

EAA Chapter 122, Inc. Monthly Gathering Minutes June 18, 2019 Hangar 2 HQ, Capital City Airport (KCXY)

Jon Still (President) opened the June Gathering at 7PM, following the 6:15 social that featured grilled hot dogs and yard bird (chicken), prepared by Bob May on the chapter's donated gas grill.

Members (28) included: Wade Becker, AJ Bodoh, Dan Cassidy, Donald Fair, Paul Farber, Paul Furst, Jim Haunstein, Rick Lamb, Wayne Laughner, Bob May, Brian Moore, Lou Nieves, Michael Parks, Jeff Probasco, Mitch Reisinger, Arlin Sauder, Bill Schlak, Kevin Shuttlesworth, Jon Still, Charles Stoup, Jim Trygg, Ed Womer, Charles Thieman, David Beachy, George Allen, Jerry Anderson, Bob Klenke, and Ed Crouse.

Guests (4) included: Cliff Weaver, Christy Lucas, Larry Forster, and Todd Horting.

Before kicking off the presentation, Jon introduced Cliff Weaver, owner of Circle W Restorations, who will be hosting his 2nd Annual "Wings & Wheels" Fly-In to benefit a local veteran's charity organization ("Roots for Boots") on Saturday, July 27th at Circle W Airfield in East Berlin, PA. More information about the event can be found at: https://www.rootsforboots.com/wp-content/uploads/2019/04/Wingsand-wheels-flyer2019.pdf. Cliff made a plea for interested pilots to donate their services as volunteer pilots to give charity rides at the event. He also introduced Christy Lucas, CEO of Roots for Boots, to describe their organization

Ed Womer (Secretary) was this month's presenter, with the topic being "Fiberglass Techniques." Ed provided an informative overview of fiberglassing materials, processes, and products as well many useful tips learned over his years of building race cars. Jon presented him with a chapter mug following his presentation, reminding the group that anyone willing to provide a future presentation should contact one of the chapter officers, as they will be working on the 2020 presentation list over the coming months.

After the presentation, the evening moved on to chapter business, with Ed noting that the minutes from last month were posted on the chapter website, asking if any additions or corrections needed to be made, and making a motion to approve, which was seconded and finalized.

Mitch Reisinger, (Treasurer) provided the chapter account balance as \$7,154 with 52 currently memberships currently paid. A motion to accept was seconded and approved by the group.

Wade Becker, (Vice President) gave a report on the 'Aim for The Sky' Sporting Clays event held on June 6th, which was sold out in its very first year! Net proceeds for the event were \$23,500 — greatly exceeding initial expectations. These proceeds will provide funds for future Air Academy scholarships, STEM outreach activities for area youth, and the chapter Young Eagles program, to include a professional simulator setup for the chapter headquarters to facilitate hands-on training and exposure to aviation during Young Eagles rallies and other outreach events. Wade mentioned that for next year 'Aim for the Sky' might consider adding a second session in the morning, which could possibly increase the potential revenue generated. He then noted that the future legacy of Chapter 122 could very well be its support of young people in aviation. 'Aim for the Sky' will be looking for volunteers to help with future events.

Jon then gave a short briefing on the Board of Directors' ongoing process to update our Chapter bylaws and align them with National EAA organization guidelines. He will be sending the current DRAFT out to all members for comment before the next gathering, in hopes of getting them approved during a future business meeting.

Jim Haunstein, (Board Member), gave a short update on Oshkosh AirVenture, noting that he and several others will be securing a chapter campsite in the days prior to show start. Attending members made plans to meet at SOS Brothers BBQ and bar site just outside the main gate on Monday at 5 pm for dinner and drinks. The group will also assemble at the Brown Arch on Wednesday morning (time TBD) for a chapter group photo. Jim Haunstein collected contact numbers from attendees who plan to attend AirVenture, and will send a group text with updated information as the week progresses. Anyone who has not previously passed their cell phone number to Jim should do if they would like to be on the contact list. Wade noted that he will be flying commercial has and has secured a rental car from the Chicago O'Hare to Oshkosh, with room for anyone who might need a ride to the event to join him.

In light of Capital City Airport's cancellation of their originally-planned 'Community Day' event on 22 June, Jon proposed to reschedule this year's Young Eagles Rally to Saturday, September 21st. He requests that anyone interested in volunteering for the event contact him in the coming months to do so, and is hoping to train a replacement program coordinator during the upcoming event. If interested, please contact any one of the chapter officers (https://www.eaa122.org/leadership.htm).

Mike Parks gave an update regarding the Ford Tri-Motor, which is tentatively planning to come to Harrisburg the week of October 14–21. EAA has not announced their schedule yet, so the Chapter cannot officially announce the event. However, if it pans out, the plan will be for media rides on the 17th and passenger rides will from 18th to the 20th. Mike will be tied up during this time, and is looking for someone to step up and chair the event. He will provide all of the information he has compiled over the years in organizing these events, and will be available to mentor the new leader. Marketing will be a key component to the event, and Mike mentioned that sponsors will receive 10 seats for rides for each \$1500 provided. There will be large need for chapter volunteers, so please consider helping out!

Jon closed the meeting by announcing that the July gathering will feature a talk on "Cross-country Planning," and noted that it should interest all those headed to Oshkosh — either by car or by plane. He also reminded the group that the Chapter is accepting material donations, and is particularly looking for a large shop vac, shelving, and stackable padded chairs (the chapter is willing to pay for these, so please keep an eye out!). The Chapter is in the need of volunteers for the positions of Aircraft Event Coordinator, Young Eagles Coordinator, 1st Lieutenant, and VMC and/or IMC Coordinators. If interested, please contact any of the chapter officers (https://www.eaa122.org/leadership.htm).

Jim Haunstein closed by expressing his personal thanks for the great job that Wade has done for the Chapter in establishing "Aim for the Sky" and to Mike Parks for his efforts in arranging the Tri-Motor for the Chapter.

The business meeting concluded at 8:13.

Our next Monthly Gathering will be Tuesday, 16 July at Cap City Airport, Hangar 2 HQ.

Ed Womer,

Secretary