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# **June 2021**

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# **Upcoming Events:**

https://chapters.eaa.org/eaa108/event-calendar

**19 Jun: 9:00am, IMC Club Discussion** For those interested in IFR discussions

**19 Jun: 10:00am, Chapter Gathering** Location: Bob Sikes Airport, Crestview, in the back room of Emerald Coast Aviation.

### 14-18 Jul: SIMVENTURE 2021

Fly the Fiske arrival on your home sim with the real Airventure controllers.

https://www.pilotedge.net/pages/simventure (Note: Requires Pilotedge.net subscription or 2-week free trial to participate)

26 Jul - 1 Aug: Airventure Oshkosh 2021

### Letter From the President...

Those of you that missed the May meeting and cookout missed a great time. The weather could not have been more perfect. I'm glad we did it before the heat and humidity started setting in.

I'm going to try something new starting this month. I'm calling it the "Pick of the Month"...which I'm kind of borrowing from a podcast I listened to. If you were to follow me around, you would notice that I'm a constant consumer of aviation entertainment and knowledge. I do it all...YouTube videos from one of the many channels I watch, podcast episodes during my 45 min (each way) commute to work, webinars from the EAA, AOPA, FAA, etc., etc., etc. Topics I consume include virtual rides in airplanes I'll likely never get to pilot, showcasing the adventures you can have with an airplane, creating and maintaining safety procedures, getting a deeper understanding of technical aspects of flying, learning about the ATC side of the airspace system, and much more. Each episode or topic usually offers me the chance to get inspired, get refreshed on flying fundamentals, or expand my aviation knowledge and ways to do it safely.

Where am I going with this? Well, each month I hope to publish a link to just one video, podcast, webinar, book, or creator that some member thought was entertaining, educational, or inspiring, and share it with the chapter as that month's "Pick of the Month!"

Anyone can send in a recommendation. If you come across something worth sharing, shoot an email to me, the newsletter editor, or to the chapter email linking us to it and telling us why you thought it was worth sharing. We'll see how this goes. I'll start it off.

# June Pick of the Month:

NAFI webinar w/Brian Schiff talking about "The Possible Turn". <a href="https://www.mentorlive.site/program/20.html">https://www.mentorlive.site/program/20.html</a>

I thought this was a very good treatment of the age-old question about when, if ever, and how to consider turning back to the airport after an engine failure on takeoff.

Blue Skies! - Chad

# May 2021 Minutes

Submitted by Ralph King

The following people were in attendance:

Charlie Starr Ralph King

Tim Cook Gary Bean / Jo Dean

Charley Booton Tom Godbold

Howard Walton Bill Cuilik

Cecil Jones Chad, Gina, Chandler Baker

Rick Welch Paul Vermillion

Bill Benham (CFI) George Roll / Meegerin

Butch Raber Cris Hunter

Rick Bernardi Paul Danclovic

Lane Watkins

The following is a partial listing of the guests, Skyranch airport members. I don't think I managed to capture a complete list of those who came from Skyranch

Reddock Williams Dave and Anna Skelton

Bill Dixon Glenn Meyers

Piper Drake

Chad Baker called the meeting to order at 10:35. He opened with a special thanks to Charlie Starr for the food, and the use of the hangar at Skyranch for the meeting. He presented a service award to Cecil Jones for his service to the club.

He welcomed the guests and thanked them for their interest in the club and our meeting.



Cecil Jones gave a report on the Eagle Flight that he gave to the flight attendant who wants to become a pilot. He said everything went well, and she enjoyed the flight. She is moving to Ohio and will pursue her training there and intends to become involved with the local EAA chapter there.

Gary Bean gave a treasurer report. There is \$3,520.06 in the bank, and some petty cash on hand.

There is a Cavalier for sale, and a man from Indiana is interested in buying it. He wants someone locally to do a pre-buy inspection before he commits to buying the airplane. Some names were given as possible inspection candidates. There is another man interested in buying an ultralight, and it was suggested that he go to Pensacola and check sources there.

It was reported that Raymond Seip, one of our members had passed away. (As a matter of note, Ray Seip was one of the men I contacted prior to finding this club and joining it. He has a Challenger Two airplane that he had stored and was not flying. Ray has not been attending our meetings, and so I have never met him in person, just talked to him on the phone.)

Charley Booton talked some about the Sun-N-Fun in Lakeland, FL. The event was a fun time event, but had low attendance. About 50% of capacity in most places. The air show was good, and the Blue Angels performance was impressive. The drone performance was impressive. There were a lot of people who flew in for the event. Cecil Jones was a representative for Sling

Aircraft, and there were about 15 sold at the event. The C-17 jump airplane was there and they had about 5 jump events every day. The Special Operations folks were also there and the Navy SEALS also.



Cris Hunter, the Young Eagles representative said there are about 80 youngsters on the list to go flying. In light of the COVID and the limitations involved due to that, he has asked that any interested pilots who could respond on a one to two week notice give him their names. He would then try to schedule the pilots and maybe one or two YE folks to go flying, and not wait for the entire club to be involved. This would still get the YE benefits to the club, without the need to wait for everyone to be available at the same time. This just might be more convenient for all concerned. Those pilots interested please contact Cris.

The Oshkosh event is coming up in 26 July to 1 August. Charley and Bill may be flying up to that event. You can find lots of Airventure event activity steamed on one of EAA's live Youtube channels during the event.

Cecil Jones updated the group on the AOA system he and his partners are developing. They won a \$25K Innovation award in the past and will find out soon if they be selected to compete in the finals for \$50,000. Cecil says the system will be available to pilots, and will connect to their present systems, and will cost about \$200 to \$300 per unit. Folks wanting more information can contact Cecil.



Around the room discussions: Rick Bernardi said Ulf Peterson is currently having some problems with water in his fuel system, and is working on a resolution.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:30.

Another side note: Butch Raber did get his Challenger One totally assembled. He did get his engine cranked and running on 23 May and was able to taxi his airplane around at Yellow River airport for a while, checking things out. He had a big smile on his face!!!!.

The food is on!!!!! And it was good, and there was plenty of food for all who came. A special thanks goes again to Tim Cook for his Cowboy Baked Beans!!!! And to Charlie Starr for the use of his hangar facility for the meeting and cookout, and everything he provided.



# **Hangar Spots For Sale:**

There are two shares of the Hangarmates Hangar for sale for Chapter 108 members who might be interested. The hangar is at Bob Sikes airport and Kevin Cocozzoli is acting as broker for the spaces. Price is \$6000 per share. Yearly operating expense averages about \$500 per share which covers mainly insurance costs. A third share will likely come available later this year. Experimental aircraft only. Contact Kevin at KMCoco@cox.net .















Ooops, sorry Gary!

