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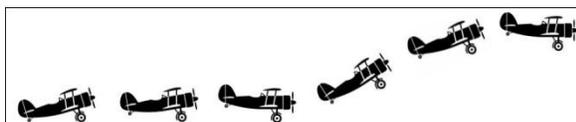
EAA Chapter 175 Newsletter



Newsletter for January, 2014

Next Meeting:

Saturday
02/28/2014
Breakfast @ 0800
Meeting@ 0900



Program

Dale Southwick

Topic of Presentation: Insight into Military Fighter Engine Development

Dale.....

Retired from Pratt & Whitney in 2006 as Business Development Manager for Advanced Engine Programs and Manager of Commercial Engine Technology Programs

Graduate of USF (BS Engineering) and Central Michigan University (Masters in Business)

Commercial Pilot License, Instrument Rated

Volunteer with ministries for folks in-between jobs at St Paul's Catholic Church and Idlewild Baptist Church in Tampa

President's Corner

Dues, Please for 2014. \$24 & we'll be happy to collect at the meeting.

Poker Run from our friends at KCLW on 3/8/2014.

<https://sites.google.com/site/airplanepokerrun/> to register online & for details.

CEDAR KNOLL - LUNCH FLY-IN

LUNCH ON FEBRUARY 22, 2014, AT 11:00.

RUNWAY 18 - LEFT PATTERN

RUNWAY 36 - RIGHT PATTERN

FAA Identifier: 01FL

From city: 6 miles E of GENEVA, FL

There will be a Chapter 175 Board Meeting after the program Saturday @10:30.

Ginger Adelstone

EAA 175

EAA CHAPTER 175 MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES

DATE: January 25, 2014

LOCATION: EAA Chapter House, Tampa Executive Airport (KVDF)

ATTENDANCE: 30

Business Meeting

The chapter meeting was called to order at 9:00 AM by Ginger Adelstone. Thanks were given to Charlie and Dolores Henwood for preparing breakfast this morning. We had 3 guests visiting the chapter today: Mark Auchtung, Linda Kaufman, VP of Ch 282 and Secretary/Newsletter Editor for the Sun Coast Chapter of the 99's, and Dale Southwick. Dale will be our speaker at our February meeting.

Old Business

Meeting Minutes:

Steve Reisser stated that the meeting minutes for November were distributed by email in Smoke Signals and posted to our website

(<http://www.175.eaachapter.org/>). No changes were suggested so a motion was made to accept the minutes as published, seconded and accepted without objection.

Treasurers Report

Don Miller was out of town so the treasurer's report is deferred until the February meeting.

New Business

Blind Poker Run

Thanks to Leon Adelstone for organizing our 2nd annual Blind Poker Run to be held at Leading Edge Aviation on February 8th. Sign-in begins at 9:30 AM with departures beginning at 10:00. Entrance fees are \$15 aircraft and one pilot of which \$7 goes towards one lunch and \$8 into the winner's pool. Additional lunches will be sold for \$7 each. Participants do not know their flight route and the first airport until departure time. Sealed envelopes with playing cards will be opened after lunch and the winning hand will take the winners pool which is \$8 times the number of aircraft participating in the event.

Sectional Meeting

A brief sectional meeting will be held after today's aviation program to discuss upcoming Young Eagle events.

Other New Business

There will be NO April EAA 175 meeting since on that day we will be at Peter O'Knight Airport representing our chapter at Island Fest. EAA 175 will share display facilities with the FAA Safety Team. Come one and all.

Two Young Eagle events are scheduled in the first half of this year and being coordinated by Jeff Kaloostian. Details of a May YE event will be announced in the future. A June 14th fly out will be designated as a fly out for children of MacDill's deployed military personnel.

Leon Adelstone announced that if anyone is interested at picking up a great LSA aircraft (Apollo Fox), his is available for sale.

With no other new business, a motion was made, seconded and accepted without objection. The business portion of the meeting ended at 9:10 AM

Program

John "Lites" Leenhouts, President of Sun'n Fun, provided an exciting and inspirational 54 minute program on status and changes in the Sun'n Fun environment.

John first thanked our chapter for the terrific job they are doing with serving sandwiches to the volunteers at the airshow. Changes were made in attitude and food preparations were greatly appreciated and

expressed by the volunteers we served.

The Sun'n Fun environment is growing, changing and has been reinvigorated by a number of projects. There is a real push to immerse young people in aviation and to renew the interest of inactive pilots throughout the entire year.

The new high school, Central Florida Aerospace Academy-CFAA, currently has 320 students and will soon grow to 500 students. The high school is open to all Polk county residents and if Hillsborough county students providing their own transportation they may also attend. It is an incredible, 3 story facility with opportunities to learn and experience aviation in an environment unlike any other in the United States. Their Center for Aerospace Excellence at the high school provides not only high school studies but allows students to learn to fly. The school has partnered with Fedex who contributed a working 727, and with Jet blue for the development of an A&P mechanics program at the high school. That 747 will be a permanent "working" classroom where students can learn, even start they jet engines. The cargo hole of the 747 will be a full classroom where student can monitor cockpit activities and see external working aerodynamic effects of the yoke and rudder. (Note: the 757 has throttle stops set to only allow idle power on the 747 and the aircraft is permanently mounted as not to allow movement) Students that graduate with a GPA of 2.5 or better are given \$12,000 scholarship to acquire a

pilot's license. Further, they can earn \$10/hr by volunteering time after school to Sun'n Fun programs. What high school do you know that can provide its students with an A&P license, Private SEL and Glider Pilots licenses, and partner with colleges providing high school and college studies, including Embry Riddle College, on-campus? Students flew aircraft from Lakeland to Oshkosh last year. They were only 16-17 years old. Amazing when the fastest plane only flew 100 mph.

The museum has moved away from only using static displays. The old ones are still there but the museum has been energized by interactive displays at the museum including:

- A Signature Aviation display for flight planning,
- Interactive aviation classes,
- Aviation Racing,
- Engine Development,
- The latest technology development (Boss and Garmin are sponsoring and investing in the future of aviation), and
- More to come in the future.

Sun'n Fun is including non-aviation events in the future. Right after Sun'n Fun is the largest regional BBQ competition in the Southeast with 50 competitors and GREAT eats for all of us and the 4,000 attendees. November will bring the largest Ice Cream event in the U.S bring 30,000 to 40,000 people into the Sun'n Fun grounds. Other events will include car shows. People at car shows bring high end equipment, planes and money to the area and are likely

to have near equal interest in aviation.

FAA Status Update. Last years Fun'n Sun Fly In was nearly a disaster because of the sequester as the FAA surprised the organization by requiring \$400,000 for FAA air traffic controllers. With great efforts the Florida Restaurant Association, Central Florida Tourism Association, Lakeland Airport and Sun'n Fun were able to contribute enough to allow the show to proceed. Even though the sequester is no longer in force, FAA will no longer provide free ATC services to Sun'n Fun. This years' price tag is \$200,000 but at least it is not a last minute surprise. ATC support is critical with 3,000 movements a day and 4 simultaneous aircraft on final at any given moment. Safety is critical to the shows survival.

Mr. Leenhouts concluded his program at 10:04

Volunteer Kitchen

Richard Denton, Director of the Sun'n Fun EAA 175 Volunteer Kitchen, gave a 10 minute talk about the coming activities for volunteer kitchen activities. Hopefully all of you received and read his email to all chapter members this week. He expressed appreciation for new attitudes and service efforts of our membership. Many expressions of appreciation were received for our excellence last year.

Rich passed out a sign up sheet for members to receive credentials as volunteers in the kitchen. Applicants had to specify names of all who wanted credentials, phone, email, and the days of attendance. For free full week access to the Fun'n Sun airshow following daily preparation of lunch., volunteers must give at least 4 days of volunteer service to the kitchen. Please note that the minimum age for active kitchen volunteers is 14 year old.

Follow the EAA 175 meeting on March 22, we need 10 volunteers to accompany Rich to do some preparatory work of approximately 4 hours of your time would be greatly appreciated.

Although the Air Show formally operates from April 1 thru the 6th, we need volunteers to prepare lunches beginning Friday, March 28th through April 6th.

The program portion for our membership concluded at 10:14 AM

Below is a memo from Richard Denton Jan 23 at 11:49 AM to our membership regarding the volunteer kitchen:

“SUN-N-FUN

April 1-6 2014

Hello to all Chapter 175 members and my S-N-F Kitchen Volunteers.

This Saturday Jan. 25th we will be having a great speaker at our chapter house, John “Lites” Leenhouts, President of Sun-N-Fun. I am sure it will be a very interesting presentation. Along with this, we will begin our volunteer drive for S-N-F 2014.

Please join us for breakfast and enjoy “Lites” as well as sign the volunteer roster, so I can start the process of securing your fly in expo credentials and passes.

I would like to cut down the last minute credential request, this makes for emergency work load for myself as well as the S-N-F staff.

Thank you to all who volunteered last year and also to you that brought some new volunteers with you. It was really promising to see some young volunteers getting involved at S-N-F, as we all know we are not getting any younger.

Our first day of making lunch this year will be Friday March 28th. and continue till April 6th. Remember you must volunteer at least 4 days to receive a week pass and you must volunteer 4 days to receive free camping as well as volunteered at least one year prior..... Mark

your calendar and start planning now.

Looking forward to seeing my Sun-N-Fun family soon!

Thank You All

Richard Denton

Chairman

Volunteer Kitchen

Area 231”

Respectfully Submitted by
Steve Reisser, Secretary, EAA 175

Weblink 10 Best AirShows (from Gordon)

<http://www.usatoday.com/story/travel/destinations/2013/02/26/10-best-air-shows-around-the-world/1947107/>

Here are 1,2,3.....

Florida International Air Show, Punta Gorda, Fla.

Each year at the end of March, Punta Gorda, FL kicks off air show season with the Florida International Air Show. Both military and civilian aircraft take to the skies to perform death-defying stunts. Back on the ground, visitors can see aircraft dating back to WWII up close.

More information:

<http://www.floridaairshow.com/>

EAA AirVenture Oshkosh, Oshkosh, Wis.

Oshkosh hosts the largest annual gathering of aviation enthusiasts in the country during the EAA AirVenture Oshkosh. With more than 10,000 aircraft in attendance, there's a little bit of everything represented, including warbirds, home-built aircraft, ultralights and vintage planes.

More information:

<http://www.airventure.org/>

Sun 'n Fun International Fly-In, Lakeland, Fla.

Florida's Sun 'n Fun International Fly-In, another early-season event, invites solo pilots, military stunt teams and aviation exhibitors to Lakeland for plenty of family fun. If you've ever wanted to go up in one of these more eclectic aircraft, this show is a great place to do it.

More information: <http://www.sun-n-fun.org/FlyIn.aspx>



Calendar

Mar 1, 2014	Young Eagles Rally	Clearwater, FL, USA	26 miles
Mar 7-8, 2014	Arcadia Championship Rodeo Fly-In	Arcadia, FL	52 mile
Mar 8, 2014	Airplane Poker Run	Clearwater, FL, USA	26 mile
Mar 8, 2014	Young Eagles Rally	Ocala, FL, USA	99 mile
Mar 15- 16, 2014	Wahoo Two-Day Fly-in	Bushnell, FL, USA	64 miles
Mar 20, 2014	EAA 1240 Chapter Meeting	Sebring, FL, USA	63 miles
Mar 29, 2014	Warbird Formation Training, Sebring Airport Open House	Sebring, FL, USA	63 miles
Apr 24, 2014	Airborne Radar Course	Orlando, FL, USA	93 mile
Apr 25- 26, 2014	Pilot's Review of Proficiency (PROP 2014)	Orlando, FL, USA	93 mile
May 24, 2014	Young Eagles Flights	Orlando, FL, USA	83 mile

Sandbar Mitchell, was finally lifted out of the Alaska wilderness last year, and is getting rebuilt at the Warbirds of Glory museum



Retired from the military, it went into firefighting duty in Alaska, until one flight when the engines went, and it was carefully landed on a sand bar in a river.



A very determined guy went all the way to make his dream of owning and restoring a B-25

A Long way from “One a Day into Tampa Bay”

He found that this one was the most likely available inexpensive one, and launched a kickstarter campaign, was

successful, and got as much off it as possible to lighten the load, then helicoptered the last big part out

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A Blow to LSA, From AOPA:

Skycatcher reaches inglorious end

February 10, 2014

By Alton K. Marsh

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[Cessna Aircraft](#) officials have decided that the remaining 80 two-seat Skycatcher light sport aircraft will not be sold, but rather will be used for spares. The decision came in late January when dealers were notified that the aircraft is no longer in the Cessna lineup. Cessna CEO Scott Ernest declared last fall that the [Skycatcher had "no future."](#)

The Skycatcher no longer appears on the Cessna website. The website bydanjohnson.com reports there were 275 Skycatchers in the FAA registry at last count, but Dan Johnson, a founder of the light sport movement and head of the Light Aircraft Manufacturers Association, said that number includes those registered to Cessna, meaning only 195 are in private hands. Johnson said there may have been concern at Cessna about parts support for the fleet that resulted in remaining new aircraft being used for spares.

Remarks by Ernest came during the October 2013 National Business Aviation Association convention in Las Vegas. After

those remarks, Propeller Product Line chief Jodi Noah said there were still Skycatchers available for delivery. That was correct at the time. It appears the concern over support for the aircraft last month led Cessna to keep the remaining unsold units for parts.

The aircraft had a rough entry into the market with mishaps during flight testing. There was a brief effort to approve the Skycatcher in the Primary category for delivery in Europe, but changes demanded by the FAA that would have required additional expensive flight testing halted those plans. Efforts to sell all remaining Skycatchers failed because Cessna officials did not want customers to be frustrated by a lack of parts. The aircraft was [manufactured](#)



[in China](#) but assembled in Independence, Kan.

Editorial:

The idea behind a purpose-built LSA class for self-certifying medical DVFR pilots, as opposed to supporting thousands of 150's, 152's, Piper 140's and other airplanes in the fleet was ???.

Time for another look.

The facts are that LSA costs are far higher than would have been accrued

by refurbishment of the fleet for 'drivers license' light aircraft pilots, a position the FAA is still stalling and stonewalling on. Does anyone still believe that the political bosses of the FAA want to promote and enhance light plane general aviation? Cost is directly related to demand. Demand requires low entry level cost to increase the size of the community. What steps have been taken to reduce the cost and complexity of becoming a pilot in our lifetimes? While many commentators break things down on liberal-conservative lines, in think our problem is more urban-rural. Urban based officials with wide authority are hostile to things they would better be indifferent to. Do you know anyone who lives in the country or the burbs who is happy begin governed as if they lived in a city (of Class B airspace and neighbors who hate airports)? Me Neither. Do TSA rules make sense at Foggy Bog Grass Strip? (or anywhere?) And I'm sorry that China lost the Skycatcher. C-152 mods would be USA jobs. I'll trade access to Class B for the privilege of just being left alone! How about you?

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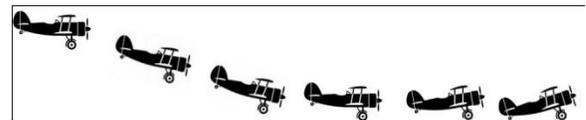
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A Personal Note:



We lost Blizzard over the holidays. He was 13, and succumbed to liver cancer. He was a rescue, as all our dogs have been.

As we get older, it can be a challenge to bring a puppy into our lives. Rescues offer mature dogs with puppy issues behind them.

There are lots of great organizations that help animals get adopted, but not everyone is aware that there are breed-specific rescue organizations. These place retired show and breeding dogs, or kennel placed dogs whose owners can no longer care for them. While the process is usually a bit more complex than picking up a dog at the Humane Society (also a great choice); if you are partial to Irish Setters, Great Danes, Scotties, or anything in between there is probably a breed specific group that can help. We are idiots for Samoyeds, and work with Central Florida Samoyed

rescue. Our new 'family' is a pair of middle aged ladies who are mother and daughter, retired from show and breeding, whose owner had a bit of difficulty placing them because of a stipulation that they stay together.

