

Shenandoah EAA Chapter 1031
Meeting Minutes
August 9, 2023

The August meeting of Shenandoah EAA Chapter 1031 was held at White Post Airfield (3VA7) on Wednesday, August 9, 2023 and called to order by John Munroe at 6:10 PM. Those in attendance were Chuck Calvi, Mac McLaurin, Tom Parry, Dave Ames, John Allen, John Munroe, Bob Metcalf, Juergen Nies, Kyle Wallace, Eric Lindengren and Stan Kerns.

John reported that we had \$40.00 in deposits into the chapter's checking account during July and the new balance as of July 31, 2023 is \$1,249.26. The chapter is doing better than the budget forecast by almost \$400.00 and anticipate that the expenses for the annual chapter picnic will be less than budgeted so that number could increase. It was pointed out that the chapter has not placed an order to restock it's supple of hats which is included in the 2023 budget.

John updated the chapter on the following events that we are supporting:

Story Teller event – a joint program with Handley Regional Library System and OKV, held monthly at the airport. Our chapter continues to support the program by providing planes on static display and being available to answer questions.

Girls in Aviation – the chapter will support this program, to be held at OKV on September 23, 2023, by having a table setup with information and literature about EAA, the Young Eagles program and the activities of Chapter 1031 members building and restoring airplanes.

Young Eagles – the backlog of Young Eagles flights is being reduced. Juergen Nies has been providing flights since he completed the repairs to his Pacer and several flights have been scheduled for this coming weekend with pilots Juergen Nies, John Munroe and Stan Kerns. John reminded chapter members that we need additional pilots to participate in the Young Eagles program.

Homeschool STEM event – Juergen Nies, Kyle Wallace, Richard Baker and John Munroe were active in this program designed to teach young children about how airplanes fly at OKV on August 8th. Kyle, Juergen and John had their planes on static display for the children to see.

Fly out – Juergen Nies is planning to lead a fly out to Shannon Airport (EZF) on Saturday, August 12th, meeting at Shannon at noon for lunch.

The annual chapter picnic was originally scheduled for Saturday, September 16th but after several members mentioning that they had a conflict with that date, it was changed to October 7, rain or shine at White Post.

There was discussion of Triple Tree Fly-In on September 18 – 24, 2023. Several members commented on what a fun event to attend and recommended chapter members try to attend.

Members that are currently building planes or renovating a plane gave an update on their progress:

Chuck Calvi – Bearhawk, over 90% complete.

Mac McLaurin – '46 Champ, 60% complete, soon to start covering the wings and fuselage.

Kyle Wallace – RV 12, making progress, held up because of back ordered parts.

John Allen – Team Air Bike, has plans and will start building soon.

John Munroe and Juergen Nies talked about Oshkosh and their experience at the fly-in this year. Lots of thunder storms and plenty of rain but it didn't dampen the air shows, product exhibits, airplane displays and great times with fellow attendees.

The formal meeting was adjourned at 6:45. Minutes submitted by Stan Kerns.