



***EAA  
CHAPTER 175  
Smoke Signals  
July 2012  
Meeting Saturday  
July 28<sup>th</sup> @ 0900  
Breakfast at 0800***

**PROGRAM**

The program for the EAA meeting will include 1) updates on the RNC National Convention TSRs, 2) new developments by the FAA on aeronautical knowledge criteria coming in 2013 which could impact

those of you considering an upgrade in ratings or airman certificates as well as your BFR orals, and 3) information on recently published on "Single Pilot Resource Management" presented by Steve Reisser.

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**BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

There will be a brief Board Meeting following the regular meeting. Board members are asked to be present.

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**Great Monthly Aviation**

**Seminars** every first Tuesday. 7 PM, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor at MOSI presented by your FAA Safety Team. They are well worth your attendance.

**ADS-B WEATHER**

As you may or may not know, ADS-B FREE, REAL-TIME, weather is now available. Florida can be challenging at this time of the year and ADS-B weather mapping is a great way to avoid precipitation and weather thunderstorms. Before this time, the only ADS-B receivers that could be

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The hardware in the Skyradar-S2, priced at \$749 transmits by wireless the data from both ground stations and satellites to your iPad.

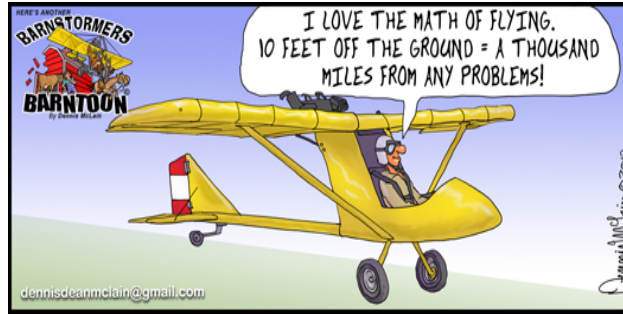


If you already have Foreflight on your iPad then Stratus. It is a \$799 device that sits on your glareshield and provides data to your Foreflight program(\$75/year).



Pros/Cons: Stratus has to sit on your glareshield which I question if it would remain in turbulence. I am told by salespeople it will stay but then again that info is from a salesperson! SkyRadar can be put anywhere within the aircraft and has an antenna that can be mounted in the aircraft. Also if you have a solid state AHRS system, SkyRadar will transmit that information to applications like X-Wing Pro.

BOTH can provide you with life saving information. It's on my wish list!



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### MEMBERSHIP INPUT REQUESTED

I would like to ask the membership for their input as to the location you would like to have the EAA Annual Dinner this year. We are looking for an alternative to our last dinner.

Please email suggestions to [pilot.adelstone9@gmail.com](mailto:pilot.adelstone9@gmail.com)

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### EAA CHAPTER 175 MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES

DATE: June 23, 2012

LOCATION: EAA Chapter House, Tampa Executive Airport (KVDF) ATTENDANCE: 15

#### Business Meeting

The meeting was opened by President Bud Yerly at 0900. He thanked Charlie and Dolores Henwood for preparing breakfast, assisted by Art North. The Henwoods have offered to cook the next several months,

but assistance from other members is always appreciated.

Minutes of the May meeting, which were published in the June newsletter, were approved without change. Secretary Gordon Knapp thanked Ginger Adelstone and Bud for preparing the May minutes in his absence. There was not an official Treasurer's Report this month, since Tom McLinskey is out of town for much of the summer. However, all routine bills are being paid and there have been no unusual transactions to report for the period. Guests were introduced and gave our members a brief recap of their aviation interests and activities.

Bud updated the members on the status of the Mini-Max, noting two offers have been received and the aircraft was sold for \$500 cash. We are now in the process of ending our lease on the workshop building, as it is no longer needed.

Leon and Ginger Adelstone briefed us on the "flash mob" fly-in project, explaining how it would work---with the ultimate location a mystery until the last minute. Unfortunately, the two times it was scheduled this spring and early summer it

had to be scrubbed because of weather, the second time from tropical storm Debby. Leon noted the concept was well received, with some 56 aircraft planning to participate and thousands of hits to our chapter Web site for information about the event. Presumably, the event would have been a resounding success and, so far as we know, a “first of its kind”, if we had been able to do it. No further attempts will be made during the summer, as the chance of weather causing more cancellations is too great.

Ginger noted the chapter plans to host another open house in October, similar to our initial effort last year. It will focus on a targeted, limited number of mature pilot prospects and offer “silver eagle flights”, but with fewer speakers and a revised format, based upon experience from the first event.

Gordon showed a copy of current issue of *EAA's Vintage Airplane* magazine, featuring a cover photo of our own Mike “Z” Zidziunas piloting his Taylorcraft in the colors it sported while being used by the staff of the 1937 National Air Races. Gordon also expanded on his write-up in the chapter newsletter regarding his recent

trip to Ireland, telling the group about his visit to the Foynes Flying Boat Museum near the Shannon International Airport. He concluded his comments by reminding the members that while the Henwoods are preparing breakfast for us each month lately, they always appreciate a helper, and passed around a sign-up sheet.

### Program

Our guest speaker this month was Obie Young, formerly head of the FAA Production Studios located on the Sun ‘n Fun campus until his recent retirement. He has continued involvement in a full spectrum of aviation safety endeavors, currently as president of the National Aviation Safety Foundation, a 501(c) (3) not for profit chartered organization begun some two decades ago. In turn, it is affiliated with the Florida Aviation Network Productions (FAN), which Obie explains is sort of like PBS for aviation. FAN produces a variety of safety programs from live interviews at aviation events throughout the country to utilizing all modern media means such as videos, radio programs, satellite links and social media sites like You Tube and Facebook to promote its aviation safety mission literally world-wide.

Since Chapter 175 was one of the originators of Sun ‘n Fun, Obie opened his presentation by showing a brief video clip honoring the late Adair Henderson and her husband, Sun ‘n Fun founder, Billy Henderson. Both Adair and Billy have been active volunteers with FAN for many years.

FAN volunteers need to have skills in aviation or media production. During the fly-in, FAN uses 40+ staffers at peak times. And while they are unpaid workers, they can't leave their posts during production and some are “on site” well before the fly-in begins as well as covering the event 24/7. (They are, like other Sun ‘n Fun volunteers, “patrons” of the Volunteer Kitchen, so our chapter feeds them daily.) FAN volunteers are active throughout the year, not just during Sun ‘n Fun. Like Sun ‘n Fun volunteers, the only “pay” is in camaraderie and personal satisfaction for a job well done.

Obie stressed the importance of volunteers throughout his talk and how diligently motivated people will work when they believe in what they are doing. FAN is an all-volunteer based operation that seeks to build relationships with any and all organizations promoting aviation safety

from the FAA to AOPA, CFAA, EAA, Embry Riddle, CAP, various government entities and so on.

As a non-profit organization, FAN is dependent upon support from sponsors such as the Airline Transportation Professionals, Flight Safety International, Florida DOT Aviation Office, King Schools, North Florida FSDO, Simcom, Sun 'n Fun Fly-In and others. Seed money from donor organizations years ago enabled the National Aviation Safety Foundation to get started.

While FAN initially operated from the FAA Production Studios, it has more recently been able to establish its own mobile trailer which is located by the Seaplane Association headquarters building during Sun 'n Fun. From there, it can send its broadcasts all over the country and beyond. Over time, FAN has acquired an extensive array of modern digital equipment through donations and purchases. Even though it is a volunteer, not for profit operation, Obie pointed out certain types of broadcasting can cost \$500 per second for any overruns, so attention to detail is critical!

Stressing the importance of volunteers to FAN and Sun 'n Fun, Obie concluded his presentation with a slide program showing FAN and Sun 'n Fun people in action, the highlights of the fly-in, the new SnF sign at the corner of Pipkin and Medulla roads, the Central Florida Aerospace Academy on site, the night airshow, splash-in and other facets of the week. He noted we tend to take it for granted that we have a premier aviation expo right in our area. Lastly, he ran a two minute video titled "I Am a Volunteer" sung by Matt Griffin and playing his guitar. It included shots of the Volunteer Kitchen at full production! Obie stressed that the underlying message in all that FAN and Sun 'n Fun does is the emphasis on safety and professionalism, even though the vast majority of those involved are volunteers.

Obie was available after his presentation for individual questions and also noted that a new cable channel is coming soon with the theme of Air & Space. Watch for it!

The meeting concluded at 1038.

Submitted by Gordon Knapp, Secretary

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YOU should visit!***

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