

EAA CHAPTER 135

Ankeny/Des Moines, IA

May 2023 #5

Dues Due January 1!

12 month annual dues are \$20 Jan 2023 through 31 Dec 2023 Payable to Stuart Rauh 1717 East Thornton Des Moines, IA 50320 or online: http://135.eaachapter.org



Presidential Ramblings May 2023

Well, it looks like spring has arrived. Tulips and daffodils are in bloom and the sun is warm. Seasonal change is a great time of the year!

In Aviation we all know the term aviate, navigate, communicate but with EAA one of the biggest words we know and hear often is perseverance. Perseverance is described by Webster as - continued effort achieve to do or something despite difficulties, failure, or opposition: the action or condition or an instance ofpersevering. This is true. Especially, when it comes to building an airplane, they talk about doing something each day, and in a few years you will have achieved your goal of building a flyable aircraft.

That being said it brings me to another point. One of our very own is the epitome of the definition of perseverance. I want to highlight Quinn Fairchild. Quinn was a rusty pilot. A pilot that hadn't flown in three decades and decided he was going to pursue his goal to break off the rust and get back into the air as a competent pilot. He saw that goal completed with a satisfactory flight review in April. So hats off to Quinn Fairchild for becoming current again and

Saturday, May 13, 2023

5:00 pm Board Meeting 6:00 pm Regular Meeting Upstairs at Exec1

Greg Long
RV Build and Fly

back in the air. Enjoying life, seeing that three dimensional view of the world once again with his very own hands at the controls. So if you see Quinn give him a high five - congratulations.

Quinn along with Ryan Rosa are our co-chairs for the B-25 visit in July this year. This will be a great event for the chapter and the Ankeny airport.

April 14 & 15 four of your chapter board (Marc B, Brant H, Dave S & I) attended leadership academy in Omaha. Two drove and two flew. Good time, great experience plus picked up a few ideas. This was my second time attending one of EAA's boot camps. (No push-ups required) You meet other chapter leaders from around the country too. Many times these acquaintances become great resources on Chapter operations along with lifelong friendships. It's a win-win in my book. I rode along with Dave S in the 14 - great trip on Friday in beautiful VFR conditions. Although Saturday's return was a little more complex with the pop-up storms which had been developing throughout the day

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around Omaha and across the Des Moines Something described area. as Cumulonimbus and Towering Cumulonimbus. Well yuck! The leadership class concluded at 5:00pm and as luck would have it a large red cell (according to ForeFlight) was hanging right over the Des Moines area moving Northeast. The intrepid aviators waited it out. A two hour wait as the cell passed and off we went. A windy departure from KMLE (Millard in Omaha so you don't have to look it up) by the way, nice airport FBO and accommodating. With preflight completed and IFR flight plan filed. We departed and headed east to KIKV. First half of the forty-four minute flight was uneventful as we were between cloud layers where it was smooth with no precipitation. 5,000 feet was the magical altitude until a cloud decided to interrupt our smooth flight with a small bump as we flew through - temp was -4c you guessed it — ice, ice baby (reminding me of a song from the ninety's by rapper Vanilla Ice. You can Google it if you're unfamiliar.

We requested a lower altitude with the mindset temps would increase melting off the light rime of ice that accumulated on the windscreen and wings. As planned, a 2,000 foot descent did the trick, temps increased slightly, warming the surfaces enough to melt the frozen H2O like butter in a microwave.

The remainder of the trip was uneventful just popping in and out of the cloud base prior to descending on to the ILS at KIKV. Broke out at 2600' if I remember correctly and you could see for miles. Ok enough about that trip. If you have a travel story, share it for the newsletter. We are always needing content.

May's program will be Greg Long on building and flying the Vans RV12. Usual place and time plus an extra bonus Greg might take us to his hangar for a tour of his finished aircraft.

The next time you're working on a project and need motivation, think of the word perseverance. Just might help keep ya going. Evidence of sticking to it is Quinn and Greg one is flying his dream and the other is enjoying his freedom of flight - that's perseverance. That reminds me I need to get back to riveting. Till next time

Blue skies and tailwinds AJ







April 8 Meeting Minutes Board Meeting

Meeting called to order at 5:00 PM, Al Hummel presiding. 10 members attending.

Minutes from Feb. read and approved.

Al gave the treasurers report for Stuart, motion to approve by Ryan Rosa, 2nd by Quinn Fairchild, passed.

Old Business:

Maxaire report, Jacob Greendfield gave the prospective buyer an April 15th ultimatum, then will continue to find a buyer.

Scholarships, Jacob gave an update on the two recipients progress or lack of progress.

B-25 planning session, discussion, followed by a motion by Marc, 2nd by Brant, to budget and pre-approve \$500.00 in expenditures by the committee of Ryan

Rosa and Quinn Fairchild. Motion passed.

Al discussed camping at Oshkosh.

Trailer report, Brant got the new tires on the trailer, also did a repair.

Ralph has inspected it for mouse activity.

New Business:

Leadership Boot Camp report
Announcing May 13th, Young
Eagles and flight breakfast, Ames Airport.

Discussion on our savings account, Motion by Brant to direct Stuart to put \$20,000 into a CD at 4% interest. 2nd by Ryan Rosa, motion passed.

Regular meeting, 18 people in attendance. Program was Max Meier, retired Army Chaplin will be speaking about his Vietnam experiences and his helicopter trips throughout the country.

This minutes report submitted by Marc Broer

Do you need a specialty tool and don't have it or it's too expensive for a one time use - check out Chapter 135 TOOL CRIB.

Establishing a tool crib for those that are building or need a special tool for a specific job or project.

If you have a tool you're not using and wish to share with fellow members just submit a photo so we can list it on our web page for the members to view. Next the member would contact you directly or through the chapter web page, borrow and return when complete. Current items available to members only:

- Flatbed trailer 20 to 24 feet in length
- Engine Hoist this is the crane style lift

- Pneumatic squeezer

- Set of scales are available to members & non members to rent.

EAA Chapter 135 is establishing a Tool Crib (network) to all members in good standing, which means you are in good standing with your Chapter 135 membership. If you are not, please go to the website and submit your dues to EAA Chapter 135. Once your dues are paid for the year, then you will be able to check-out items from the Tool Crib. Also, forms are available to track the tool loaned out so we can remember who has it.

Program Schedule for 2023

June: Poker Run - July: B-25 Event August: Fly out/Drive out to Stewarts' Field September: Nash Field - October: open November: Combined with IAPG December: Christmas Party



Marc Broer met his cousin Sandy and her husband-Phil Bos from the Jefferson City, MO EAA Chapter at the Omaha EAA meeting







EAA Leadership Conference in Omaha



Bonus questions:

1-As a non-instrument rated private pilot in an airplane, can you request

a SVFR clearance to land at an airport after sunset?

Answer: No, To request an SVFR clearance into an airport, you need to hold a private pilot certificate, and you can only operate SVFR between sunrise and sunset. To operate SVFR after sunset, you need to be qualified for instrument flight under FAR 61, and your aircraft needs to be equipped for instrument flight as well.

2-You're flying here (blue arrow) at 800' AGL. What airspace are you in?

Answer - The magenta shaded ring means Class E airspace starts at 700 feet AGL.

Food for thought: A Navigator's Definition of Latitude & Longitude: Latitude is Where We are Lost, & Longitude is How Long We've been Lost There!



Max Meier giving the April Program



Ames Fly-In Pancake Breakfast April 29





The Maxaire donated to the club, has been sold and delivered to Lake City, lowa

On Sunday, April 30 th , Jacob Greenfield and Brant Hollensbe delivered the Maxair Hummer to it's new owner Kevin Berry, in Lake City, IA. It was sold for the full asking price of \$1100 which will be used to support our scholarship fund. The aircraft had been stored in Stuart Rauh's barn. With Stuart out of town, a huge thanks goes out to his sister Heide for letting us in on both Friday and Sunday so that we could get the plane sold.

It was a gusty day to travel through rural lowa, but the plane was delivered and unloaded successfully! Kevin had a spot in his garage ear marked for the plane to move in and by the end of the day had already messaged that he had the Rotax 277 engine running.

Jacob Greenfield







Marshalltown Area Chamber of Commerce

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A ribbon cutting was held tonight at the Marshalltown Municipal Airport to celebrate the new hangar & terminal! This facility is such a great asset to the Marshalltown area!





Ray Robison is building a Wiley Post experimental plane

lowa DOT Calendar of Events

MAY 2023

SATURDAY, MAY 13

Mount Pleasant Airport (MPZ)

Flight Breakfast

7:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.

Pilots eat free

Young Eagle flights

9 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

Rain date: May 20

319-931-2875 (Tom Hassenfritz)

Email: th9080@gmail.com

Website: https://www.facebook.com/mpiowakiwanisclub

Ottumwa Regional Airport (OTM)

Fly-in Breakfast

7 a.m. - 11 a.m.

Pilot-in-command eats free 641-208-5821 (Duke Ball)

Email: balld@ottumwa.us

SATURDAY, MAY 20

Boone Municipal Airport (BNW)

Fly-in breakfast

7 a.m. - 11 a.m.

Pilots-in-command and children under 5 free

515-432-1018 (Dale Farnham)

Email: defarnham@msn.com

Website: www.farnhamaviation.com

Sioux County Regional Airport (SXK)

Tulip Festival Flight Breakfast

7 a.m. - 11 a.m.

712-567-1000 (Lane Mars)

Email: lane@airflairinc.com

Website: www.octulipfestival.com

SATURDAY, MAY 27

Fly-in Breakfast - 2023 John Wayne Birthday Celebration

Winterset Municipal Airport (3Y3)

8 a.m. - 11 a.m.

Shuttle available to and from Museum

970-901-0676 (Aaron Armstrong)

Email: winterset.apmanager@gmail.com

Website: johnwaynebirthplace.museum/2023-birthday-celebration/

Scales Rental Info

All scale rentals require check for \$200.00 deposit. This will be returned, uncashed, upon timely return of the scale.

Rentals are for three days. This may be extended for three additional days at no charge if there are no other conflicting requests for their use, with notification by phone. Otherwise, a late fee of \$100.00 per day applies.

Chapter 135 (must be a member 3 months prior to rental date): . . .\$25.00/3days National EAA member but not Chapter 135 member \$75.00/3days

A&P or FBO rate \$125.00/3days

Copy of rental agreement available by email by contacting Stuart Rauh at stuart@rauhnet.com

Chapter 135 Officers 2023

President: Al Hummel

Vice President: Brant Hollensbe

Treasurer: Stuart Rauh.....stuart@rauhnet.com

Secretary: Marc Broer

Newsletter Coordinator: Marc Broer

Young Eagles Coordinators: Alan Core & Adam Obrecht

Board:

Ralph Briggs Mike Graber Paul Reinke Jacob Greenfield

Dave Schuler Quinn Fairchild Ryan Rosa

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