

June Meeting: Monday June 12 - 7:30 P.M. Sanborn Aviation

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With summer finally upon us. Chapter 54 members seem to be spending more time enjoying the beautiful weather than building airplanes. Hard to blame them - but it makes the pickins' pretty slim in the newsletter business. Calling around didn't turn up much new info - I guess everybody is just taking it easy.

LAST MONTH'S MEETING: Vern Clark donated plans for three different types of aircraft to Chapter 54. The plans are for the VariEze, the Osprey Amphib, and the Faukner Teal 121 A. The plans are part of our library now so if you are interested - you know where to look. I understand that Vern is also putting his 8D-4 up for sale.

Roger Westerberg and Gerry Laundry shared some technical tips regarding spar lamination. These are the guys to talk to if you need first hand info about the subject. Eight members of our Chapter attended the Oshkosh work party and judging by their reports - they had a very enjoyable weekend.

RAIN-REPELLENT: Jim Olson is selling Rain-X at two bucks a bottle. You apply this stuff to your car, boat or plane windshield and it keeps it clear in wet weather. Jim claims it works great and the two dollar price is considerably below retail. Talk to Jim if you are interested.

FOR WHAT IT'S WORTH DEPARTMENT: I was at Aero Sales a few weeks ago and spotted an ad on the bulletin board. Someone is selling a Cassutt III M. Claims 90% complete. Many parts. A couple of props. A freshly majored 0-200 modified and balanced. Puts out 140 HP. A real screamer for a mere \$4700. If anyone cares, the number is 423-2973.

There is a new aircraft and homebuilders supply business in the area. Jim Reese Aviation at Lake Elmo Airport. I understand that Jim will be catering to the homebuilders needs. Very convenient for the people who fly out of Elmo. The number is 777-1012

CHANNEL 2 watchers were given a real treat last Tuesday night. The PBS network ran an hour long film called "Affair in the Air." It was all about the '77 EAA Convention. A lot of excellent motion picture photography of aircraft, aero-batics, aviation people - - - all in all, some very fine publicity for the EAA. I hope this program will generate a surge of interest in our area regarding our type of aviation. Channel 2 usually repeats their feature programs so if you missed it the first time - watch the schedules for a repeat broadcast.

Speaking of TV - - - If you were watching the WCCO Ten O'clock news that same evening, you saw Scott Olson flying his powered Hang Glider. Sportscaster Ralph Fritz and the CCO film crew filmed Scott's flight a week earlier. The takeoff looked a little shakey the the rest of the flight and the landing were beautiful. Scott will try to have the 15mm footage at the next meeting.

NEWS FLASH: Rosemary and Gene Frank finally found an engine for the Breezy. You'll hear about it at the meeting!

THE MEETING::

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