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MISCELANEOUS ITMES!

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- **A friendly reminder from the chapter Membership Chairman and Treasurer.** Please remember that dues were due in January and, if you have not paid, plan to bring a check or \$10.00 to the February meeting. Make checks out to: Chapter 18. Your dues / membership status is listed on the spreadsheet which is located on the chapter web site. <http://www.eaachapter18.org/contact-us.aspx> . Links > miscellaneous links > chapter 18 membership roster. The sheet is password protected. Password is MWC gate code See column "G" If your dues are not paid by the end of February you will no longer be considered a voting member. Also please remember that you are required to be a current member of EAA to be a member of Chapter 18 Thank you **Ken Klima**
- **February 21, 2012** - Chad Jensen, EAA Community Homebuilder Manager, is attempting to determine how many experimental amateur-built (homebuilt) aircraft are now owned by someone other than the original builder of the aircraft. Chad is requesting chapter leaders answer this short survey on your chapter membership, and return the answers to him at cjensen@eaa.org.

Chapter number: 18

Number of amateur-built aircraft that are owned by members of your chapter: _____

Of these aircraft, how many are still owned by the original builder: _____

If you have any questions regarding this survey, call Chad at 920-426-6806 or e-mail cjensen@eaa.org.



- **Saturday, March 3, 2012 6:30-10 p.m. EAA AirVenture Museum, Oshkosh** The EAA AirVenture Museum in Oshkosh cordially invites you to Hops & Props, a fine food and beverage tasting event featuring more than 250 extraordinary microbrew beers from around the world. Learn the distinguishing characteristics of different craft beers while you enjoy live music and fine food from area restaurants. [Visit the Hops & Props website](#) for more information.





PRESIDENT'S CORNER- JEFF POINT



Welcome to the April Flypaper! Spring has sprung, the snow is gone, the birds are chirping, plants are sprouting, so it must be April, right? Right? While it sure looks and feels like it, a glance at the calendar confirms that it is in fact still mid-February. And, while we might be tempted to rush -job our annuals to get our favorite mounts

ready for flying season (at least those of us smart enough to do winter annuals...) history tells us that we ain't out of the woods yet. The last two years in a row have seen major blizzards strike right around this time of year, so I'm going to hold off counting my chickens for the moment.

Even though the weather feels more like flying season than building season, most of us are still in full-on building mode. A couple of months ago the Breezy fuselage got some air under it's wheels for the first time (well, OK, just long enough to lift it onto a trailer, but still...) as we hauled it out to it's new home at my hangar. My garage has since undergone the transition from machine shop to sawdust factory, and I am in wing building mode. I'm currently cranking out ribs, which is a fun but repetitive process that will continue for at least the next few months. I'm building the Wag-Aero Sportsman wings, and am fortunate to have the likes of Fred Keip and Keith Tridle to assist. Between them they've built something like a zillion of these wings, and have loaned me a number of jigs, tools and other nifty items to make this process go easier (and a lot cheaper too- have you seen what Wag wants for a store-bought compression strut?)

Of course, every project runs into the occasional setback, and mine has taken the form of a living room remodeling project. I was perfectly satisfied with the old one, but this is one of those honey-do things that I've been putting off for a couple of years. It all started when we redid the bathroom, because then she wanted a new kitchen to match. Redo the bedroom, and now the living room is the only room that hasn't been re-done. So... up comes the carpet, out comes the trim, and away we go. The most ironic thing is that the living room is the first room that I



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painted when I bought the house 13 years ago (but honey, it doesn't need painting, I just painted it 13 years ago!) Needless to say, this has put a damper on my rib making, and when I do get to use my garage, it's to stain trim and cut out stool molding. I hope to have this all completed in the next week or so, then it's back into building mode.

Those of you who made it to the January meeting had the opportunity to meet Chad Jensen, EAA's new Homebuilt Community Manager. Chad's visit was arranged several months in advance, and by sheer coincidence happened to happen right after the big shakeup at EAA. Chad did a pretty good job in front of the firing squad, as he was peppered with tough questions about the goings on at the head shed. Chad was impressed enough with our little outfit that he joined the chapter (the best value in all of aviation!) and is planning to come back for the February meeting. As an encore to his last performance, he is going to drag along with him another new EAA employee, VP of chapters and youth efforts, Jeff Skiles. This is quite timely, as our previously scheduled speaker had to cancel on us. I look forward to hearing from Jeff, and not so much about his fateful flight from a few Januarys back. Frankly, I've heard it before, and he's probably sick of telling the story anyway. I am far more interested in hearing about his new job at EAA and his take on the changes and the new direction of the organization. Oh, and maybe a little bit about his gorgeous cabin Waco!

Quite a few of you have contacted me with feedback about my rantings from the January Flypaper. Most of you agreed with my take on things, and while it's good to know that I'm not alone, I have a little different perspective on things, now that I've had a month to ruminate on them. While the communication out of HQ has still been lacking in real details, the few things I've been able to piece together from behind the scenes have me a little less worried about the future. Not the least of these is that Paul seems to have put his own stamp of approval on the changes, and that carries a lot of weight with me. The communications that Rod has put out, while a little light and a little late, seem to be in the right direction. His column in the March Sport Aviation talks quite a bit about this, and hopefully this issue will hit the mailboxes by the time this goes to press. While he is saying that right things, and I want to give him the benefit of the doubt, I intend to watch things closely over the next year before passing judgment. As a wise old man once told me, "never mind what people say, pay attention to what they do." I plan to pay attention.

So that is it for this month. I look forward to seeing you all at the April, er, February meeting next Tuesday the 28th. Until then, keep your airspeed up and keep your honey-do list short!



MEMBER PROJECTS— BRIAN KREBS RV8

Brian Krebs is putting the finishing touches on his RV8. Here are a few photos of his paint. We will get Brian to put together a full project report soon. He should be moving to the Waukesha airport soon and will permanently attaching the wings and making the final preparations for his first flight. He hopes to fly some time in March.

Looking great Brian!



CALENDER OF EVENTS



*Monthly meetings are always 4th Tuesday of the month at 7:30 PM at the Timmerman CAP hangar.

Feb Chapter Meeting Feb 28 @ 7:30—Ericson, Kevin Lopnow- accident @ Watertown

Mar 3 - **Hops and Props**, 6:30 p.m. to 10 p.m. VIP Pre-Event Dining Experience and Beer Pairings begins at 5 p.m. EAA Air Venture Museum, Oshkosh, W

Mar Chapter Meeting- 3-27-12- @ 7:30—Program TBD

Project Patrol-

April Chapter Meeting- 4-24-12-Program TBD

Armed Forces Weekend/ Young Eagles- 5-12 & 5-13-12-

May Chapter Meeting- 5-22-12- Keip, project report

Spring Picnic- date/ location TBD

June Chapter Meeting- 6-26-12- Fly-in show and tell

Frasca Fly-in, Urbana IL.

July Chapter Meeting- 7-17-12 (3rd Tuesday) or 7-24-12 (4th Tuesday, during Oshkosh)

Friends of East Troy Airport Open House-

Air Venture—Oshkosh- 7-23 to 7-29-12

August Chapter Meeting- 8-28-12- Hatzenbeller, ?

Brodhead-

Camping Trip- date/ location TBD

Fall Picnic- Fred Keip’s hangar, Burlington, date TBD

September Chapter Meeting- 9-25-12- Esselstyn, jet glider project report

October Chapter Meeting-10-23-12- Banquet, Cliffords in Hales Corners.

November Chapter Meeting- 11-27-12- Stranak, aerobatic CFI

December Christmas Party- 12-11-12- El Fuego, 909 W. Layton av.

MISCELLANEOUS EVENTS

Mar 8, 2012 **EAA Chapter 252-Riveting Basics** Oshkosh, WI63 miles

Mar 10, 2012 - Nov 10, 2012 **Young Eagles Day** Racine, WI37 miles

Mar 16-18, 2012 **EAA Chapter Leaders Academy** Oshkosh, WI65 miles

JOIN CHAPTER 18 TODAY!- Still considered the “best deal in aviation” by Chapter 18 president Jeff Point. Fill out the info below and give it to our membership coordinator Ken Klima at the next meeting. (Annual Dues are \$10, plus \$5 for name plate)

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____



BOARD MEETING MINUTES - SECRETARY—JIM HATZENBELLER

Board Meeting Minutes for January, “2012”

The January Board meeting was called to order at 6:30 by President Jeff Point at the CAP hangar at Timmerman Field. Jim Hatzenbeller, Tom Stranak, Darrell Kufalk, Joe Ptaszek, Sune Ericson, Chris Esselstyn, and Fred Keip were present. Minutes were approved as published in the Chapter newsletter. The Treasurer’s report was approved as published in the newsletter.

Announcements: Jeff announced that the evening’s program would be conducted by Chad Jensen from EAA headquarters.

Old Business: There was no old business conducted. There were no committee reports.

Young Eagles: It was reported that a possible Young Eagles event will be held in May at the 128th Air Force re-fuelers group in conjunction with Armed Forces weekend.

New Business: A date for Project Patrol has not yet been determined, however it will probably be sometime in March. Same format as in the past few years. Meet for breakfast and then go to visit projects. If you have a project you would like to show off, please contact any board member.

The programs for this years Chapter meetings were discussed and many good suggestions were put forth. Details will be announced in upcoming newsletters.

It was announced that EAA Hop & Props program will take place again this year at the EAA museum on Saturday, March 3rd.

Fred Keip has tentatively volunteered to host the spring Chapter picnic at his hangar at Burlington this year. If anyone is interested in hosting the fall picnic, please make your intentions known to a board member as soon as possible. You need not own a hangar to host the picnic as the large maintenance hangar at Gran-Aire is usually available to us if we ask in advance.

Joe Ptaszek has volunteered once again to coordinate the door prizes for the October dinner meeting. If you have anything of interest to donate as a door prize, please contact Joe.

Sune reported on going up to EAA HQ for the ski fly-in and it was well attended. Meeting adjourned at 7:20.

Respectfully submitted,
Jim Hatzenbeller (Secretary).

CHAPTER MINUTES-
SECRETARY JIM HATZENBELLER**Chapter 18 Minutes from the February “2012” Meeting**

The January meeting was called to order by President Jeff Point at 7:35 PM at the CAP Hangar at Timmerman Field.

Announcements: Our speaker and host for the evening program, Chad Jensen was introduced. Among other titles, Chad is also the EAA Director of Homebuilt aircraft. Guests were asked to introduce themselves and 5 people did so. It was announced that Hops & Props will take place at the EAA museum on March 3rd. If anyone has a suggestion for a program for a future meeting, please contact a board member. Suggestions are always welcomed and appreciated.

The annual Project Patrol will most likely take place in either March or April with a date to be determined. Meet for breakfast and then travel around to visit builder's projects.

Young Eagles: It was reported that a Young Eagles event is tentatively scheduled for May during Armed Forces weekend at the 128th at Mitchell Field. As always, pilots and ground crew needed.

Building Reports: Ron Scott reported on working on the aileron rigging for the Fokker. Jim Hatzenbeller is working on closing out the trailing edge on the wings for his GlaStar. He also has a 320 Lycoming which he plans to overhaul. Jim Kidd reported that he is working on the plenum for the 540 Lycoming engine in his Skybolt. He also reports that he is working on the wiring and the wings are ready for painting. Dave Hoefgren reports that he is working on the windows and other related fiberglass work for his RV-10A. Fred Keip reported that he now has the doors for his Wag-A-Bond done. He also reported that he is working on the windows and the fuselage is nearly completed. Judy Roeder reported that she and husband Jerry have the top skins on the left wing for their RV9A. Brian (missed the last name) has the wings partial completed and is working on the tail section of his RV9A. Brian Krebs reported that his RV8 is painted and ready to move to the hangar. Craig Henry reported that he has his GlaSair II on its gear and it is at his hangar. He is also working on the wings for his RV tail dragger. Bill Stilley reported that the wings for his Kit Fox are ready to cover and he is now working on the tail section. Tom Stranak reported that he is working on the wingtips and plumbing on his RV7. Ken Klima has ADS-B in his RV9 and reports that it is working. Chris Esselstyn reported that the flaps and ailerons are installed on his HP-17J glider. The tail cone is finished and the stick and rudder are mounted. Jeff Point displayed the control stick for his Breezy project and reports that the fuselage has been moved to the hangar. He also displayed the first wing rib which he completed.

Flying Reports: Eric Anderson reported that after a few years and a few beer cans later, Bob Lang's RV 6 has made its maiden flight with Eric at the controls. Even when they thought the plane was ready to fly, they were beset with many minor glitches from a center console that was too wide to mag problems to a faulty prop governor to bad plugs. Having overcome these minor problems, they have now gotten 2 flights in as of this newsletter.

Break was taken and was then followed by the monthly program, which was presented by Chris Jensen.

Tech Counselors: No report

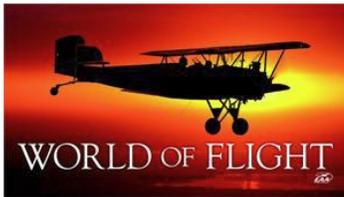
Flight Advisors: No Report.

Meeting was adjourned at 10:00pm.

Respectfully submitted, Jim Hatzenbeller (Secretary)



TREASURER REPORT- TREASURER KEN KLIMA



We have the new EAA Calendars for sale. Bring \$10 to the chapter meeting and help support your local EAA.

Chapter 18 Apparel



Chapter 18 Apparel is on sale now. T-Shirts, Hats, Coffee Mugs, and much, much more. Order anytime and no minimums. Each purchase will help to support the chapter.

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Jan-2012	Checking	Savings	Total
Beginning Bal. 1/1/12	906.37	1655.35	2561.72
Receipts			
Dues		260	
Nametags		10	
Calendars		150	
Total Income	0	420	
Expenses			
EAA insurance & fees	-275	0	
Total Expense	-275	0	
Ending Bal. 1/31/12	631.37	2075.35	2706.72

MEMBER CLASSIFIEDS

FOR SALE, RENT or LOAN

- Zenith CH200 about 35% finished. The plane is located in the Burlington area and the family wants to sell it. Betty Ashworth [847-502-3034](tel:847-502-3034)
- Zaon** PCASMRX traffic alert device used only for a short time. Works great ! Complete with packaging. Ring terminals for permanent mount or rewire cigarette lighter plug, included. Have installed ADSB system so this is no longer needed. List price \$549 A/C Spruce \$499 You pay **\$399**
Ken Klima 414.801.0056 kklima4@wi.rr.com
- Niagara Shear No. 142 shear. .063 4130 max. and new blades in excellent condition. \$550. Tube notcher is a JMR TN1000 with extras \$550. Campbell No. 1A Nibbler with tooling \$325. I also have a lot of snap-on tools used for aviation. Pictures on Request. I can be contacted at 414-248-9240 or pbkwelding@wi.rr.com Pierre La-Freniere
- For Sale: Marvel-Schebler MA3SPA carburetor. P/N 10-3237 for a Continental C-145. \$300. Fred Keip 262-835-7714 (after 6 PM) or fredkeip@aol.com

WANTED TO BUY, RENT or BORROW

- LOOKING FOR A PORTABLE INTERCOM: -Mike Felske—wings@wi.rr.com
- TAILWHEEL TUBE & FABRIC PROJECT: 1/1/2010]I am looking for a tailwheel project. It can be a plane you already stripped down to tubes and want to get rid of, or something damaged and sitting for years in need a major renovation. Must be very affordable – engine not required. If you have something, let me know. Todd Wenzel (chapter 18 member) 414-218-6784 todd.wenzel@wenzel-software.com

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