

SMOKY HILL E.A.A. CHAPTER #1127



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NEXT MEETING

CHAPTER MEETING - August 7th, 2021 - IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE FLY IN

Program: 29th Annual Cowtown Fly-In

Host: Members of EAA #1127

Where: Ellsworth Municipal Airport

Who: Members, Families and Guests, all visitors welcome

Time: APPROXIMATELY 11:30AM

- **AIRPORT CLEAN-UP NIGHT, WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 4th at 6-6:30pm**

CALENDAR OF EVENTS:

SATURDAY, August 7th EAA #1127, 29th ANNUAL COWTOWN FLY-IN, ELLSWORTH KS

SATURDAY, October 16th When Pigs Fly Fly-in, McPherson KS

1ST SATURDAY PONCA CITY, OKLAHOMA & YORK NEBRASKA PANCAKE BREAKFAST

2ND SATURDAY BEAUMONT HOTEL, BEAUMONT KS (Starts again in April)

3RD SATURDAY BENTON AIR PARK

3RD SATURDAY
4TH SATURDAY

ALVA OKLA, CRETE NEBRASKA FLY IN BREAKFAST
AUGUSTA KS & ENID OKLAHOMA BREAKFAST

Secretary's Report – July 11, 2021

EAA Chapter 1127 met in the Airport meeting room at the Ellsworth Airport. President Dale Weinhold called the meeting to order at 2:30 PM with 14 members present.

Milton Wehrman moved, and Sidney Ashen-Brenner seconded, that the prior meeting minutes be approved. Motion carried.

Treasurer Jim Homolka reported that he wrote one check for postage and our checking account balance to be \$3,723.69. Larry Adamek moved to accept the treasurer's report. Motion carried

No Young Eagle report was given. President Dale Weinhold reminded the membership that we will be looking for a new Young Eagles Chairman and that we are still planning to have a Young Eagles day on November 6.

Tech Counselors report: No Tech Counselor was given however, Jim Homolka reported on the Piper Seneca that had landed at the Ellsworth airport and then suffered a nose gear collapse while taxiing to the ramp.

Flight Advisors report: Keith Houghton reported that there will now be arrival procedures at Oshkosh this year. Keith also reported that K-State has limited the number of primary flight students that they will be admitting to the professional pilot program. Keith also reported that K-State will now admit students to the second year class if they show up with a private pilot license in hand. This will allow them to keep the classes full when first year students don't return for the second year of the program. President Dale suggested that we contact K-State and offer memberships to the chapter for students.

Old Business:

International Aerobatic Competition – No report this month as Marty Heaton was ill.

President Dale Weinhold reported that he has mailed 138 flyers for the August 8 Fly-in. He also put it on the website and emailed several people. There will be a clean-up day on Wednesday before the fly-in. There will be a chapter meeting afterward.

Dale reported that he had received an email informing him that the McPherson fly-in will be October 16.

With no further business, Larry Adamek moved and Tyler Smith seconded, that the meeting be adjourned.

Rod Broberg
Chapter 1127 Secretary.

FROM YOUR PRESIDENT: Well everyone, Fly in time is here. Things have changed a bit since we scheduled the fly in, but we sure can't cancel at this point so we are moving ahead. We are hoping for nice weather and a good crowd. We will hold our August meeting following the fly in, usually around 11:30. Other preparations are in the process. We will do our final airport clean up on Wednesday evening August 4th around 6 or 6:30. I don't expect those of you that live some distance from here to come out, although if you want too, we certainly would welcome you. We have some hard working guys and gals close around that can get things in order. So if you can, come on out and join the clean-up fun. Everyone, we will begin preparations and grill testing between 6 and 6:30 am on Saturday morning. Plenty of time to sample our pancakes and get our crews lined out so we are ready for the first aircraft, usually around 7 am. So I hope to see all of you on Saturday August 7.

Sorry I had to leave the last meeting early, but Max said you had a great question and answer session on his restoration project. We have several things planned for future meetings, and if things in the pandemic arena don't get too bad again we hope to keep going throughout the remainder of the year.

Although the heat has been bad, I have had the opportunity to fly some this past month. When I was able to go the air was smooth and the countryside is beautiful. Member Mike Olson continues to log more hours as he commutes to Nebraska regularly. Transient traffic has been down, but still occasionally get a call for the car to go to the Midland in Wilson for dinner or the night. Construction has been on hold on the runway, just part of the process to let things settle for a time prior to concrete is what I understand. I am looking forward to flying off of the new strip, a few years ago I didn't think that would be possible. Also, as you come to 9K7 notice the new paint job on the fuel tank, looks great, however the price is still \$4.40, and after next fill up it will probably be higher. I hope it goes down at some point, but doesn't look too likely right now.

Oshkosh is in full swing now. I wish I was there, I am anxious to see how their numbers turn out. From what I have read, there are a lot of things going on and they anticipate a big crowd. Hope they get it. If anyone is planning on going, or has attended and is at our meeting on August 7, maybe we can get a report. I really need to make another trip up there, I always enjoy it. I have attended several times and always enjoy it, and flown in once with Flight Advisor Jim Price as co-pilot, we had a great time. It has been several years since I have been there, I need to put that on my list while I can still fly.

Well that's about it for now, I am looking forward to all of us getting together on the 7th, I hope we see a lot of airplanes. See you then and fly and be safe.

Dale Weinhold, President, Smoky Hill EAA#1127

**In the end, it's not the years in your life that count. It's the life in your years. -
Abraham Lincoln**

29th ANNUAL COWTOWN FLY-IN



**SATURDAY, AUGUST 7, 2021
ELLSWORTH MUNICIPAL AIRPORT
ELLSWORTH, KANSAS
9K7**

HOSTED BY SMOKY HILL EAA #1127

**FREE PANCAKE BREAKFAST FOR PILOTS AND
PASSENGERS
Starting at 7 A.M.**

**SERVING AVIATION QUALITY PANCAKES
ALL THE COWTOWN COFFEE YOU CAN DRINK**

**100 LL AVAILABLE
BRING YOUR OWN TIE DOWNS**

17/35-3,900' PAVED RUNWAY

**NOTICE! RUNWAY 12/30 CLOSED
CONSTRUCTION IN PROGRESS EAST OF 17/35**

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Good morning-

It's time for a fun event at MPR! - We are planning a When Pigs Fly fly-in for October 16th, with a Young Eagle Rally, K-State tandem jumps, antique autos, motorcycles and tractors, breakfast and food trucks.

I'd like to ask any interested pilots in your chapters to come participate with the YE Rally as we generally have a great turn out, and it runs our few faithful Chapter 1334 pilots ragged.

We'll provide fuel to YE pilots. We might need a couple of people to help with getting kids to and from the planes, also.

I'll send a flyer when I have one ready.

Regards,

Cynthia



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AVIATION PHOTO of THE MONTH;

– Courtesy of Member Kevin Lundy

