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Regular Monthly Meeting

Meeting is in chapter hangar Second Thursday @ 7:00 PM

EAA 846 Website

http://846.eaachapter.org

Skypark Website

www.flyskypark.com



The next monthly meeting is Thursday, June 11, 2020 at 7 pm, Social time starts at 6:30 pm. This meeting will be held at the Skypark chapter hangar #M1. We will be observing social distancing.



#### **Meeting Topic:**

The topic for the evening is to finalize the plans for the chapter "Tool Crib" and discuss the possible hangar swap. See the "Presidents Corner" article on page 2 for more details.





Do you recognize this all composite speed demon. Hint: It's not a Glasair. The basic kit is made in Florida and sells for \$43,995. See page 8 for more information.

#### **President's Corner**

By Matt Tomsheck

Summer is finally here!! We had two very successful Zoom meetings but I'm ready to get back to our meetings at the chapter hangar. The June meeting will be at the chapter hangar. As we open back up as a community, we still want to be mindful that we are still under the Covid-19 risk. For the meeting we want to follow the guidelines for social distancing and other safe practices.

As you should have seen and heard by now there is a

proposal to do a hangar swap at SkyPark. The proposed hangar is much larger than what we currently have and affords us greater utility. It has room for an on-going project while keeping chairs and tables set up for our meetings. It's heated, so we could potentially have our monthly chapter meetings there year round. These are just a few

of the benefits of this hangar. However, with the larger hangar there would be an increase in expenses. These are considerations we have to discuss and agree upon as a chapter if we move forward with this proposal. All this is predicated on when the Mustang is sold. For anyone interested in seeing the hangar, it will be open before, during and after the June meeting. If you can't make it for the June meeting, arrangements can be made if you would like to see it another time.

Progress is being made on the Mustang. We had a good work night a couple weeks ago and have another one coming up. Jeff is hoping to have the engine running at the next work night. The main task to be accomplished is the canopy. The repairs are being done and should be ready to be reassembled and installed at the next work night. The condition inspection is close to being completed and once that is done, we can get it on the market.

For those of you who own an airplane, whether certified or experimental, once a year we go through the ritual of doing the annual/condition inspection. For me, it is a time to learn more about the aircraft I am flying. Each year I can build upon the knowledge and experience I have learned from the previous inspections. On the negative side of this, is that you may become too familiar with your craft that you miss the obvious. Those of you that have built an airplane, you know how something so obvious can be overseen for years....something to be said for a "fresh set of"

eyes." This is where fellow chapter members can be a valuable resource to draw upon. I had an issue on my plane, the lock nut on my throttle at the panel would not stay tight. I had in my mind on how to fix it, from my perspective the only way. I was looking for a specific tool, which I did not have. Bob Taylor's hangar is right by my hangar, so I

went to see Bob and ask if he had the tool I was looking for. He didn't have the specific tool but being the gracious guy he is, he wanted to modify one of his tools for me to use. I couldn't let him sacrifice his tool. After a while, Bob came over to my hangar and suggested modifying a tool I already had. I did grind away on my tool and worked perfectly...so no more loose nut. The moral of the story is that we, as chapter members can offer our fresh perspectives and experiences and talents to help each other. When we get so tunnel vision on solving a problem, we overlook that there are usually more ways to fix a problem, and after the fact, the easy fix was so obvious.

Being retired is so strenuous, that I need to take a vacation. My family and extended family will be spending a week at the Outer Banks. I will miss the meeting, especially this being the first one we are having at the hangar and back together.

Doing Much Together!

#### Jay's RV-9A First Flight!



Jay Waddell writes:
Here's the view
out the newly
airborn RV9A, the
RV Grin during the
initial test flight,
and a later picture

of Karl's RV 14A

during a second

flight.



Now that's an RV-GRIN! - Ed.

Karl Aber flying chase for Jay.



#### **EAA 846 Chapter Flyout's**

By Paul Lutz

The chapter has had a few fly outs recently. On May 23 our first fly out took place. The restaurants were finally open and we were ready to fly for breakfast. Our first destination was to Carroll County. However, due to a couple hour delay for low ceilings, this turned into a lunch fly out. Four airplanes made the trip - Paul and Paulie Hancheck in their Luscombe, Ron and Randy in the 150, Karl Aber with his Comanche, and Dave Manning and myself in my Stinson. We had a good lunch on the patio and then we all headed home.

Our second fly out was on June 6 to Swank Field in Butler, Ohio for breakfast. I flew the Stinson with the family and Ron and Randy flew the 150 (THANKS AGAIN DALE). Steve and Jeff in their 172 were waiting for us at Swank Field. Swank Field is adjacent to a bike trail that leads to the town of Butler. It is a short walk along the trail to the WiffleTree Restaurant. We ate a nice breakfast on the patio. We confirmed with Freeman and MaryJane that we will be able to have our Chapter Camp Out on July 17 - 19 at Swank Field.

Steve and Jeff departed back to Mohican Airpark and our flight departed to the South with the 150 in trail to Lancaster, OH. We were flying to see a friend who had finished his Cub restoration. We had a nice afternoon talking and looking at airplanes. Kristi was even able to get a once in a lifetime flight on a Breezy. She went for a 15 minute flight and flew over the northern part of Hocking Hills enjoying the scenery. It felt a little like OSH with the Breezy giving rides!

Departing for home the 150 took the lead. It was a little bumpy on the way home but Mimi and Bridget were still able to take a nap. Arriving back at SkyPark it was a 14 MPH direct crosswind. It was a little challenging but both airplanes did a good job. Another fun flight for the books. Hopefully you can join us on the next Chapter Fly Out.

See photos on page 4.

### **May & June Chapter 846 Fly-out Photos**







#### A Note From The Treasurer

By Gary Baker

The listing below shows all chapter members who are up to date with their 2020 dues. We currently have sixty paid members, as well as seven lifetime and honor-



ary members, for a total of sixty-seven members. We finished 2019 with eighty-one paid and seven lifetime and honorary, for a total of eighty-eight members.

The chapter has canceled our major fundraising event for the year, the Chapter Fly-In originally scheduled this month. There is still a possibility of holding a fly-in in the fall, but there are no guarantees. Your dues are always needed to help move the chapter forward and support our youth activities, such as the Air Academy Camp and the Ray Scholarship.

If your name is not listed, I have no record of your payment. Please complete the Membership Form at the end of the newsletter and mail it, along with your dues for \$25 to me at: 770 Victoria Circle, Medina, OH 44256. I would love to add your name to the paid member list! Thank you for your Chapter membership!

#### A Hangar Question...

From Paul Hancheck

I have a question for other hanger owners who have the twin doors with removable center post. Just recently my header has begun to sag and I cannot remove or replace the center post without jacking the middle up a quarter inch. Has anybody else experience this? And if so, what is the fix. I'll listen to all ideas.

**Thanks** 

Paul Hancheck

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#### Aerotrek is Expanding...

By Bryon Palitto

Aerotrek is looking for aircraft to leaseback for student training... especially a taildragger and 172's. I believe that everyone in this chapter knows how well Aerotrek takes care of their aircraft so a leaseback is not going to be damaging... and all Aerotrek leaseback owners can specify what types of training take place in their aircraft. For example, if a tail dragger owner would be interested, he/she could say only dual and no rental...

We have added rental aircraft to our Aerotrek fleet... check out <a href="https://flyaerotrek.com/aircraft-fleet/">https://flyaerotrek.com/aircraft-fleet/</a>. We now have a 172K at Wayne County. We now have an Aerobat online. We also have a Twin Comanche online.







#### **SP Panther Project Update**

By Fred Wellman

I've finished fabricating the instrument panel and began wiring the avionics. Getting close!



#### **RV14A Project Update**

By Barry Wawrin

We've temporarily attached the RV14A tail feathers to check alignment & clearances of fiberglass fairings. This work moves along, albeit what sometimes feels like a snail's pace. We reserved the registration number N418BV



#### For Loan:

Wing storage cradle. Used on my Cub project. Will hold 2 wings. Has swivel casters for easy movement. Randy Brooks, 330-635-6919 or

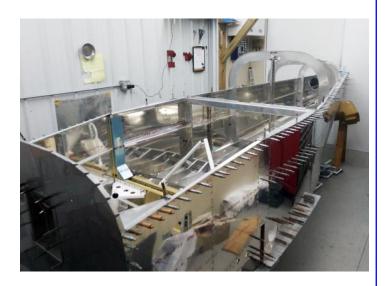
randmunn@gmail.com



#### **RV-9A Project For Sale**

RV9A FOR SALE. Tail complete with electric trim. Wings 85% complete. Tanks finished. Fuselage skins riveted with turtledeck skins in place. Cockpit and baggage area installed. Save time and money. \$22K.

Call Ron at 330-780-8209



#### **Corben Baby Ace Project For Sale**

CORBEN BABY ACE D project for sale. \$10,000 invested. BEST OFFER. Fuselage, stabilizers, elevator, rudder all powder coated, covered and painted. Wings from a previous flying aircraft. 1



Photo for reference only.

wing stripped, varnished ready for cover. Second wing needs to be inspected and covered. New tires, fuel tank. Continental A65 engine. 2195TT Email best way to contact. Contact owner, located in

Ohio. mgailton@gmail.com 440-725-9190

Pictures here: <a href="https://www.dropbox.com/sh/b871nml493wtx8w/AAARwgQf3P4hq7PaVg7gzjaWa?">https://www.dropbox.com/sh/b871nml493wtx8w/AAARwgQf3P4hq7PaVg7gzjaWa?</a> dl=0

#### **T51 Mustang Work Continues...**

By Randy Brooks

Last week our Mustang workshop completed same important tasks. Jeff mounted the newly repaired tailwheel and gear doors. We installed the underwing inspection panels, installed the new spark plugs, installed cockpit floorboards and hung the prop. All engine fluids have been changed out.

Dave Manning repaired the canopy frame by welding new, heavy duty rail guides. Final fitting of the canopy frame and hardware mounting remains. Then, we can rivet the canopy back on the frame.

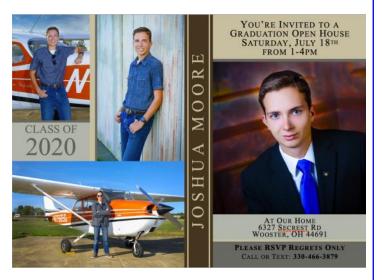
We still need to safety wire the prop and mount the repaired spinner assembly.







#### Joshua Moore is Graduating H.S.



## **Project Update: RV-8 Building Continues**

By Mike Guenthner

The RV-8 rudder is ready for final riveting, which is a bit complex compared to other parts of the empennage. After an inspection by our chapter's tech counselors, I will be able to close it up with the final rivets and then bend the leading edges".



# Reminder: Aircraft Scales are available to Chapter members:

For those of you close to finishing your new project or restoration the chapter owns a set of scales for weighing and calculating weight and balance. See Gary Baker for details.



#### 2020 EAA Chapter 846—Calendar of Events

Thursday, June 14, 2020	EAA Chapter 846 Monthly Meeting	June chapter meeting will be held in the chapter hangar #M1 at Skypark. Social hour starts at 6:30 pm	7:00 PM
Thursday, July 9, 2020	EAA Chapter 846 Monthly Meeting	July chapter meeting will be held in the chapter hangar #M1 at Skypark	7:00 PM
Thursday, August 13, 2020	EAA Chapter 846 Monthly Meeting	August chapter meeting will be held in the chapter hangar #M1 at Skypark	7:00 PM

#### **Current Member Projects:**

- ♦ Paul & Ron Lutz, RV-9A under construction with the fuselage now joined For Sale
- ♦ Joe Walker, RV-7 Working on the instrument panel & wiring
- ◆ Dale Holmes, RV-7 Working on fuselage
- ♦ Stan Vitkovic, Zenith CH701, CX4
- ◆ Dave Manning, BD-5 Restoration
- ♦ Lloyd Fiste, Zenith CH-601 Wing upgrade completed, ready for re-assembly
- ♦ Jeff Zink, RV-7 Working on the wings
- ♦ Mike Baker, Sonex Preparing for first engine start
- ♦ Dan McAlonan, Stolp Starlet SA-500, engine is now mounted and ready for first start
- ♦ Pete Klapp, KR2S Preparing for first flight
- ♦ Tony Harding, HM14e, Flying Flea, fuselage and wings near complete. Inspection planned
- ♦ Bob Taylor, RANS S20 Installing instrument panel and wiring
- ◆ Jay Waddell, RV 9A First flight complete
- ♦ Rob Trout, RV-14 Working on the tail cone
- ♦ Paul Hancheck, Skybolt, Working on fuselage, moved into Skypark home hangar
- ♦ Jeff Polack, RV-8A Tail work
- ♦ Jeff Hartzler & Steve Zaleski, Chinook, fuselage covering almost complete
- ♦ Barry & Valerie Wawrin, RV-14A, Checking clearances of the tail surfaces
- ♦ Dale & Nancy Housley, Volmer VJ-22 Purchased a project and a new set of plans
- ♦ Fred Wellman, Panther Progress, Instrument panel assembled, finishing wiring
- ♦ Bernie May, Zenith CH750,
- ♦ Mike Guenthner, RV-8, Rudder is ready for final riveting

**Answer:** The **Team Tango Foxtrot**, or **Foxtrot 4**, is an <u>American amateur-built aircraft</u>, designed and produced by <u>Team</u> The Foxtrot was developed as a four-seat version of the Tango 2 and shares many of the twofixed tricycle landii seater's features. The Foxtrot has a cantilever low-wing, a four-seat enclosed cockpit, (9.8 m) span wing employs a NACA assistance.





#### **EAA CHAPTER 846**

Chapter Meeting
Minutes of the
May 14, 2020 Meeting

### The meeting was called to order at 19:00 by President Matt Tomsheck.

-The meeting was again held via ZOOM. Matt welcomed everyone and introduced guest Alex Notarianni, who participated in the meeting.

#### -April Meeting Minutes

Minutes from the April 9,2020 regular chapter meeting were approved as written with no additions or corrections. Motion to approve was made by Gary Baker and second by Dave Gerdeman. The motion passed unanimously.

#### -Officers Reports

President: Matt mentioned about receiving the 2019 chapter survey from EAA. He recommended waiting to go over until a future face to face chapter meeting. Overall the survey was very good.

Vice President: Paul will discuss flyouts and camping being planned as an alternative to Oshkosh.

Treasurer: Gary reported there are sufficient funds in the treasury for chapter business. He also announced that members can now pay their dues with Paypal on the chapter website.

Secretary: With the April minutes being approved, Greg had nothing else to report.

#### -Ray Scholarship- Mike Guenthner

Mike introduced Ferenc Somogyi, the 2020 recipient of the Ray Aviation Scholarship. Ferenc is 17 years of age and is finishing his junior year at St. Ignatius High School. He is in the process of locating a good flight training provider that works for both he and his parents. He so far has checked with Medina, Wadsworth, and Lorain. He is eager to continue his flight training this summer and he

thanked the chapter for providing the opportunity to be a part of the program. He has joined the chapter and Matt welcomed him as a new member.

#### -Flyouts, Camping, alternatives to Oshkosh- Paul Lutz

Paul discussed plans to move the August flyout and camping at Swank field to the weekend of July 17,18,and 19. This would coincide with the original first weekend of Oshkosh. Dave Gerdeman has agreed to cook the Saturday evening meal. There was discussion about possibly taking the chapter grill to the event. There was also discussion about trying to collect donations for the meal in advance of the event instead of collecting at the site. It was noted we should be able to do this through Paypal at the chapter website. July 24,25,26 will be the rain date for the event. Paul also discussed having a small poker flight on July 25<sup>th</sup> if we are able to do the flyout to Swank field the first weekend planned.

#### -T-51 Discussion

Jeff Paden was not present at the meeting, so Matt gave an update. The tail wheel is still off. The canopy frame is still in need of welding. Dave Manning has agreed to do the welding work on the canopy. Nose bowl and prop are ready to be put on after necessary engine work is completed.

#### -Sonex Project-Walt Halloran

Walt reported he had placed ads in three different publications and had received a lot of interest, but no one really ready to pull the trigger and purchase. Several people were interested in purchasing parts, but not the entire kit. Walt estimated he had received about a dozen inquiries. There was discussion about the option of parting out the kit. There was a general consensus among the group to give Walt the authority to do what he thinks is best to get the kit sold and out of Jeff's hangar.

# Chapter Meeting Minutes of the May 14, 2020 Meeting cont...

#### -Hangar Swap- Gary Baker

The club has been approached about doing a hangar swap with chapter member Bob Sprang at Skypark. Gary presented a financial comparison of the two hangars based on information obtained from the Medina County auditor's office. Matt opened the floor to discussion on whether we wanted to explore going further with the option. After several comments by members, it was decided to hold off any further discussion until the June meeting when more people can actually see Bob's hangar. Matt will plan on a tour of Bob's hangar at the June meeting or anyone interested can stop by and look at the hangar if Bob is there. If a face to face meeting is still not possible in June, Matt will set a time to view Bob's hangar.

#### -Fall Pancake Breakfast

There is still uncertainty about whether we can have the event or not. The general discussion was, if Medina has the Wings and Wheels event we will probably try and have the event in conjunction them. If they do not have the Wings and Wheels event we will have to decide whether to try and have the event on our own.

#### -Project updates

Jay Waddell- RV- 9A This Saturday hoping to have Matt sign off on the inspection.

Mike Guenthner- RV-8 Sent builders log to the EAA website. Rudder ready to go back together and work on getting the final bend.

Paul & Ron Lutz- RV-9A Randy Brooks & Karl Aber gave an update on the fuselage work. Ron has drilled a few holes.

Dave Gerdeman- Gave an update on his search for a plane to build. Looking at an RV-7A or RV-8A.

Dale Holmes- RV-7A Nothing to report

#### -Additional business

Brian Burke inquired on the status of Young Eagles. Gary Baker said it is yet to be determined when and where we may be able to do the event.

Gary Baker announced that Charlie Becker's EAA Chapter 252 is selling tickets for an airplane raffle of a CubCrafters Cub. Tickets are \$100 each and they are limiting ticket sales to 1700 tickets.

The next regularly scheduled Chapter meeting will be June 11, 2020. Hopefully this will be a face to face meeting at the Chapter hangar, however another ZOOM meeting may be necessary. Matt announced he will be absent and Vice President Paul Lutz will be in charge of the meeting. At this time in order to maintain correct social distancing, if we are able to have a face to face meeting at the hangar, there will be just a meeting and no cookout.

With no other business to be brought before the club, the meeting was adjourned at 21:08.

Respectfully submitted, Greg Cantrell, Secretary EAA Chapter 846

## Membership Available in NASAIRS Flying Club

#### 1974 CESSNA 172M

- Lycoming O-360-A4 180 HP Penn Yan Engine Conversion
- ♦ Garmin 430W GPS with Terrain
- ♦ King AT 165 Nav Com
- ♦ Garmin 330 Mode S Transponder
- ♦ KMA 24 Selector
- ♦ Tanis Engine Heater
- ♦ Single-Axis Autopilot
- Long Range Fuel Tanks (48 Gallons Usable)
- ♦ 4-Place Intercom with Auxiliary Audio Input
- Hangar Storage at **Medina Municipal Airport** (1G5)
- ♦ Online Scheduling

Well-maintained aircraft, responsible members, historic club!
Contact: Jeff Polack
330-242-5411

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## EAA CHAPTER 2020 MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Annual Dues: \$25.00 by February 1. Please complete and mail To: Gary Baker,

Dues Calculator			
Jan	\$25	July	\$19
Feb	\$25	Aug	\$17
Mar	\$25	Sept	\$15
Apr	\$25	Oct	\$25
May	\$23	Nov	\$25
June	\$21	Dec	\$25

Treasurer, 770 Victoria Circle, Medina, OH 44256. Checks should be made out to: EAA Chapter 846. New members dues will be prorated after April 30th at \$2.00 per month. See schedule above. Chapter 846 memberships are available: Lifetime Membership \$375.00, Family Memberships \$30.00 and Student Memberships for \$10.00

PLEASE CIRCLE: RENEWAL (YEAR JOINE	ED)	OR NEW MEMBER			
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Please indicate any aviation skills or res	sources that you	have and would be willing to	share with other members.		

Wadsworth EAA Chapter 846

Thank you for your membership in EAA Chapter 846!

Does EAA Chapter 846 have your permission to publish this optional information in our chapter roster? Yes No

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Next Meeting is Thursday, June 11, 2020, at the chapter hangar at Skypark - @ 7:00 PM