. I asked the men who they were after taking an interest in the products they were displaying and found that these were not professional marketing or P.R. men... they were an airline pilot and an engineering executive who take time off during the fly-in season to promote a product for experimen-

tal aircraft that they are passionate about. They spend hours, days, weeks baking in the sun of countless fly-ins and airshows explaining the details of the clever components that other homebuilders have dreamed up as improvements and shortcuts for builders.

Their love for sport aviation was written all over their faces as they quietly explained to me, their umpteenth inquirer of the day and one who would likely never buy the products that they were showing, the various features of the equipment. Passionately. As only pilots and fellow homebuilders could do it, at the end of a long and hot day.

I learned something, my respect for these fellow EAAers grew as long as the evening shadows, and then we turned to hear Melvill tell about his incredible flight in Spaceship One... and the savory smoke the evening breeze. When it was over, I carried a few more tramloads of tired and contented folks back to their cars and tents and my small part was over for another year. The incredible thing was that Mike Melvill looked pretty much like all the rest of the people there, and pretty much like me, and probably pretty much like you."

- Oscar Zuniga.

PUNTA CHIVATO OR BUST

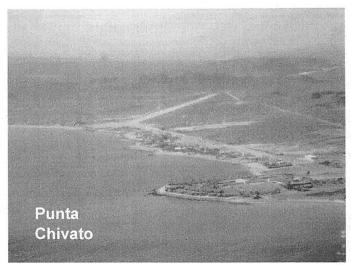
By Chuck & Edna Imken

We just got back from flying our RV's to Punta Chivato, Mexico. (half way down to Cabo San Lucas on the Baja peninsula) Going thru customs, filing a new flight plan and re-fueling at Hermasillo, Mexico, on the way down was like a South-Texas goat rope....it took about 2 hours. Headwinds over the Sierra Madre mountains into Hermasillo from Douglas, AZ, were around 70 at 14,000 feet (we were happily



breathing off our new Mountain High oxygen system). At times over the Sierras our groundspeed was down to 90 knots when we normally see 160. My alternator went out over the Sea of Cortez after departing Hermasillo and the glass panel went dark real quick. It turned out to be a broken terminal at the alternator post--the heavy wire going from alternator to battery. After pulling breakers to non-essential stuff, watching the voltage drop from 13.8 down to 8 and staring at a dark panel, I turned the master switch off. That lost the Light-Speed ignition on my RV-7A and the engine was then running off the left mag only--but it was running--giving us a warm, fuzzy feeling (almost). At that point I followed Mark Ritter in his RV-10 to the airstrip at Punta Chivato (wife Edna was a little nervous--I tried

not to hyperventilate). There are about 30 homes at Punta Chivato of mostly Americans from Southern California who visit their vacation homes from time to time. A few live there full time and love it. They were a great bunch who provided free beer when we arrived and helped me fix my broken terminal and recharge my battery the next day. Punta Chivato is a little primi-



tive--no electricity, only solar power--no town there--no stores--just one little restaurant that opened 3 months ago. Groceries are bought at Mulege--a small town about an hour's drive down dusty roads. We had a lot of fun and it is a beautiful, scenic place to relax. Whale watching/petting is at nearby San Ignacio Lagoon. I just may install a second alternator and/or a sec-

ond battery before our next trip over the Sierra Madres.



FROM THE PRESIDENT'S COCKPIT: ROCH LaROCCA

By Roch LaRocca

As I was flipping through the EAA Sport aviation magazine, I came across a picture of an RV-8 that I thought looked really familiar. Well I figured out why when I read the caption. Our own Steve Formhals RV-8 was the 5000 RV to be completed and flown. Congrats to Steve and a truly beautiful aircraft. Pictured below.

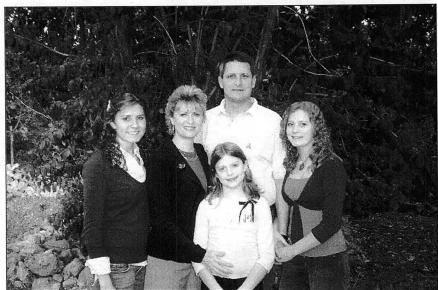
The 2007 Chapter 35 San Geronimo Pancake Fly-in was a great time to eat and meet with other experimental enthusiasts. The wet windy weather kept many

planes away, but we still had a great turn-out and raised some good money for the Chapter and our hangar. Thanks to Oscar Zuniga who braved the winds and weather to fly in his Pietenpol. Dave Baker and crew cooked up some mighty fluffy and filling pancakes and sausage. So many people helped and I really want to thank those of you who are always there when needed. There are always too many to name so I really hope you know who you are.

Our new hangar is coming along nicely. John Latour is the chairman of the Hangar committee that is charged with putting everything together, get it up and running, divide and rent out space, as well as take care of the place and make it accessible to chapter members. Bob Severance will be the Hangar Superintendent and John Kuhfahl will be his right hand man and co-super. These two great guys will be the ones to go to

with any problem or suggestion about the day to day operation of the hangar. They have full authority and can deal with anything that comes along.

Next month's meeting will be an afternoon/evening meal and meeting. We are plan-



ning on discussing the new hangar and how it will operate, what machinery will be available, the "Adopt a Machine" program as well as answer a few questions you all might have. We also will review the Young Eagle Hondo Boy Scout event. I want to look at the lessons learned and we have some pictures and reports on how it all went down as well as how some interested pilots can get involved in the program for later this year and next year.

One more big item that you will continue to hear about from me is the Texas Fly-in. Plan on taking a couple hours out of your time on the 1st or 2nd of June at the Texas Fly-in in Hondo this year to help out the Chapter 35 Lemonade stand. Johnny and Cat Becker will be heading up that project and will need all of our help. Our goal this year is to clear \$1,500.00 or more.

Fly Safe

5,000 RV First Flights



The 5,000th RV made its first flight February 14. The RV-8 was built by Steve Fromhals of San Antonio, Texas. Later that day, flight number 5,001 was also reported. According to Van's Aircraft Inc., that's a new airplane in the air every 2.5 days since the company began shipping kits in 1973.

For more information visit www.VansAir craft.com.

NEWS CLIPS

By John Latour

Dave Baker's pancake crew was immense. From a flicker of light from Bob Day's Pit on Friday came a smoldering volcano on Saturday. In Chapter 35's lush Garden of Eden they pumped out hundreds of light, fluffy & hot pancakes. It's all in an outstanding crew & skillful twist-of-the-wrist action, someone said. Our hats off to Dave Baker, one of our finest past presidents for continuous support of EAA Chapter 35's well known pancake breakfast.

Pancake Crew:

Dave Baker, Chef

Jerry DeGroot & Freda Jones, Cook

Joanne Warner, Cashier

Dan Griffin & Dennis Scheidt, Server

By Joanne Warner

Expenses: 239.19

Donations: 769.00

Good job!

Special appearance by Oscar Zuniga's

Pietenpol Aircamper



By Norris Warner

Reminder:

On Saturday, May 5th, The EAA Texas Fly-In will be conducting a massive "Clean-out-Clean-up" of the main hangar at Hondo. We should begin work around 9:00 AM or so. Please bring gloves and be prepared to make our event bigger and better! Contact Norris Warner, njwarner@hctc.net; 210.363.1282; 830.510.4334.

WHERE ARE THEY N

By John Latour

EAA Chapter 35 Past Presidents

Dan Cerna ('74-'75) is developing the proposed layout for EAA Chapter 35 Hangar.

Lew Mason ('84) continues to improve the grounds of our Garden-of Eden.

Dave Baker ('79-'81 & '85) is still our EAA Chapter 35 #1 Chef

Dennis Schiedt ('90) is our current President of the San Geronimo Airpark Association.

Skip Barchfeld ('96-'97) attends all of our monthly / directors meetings and is a faithful Chapter 35 supporter.

Norris Warner ('02-'03) leads EAA Texas Fly-In activities and provides outstanding support of EAA Chapter 35 Hangar activation.

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NEWS CLIPS

E-MAIL FROM THE CHAIRMAN

By Norris Warner

From: seanandrene

Sent: Thursday, April 26, 2007

3:39 PM

To: njwarner

Subject: Note from Paul Poberezny,

EAA Founder

Note: This email is being sent by Paul Poberezny, via his assistant Rene Elliott. Please respond directly to Paul at ppo-

berezny@eaa.org.

Thank you.

TO: Joanne Warner

Dear Joanne, By now you should have received the photo that I sent and I hope you liked it. received the chapter newsletter from Norris which, in part, I hope that HQ will publish a page or two from your membership directory as a fine example of what other chapters can do. Audrey and I just returned from Sun 'n Fun. Haven't missed the event in over 30 years since I helped start the event. It's too bad that over the last few years, they decided that they didn't need EAA and went forward without us. Our presence at Sun 'n Fun is now as an exhibitor. Spring is just about here; it will be another challenge getting the Convention site ready for another year. My best to both of you. Sincerely, Paul H. Poberezny EAA Founder and Chairman of the Board 920/426-4814 ppoberezny@eaa.org

WOLUNTEERS NEEDED

By Norris Warner

Volunteer Now! In order to secure free entry to The EAA Texas Fly-In as a volunteer, you must be registered with Bill Tarver, Volunteer Coordinator by May 15th. By signing up before this deadline, you will be assured of free, close-in parking, and an event wristband. Please visit the www.swrfi.org website to volunteer on line. If you don't do e-mail, fill out the form enclosed with this newsletter and mail to Bill Tarver, Volunteer Coordinator

2007 DIRECTORY

The new Directory--with YOUR name on the cover--is available at the Chapter 35 clubhouse. Please pick yours up at the May meeting. You'll be saving the chapter a ton of postage! We recently sent EAA founder and Chairman of the Board Paul Poberezny a copy of this directory. In an e-mail back to Joanne, he said: "I hope that HQ will publish a page or two from your membership directory as a fine example of what other chapters can do." This is high praise and validation of the effort Joanne warner has put into this valuable document. As an aside, when the new treasurer is elected. Joanne will continue to keep the database and publish the directories. which will make the new treasurers job really quite simple. Do we have a volunteers?

FAA Funding: Air Transport Association Opens Public Opinion Salvo

By Steve Jones

On a day when the rest of the nation was reeling from the shootings at Virginia Tech, the Air Transport Association ghosted this public opinion piece on CNN's web site:

The airline industry and FAA administrator Marion Blakely have made their positions clear: They are against us. *You need to take action.* Visit http://www.eaa.org/govt/ and write your congressional representatives and senators!



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- More than \$104 billion in taxes and fees collected since 1997
- Money finances FAA, security screening, air marshals and police presence
- · Hundreds of smaller airports focused on general aviation also benefit

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SAN FRANCISCO, California (AP) -- The federal government has taken billions of dollars from the taxes and fees paid by airline passengers every time they fly and awarded it to small airports used mainly by private pilots and globe-trotting corporate executives.

Some of these "general aviation" facilities used the federal dollars -- more than \$7 billion over the past decade -- for enhancements such as longer runways and passenger terminals aimed at luring traffic, an Associated Press review has found. And the money comes with little oversight, and at the expense of an increasingly beleaguered air transportation system.

"They're making out like bandits," said Bob Poole, director of transportation studies at Southern California's Reason Foundation and author of several studies on air transportation costs. "It's not only that airline passengers are paying more than their fair share, but they're being overtaxed to give private jets a free ride."

Passengers pay as many as six separate taxes and fees on a single airline ticket, adding up to more than \$104 billion since 1997, the AP found. Yet these assessments often are overlooked by the millions who click the "buy" button to purchase tickets online, even though they can exceed 25 percent of the total airfare.

Meanwhile, travelers deal with more hassles than ever. In 2006, more passengers were bumped, their flights delayed or their bags lost than in 2005, according to the annual Airline Quality Rating report released earlier this month.

"What are people getting for their money?" said Kenneth Button, a professor of transportation at George Mason University's School of Public Policy and an expert on air transit taxation. "Delays are increasing. How can consumers make a sensible assessment on how the money is being spent? You need an abacus to figure out all the costs."

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EAA TEXAS FLY-IN COMING UP

By Norris Warner

Volunteer On Line for SWRFI Now!

We think we've taken a big step forward in the registering and organizing the life-blood of The EAA Texas Fly-In—our VOLUNTEERS. This entails looking up the fly-in's website, www.swrfi.org and clicking on the "Volunteer"

entry. This opens up a page where you can make your chosen area of work known, and by filling in the blanks, we will have all of your contact information.

Dr Bill Tarver, our Volunteer Coordinator, will compile this information for our area managers, and then will email you a page for you to print out. This page is your free entry pass—you will not pay parking-and you will be directed to reserved parking for Volunteers. The only entry gate for volunteers is nearby, and you will pick up your wristband at the Volunteer Tent at that point.

We should stress that you need so do this as soon as practical so that you will be placed in the volunteer area of your choice. Remember, May 31, June 1 and 2 are coming up swiftly!

If you don't have e-mail capability, you can use

the Volunteer Sign-Up Form which is enclosed with the hard copy of the May newsletter. Fill out this form completely and mail it to Volunteer Program Coordinator, Bill Tarver, 808 Pine Hollow Drive, Friendswood, TX 77546.

For questions you may call Joanne Warner, VP SWRFI Volunteers, at 830.510.4334 (Metro #).



SUN AND FUN 2007

By Bob Cabe

It was a great trip!

Rule #1 for Sun-n-Fun is "Pack light". That's what I told my sons. This trip was going to be more of a family get-together than a fly-in. My two sons and I, plus eight others would camp at the approach end of runway 09 for a few days. It was a circus!



I loaded up the RV-6 and departed on Monday. First stop was New Braunfels for fuel. Be advised: The self-serve pump there runs very slowly for about 10 seconds. Then it kicks into high gear and pumps about 100 gallons per minute. I got 100 LL all over my shirt. Great start for the trip. My next stop was Dallas Love Field where I picked up my son. The winds were favorable and I made it at 181 knots. Class B airspace is not a problem for general aviation pilots if you follow the rules. Jon is a 65 hour pilot so I



put him in the left seat and we were off to Meridian, MS. His takeoff was perfect.

The weather was severe clear and we were clipping along at 165 knots. The only glitch at Meridian was that the young line boy did not know how to tie a knot. I "taught" him a knot and he named it the "Cut-it-Loose" knot because he knew he would not be able to untie it. The next morning we were off to Florida. We stopped at Williston, Florida for fuel because we did not want to have to purchase fuel at the fly-in. Next stop, LAL.

We had memorized all the approach frequencies and procedures and followed them carefully. We were amazed that we did not see another airplane on the approach. The first day is a good day to arrive. We parked, registered and relaxed while we watched the air show. After the air show, there are always a lot of departures. We saw one airplane taxi out and his wing tip hit the cowling of another airplane. There are white lines on the ground for parking. The kids who direct you to a parking spot are teenagers from the UK. They had been told to put the main gear on the white line. For a tricycle gear airplane, that puts the nose a bit farther forward than it needs to be. Damage was minimal, but there was damage. We talked to a supervisor and they wanted to "keep it simple for the kids". He didn't want to listen to any suggestions.

Joe arrived just after the air show on Tuesday. He caught the back side of a low pressure area and cruised down from Ohio at 11,500 feet and 196 knots in his RV-6. Not bad for a home grown airplane. The rest of the family arrived on Wednesday and Thursday. We did have one transportation problem. Because of flight delays, we needed to make a quick trip to Tampa, but we had no wheels. Chapter 35 saved the day. A call to Joanne Warner got me a cell number for Dave Talley who graciously allowed us to use his truck for the trip. (I owe you Dave.)

The fly-in was typical of previous years. (CONTINUED ON PAGE 8)

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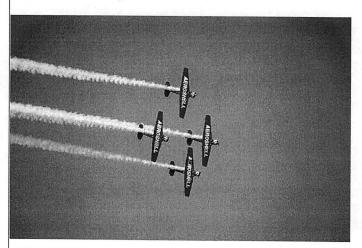
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The weather this year was perfect. Rule #2 for Sun-n-Fun is "Use liberal amounts of sun screen". We got one small rain shower, but the rest of the time was ideal. The warbirds did mass formation fly-overs. There must have been 100 of them in the air at one time. The T-6s flew high formations. The L Birds flew low. The P-51s flew very low and in trail.

The air shows had a few new twists for us. A twin Beech 18 did a very impressive routine. It was simply graceful. A B-1 and a B-2 flew over.



Amazing! Mike Goulian flies a routine that has to be seen to be believed. The Aeroshell team, flying four T-6 aircraft is always fun to watch. They have a fantastic smoke system and the sound of those big radial engines is one of the sweetest sounds in nature. We always enjoy the night air show. It's unique. Our tents were



at the approach end of runway 09. It's some distance from the air show center line, but on those low passes, the airplanes fly directly over you.

The trip home was a good one. I took my other son back with me, so we went to Waco. The weather was excellent. We were at 8500 feet, above a scattered deck most of the way. Turning west over the Florida panhandle, we were doing 163 knots. By the time we got to Waco, our ground speed had gone to about 135 knots. The final leg of the trip back to 8T8 was at 2500 feet with poor visibility, but still fairly good VFR conditions.



Some statistics:

flying time - 14.7 hours

distance - 2100 nautical miles

average ground speed - 143 knots

fuel used - 121 gallons (8.25 GPH)

fuel prices - \$3.36 to \$4.99

There were a couple of negative notes. It was more expensive this year and on Thursday evening, one camp site turned into a drunken party until about 1:00 AM that kept all the rest of us awake. But, if you want to have a great vacation, schedule a trip to Sun-n-Fun, and be sure to go with Joe, Chris, Jon, Kevin, Andy, Ellen, Larry, Cabe, Aaron and Emile.

Oh, one more thing. Rule #3 for Sun-n-Fun is "Don't eat the turkey legs".

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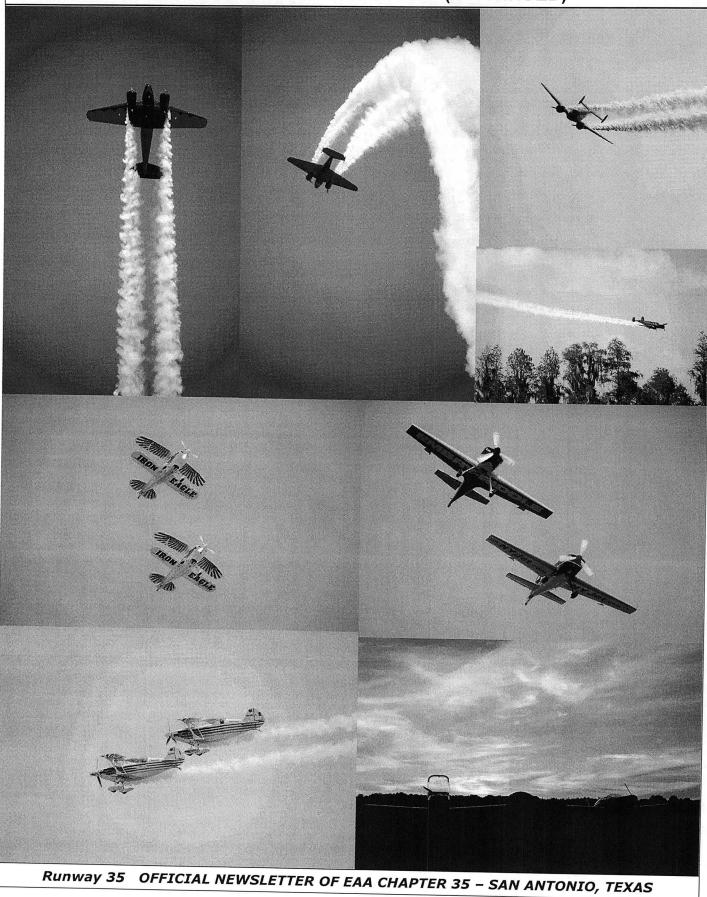
SUN AND FUN 2007 PHOTO LOG

By Bob Cabe



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	2007 CHAPTER CALENDAR	
DAY/MONTH	PROGRAM	TIME
13 JANUARY	MEETING	BOARD MEETING 3:30
	Dinner by Nelson Amen	DINNER AT 5:30
	Steve Formhals Presents the RV Build	PROGRAM AT 6:45
10 FEBRUARY	MEETING	DINNER AT 5:30
1	Dinner by John Cook	PROGRAM AT 6:45
	Presenter: Oscar Zuniga	
10 MARCH	EARLY MEETING/FLY-IN	Sloppy Joe Lunch at 12:00
	Lunch by Ed Seurer	PROGRAM AT 1:30
	Presenter: Jim Havens	
17 MARCH	YOUNG EAGLE/BOY SCOUT MERIT BADGE PROGRAM AT HONDO 9:00—3:00	PILOTS AND VOLUNTEERS NEEDEL
14 APRIL	PANCAKE BREAKFAST/FLY-IN	SERVING 9:00 – 12:00
	by Dave Baker	
12 MAY	MEETING	DINNER AT 5:30
		PROGRAM AT 6:45
1-2 JUNE	TEXAS FLY-IN	ALL VOLUNTEERS ABOARD
14 JULY	MEETING	BOARD MEETING 3:30
		REFRESHMENTS AT 5:30
		PROGRAM AT 6:45
23-29 JULY	AirVenture 2007— Oshkosh	
11 AUGUST	MEETING	REFRESHMENTS AT 5:30
		PROGRAM AT 6:45
8 SEPTEMBER	CHAPTER WORKDAY, PICNIC and FLY-IN	8:00 - 2:00
13 OCTOBER	WING'S AND WHEELS GATHERING FOR	8:00 - 3:00
	ANGEL FLIGHT FUNDRAISER	GATES OPEN TO PUBLIC AT 10:00
10 NOVEMBER	CHILI COOKOFF/FLY-IN	COOKOFF AT 12:00
	Annual Official Membership Meeting for 2007	PROGRAM AT 1:30
8 DECEMBER	CHRISTMAS BANQUET	6:00 SOCIAL HOUR
		7:00 DINNER

WANTED AND FOR SALE

MARCH MEETING PHOTOS

Instructor Available. Chapter member Bob Cabe has recertified his CFI & CFII. Available to EAAers for BFR's. (210) 493-7223.

For Aircraft Hangar Rentals at San Geronimo Airpark, please call Dan Cerna (210) 688-9345, Dave Baker (210) 410-9235 or Dennis Scheidt (210) 688-3210

FOR SALE: 1937 Aeronca "K". Needs Restoration. Original 2 cylinder Aeronca engine. Rare aircraft has been in storage last 25 years. \$15,000. Call Chuck Schnelnick at (830) 685-3305

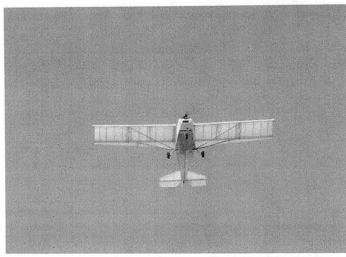
FOR SALE: Lycoming 0-235-L2C. Removed from Cessna 152 at TBO (first run). Logs available, no accessories. Extra case available for converting engine to accept fuel pump. Price \$2000. Harlan Tibbitts (210) 826-5030.

WANTED: Parts for a Bowers Fly-Baby. If you have any of the following, please contact Lew Mason: J-3 fuel tank, set of brakes, turnbuckles, spruce of any kind, aircraft plywood, tailwheel. (210) 688-9072 San Geronimo Airpark

WANTED: Texas Sectionals for a flight planning chart for the EAA chapter building. I have a sheet of 4 X 8 blue foam for the backing. I need Texas sectionals no more than a year old if possible. Bring them to the next meeting. Lew Mason (210) 688-9072 San Geronimo Airpark



By Steve Jones





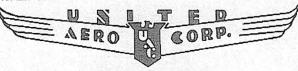


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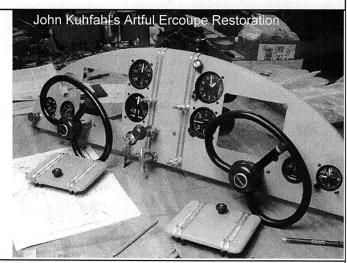
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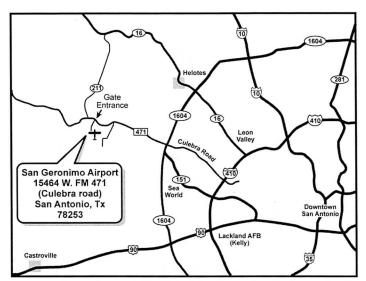
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When Do you Meet? Second Saturday of the Month

12 MAY
DINNER 5:30 PM
PRESENTATION 6:45 PM

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THE EAA TEXAS FLY-IN

HONDO, TEXAS

JUNE 1-2, 2007

Volunteer Sign-Up Form

May 31, June 1, 2, 3, 2007

Name:

EAA Number:

EAA Chapter #:

Mailing Address:

City, State, Zip

Phone: A/C

Cell:

Dates Available to Volunteer

(check all that apply)

If you are available only during a portion of the date(s) above, then check either the "AM" or the "PM" below the date(s) you are available. If available all day, simply check both "AM" and "PM".

Volunteer Days				
Thurs, May 31	Fri, Jun 1	Sat, Jun 2	Sun, Jun 3	
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Please check any area of work that you are interested in participating in:

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Pilot Registration	Tram Assistant		Fly Market Manager
Pilot Greeter	Operation Thirst		First Aid
Aircraft Parking	Security - Gate Guards		Admin Support
Young Eagle Pilot	Camping		Vendor Ice Supply Manager
Young Eagle Ground	☐ Volunteer Support Tent		Meal Assistance Thu & Sun
Young Eagle Admin	Safety		Drinking Water Manager
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If you have other areas that you are either experienced in or desire to work in please write them below. Also, any general comments about how you would like to help should be entered below:

Please fill out this form completely and mail it to Program Director for SWRFI Volunteer's, Bill Tarver, 808 Pine Hollow Drive, Friendswood, TX 77546.

For questions you may call Joanne Warner, VP SWRFI Volunteers, at 830.510.4334 (Metro #).

SWRFI Volunteer Policy Statement

Volunteers are the heart of the fly-in. As a volunteer, your contributions of time and effort help to continue SWRFI's mission to promote aviation education and air safety. As a volunteer, you can meet and work directly with some of the most interesting and experienced individuals in the world of sport aviation today. Our enthusiasm comes from our ability to offer a venue where you and other volunteers can use your talents to contribute to what we all have in common – the love of aviation.

You do not have to be a pilot; if aviation interests you, come join us. You are welcome to share your time and talents.

First and foremost, every volunteer is greatly appreciated. The SWRFI leadership will do everything it can to ensure you are taken care of when volunteering for SWRFI.

All volunteers under the age of 18 years must work under the direct supervision of an adult.

Volunteers must be 18 years of age or older and hold a valid driver's license to operate any vehicle or machinery.

Upon arrival at SWRFI, volunteers are to check in at the volunteer gate, then to obtain your wristband, please proceed to the Volunteer tent, which is just south of the southernmost red hangar.

Benefits: All volunteers will be provided cool water as needed while working.

A volunteer rest area is provided for volunteers to get out of the sun and get free cool water as needed.

Volunteers will have to purchase their own food on Friday and Saturday. However, lunch will be provided on Thursday and Sunday.

- All SWRFI Volunteers will receive SWRFI Volunteer Patch.
- Part-time volunteers who pre-register (see below) 2 weeks or more in advance and work eight (8) hours at the flyin will receive an admission wristband at check-in. *Pre-registration is required to receive this benefit.*
- Volunteers who work 2 full days or more will get (in addition to volunteer patch and admission wristband) a special volunteer gift.

Pre-registration is highly encouraged and is very helpful for section bosses as they go through their "pre-flight planning." As every experienced pilot knows, good pre-flight preparation is necessary for a smooth and less stressful flight. We hope to make this year's SWRFI run smoother and be as stress free as possible – so help us out by volunteering in advance.

After pre-registration, you will be mailed a windscreen sign to show when entering the airport grounds. Upon arrival you will be directed to "Volunteer Only" parking near the "Volunteer" tent, where your wristband awaits.

Please complete the Volunteer Sign-UP Form which is enclosed with the hard copy of February's newsletter. Fill out this form completely and mail it to SWRFI Volunteer's Director, Bill Tarver, 808 Pine Hollow Drive, Friendswood, TX 77546.

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