

The Flightline



EAA Chapter 958 San Marcos, TX
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September 2016

EAA Chap 958 Meeting
Redbird Conference Room
San Marcos Airport
Saturday September, 17 2016,
10:00 am
Coffee and Donuts @ 9:30

Program: Making
Fiberglass Fairings

Presenter:
John Bretcher

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Editors Notes

Hi everybody,

Well its almost officially fall, and with it will come cooler weather and opportunities to get out and fly in some of the nice weather that is usually brought in by passing cold fronts. Although we haven't seen much in the way of cold fronts yet I suspect that it wont be too much longer before they start heading our way. So get out and spread your wings and be safe. Note we have some webinars and programs coming up through EAA, AOPA and the FAA all designed to help make you a safer and more proficient pilot.

Fall also is a time to reflect on what we've done during the year and evaluate ways to improve the chapter. We have been fortunate to be at an airport that is supportive of sport aviation and home builders and have added new members to our ranks. We've had some really great folks come and talk to the chapter and share their aviation experiences with us. Some of the chapter members that attended Oshkosh were able to get together and share their experiences at Friar Tucks. The IMC group has become a part of the EAA and we have an active IMC club at Redbird under the direction of Mr. Roy Good who has been most gracious in being available after chapter meetings for extra training time. All in all, its been a pretty good year so far, and as we move toward the end of the year consider how we can continue to build the chapter into something that will help serve the local aviation community and help build a positive image with the local non-flying communities.

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Our own John Brecher is an instructor with the Sportair workshops and recently served as an instructor with EAA's Air Academy which has programs for 3 age groups of kids. His last stint was with the 16 to 19 year olds whose Air Academy program convened following this year's Airventure. As a result of this experience he suggested a challenge for the chapter:

"We need to see about doing a scholarship for this next year. It's a great experience. It is \$1250 for each and there is EAA help with that cost."

"The camp director decided to add the Sport Air workshops as part of the 16 to 19 age group program. They do the standard sheet metal and composites course. They do just well at it as the adults! They also get flying time in both fixed wing and helicopter. They do a "confidence" course with climbing wall and zip-line. They stay in the beautiful log lodge at Pioneer Field across from the museum. Quite the experience."



Link for additional Air Academy pics:

<https://www.flickr.com/photos/eaairacademy/albums/with/72157671692992652>

So consider how we as a chapter can expand our horizons, help members with their projects, promote aviation to the community and get some more flying time in.

Russ

Burnet CAF Hosts the Bluebonnet Airshow

I was talking with Clell Bond at the airport last week and he said he thought there was an airshow over in Burnet on the weekend and asked if I wanted to ride along with him if he went. Not being one to pass up an invitation to see an aviation event I couldn't pass up the invitation. The Highland Lakes Squadron of the CAF and the city of Burnet were putting on their [I believe] annual 2016 airshow.

For a small town, Burnet goes all out to create an excellent flying experience. Free parking was provided with free shuttle bus transport right to the front gate. Although we weren't



Airshow cont.

able to walk among the show planes, they were close enough to get a pretty good look and the army had several helicopters that let you get up close and personal. Army crews were very sociable, answering questions about the 'copters and putting the kids into the pilots seats. Of particular interest to me at the show was an operational P63 King Cobra, one of only 7 remaining in the world in flying condition. It was built in Buffalo, NY my hometown, and one of my aunts had worked on the P39 assembly line during the war.

If you have a chance the next time the show comes around, check it out, its a nice way to spend an afternoon.



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| 9/28/16 | 7 p.m. CDT | The Magic Behind Your Glass Panel Qualifies for FAA Wings credit | Kirk Kleinholz |
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