

Mile High Flyer

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Next Meeting

Saturday, April 13, 2013

7 PM @ the Mt. Evans Room in the Terminal Bldg. @Metro Airport. Our program is scheduled to be presented by Greg Boom, owner of Mountain Air Aviation. He will talk about aircraft maintenance-related issues. It should be an interesting program. Hope to see you there!



<u>Situational Awareness</u>... an important skill when, for instance, piloting an airplane.



Editor's Corner

I'm old-fashioned about certain things... I like "steam gauges". I have them in my Thorp, and I'm using them in my new Kitfox project. I find them very appealing.



There is just something about basic mechanical devices and round dials that I like. I've always worn analog watches. However, that doesn't mean that I don't appreciate and embrace new technology. I have Seiko "Kinetic" and Citizen "Eco-Drive" watches, but what I am most attracted to are "automatic" selfwinding chronographs with many "complications".

In the very early '90s, I replaced my obsolete 360 channel nav-com in the Thorp with a new com radio, & a Garmin 100 GPS (their first product). It was very expensive, and only held 300 user-entered waypoints (by Lat-Lon), and of course had no moving-map. I believe it was the first one in this area. Several flying buddies commented that they would've bought a Loran unit if they were me... "The government could, and will shut the GPS system down whenever they want to!" However, the capabilities of the unit, limited as they were at that time, were just too appealing to me. Within several years, when everyone was jumping on the GPS "bandwagon", I felt like a pretty smart guy. I still have that unit in the T-18 (along with a newer Garmin 196), and it still works perfectly more than 20 years later.

John —

EAA CHAPTER 43 MEMBERSHIP MEETING MARCH 9, 2013 METRO AIRPORT – MT. EVANS ROOM

The meeting was called to order by Chapter President Dave Biesemeier at 7 PM. He announced that 45 years ago this very day, he was MARRIED!

Introductions/Guests:

- Bill Hoxworth (John Evens' son-in-law), who said he's "shopping" for something to buy or build.
- Ty Gunnlaugsson

Anecdote: Scott Serani provided the meeting anecdote.

Minutes for the last meeting approved.

Treasurer Report: Miles Lee reported the financials: Bylaws require an external audit if our bottom line is greater than \$8000. So we had Ellis Bottom Line Bookkeeping review our books. They found very minor items, such as needing to better account for scholarship payouts, and improving ways of accounting. Overall total cash flow is -\$433 and this is due to the banquet being right after the new year. We are in good shape overall.

Scholarship: Fourteen year old Brandon Lee was approved by the board for the Oshkosh camp scholarship. We have 15 applicants for the flying/school scholarship, all of whom need to be interviewed.

Website: Brian Cabebe reported a small change to the website – "view docs" which converts PDF to online view doesn't work well, so he's removing it.

Progress Reports:

Mike Gugeler obtained a new cub engine, which has 3 hours on it, and works OK but it quits when you land....

Bob Markert, building an RV-8 reports parts are all there, and he's putting skins on top wing. Hopes to fly... when?

Jeff Jones building an RV-7 – skins on, seats in, engine being built.

John Evens building a Kitfox – working on wings, panel, ready to cover everything soon.

Former member Scott Christensen, now living in Rapid City SD, completed an award-winning Ellipse recently, and it is now on the cover of the on-line EAA Experimenter Magazine and has a detailed article inside. He says "HI" to everyone in the chapter.

Trip Reports: Stephanie Wells reported on her 3-week trip to Central America to fly a Cessna 206 for LightHawk. She flew 65 hours in Belize, Guatemala, Costa Rica and Panama.

Safety: Stephanie Wells related an experience flying in Panama where she inadvertently flew into clouds, and reviewed how to complete the "180 maneuver", and suggested all pilots practice this (under the hood) in their own planes, even if strictly VFR.

Young Eagles: Terri Bazacos: On Sunday March 3 we flew 11 JROTC cadets at Erie. Pilots were Myles Lee, Terri Bazacos, and Harrell Davenport. This Saturday March 16 is our first regular Young Eagles rally, and it will begin at 8:15 this time. We have about 20 kids signed up. Volunteer sign up sheet is being sent around. April is filling up quickly.

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Young Aviators: Scott and Lynn wired up the KidEZE, and will move it to Scott's hangar from Lynn's, as it is almost finished. For the next project, all components have been purchased for the Full Motion simulator. Dave Shenk suggested the kids bring the KidEZE to the LMO EXPO for display.

Oshkosh: We need rib building volunteers, so if you're planning to go, please help out with a shift.

Jackets: Bill Mitchell still has them for sale.

CFI's: Stephanie Wells volunteered her services as a CFI free to members for biennial Flight Reviews.

OLD BUSINESS:

John Reuterskiold – said everyone should have gotten the new chapter roster via email.

NEW BUSINESS:

We are looking for volunteers to help man the EAA tent at the Longmont EXPO June 22. We are looking

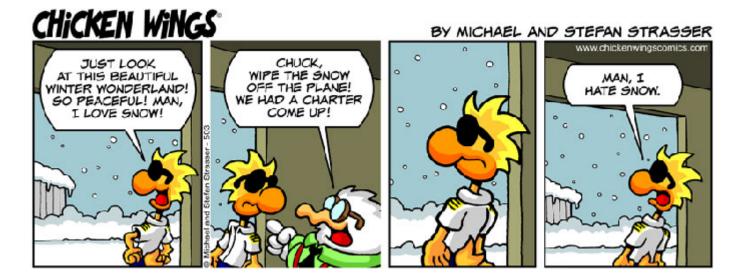
for someone to coordinate volunteers, and coordinate with other chapters and organizations to see if they'd like to share our tent.

EAA Sport Air Workshop is coming to Broomfield April 20-21. \$349 for members, \$389 non-members.

TONIGHT'S PROGRAM: "Massive Yet Tiny (MYT) Engine" presented by Steve McClintock of Chapter 515.

Respectfully submitted,

Stephanie A. Wells, Secretary



Technical Tips

Welding your own? Here's a super-simple tacking tip.

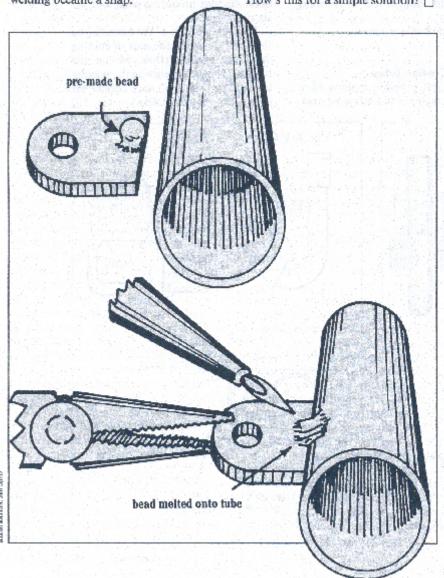
BY JIM LOYD

ometimes I have spent 20 minutes cobbling up clamps or fixtures to hold one part to another so I could tack-weld them together and then finished the welding job itself in just 5 minutes. There has to be a more efficient way to set up for tackwelding, and here it is.

Maybe this tip is so danged simple that everybody thinks everybody else already knows it, but it may help new welders. After I got the idea, tackwelding became a snap. All you do is build a good-size bead, %-inch or larger, or the edge of the part you are going to tack on. Then hold the part in position with a pair of pliers and apply most of the heat to the main structure so you can melt the bead onto it.

If you have a heavy part or long tube or a long strip to attach, use several beads strategically placed so you can hold and position the part with your free hand.

How's this for a simple solution? □



Scholarship Fundraising Report

Chapter 43 is in a most remarkable position this year. Upon interviewing some of the many applicants for our annual scholarship awards, we found ourselves in quite a dilemma. Never before has the scholarship committee had so many outstanding and deserving candidates from which to select. The committee honestly feels that we would like to award more scholarships than we presently have funds. To this end we are asking you, our chapter membership, to give us an additional hand. Please help by doing one or more of the following: contribute if you can, secure donations from others, or perhaps sponsor a fund-raising event.

Here are some ideas: Do you or someone you know wish to offer a challenge grant to encourage others to match your donation? Do you have an employer that may wish to donate? How about your AME—might he or she be willing to make a donation? Is there an aviation-related company that may wish to assist? Have you flown a Young Eagle that has a parent that may wish to donate? Other ideas?

Our Goal: The chapter presently has \$4,500 allotted for our 2013 scholarships. We would like to have about \$6,000 to adequately reward our worthy scholarship applicants.

So, what do you think? Are we being reasonably optimistic?

If you have ideas or need assistance in setting up a challenge grant, please contact me.

Stan Specht Scholarship Fundraising Chairman (303) 807-4699

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Upcoming Events Galendar

Submitted by Don Smith

	5-6	Sport Aviation Association first annual "Gathering of Airplanes" at Barnwell, SC (KBNL) http://barnwellregionalairport.com	
Sat	6	"2013 National Safety Stand Down" Topic: Building a Safety Community, 7:45 am, KBJC http://www.faasafety.gov/SPANS/event_details.aspx?eid=49148	
Sat	13	EAA Chapter 43 Membership meeting, BJC, 7:00 pm	
	9-14	Sun 'n Fun, Lakeland FL http://www.sun-n-fun.org/	
	20-21	EAA SportAir Workshop Series, Redstone College, BJC http://www.sportair.com/	
Sat Sun	20 21	EAA Chapter 43 Young Eagles rally, EIK, 7:45 am Rocky Mt. Airshow Planning Meeting, KBJC, 3:00 pm http://www.cosportaviation.org/home.html	
Sat	27	EAA Chapter 301 Young Eagles Rally, FTG 7:45am	
Sat Sat	27 27	Aspen Flying Club Fly-out to KEIK for <u>museum</u> tour, followed by lunch at KBJC, 9-3 CPA Potluck Lunch! 11:00 a.m2:00 p.m. Fly-in or drive-in. FTG hangar of Walt & Terry Barbo http://coloradopilots.org/calendar.asp?menuID=11~11	
<u>MAY</u>	4-5	Planes of Fame Air Show, Chino, CA	
		http://planesoffame.org/index.php?page=general-info	
Sat	11	EAA Chapter 43 Annual Picnic and Membership meeting, EIK, 11:00 am	
Sat	18 18-19	EAA Chapter 43 Young Eagles rally, EIK, 7:45 am Rocky Mountain Light Sport Aviation Expo, KFTG http://www.rmlsaexpo.com/	
Sun	19	Rocky Mt. Airshow Planning Meeting, KBJC, 3:00 pm	
Sat	25	EAA Chapter 301 Young Eagles Rally, FTG 7:45am	

<u>Still Available</u>—these are quality wind and rain repellent jackets with fleece lining.

Adult sizes XS - 6XL. Tall sizes LT - 4XLT. At least 13 color combinations in adult and 3 in tall. Price: \$80 includes Chap. 43 logo front and back. Name letters \$1.50 each.

Contact Bill Mitchell for ordering— billyav8r@yahoo.com











Our last meeting was held Saturday (March 16th) at Scott Serani's Hangar. About 10 of the Aviators attended this work session including two new Aviators who were so excited after their Young Eagles ride that morning, they decided to come see what Young Aviators was all about.

We applied the base white coat of paint to the Kid-EZ and then starting sorting out details of the new "full motion" simulator. Aviators divided up into two teams (Airframe & Systems) to begin working through the details of the new simulator. The Airframe Team started cutting and assembling PVC while the Systems Team started planning its processes and requirements.

The two groups are now starting to see how it takes coordination and communication between the teams in order to effect a successful end result.

OUR NEXT MEETING: Our next meeting is scheduled for Saturday, April 20th between (11:00-1:00) at Scott's hangar.

We'll be adding the final colors (striping) to the Kid-EZ and then focus in on the full-motion simulator.

See you all in April!!!

For those interested in learning more about **Young Aviators**, feel free to contact: Ms. Pat Miller: email - miller:967@aol.com or visit us at youngaviators@eaa43.org

Up-to-date **YOUNG EAGLES** information is available on the website -

http://www.eaa43.org/youngeagles.htm

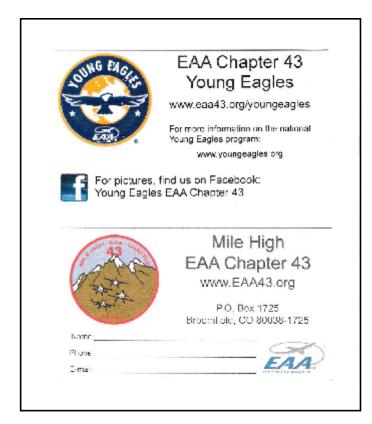
Hangar for Sale at Ft. Collins Loveland Airport (KFNL). Newer, insulated, oversized end unit Tee hangar with 1450 sq. ft., great access with fresh asphalt taxiways and 20 year ground lease remaining, with 3-5 year renewals. Electric bi-fold door with "man door". Asking \$65,000. Call Jim Holley at 402-332-3769.

FOR RENT: CLEAN T- HANGAR at user-friendly Front Range (KFTG) for rent. 42' wide door, \$245- to \$275-

CONTACT: Lothar Klingmuller @ (303) 984-4469

For Sale: RV-7 empennage w/ many extras—\$1,500.

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(Greg is a former President of Chap. 43, & our "official" photographer—he does excellent work! - Ed.)



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When a flight is proceeding incredibly well, something was forgotten.

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