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NEXT MEETING

CHAPTER MEETING -	October 10th, 2021
Program:	Hamburger cook out starting at 2:30pm, election of 2022 officers to follow
Host:	2021 Officer Team
Where:	Ellsworth Municipal Airport
Who:	Members, Families and Guests, all visitors welcome
Time:	2:30PM

CALENDAR OF EVENTS:

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	ALVA OKLA, CRETE NEBRASKA FLY IN BREAKFAST
4TH SATURDAY	AUGUSTA KS & ENID OKLAHOMA BREAKFAST

Secretary's Report – September 12, 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 26 members & guests present. Darwin Steinle introduced Tony Mahony and Tom Mahony as guests.

Larry Adamek moved, and Larry Farmer seconded, that the prior meeting minutes be approved. Motion carried.

Treasurer Jim Homolka reported that the account balances were the same as last month and his report was accepted by consensus.

Larry Farmer reported that Young Eagle Day was still planned for November 6. Dale related that the construction of the new runway has been delayed but as far as he knew it shouldn't interfere with the program that day.

Tech Counselors report: No Tech Counselor was given. Tom Mahony asked if anyone knew if gasoline would degrade polybutyl calk on a fiberglass tank.

Jim Homolka asked if anyone had a story about where they were on September 11, 2001. Several members related their experiences.

Flight Advisors report: Keith Houghton reminded everyone that Fall is the best time of year to fly but that cold fronts can move in fast and it is easy to get caught in top of a cloud layer.

Old Business: International Aerobatic Competition – Marty Heaton reported that planning was ongoing and that there were still several slots open for drivers. Marty related that some of the 6 hours slots could be divided into two, 3 hour slots if that works for anyone.

President Dale Weinhold reminded everyone that the McPherson Young Eagle day and Fly-in would be October 16.

Dale reported that the Ellsworth Fly-in drew 25 to 30 airplanes and that it seemed that everyone came early and left early.

Dale reported that next month will be elections and that the nominating committee will have a slate of officers to report on at that time.

Dale reported that the Ellsworth Airport has, or soon would have 3 hanger spaces available.

Mike Olson reminded everyone that Registration for Fly Kansas was now open and that the event would take place September 24 and 25. On September 25 the Fly Kansas participants would fly to Concordia where there would be a runway dedication and air show that day.

New Business: Tom Mahony related to the group that he was hosting a fly-in at his private strip southwest of Dorrance on October 29. Tom passed around a flyer detailing the weekends' activities.

With no further business, Milton Wehrman moved and several members seconded, that the meeting be adjourned.

Rod Broberg
Chapter 1127 Secretary.

FROM YOUR PRESIDENT: What do you think, time for a Fall family hamburger cookout? Well I think it is and it will be held at our next meeting with burgers ready at 2:30 pm. All members, guests and family are invited, so come on out, enjoy some great burgers and airplane talk. Following the cook out we will have our election of officers for the 2022 year. Following the meeting you can visit, eat more, go flying or anything else you feel like. So mark your calendar now for 1430 hours (2:30 pm) October 10th for some great food and fun.

It has been a busy month. There were even a few fly in's and the "Fly Kansas" tour this month, but as always yours truly had other commitments on those days, so couldn't participate. However, I was able to participate in the IAC competition along with several other 1127 members. A special thanks to Marty Heaton for being chairman and coordinator of this event, and it went great. What a fun time, and this year we didn't need to use the radio which made it very stress free. The event chairman led the vans to the west side of the field around the south end and he was the contact with the tower. So it was just load up and follow that gray pickup. I really enjoyed it and in between driving you could comfortably sit and enjoy the show. Around 100 aerobatic fully spit shined aircraft were on hand and probably more pilots than that as some used the same aircraft. Very, very, interesting and a fun few days. To top it off, the event chair asked for two members of our chapter to be "Guest Judges" on Friday. I quickly volunteered and called Larry Gourley who also quickly said yes. Larry and I along with 4 other volunteers set in a row behind the real judges. We were told to use our own method of judging and then to place them 1 through 6 and sign our names. If you placed them the same as the certified judges you would win a poster. It was a very interesting competition and my eyes strained looking up at the routines in the sky, but it was spectacular. And guess what, on Saturday morning I received a call that I had matched the judges placing. I was very surprised and excited. Others may also have done the same, I haven't heard from any of them. But to say the least, I was very excited to be receiving a poster signed by the pilots. A great time for me in Salina.

I have flown some the past month, but not much. The month has been busy with family activities and catching up on some home chores. But keep in mind "McPherson When Pigs Fly" will be held on October 16. They are also having Young Eagle flights that day and would appreciate any volunteers. Pilots and other ground crew are welcome to help.

Another interesting thing, while moving things in our meeting room I looked at our charter and realized this is our 25th year. So maybe we can kind of celebrate that at our cook out. It has been a very fast and enjoyable 25 years.

So come on out and help celebrate 25 years of EAA fun on October 10 with a delicious hamburger and trimmings.

Remember, "The quickest way to become an old dog is stop learning new tricks".

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Email & photos sent to Dale:

Date: September 5, 2021 at 11:34:44 AM CDT

To: dpweinhold@sbcglobal.net

Subject: old airport pictures

Dale,

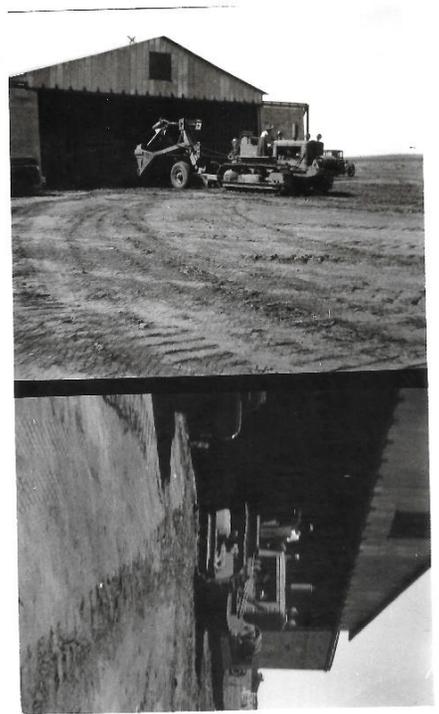
I have these old pictures and a newspaper ad of the Ellsworth Airport from 1946-47. My dad ran the airport from its start in 1946 until 1950 when he went to work for Boeing in Wichita. Thought your group might be interested. The pictures with the straight edges are 1946 when the airport first was built. The pics with the scalloped edges are 1947 during The 80th Ellsworth anniversary celebration.

The couple at the Stinson are my parents. The picture of the Swift is of my younger brother in front of the old admin building where yours is now. It was an old Quansut hut with a wall down the side making it the front with windows.

If your treasurer is 84 years old we knew each other in the 8th grade.

Regards
Jerry Winter

I probably need to join your chapter to see if I know anybody else.

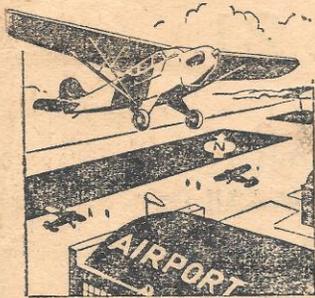


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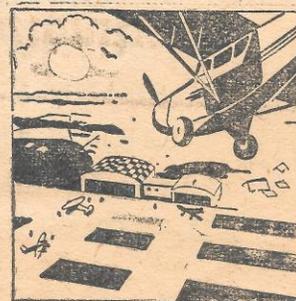
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