

SEPTEMBER 1991

CHAPTER PICNIC

There was a good turnout of chapter members and families at our annual picnic on Sunday, August 11th. There was good food, conversation, and an assortment of members' aircraft. President Roger Westerberg's in-laws were visiting from the Phillipines and attended the event. Roger's Cassutt didn't make it, however, as it dropped its muffler inflight prior to the picnic. Roger subsequently saw the wisdom in not flying to Oshkosh this year or otherwise he would have lost the muffler enroute to the convention. Good foresight, Roger:

NOMINATION OF OFFICERS

Nominations for new chapter officers will be accepted at the September meeting. The election will be held in October. Positions open include President, Vice President, Secretary-Treasurer, and Newsletter Editor. Anyone wishing to run for Secretary-Treasurer must first arm wrestle Rosemary for the job.

AIR ADVENTURE DAY VIDEO

Jim Olson shot a video of Chapter 54's Air Adventure Day held last June and he will show it at the September meeting.

CALENDARS

Rosemary has ordered the 1992 EAA Calendars and they will be available beginning with the October meeting. Last year we sold out our entire inventory, so don't delay making your purchase.

FOR SALE

Marvin Sieberg has a Stearman for sale. His home number is 545-4940 and his work number is 544-1811. Clayton Richard's Fokke Wulfe is for sale. Call him at 738-2791. Joan Wyland cleaned out the hangar and has some "hangar" furniture for sale, including a sofa, love seat, and chair for \$10. (I'm not sure whether that's apiece or altogether.) Her phone number is 439-3089.

EAA STOOD UP

What if they gave a media event and the media didn't show?

The Federal Aviation Administration came to town with an airplane loaded with the latest in anti-collision gear. All planes carrying more than 30 passengers will be required to have such equipment in a couple of years.

The gear is called T-CAS, Traffic Alert and Collision Avoidance System. It alerts pilots to the presence and location of other nearby airplanes that may pose threats of mid-air collisions. The system is touted as a way to virtually eliminate mid-air crashes.

Air traffic controllers were taken up in the plane to see firsthand how the system works. And the Twin Cities news media were invited along.

But somebody in the government seems to have reservations about the gizmo's effectiveness: All reporters and photographers were asked to sign a release promising they or their families wouldn't sue the government in case of injury or death resulting from the flight.

The Pioneer Press and the Minneapolis Tribune declined. The electronic media didn't show either.

Regarded from the St. Foul Planeer Press

NEXT MEETING

Next meeting is Monday, September 9th, 7:30 pm at Lake Elmo.

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President	Roger Westerberg	458-0708
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