

Shenandoah EAA Chapter 1031

Meeting Minutes

June 14, 2023

The June meeting of Shenandoah EAA Chapter 1031 was held at White Post Airfield (3VA7) on June 14, 2023 and called to order at 6 PM. Those in attendance were Richard Baker, Chuck Calvi, Marcus Zechini, Mac McLaurin, Dave Ames, Thomas Leone, Keenan Wolf, John Allen, Ed Frawley and Stan Kerns.

Dave Ames chaired the meeting, chapter officers Juergen Nies and John Munroe were not available to attend the meeting. Items of official business reported by Dave were:

There are currently 26 young people that have signed up for the Young Eagles program, fifteen from a recent STEM program at the airport and an additional eleven from the last Story Teller event at the airport. Kyle Wallace, chapter Young Eagles coordinator, is out of the country and it may not be possible to schedule Young Eagles flights until sometime in July. Later this year, there will be another Women in Aviation event at the airport which the chapter will attend and have a booth and Young Eagles sign-up sheets.

The Treasurer's report for June, the chapter has a balance of \$1,229.86 as of the end of May, 2023 and including the two new members that signed up tonight, Ed Frawley and Richard Baker, we now have a total of forty-four (44) members.

The officers have discussed possible fundraisers for the chapter and one idea that will be pursued is an event at OKV with EAA's Ford Tri-Motor flight program. It's too late to get on EAA's schedule for 2023 but the officers are looking to 2024 as a possibility. Also discussed is a 50/50 raffle at the chapter's annual summer picnic.

Keenan Wolf reported on his progress and completion of his RV8A. Keenan started the project in 2015 and completed it in December 2022. He has completed the 40 hours of test flights required by the FAA and reported that overall, everything went well. There were a few areas that required attention, gear shimmy, heavy left wing, air speed not achieving anticipated cruise speed and auto pilot failure. A couple of these squawks are still being addressed.

Chuck Calvi had his Bearhawk LSA on display for members to see his progress and discuss his experience in building the Bearhawk. Chuck reported that he is close to calling for the FAA inspection and anticipates having the plane flying this summer.

Dave thanked Chuck for his hospitality and making White Post airfield available for the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 7:30.

Minutes submitted by Stan Kerns.