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Gettysburg Barnstormers—EAA Chapter 1041

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NOTAMS:

- July 1st 7:00 PM Regular Chapter Meeting G'Burg Regional Airport
- July 13th 9:00—10:30 IMC/VMC Club G'Burg Regional Airport
- July 20th Chapter Fly-Out
- July 22th—28th AirVenture Oshkosh
- August 10th 9:00—10:30 IMC/VMC Club G'Burg Regional Airport
- August 11th Chapter Picnic Mathna Airport (2PS3) Noon to 4:00
- August 17th Chapter Fly-out
- September 9th 7:00 PM Regular Chapter Meeting G'Burg Regional Airport
- September 14th IMC/VMC G'Burg Regional Airport
- September 21st Chapter Fly-out
- September 28-29 Fly-In/Drive-In Pancake Breakfast-G'Burg Regional Airport
- October 7th Regular Chapter Meeting

Henry's Hangar

By Henry Hartman

Hey Barnstormers, you've done it again! With the help of many members, you set a new record during the June Breakfast event. Together, we served a total of 901 breakfasts, which eclipses our previous record of 863 in June of 2014. Add to that amazing statistic, the fact that we had a loss of electrical power on Sunday morning. Special thanks for Paul Selmer and Savy Maranto for scrambling and each bringing a generator to get our production back to normal. Thanks to an understanding crowd, we were able to feed everyone and after about two and a half hours, normal power was restored. Here's a really big sincere Thank You to everyone who helped to make the breakfast a success.

Another special mention goes to the Civil Air Patrol Cadets and Adults for the excellent job they did with parking cars for the breakfast. This was the first event where a new fence around the airport created an obstacle. The CAP folks rose to the challenge and did a superb job. We thank them for their dedication and help.

Our Ray Aviation Scholarship Committee has awarded the \$10,000.00 flight lesson scholarship to Nathan Hawkins. In addition to being a member of our Chapter who attended the EAA Advanced Air Academy in 2018, Nathan is planning to attend the US Naval Academy. Nathan, his parents, Mike & Aleshia, and his girlfriend, Maddy, all came out and helped at

the breakfast. Look forward to receiving regular updates from Nathan as he progresses along his journey toward a Private Pilot Certificate.

We want to thank Dr. Michael Zittle for donating the medical exam that Nathan needed to get his Student Pilot License and Medical Certificate.

This month is "Oshkosh", or more properly EAA AirVenture, your organization's annual Convention. Several Barnstormers and friends will be making the trip to Wisconsin, so come to the August Chapter Picnic and hear about the weeklong exposure of "Aviation Saturation".

Speaking of the picnic, be sure to make plans for this second-most-popular annual get-together when the food is king! Stay tuned for more info as we approach the Sunday, Aug. 11th date, hosted by members Gary & Kathy Mathna.

Thanks again, Barnstormers. You all make this a very fine organization and we appreciate each and every one of you.

Henry



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Editor's Notes

If you have read an interesting aviation related book let me know and I will include it in a future edition of The Observer

Have an aviation related link? I'll include that in a future edition also.

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www.aopa.org

www.1041.eaachapter.org

www.intrepidmuseum.org

www.york-aviation.com

www.airfactsjournal.com

www.jerryandersonart.com

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July Program

The July 1st program will feature a presentation by Hanover-area resident David Santoro. Dave served in the US Navy for 21 years, and has 2500 hours of flight time piloting P-3 Orion aircraft on Anti-Submarine Warfare missions. This was during the Cold War and they were looking for Soviet ballistic missile subs off of the east Coast of the United States. Following his Navy career, Dave went on to fly commercially for several years. Come out to the meeting and see photos of Dave's flying days and hear his recollections.



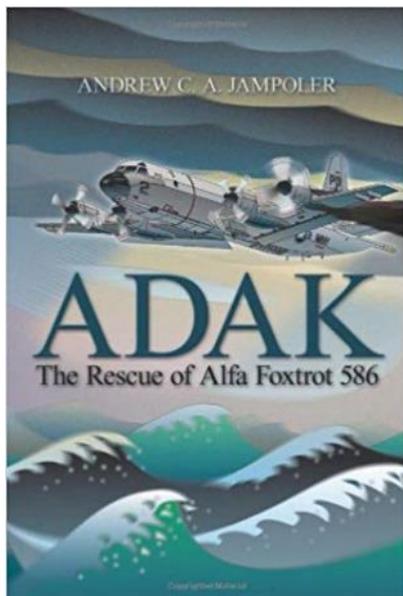
Book Review



Adak: The Rescue of Alfa Foxtrot 586

By [Andrew C. A. Jampoler](#) In the tradition of great tales of men against the sea, *Adak* offers a compelling look at courage and commitment in the face of certain tragedy. Alfa Foxtrot 586 was a P-3 Orion on station on a sensitive Cold War mission off the Kamchatka Peninsula on 26 October 1978. When a propeller malfunction turned into an engine fire, the pilot was forced to ditch his turboprop into the empty, mountainous seas west of the Aleutian Islands. The aircraft went down in just ninety seconds, taking one of the three rafts with it. Thirteen men launched the other rafts, the smallest of which--terribly overcrowded--soon began to leak, threatening the nine men aboard. This account of the flight crew's desperate battle against the sea, and the heroic efforts to rescue them provide an engrossing true story of survival.

Available on Amazon: <https://amzn.to/2F1fkld>



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The July IMC/VMC Meeting will be held in the Chapter Meeting room at the Gettysburg Regional Airport. July 13th 9:00 to 10:30 AM

Keith Feaga will conduct this month's meeting

You do not need to be an IFR rated pilot to benefit from these discussions



Additional Information on EAA Website Here: <http://bit.ly/2DzNEag>

A real life flying scenario will be presented for discussion.

Questions of the month are suspended until after AirVenture



June 2019 IMC/VMC attendees

Just like church...front pews are unoccupied and we don't even collect an offering.



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June Meeting

Sam Kistler Photos



Member and Airline Captain Howard Witterman provided an interesting look at his career as a Captain for a well known discount carrier. He was particularly excited to recount his recent experience flying into Havana, Cuba, a first for him.

He also answered questions from those present concerning the B-737 MAX and the MCAS System. Most of the questions centered on the configuration of the aircraft and how that affects MCAS activation.

Interestingly, he stated that if the autopilot is flying the aircraft the MCAS system is disabled. Much remains to be discovered as a result of the two recent accidents.



The meeting room was crowded due to the prospect of an interesting presentation and curiosity regarding the results of our pancake breakfast. Henry and Herb were happy to report a new record both in breakfasts served and money earned. Great work by all involved even in the midst of an hour plus power failure on Sunday. Thanks to the ingenuity of our members and backup generators we managed the crisis.

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Liberty War Birds honor Vietnam veterans

By Michael Cooper-White For the Gettysburg Times

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A fully restored 1960's "Huey" helicopter paying tribute to soldiers who fought in Vietnam landed at Gettysburg's Regional Airport Saturday.

The Lancaster-based Liberty War Bird Association (LWBA) is dedicated to "provide Vietnam veterans with a link to their past." According to its descriptive brochure, the organization also seeks to enlighten the general public "about the unique and historic role played by the Huey helicopter during the Vietnam conflict."

The UH-1 helicopter "Flying Museum" stopped by during the semi-annual "Wings, Wheels and Pancakes" breakfast sponsored by the Experimental Aviation Association local chapter. The breakfast drew a crowd of about 500 people.

Otherwise known as the "Gettysburg Barnstormers," EAA Chapter 1041 meets the first Monday of every month at the airport's main hangar. Proceeds from the breakfast sponsor youth attendance at the national organization's annual world-famous airshow and aviation event in Oshkosh, Wisconsin. One of LWBA's chief officers, helicopter pilot Peter Bohn said the fledgling organization found a Huey in decrepit condition at a college in California nearly four years ago. More than 15,000 hours were spent by numerous skilled volunteers in restoring the helicopter to its original mint flying condition. Membership in the LWBA organization entitles individuals to an orientation flight, and several attendees at Saturday's breakfast took advantage of the opportunity to circle the local airport in a craft that was a lifeline for countless soldiers during its service in Vietnam.

The members of the Liberty War Bird group seek to honor those who have suffered from their days as soldiers.

"When we say restore, we mean both aircraft and the mental and physical well-being of our veterans," Bohn said.



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Breakfast Prep Friday May 31st



Hanger clean-up



The food arrives



Early Saturday Morning

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Pancake breakfast June 1st & 2nd 2019



Both the big and the small flew in



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Pancake breakfast June 1st & 2nd 2019



Conrad completing Pancake flipping OJT



Chief "Scrambler" Dale prepares another batch



Ray Scholarship recipient Nathan and Maddy take a break from the busy coffee and OJ serving line

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Barnstormer shirts available



XX-Stock	Medium	Blue	No Pocket -T	Womens	\$	12.25
XX-Stock	X-Large	Grey	No Pocket -T	Mens	\$	11.75
XX-Stock	Large	Blue	No Pocket -Polo	Womens	\$	18.50
XX-Stock	Large	Blue	No Pocket -Polo	Mens	\$	17.00

We have four shirts available in the sizes and genders listed above. If you did not order one originally or need an extra please contact Bob Howe.

The August edition of *The Observer* will be published the week of August 5th due to the editor's visit to AirVenture

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Fly-Out Destination

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Fly-Out destination for July will be decided at the July meeting. Dick Young is the new Fly-Out coordinator. Please provide him with your fly-out destination requests

THE EAA 1041 SKY RAIDERS

The EAA 1041 Sky-Raiders have a scheduled fly-out on the 3rd Saturday of each month.

Each pilot will make their own go/no go decision. Please call Dick Young (717-521-7942) no later than Friday afternoon if you plan to join the flight. Dick will make restaurant reservations at the destination airport; therefore, an accurate count of participants is appreciated.

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