



**Next Meeting: Saturday
Apr 22nd, 2017
0800 – Breakfast
0900 – Meeting/Speaker**

President's Corner



Thank you all for a wonderful turnout at the Sun n Fun kitchen....thanks to Rich and Ken for all their “supervision” and dedication too! You all rock!

Jeff Kaloostian

FROM THE BACK SEAT

Sun and Fun was the largest yet and EAA Chapter 175 was out in force helping in the SNF Kitchen. We started our SNF preparation on 25 Mar 17 by hosting our monthly meeting at the SNF Kitchen for cleanup. The turnout was great and we had the facility ready in record time... less than 2 hours. The following week our members started supporting the kitchen by making food for the volunteers who support SNF. Our thanks to Rich Denton for his continued support of SNF and for leading us in supporting this great aviation event...THANKS RICH!!

With SNF behind us, so here is what is scheduled for the next few months of Chapter activities.

The speaker for the 22 April meeting is Steve Ritzi who will discuss the Reno air races. Steve will give us a rundown on the future of the Unlimited Class and how he is working towards racing his Cassutt. This will be a great show from one of our local aviators.

The 27 May 17 meeting we will host Australian Air Commodore Micka Gray who will give us the skinny on flying the General Dynamics F111 in Australia and in combat worldwide. This will be a great time to meet one our Australian partners and hear about his flying exploits.

In June we are looking at a flying cook out at the Chapter where we ask those with aircraft to offer opportunities for all members to experience the freedom of flight. More on this in the next few months.

OK, that is it for now. Enjoy the last of the fly-in events before the hot weather comes back to Tampa and don't forget to...

.... keep 'em flying.

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EAA 175 CHAPTER MEETING MINUTES

None for March...those that showed got fat on donuts and helped clean up the kitchen at Sun n Fun. Thank you all!

Jpk

SAFETY VIDEO OF THE MONTH

Below is the link for the April 2017 Topic of the Month video. The Runtime is 16 minutes.

<https://drive.google.com/open?id=0ByzDLwg1bGS2SI9GcVEzaVFKWGs>

Sincerely,

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INTERESTING NOTAMS

1. Interesting! <http://justacarguy.blogspot.com/2017/03/a-darn-good-use-for-belly-tank-national.html>
2. AOPA is looking for local aviation groups to volunteer for their regional fly-in October 27-28 at TPF.
3. I'll keep this one in here, because they're too good to forget...take some of the AOPA online courses occasionally.... keep those flying skills in check!
<https://www.aopa.org/training-and-safety/online-learning>
4. Enjoy some neat aviation facts during the year? Send links to me and I'll include them here in the "NOTAMS" section.
5. Kitchen pictures:





THE MAN!



CHAPTER 175 PRESENT AIRCRAFT BUILDERS

1. Jack Poff

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Vans RV-9A



(Example only)

2. Mike Tippin

[813-404-0075](tel:813-404-0075)

Van RV-10



(Example only)

3. Ronald LeBlanc

[\(813\) 957-4193](tel:813-957-4193)

Zenith/CH 750, Cruiser builder



(Example only)

4. Don Hughes; [\(813\)598-2030](tel:8135982030); Midget Mustang



(Example only)

** If I missed you, please email me with your information...one good picture is worth a thousand words!

5. **Rich Ilfeld**; [\(813\) 645-3786](tel:8136453786); Tripacer@ Manatee, motor project, osprey project

Tripacer:



Motor Project:



Osprey:



Continuing from Rich....below:

a. Here's what I have sorted so far:

- i. AN Bolts: 3-4, 4-5, 5-10, 6-20 thru 3-11, 4-56, 5-60, 6-60
- ii. no fewer than 8 of each when considered in groups of 3/16, ie 4-16, 4-17, 4-18 is a group.
- iii. AN stop nuts, nylon inserts, AN stop nuts, Metal, AN castle nuts High and low profile, and AN plain nuts in all sizes
- iiii. AN machine bolts, 8, & 10 - 32 lengths 4 through about 60
- v. AN machine nuts nylock mostly
- vi. A good variety of plain and lock washers
- vii. [if you need a few nuts, bolts, washers it's probably available -- that's the majority of the collection]

- viii. A lot of standard rivets, and blind rivet nuts and many sizes.
 - ix. Some Cherry and blind rivets (not pop rivets)
 - x. Several specialty bolts such as hex head or close tolerance
 - xi. An assortment of camlocks and camlock parts.
 - xii. Some pitot static fittings
 - xiii. A Huge assortment of ear nuts
 - xiiii. An assortment of small 12 V lamps
 - xv. An assortment of flying wire hardware
 - xvi. A large variety of specialty fittings like blind latches, post lights, etc.
 - xvii. Assorted clecos and more
 - xviii. There is a lot of stuff I haven't even gone through it yet. As I mentioned, I had a similar collection of my own and
- b. So here's the deal; My position is that over the years I probably spent 3-4 hundred dollars on assortments and parts bags at flymarkets, and the donors to EAA have done at least that, plus tools. I've used parts over the years that would have been several thousand dollars at retail. And I've used a fair number of parts in the shop just because I had them. I see no reason the chapters would want to try to limit folks to using the parts on an airplane. It's not a sin to put an AN part on a lawn mower.
- i. **I will take email requests from members for parts for their projects or airplanes. I prefer email to phone, but if you are in the middle of something and need a part now- I won't hang up.**
- c. Visitors are welcome at the shop, of course. And the parts are much better organized for browsing that they were before.

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