

**DELMARVA EAA Chapter 1683 August 15<sup>th</sup>, 2024**

**Next Meeting: *September 19<sup>th</sup>, 2024 7PM, DAMF Hangar***

**Key Dates:**

- **October 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup>, Georgetown (KGED) Wings & Wheels**
- **November 21<sup>st</sup>, 6-7PM Chapter Cookout at the Hangar [before the November meeting]**

**OPENING:** The meeting was called to order at 7:07 PM by President Drew Mugno.

Larry Kelley and the DAMF volunteers were gracious enough to share their hangar for our meetings. Thank you to all who helped set up and clean up.

**Attending:** Drew Mugno, Charlie Quandt, Lloyd Austin, Doug Vogel, Greg Chalmers, Barry Gabler, Bruce Tharp, Bob Cooper, Bob Morgan, Ron Smith, Jacob Larson, Kyle Boyce, Tom Ritter, Mark Gluch, Phil Schlosser, Lee Turner, Kent Larson, John Chirtea, Craig Tallman, Azra Syed, Daniela Syed, Mahmood Syed, Frank Martin

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Minutes from the July 18<sup>th</sup> meeting, were summarized and accepted.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:**

- \$803.06 balance, w/all outstanding debts or bills paid.
- 2024 *Chapter* 1683 dues of \$30 are still being collected. **If you haven't paid yet, perhaps consider \$60 to cover both 2024 & 2025.**
- Contact Dennis Lilik for payment options: Email: [dlilik@verizon.net](mailto:dlilik@verizon.net)
- Remember, your EAA membership is with the *national* organization which is separate from our local chapter 1683 dues of \$30/year.

**Visitors/New Folks:**

- **Kyle Boyce** is a middle school history teacher getting back into flying. Actually worked at GED many years ago!
- **Jacob Larson** went to Minnesota for flight school. He has his commercial and multi-engine ratings and is looking to add a tail wheel endorsement. Jacob lives in Laurel and works for the Chorman crew.
- **Bob (Robert) Morgan** comes from an aviation family. He's been to OSH for family reunions, Sun N' Fun, and the Beech gatherings. Bob lives in Dover.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Chapter Ideas: Coordinators are needed! Please volunteer for something as our growing Chapter continues to grow our programs.**

**October 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup>, Georgetown (KGED) Wings & Wheels Pre-planning:**

- During the meeting we began planning our chapter's participation. Brian White will lead our Chapter's effort.
- Look for an email outlining plans and volunteer needs as well as sign-up sheets at the next meeting.

**EAA IMC Club:** Steve Sharff volunteered to investigate this possibility for 1683. If you can help, Steve's # is 302-344-3139. His email is [stsharff@gmail.com](mailto:stsharff@gmail.com). Way to go Steve!!

**EAA VMC Club:** Frank Martin volunteered to investigate requirements and coordinate the effort. Thank you Frank. [mart16@comcast.net](mailto:mart16@comcast.net)

**Van's Aircraft Update:** 100% up & running, albeit at higher sustainable prices.

**Meeting Raffle Fundraising Idea:**

- John Chirtea suggested members could bring extra, redundant, or miscellaneous aviation gear to meetings and raffle them off as a fund raiser.
- A motion to accept the idea was made and subsequently passed.
- An Apollo transponder from Frank Martin will be on raffle at the September meeting.

**BlackFly Update: John Chirtea**

- John's BlackFly, [www.pivotal.aero](http://www.pivotal.aero), is based out of Eagle Crest. Stop by his place for a look see. His house/hangar is the one with the Ercoupe mailbox.
- Semi-automated flying, more autonomous in TO & LDL.
- Cruises at 50-60, lands at 28
- No pedals, but two joysticks
- iPad for the instrument panel
- About 25 minute battery endurance with a reserve, or approx. 12 miles out and back. About 40 minutes for a charge.
- Part 103 compliant
- Does have a radio. Doesn't have a transponder.



**Wings and Wheels:**

- Mark October 4th & 5th on your calendar for this year's Wings and Wheels show at KGED. Great event, so let's get as many of our planes out there as possible.
- During the meeting we began planning our chapter's participation. Brian White and Ron Covais are co-leads.

**November BBQ from 6-7PM, before our regular meeting: Brian White will coordinate.**

**Young Eagles Updates from Craig Tallman:**

- A joint YE event was held at the Cambridge, MD airport on August 10<sup>th</sup>. St. Mary's Chapter 478 hosted along with our team. Special thanks to Steve Nuwer, Director of the airport for his assistance.
- After action report:
  - An accurate forecast of YEs attending helps with staff and resource planning
  - There are some automated tools available from EAA to support events. They will take some extra logistics if implemented.
  - YE Staff shirts are a good idea for a few reasons:
    - > Easily identify staff members supporting the event.
    - > 'Soft' PR for EAA & Chapter 1683
    - > Something simple in bright colors, a pocket for pens/miscellany, and EAA embroidery would suffice.
- Approx. 40 YEs attended, 12 were from our chapter.
- The next event is at Wings and Wheels in Georgetown on October 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup>.
  - October 4<sup>th</sup>: STEM and aviation career presentations
  - October 5<sup>th</sup>: Open House
  - October 12<sup>th</sup>: Possibly a YE flying event the following week at Georgetown.

- **Young Eagles Program Guidelines**
  - Ages 8-17
  - Short ground brief before flight
  - Discovery flight, of course!
  - Log book if the YEs are interested
  - Certificate and of course, our thanks for participating

## OLD BUSINESS:

**Chapter Website Update:** [<https://eaa1683.org>] Kent Larson, with the help of Tom Ritter, maintain our chapter website

- Tom and Kent confirmed there is support for a tool manager as part of our website. They are investigating its use.
- Send Tom pics of your build or creations
- A Newsletter manager is still needed.
- Tool Crib Data Manager
  - ◆ Lloyd Austin suggested members could manage their own tools for loan but make members aware of them by posting on the chapter's website.
  - ◆ Kent Larson & Dennis Lilik were looking into using a spreadsheet within the site to

**EAA's Ercoupe 415-C Raffle:** The winner was drawn on August 15<sup>th</sup> and resides in Elk River, Minnesota.

### Dover Air Mobility Trip: Barry Gabler

- Barry is looking at the end of October for the Dover Air Museum chapter trip.
- Will be on a Wednesday.
- Look for an email asking for members interested in attending.

## Demonstrations & Updates

### Bob Cooper/Change to SFRA Depiction over DC

- As noted by a DC briefer – although there is NO CHANGE to the SFRA over Washington DC., the 60 nm speed ring is now being shown in **RED -----**
- Within this area, but outside the 30 nm circle, VFR speeds are less than 230 knots.
- Also carry your certificate of compliance & completion of the SFRA course. One source for the course is here: <https://www.faasafety.gov/gslac/ALC/courseLanding.aspx?clD=405>

### Builders Updates:

- Tom Ritter is working on the baffling for his 118HP UL Powered engine.
- Grant Saulsbury is making progress on his RV-12.
- Drew Mugno is becoming an expert in RV-7 safety wiring.
- Charlie Quandt showed us his Ercoupe nose wheel adjustment as part of his annual.

### Quick Oshkosh Review:

- Drew Mugno agreed it was hot, crowded, and appreciated the trams to get around.
- Bob Morgan camped in the vintage area and took a museum tour.
- Brian White, our resident Wisconsin expert, volunteered with the DAMF's Panchito.
- Bob Cooper made it a special trip with his sons accompanying him.

## Reference Desk:

**MASTER COORDINATOR:** Bob Cooper, [snoopercpr@comcast.net](mailto:snoopercpr@comcast.net), is our volunteer to *coordinate* stories and demonstrations. Make his burden lighter by letting him know in advance of the next meeting if you have a tool or technique to demo, or a story to share.

**BASIC MED:** Frank Martin, [mart16@comcast.net](mailto:mart16@comcast.net), can assist in answering BasicMed questions.

**Useful Links:**

- NASA Aviation Safety Reporting System [ASRS] <https://asrs.arc.nasa.gov/report/electronic.html>
- NASA Form for pilots making a report: <https://asrs.arc.nasa.gov/report/caveat.html?formType=general>

The meeting was adjourned at 7 something as I forgot to note the time.

**Submitted by Secretary, Doug Vogel**