

# HEADLINES!

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## From EAA.org Forty-Nine RVs Set New Formation Flight Record

October 16, 2013 - A group of 49 Van's RV homebuilt aircraft from 17 states and the District of Columbia set a new unofficial Guinness World Record for a civilian formation flight Sunday when it overflew Arrowhead Stadium before the Kansas City Chiefs-Oakland Raiders NFL game.

The standing record of 37 aircraft was set at EAA AirVenture Oshkosh 2009.

The group, called the KC Flight Formation Team, had most of the participating aircraft equipped with smoke oil systems pouring out pink smoke in honor of Breast Cancer Awareness Month. The effort also helped to raise a reported \$30,000 for the University of Kansas Cancer Center and its surgery center at Indian Creek.

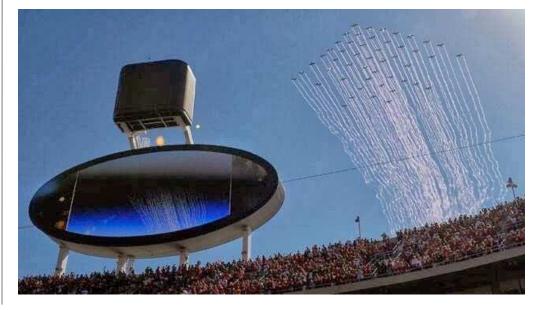
"The Guinness book of world records is really going to be cool, but what brought everybody to town was breast cancer," said pilot Phillip Lamb, EAA 723074, of KC Flight Formation. "I think the big goal is to raise awareness and obviously money,"

The group's Facebook page is replete with several submitted fan videos showing the splendid flyover from several angles. Comments describing the flyover included "amazing," "incredible," "awesome," and several others. <u>https://www.facebook.com/KCFlightRVFormationTeam</u>

The group staged at Lee's Summit Municipal Airport and flew a practice flight on Saturday. The opportunity to even make the flight is due to the federal budget sequester and elimination of military flyovers.

Kudos also go out to Team AeroDynamix, the air show formation flight team made up of Van's RVs that opened Saturday's Bank of America 500 NASCAR race with an 11-ship flyover at the Charlotte Motor Speedway.







# PRESIDENT'S CORNER- JEFF POINT



elcome to the October Flypaper! A very important announcement to make right away- the annual chapter banquet is coming up soon, next Tuesday October 22nd. The banquet will be held once again at Clifford's Supper Club in Hales Corners, the same location as it has been for the last several years. The party starts at 6:00PM with drinks and socializing, and dinner will be served at 7:00PM. If you have not yet paid up but want to attend, you'd better get ahold of Stephanie quickly, like right now. By the time you read this we already had to get the head count to the restaurant, but there could always be a last minute cancel or two.

By popular demand, the program for the banquet this year will be, well, nothing. As we have for the last couple of years, we have decided to forego a formal program or guest speaker, and just use the time after dinner for more social time. We will have a brief program as in the past couple of years. There will be no plaques given out this year, on account of no first flights. This is unusual for our chapter, but with the number of projects nearing completion, we will make up for this next year, I'm sure. Unfortunately, we will be adding a couple of names to the chapter memorial, and of course, the ever popular door prizes will be raffled off. That's it for the formal part of the evening.

As I write this, I have just returned from a weekend trip to Kansas City in the RV. Glenn Botsford came with me in his RV, as did a couple more of the Hawk Flight formation guys that we fly with. We flew down on Friday afternoon and met up with 45 other RV formation pilots from all over these United States. For the last several years, KC Flight, the local RV formation group, has been doing a National Anthem flyover at Arrowhead Stadium for a Chief's home game during the month of October. The flight is done as a fundraiser for breast cancer research and awareness, hence it being done in October. Each year this flight has gotten just a bit bigger, and last year they had an impressive flyover with 17 airplanes, each one fitted with wingtip smoke generators throwing out a trail of pink smoke (pink is the designated color for breast cancer awareness, ala the pink ribbons.)

While 17 airplanes might seem like a feat not to be topped, the KC boys are not ones to sit still and be satisfied. This year, they decided to go for broke, and set two goals: 1) raise \$30,000 to be donated for research and 2) break the existing Guinness World Record for civilian formation flight (the record having been set with the 37 ship RV flyover at Oshkosh 2009.) They put out the call to formation groups all over the country, hoping to come up with enough to break the 37 ship record. A total of 49 formation-qualified RV pilots signed up, and even more remarkably, 49 showed up on Friday! No cancellations for weather, mechanical issues, etc. Not one!

All day Friday was spent getting the airplanes fitted and wired for smoke generators. Saturday started off with a lengthy briefing and ground session as we worked out all the details of the flight. We conducted two practice flights on Saturday from start to finish. Imagine the sight of 49 airplanes lined up two by two on the runway! We launched two at a time at 5 second intervals, meaning that the lead was several miles downrange by the time the last flight launched. We practiced getting into and out of the large formation, doing the lengthy holding pattern necessary to get the timing down, and of course

the stadium flyover itself. Just imagine the logistics of getting 49 airplanes back on the ground at a non-towered airport! It's not every day that you hear a flight of 49 check in on Unicom.

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# PRESIDENT'S CORNER- JEFF POINT CONT'D





"Our flight lead nailed the timing"

We spent a little time fretting over the weather on Sunday, but we needn't have, as it was a perfect fall football day. A little windy, which made things a little bumpy, but certainly better than the couple of days before. We had a time -over-target to be over the stadium at exactly 11:59AM, at the very end of the National Anthem. Now, the airport is only about 10 miles from the stadium, but we started engines at 10:45AM, in order to have enough time to get airborne and assembled in time.



Our flight lead nailed the timing, and we arrived, pink smoke a-blazing, at precisely the right time, to thunderous applause. Numerous photos and videos of the flyover have been posted on the internet, and we will include a



couple of them in the flypaper for your viewing pleasure.

After we landed and secured the planes, we boarded a bus and made it to the stadium just in time for halftime. We had a brief on-field ceremony honoring the effort, then made our way to our seats to watch the second half of the game. I'm not a big fan of the Chiefs, but I am a huge fan of whoever is playing Oakland, so I was cheering along with the KC locals. Of course they won, and the 6-0 perfect record is still intact. They look pretty good, and I for one am glad we are not going to be playing them this year (short of the Superbowl, but I don't want to start thinking about that, yet.)

It will take 6-8 weeks for the Guinness folks to review the evidence and decide whether our effort constitutes a new world record, but I feel pretty good about our chances. As luck would have it, another record attempt was made that day, that being for the loudest NFL stadium. I don't know if they actually broke the record, but



if not, it sure wasn't for lack of effort. Truth be told, I might have yelled myself just a bit hoarse as I tried to be part of the effort.

That's enough for this month. I hope to see many of you at the banquet next week. Until next month, keep your airspeed up and, "Smoke on... Now!"







# CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- Chapter 18 October Dinner Meeting at Clifford's Supper Club 10418 W Forest Home Ave, Hales Corners, WI Tuesday October 22nd, 6pm drinks 7pm food. The price this year is \$24.00 per person. Contact Stephanie if you haven't signed up yet maybe she can still get you in. mzstef615@wi.rr.com
- **Chapter 18 Monthly Meeting** Tuesday November 26th 7:30 pm at the Timmerman Airport CAP Hanger 9393 W. Appleton Ave. Milwaukee, WI 53225 Elections this month. Don't be late or you may end up being the new president.
- **No Chapter Meeting in December** Everyone is invited to join the December Chapter 18 Board Meeting held at El Fuego, 909 W. Layton Ave. Date: TBA.



JOIN CHAPTER 18 TODAY I 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:

# FLYING REPORT By Tony Phillips



Thought I would share a few notes and pics from my trip to San Diego and back from Wisconsin. My son Aaron was graduating from MCRD San Diego (Marine Boot Camp) and in one of the very few letters we received from him, he said he wanted to fly the RV back home after boot camp. So, I figured we would make a trip of it. The trip took about 26 hours of flying and 3200nm.



My wife and I planned to fly to San Diego and my son and I would fly back. However, a death in the family had my wife travel to Oregon just a few days before departure so we ended up meeting in Denver. I flew into Front Range Airport just southeast of KDEN. They had an airport car available and I drove over and picked up Kellie. The folks there at Front Range were great and the location was super convenient. Next Kellie and I headed south toward Pueblo where we would cross Poncho and Marshall Passes. I had borrowed a portable Ox system so I ended climbing to 14.5k and



crossed over with no trouble. We did get a fair amount of turbulence but nothing too extreme.

Once across the passes we made for Gunnison and Black Canyon. We landed at Montrose, CO and stayed the afternoon/night there. Those folks are great. They had a Jeep available for free and let us have it all day. We drove up to the Black Canyon National Park and had a great time enjoying the scenery. The next morning we took off and headed toward Moab/Canyonlands airport.







Words can NOT express how amazing the view was. Just incredible. We were in awe. The short flight to Moab got us into Canyonlands airport early in the day where we rented a car and went hiking in Arches National Park (1 day before it was closed due to the Government shutdown).

The next morning we headed toward San Diego. Our route of flight took us over the Canyonlands, The Grand Canyon, Joshua Tree and on into San



# FLYING REPORT CONTINUED BY TONY PHILLIPS

Diego. Again, words and pictures fail to convey just how incredible it was.

Arriving into San Diego, SoCal approach granted my request for a coast approach into Montgomery Field which gave us a nice view of the coastline.

Of course the highlight of our trip was seeing our son's graduation from boot camp. It's a very patriotic ceremony and a



very proud moment in our lives.

Aaron and I flew home and again stopped in Montrose, Pueblo and on into Wisconsin. He was anxious to get home and see the rest of his family and friends so other than the aerial tours of the Grand Canyon, Canyonlands and Lake Powell, we tried to keep the pace up to get home.





Tony Phillips - Hartland, WI N524AP, RV 9 (tail wheel),





## CHAPTER BOARD MINUTES-SECRETARY JIM HATZENBELLER Classifies Adds



## Board Meeting Minutes for September, "2013"

The September Board meeting was called to order at 6:30 by President Jeff Point at the CAP hangar at Timmerman Field. Jim Hatzenbeller, Chris Esselstyn, Sune Ericson, Bryan Blazek, Jerry Roeder, and Don Patterson were present. Minutes from the previous meeting were approved as published in the Chapter newsletter. The Treasurer's report was approved as published in the newsletter.

Announcements: The annual banquet will be held on Oct. 22nd at Clifford's in Hales Corners. Cost is \$24 in advance. Please pay Stephanie no later than the middle of October. Cocktails at 6:00 with dinner to follow at 7:00. Door prizes can still be contributed if you so desire. Joe Ptaszek has agreed to handle door prizes again this year. Darrell Kufalk will have a slide show presentation again this year playing in the background. If you have anything you would like in the slide show, get the pictures to Darrell.

**Old Business:** Discussion took place regarding an update on a new bore scope. The committee is still researching this purchase. Jeff announced that after 3 terms as Chapter president, he will not seek nor will he accept a nomination for another term as president. Ken Klima also announced that he will not undertake another term as treasurer. Nominations are now open for those two positions.

#### Young Eagles: No report.

**New Business:** Sune Ericson, Andy Jaskie, and Tony Phillips will not seek re-election as board members. Sune has graciously agreed to remain as the director of coffee making for another year. It is the recommendation of the board to not pursue EAA calendar sales this year unless there is a strong desire from the Chapter membership. A poll will be taken at the September membership meeting.

Jeff reported hat he is looking into a new type of electronic mail service called "Mail Chimp". This new service will streamline the method of sending out newsletters and e-mail distributions.

It was reported that one person will be added to the Memorial plaque this year.

Meeting adjourned at 7:25 Respectfully submitted, Jim Hatzenbeller (Secretary).

# MEMBER CLASSIFIEDS

## FOR SALE, RENT or LOAN

- 1. I've got a few things for sale that builders and/or pilots might want:
  - 2 Tempest AA48108-2 oil filters \$15/ea or \$25 for both
  - 1 ATS Rivet Tool (204RV) \$80

- 1 3.5hp oil-sump 135psi compressor w/60gal tank and additional 60gal tank \$600, \* includes 1 large and 2 small filter/regulators, several hoses, and condensate drain system w/ball values

- 1 Survival Products 4-man raft #1400-1/1500-1 \$800 Contact Andy Laures at alaures@hotmail.com
- 2. Sonex Airframe Kit #1190 (Standard, Dual, VW) "Easy Build" Laser Cut Metals with Machined Angle Components and Pre-Assembled Main Wing Spars. Some work in progress. Complete Kit cost was over \$19,000, Asking \$18,000. Located at Air Troy Estates (East Troy). Carroll Rands 262-994-9009 or <u>ccrands@yahoo.com</u>
- 3. 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
- 4. 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 <u>fredkeip@aol.com</u>

## WANTED TO BUY, RENT or BORROW

- 1. Laurie Probst is looking for some un-airworthy wing ribs for student demos. If you have anything laying around please let her know. kosalof@aol.com
- 2. Nick Heffron is looking for a aerobatic parachute (like a Softie or a Strong) second-hand. Contact Nick at <u>nheffronneuhold@gmail.com</u>



## CHAPTER MINUTES-SECRETARY JIM HATZENBELLER Treasurer Report- Treasurer Ken Klima

#### Chapter 18 Minutes from the September "2013" Meeting

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

Announcements: Guests were asked to introduce themselves and 2 people did so.

Eggs are again for sale courtesy of Dave Hoefgren. Price is \$3 a dozen with the proceeds going into the Chapter treasury. The October dinner meeting will be held at Clifford's in Hales Corners again this year on Oct. 22nd. Cost is \$24 per person payable in advance to Stephanie no later then mid-October. It was reported that one name has been suggested for the Memorial plaque and no names for first flight plaques. If you have a door prize to donate for the dinner party, please get it to Joe Ptaszek before the dinner meeting or wrap it yourself and bring it to the dinner.

It was reported that nominations are now being accepted for Chapter President and Treasurer. Both incumbents have decided that they will not run for another term. There will also be 3 board positions open for nominations with elections to be held at the November Chapter meeting. Sune Ericson has agreed to make the coffee again for another year.

Laurie Probst announced that starting in September, there will be monthly "coffee talk and hangar flying" sessions taking place at the FBO at Waukesha. These informal gatherings will take place on the last Saturday of the month and start at 8:00. All are welcome.

It was reported that Gran-Aire will be offering an IFR ground class.

Young Eagles: It was reported that 28 Young Eagles and several Eagles were flown on September 14th at Capitol Drive airport. Next event is scheduled for October 5th at Waukesha. Airport.

**Flying and Building Reports:** Dave Liekam was presented with a First Flight plaque for his RV-10 aircraft. First flight was taken in 2011 and he reports that he has flown all over the country. Sune Ericson reported on flying to Cassville with his wife Jean and doing flights following the Mississippi River in their GlaStar. He now has 250 hrs. on the plane. Jim Rodrian reported that he is waiting on getting his new medical certificate. Carroll Rands reported on doing phase one flying in his Sonex. He reported that he and his brother have also taken flights at Oshkosh in the B-29 "FiFi" and a P-51 Mustang this year. Jerry Roeder reports that with help from wife Judy, the left wing is nearly finished on their RV-9A. Chris Esselstyn reported that he and his wife flew their modified Cozy to Aspen, CO for a week of camping and hiking. The weather was bad for 3 days and they had weather related problems getting out and also on the flight home. Tim Meyer reported on flying in the Piper Cub up at Hartford airport.

Tech Counselors: No report

#### Flight Advisors: No Report.

New Business: After a show of hands was taken, it was determined that there is not enough interest for the Chapter to pursue calendar sales this year.

Minutes from the previous meeting were accepted as published. The treasurer's report was approved as published in the newsletter.

The September program was an update of Chris Esselstyne's glider project. The November program is tentatively scheduled to be a how-to class on the use of a bore scope.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:40pm. Respectfully submitted,

Jim Hatzenbeller (Secretary)

## Chapter 18 Apparel



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September-13	Checking Sa	avings	Total
Beginning Bal.9/1/13	\$1,301.78	\$1,706.92	\$3,008.70
Receipts			
Dues	\$55.00		
Eggs	\$18.00		
Badges	\$5.00		
Interest_		\$0.43	
Total Income	\$78.00	\$0.43	
Expenses			
Banquet deposit	-\$300.00		
Aug loan from Ken	-\$63.00		
Badges _	-\$31.18		
Total expenses	-\$394.18	\$0.00	
Ending Balance 8/31/13	\$985.60	\$1,707.35	\$2,692.95

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