Experimental Aircraft Association Cody, Wyoming Local Chapter 713

EAA 713 Newsletter March 2021

EAA 713 Club Officers

President – Fred Breisch Vice President – Karl Lampe Treasurer – Vicky Leroux Secretary – Cebe Sue Breisch Newsletter Editor – Fred Breisch

President's Briefing:

This month we have a full schedule, indeed. We will have our normal dinner starting at 6:00 PM, then a special presentation by the **YRA Hangar Lease** *Committee*, comprised of: <u>*Heidi*</u> <u>*Rasmussen, Harold Musser and Bob*</u> <u>*Redmond.*</u>

If you own a hangar or are just involved in hangar rental, this will be a meeting worth attending to get the latest information on upcoming proposed changes...and *a chance to ask questions*. We are very pleased to have this committee take the time and give us this briefing.

Dinner this month is a repeat of last month's Lasagna. John Brouillette is baking the lasagna and Cebe Sue is bringing a nice selection of mixed green lettuce for a tasty salad. This should be enough to make the meeting worth attending, but then you can always look forward to some aviation fellowship and maybe a few tall tales!

Karl Lampe has researched another interesting video for us. This month it will be the *A-10 Warthog Story*, featuring the design, manufacture and operational use of this significant USAF aircraft.

Last month's meeting was well attended and everyone enjoyed the lasagna and the video presentation that followed. I took a few pictures, so have a look:



Getting settled in for dinner



The food looks good!



Lasagna!



There was plenty for everyone – so bring a good appetite



After dinner everyone picked their spot and enjoyed the video of Quantas Flight 72...and quite a story it was!



Our "newer" TV couple with the Bose audio delivers excellent performance.

It was a fascinating video of the QF72 emergency, which highlighted the failure of computer automation coupled with flyby-wire aircraft control systems. The entire Quantas crew did an amazing job and saved the aircraft, with passengers also assisting the crew. There were many serious injuries among the passengers and crew, but no deaths. Capt. Sullivan's interview was very interesting...he and his crew did an amazing job!



Automation in modern light aircraft is, in some cases, nearly as capable as the modern airliner and corporate jet equipment. Because of the excellent reliability in these systems it is very easy to become complacent...and trust too much on the system to work out things. It's also rather unnerving that some of these systems can overcome or contradict pilot input as happened on this flight.

I'm thinking that when the gremlins start to appear, it's time to turn off the automation and "Fly the Aircraft". Modern systems can cause a loss of situation awareness and degraded currency...we need to strive to "Get back to the basics." We need to be careful to NOT put too much trust in cockpit system automation.

Fly Safe!

Some News From Chuck:

<u>New Airport Director to Start</u> <u>March 8</u>

For those who may have missed the Cody Enterprise article, the YRA Board has selected Aaron Buck to replace Bob Hooper as the new Airport Director. Aaron will start March 8. He comes to Cody from Casper where he has served as Deputy Director of Operations and Public Safety for the Casper/Natrona County International Airport. Prior to Casper, he served as an operations supervisor at the Jackson Hole Airport. Aaron is a private pilot and his wife has family in the Big Horn Basin. Once he gets settled, we'll invite him to a monthly membership meeting to so that we can all get acquainted.

Vice Presidents Korner:

Karl's Korner,

So enjoyed the gathering last month. It appeared the lasagna was well received as well as the presentation on the Quantas 72 incident. Appreciate everyone who came early and late. Never too late to come and enjoy. This month's presentation will be on the Air Forces A-10 Warthog. It is about the desire for its development, the process, politics, and interviews with pilots about the effectiveness and experiences. This aircraft has turned out to be one of the most effective designs for its time of any aircraft. Lasagna will be the cuisine of the evening with salad.

Thanks to John Elgin for the continuing high quality of our Sunday breakfast experience.

See you Tuesday.

Karl

Secretaries Report:

EAA Board Meeting February 23, 2021

Fred opened the meeting with all members present. The January minutes were read and approved. Next the treasurer's report was given with \$8125.96 in the checking account and the CD unchanged at \$4337.92 and the Leroux scholarship still at \$10,000 and the report was approved as read. The February Club meeting had 18 members present and the program was on the survival of the Quantas 72 air disaster. This was a well done video about the cockpit problem and the effect on the passengers. Keep your seatbelt on in your seat!

Old Business- A discussion proceeded about the increases in different fees for

our chapter, the effect, and the necessity. Chuck gave a thorough presentation of where we are short as a chapter. Chuck compared the costs and income from the food side of our club and then from the operational side and discovered we were short on the operational side- which includes hangar expenses of utilities etc. and then income from hangar rental and from dues. To keep the chapter viable we need more income from the operational side. So the board feels it is essential to raise the dues to \$20/year. This will be presented to the club for vote at the next chapter meeting in March. The vote will be to increase the dues to 20/ year beginning in 2022. Then a motion was made by Karl and seconded by Chuck that we increase the hanger rent to \$100 per month beginning July 1, 2020. The motion passed unanimously. This keeps the club running smoother, however it does not help the scholarship program which John L pointed out is our emphasis. With no fund raising able to take place last year and this year very uncertain it was brought up that perhaps a yearly fund raising drive within the club would be good. All funds raised would go into the Hawk scholarship. No specific decisions were made and we are to think about it and more discussion to follow. New Business- Chuck attended the YRA Board Meeting via telephone due to the extreme weather conditions for the last meeting and unfortunately the phone meeting timed out at 2 hours and he did not get to hear about the new director and the info on the lease agreements. The new

director is Aaron Buck and we will invite him to speak to our club this spring.

March club meeting food will be lasagna and salad again and Karl has a video program on the A10. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Cebe Sue Breisch

From Your Editor:

I want to thank whoever it was that has done some snow shoveling at the EAA Hangar - thank you very much! I sometime try and get over...with Cebe usually helping (she loves shoveling snow - I'm so lucky!) and try and keep it clear, but sometimes it gets packed down and that's a mess.

Tom Blake stopped by several times and helped us shovel...that was very nice – Thank you Tom!

See you at this month's meeting! Check out the report by "Jereme" on his RV build in: <u>Project Reports</u>



Downwind for KCOD runway 04!



Picture taken by Bev Shaw at Oshkosh EAA Fly-In 2019...excellent composition Bev! I think it's a keeper!

Project Reports:

Jereme Carne sent this report on his RV project and some pictures. Thank you Jereme for sending this along – have a look – from Jereme:

"Well, only one more big milestone left I suppose! Followed by mass quantities of fun I hope! The DAR inspection went great! I had everything ready for him and a lot of the paperwork was taken care of before he even got there. His help in dealing with making changes in AWC was big! (AWC is the new all online process of getting an aircraft inspection done)

Tim Mikus did a great inspection on the plane and the 2.5 hours he was there was quite a joy; had some great conversation during the process. He said the work looked great and the only thing he found was that there needed to be labels on the throttle, prop, and mixture controls. No biggy to add.

It sure was a rough journey to get to this point at times but I'm glad that one is behind me now! Next up, transition training and then first flight! Thanks for all the help my fellow members have provided over the years and a big thanks to Dave and Bev Shaw for driving down clear to Worland one day to do an EAA tech visit!"



LOOKING GOOD!



OUTSTANDING JEREME!

Something Extra:

I stopped by the EAA hangar last week on a beautiful day and Dave Shaw had his hangar open – it was so nice and sunny he wanted to let some wonderful fresh air inside...good idea! I just really appreciate the fine work he and Bev did on the Taylorcraft and Piper Clipper, so just had to take a few pictures of these beautiful aircraft. So, have a look – now with the weather starting to improve we can look forward to seeing the Taylorcraft and Clipper flying around Cody!



Taylorcraft



Piper Clipper



Beautiful Classic Light Plane Designs

Recent Fly-Outs:

Nothing new to report...hopefully the weather will cooperate and we can work a fly-out in – time will tell.

"Sunday Morning Breakfast"

Breakfast at 7:00 AM Sunday Morning– bring your appetite and a few tall tales...or tails!

I'll be seeing you around the airfield, just remember:

Keep the shiny side up,

A Final Reminder: The March 9th Meeting will take place at the hangar – <u>start time is 6:00 PM</u> – <u>the club will be</u> <u>providing Lasagna</u> AGAIN! Come to the meeting and enjoy John Broulette's freshly baked "Lasagna", Cebe's fresh, mixed green salad and some fellowship and maybe a few tall tails!

All the best, Fred



Looks like the sun is setting on this month's newsletter. Fly Safe!

(If anybody has some news or would like to make a contribution to the newsletter [submit or write an article, send pictures, etc., please send me your material and I'll work it in. Please use Microsoft Word and I will reformat as needed to utilize the material.)