



March 2019

# Hangar Talk



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## Meeting Friday, March 1, 2019

Board Meeting at 5:30pm – 1st Annual Chapter Chili Challenge at 6:30pm – Regular Meeting at 7:30pm  
Airport Terminal Meeting Room, Grand Haven Memorial Airpark (3GM) 16446 Comstock St, Grand Haven, MI 49417

## Built and Fly Your Own Personal Jet!

March's meeting is a redo of February's meeting which was canceled due to weather. We'll be watching the video, sent to us by member Dennis Stevens, on the personal jet you can build and fly yourself, the SubSonex. Also, something special - the 1st Annual Chapter Chili Challenge! Details on page 4.



### Prez Sez

Hello all, I am looking forward to seeing everyone after our month-long hiatus due to poor weather. I hope you were all able to keep warm?

I have attended two great webinars provided by EAA headquarters. The first one I attended was entitled leadership training for President/Vice President. I also attended the Flying Start, which is a fairly new initiative from EAA. This program helps chapters reach out to our communities and invite



passionate aviation enthusiast to learn more about the pathway of flight. I have a slide presentation that I would be more than happy to share with you if you are interested. I think this may be a great opportunity for Chapter 211 to be involved in.

Dale reports that over 76% of members responding to our survey last month indicated that increasing membership should be a goal. So, I would like hear to ideas from you about how/what we could do as a chapter to do to grow? I would also encourage you to invite someone to attend a meeting as a guest.

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## EAA Chapter 211 Meeting Minutes – 2019-01-04

Submitted by Paul Overbeek

### Attendance: 25

### Call to order and Pledge of Allegiance – 19:45

The January 4th Chapter 211 meeting was called to order by Vice President, Bill Verduin.

### Attendance and Visitors:

A total of 18 members were present, and one visitor, former member, Rocky Frees.

### Previous Meeting Minutes:

A motion was made, seconded and passed to accept the December 7, 2018 meeting minutes.

### Treasure's Report:

As of January 4, 2019 we have \$2968.37 in checking, \$35.00 in petty cash, and \$57.00 in the coffee fund. A motion was made, seconded, and passed to accept the January treasure's report.

### Technical Reports:

Jack discussed several accidents and the possible causes for them.

### Flight Reports:

None.

### Old Business:

The status of the the agreement with the airport regarding our clubhouse is still being discussed/negotiated.

### New Business:

Mark Lynn volunteered to run for President of Chapter 211. There were no other candidates or nominations, so he was unanimously approved by the members present to serve as President for the next two years.

Young Eagles: Warren proposed a Young Eagles display to be placed in the Grand Haven library. Motion was made and approved to support the display.

Airport Status: Earle discussed the upcoming airport study being proposed by the City of Grand Haven on land use. The city wants more industrial land and the airport is a prime piece of land for industrial development. Both the EAA and AOPA have been contacted. The airport has received monies from the FAA so it remains to be seen how that will affect the outcome of the decision of the city.

### Coffee Break:

20:30

### Program: Project Reports

Tom Marotta gave an update on problems and decisions regarding getting his engine inspected and rebuilt.

John Boer flew his first flight today in his repaired RV (reported by Dale DeWeese).

Bob Vink reported on his oil cooler damper that he made.

Gary Mushluk reported on replacing some of the glass in his Aero-Commander and working on the panel.

### Adjournment:

The meeting was adjourned at 21:30 Following adjournment, several members enjoyed pizza and conversation at Clover Bar.

## Prez Sez continued

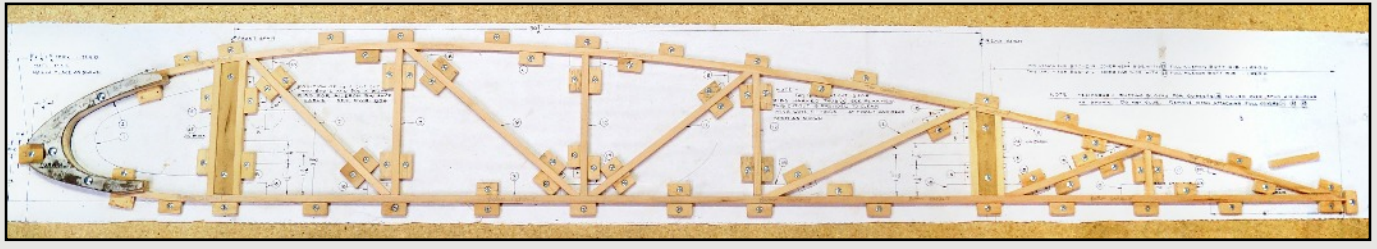
Last but not least, we would like to try offering a small meal prior to our meetings; this could include Chili, Burgers, Dogs and Brats. This is a great way for us to get to know each other better and grab a bite to eat if you are coming after work.

I am making small progress on my Ace Jr. build with fine-tuning the rib jig. (Picture below.)

Send pictures and reports of progress on your project(s) for publication in Hangar Talk to: [hagenphoto@yahoo.com](mailto:hagenphoto@yahoo.com)

Hope to see you at the meeting,

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## Chapter 211

### January Survey Results

by Dale Hagen

I want to thank the 26 members who participated in our first online survey. Your responses have provided insight into your interests and given the Board, and our new President, Mark Lynn, some direction in how, or where, to lead Chapter 211 in the future.

I know some of you are curious about the results of the survey, so I thought I'd share them here:

#### 1. How many years have you been a member of Chapter 211?

One year	7.69%	2
Two years	7.69%	2
3-5 years	7.69%	2
Over 5 years	76.92%	20

#### 2. Do you think that increasing membership should be a goal of our Chapter?

Yes	76.92%	20
No	3.85%	1
Maybe	19.23%	5

#### 3. How important to you is the subject matter at our monthly programs?

Not important	15.38%	4
Somewhat important	38.46%	10
Very important	34.62%	9
Everything	11.54%	3

#### 4. What program subject matter and topics you would like to see more of?

The most frequent answers involved the following: How-to (flying, instruments, radios, navigation), Technology, Building Techniques for Experimental Aircraft, Flying Adventure Trips & Camping, Build Reports, Trip Reports, and Project Visits.

#### 5. What do you like about Chapter 211?

Most respondents mentioned one or more of the following: Friends, Making New Friends, Comradery, Knowledgeable Members Willing to Help and/or Share. Also mentioned by a couple of respondents was the fact that 211 has a reputation as being a builders chapter. One comment was, "Great people, nice history, but lets not live in only in the past, the future is so much more interesting." One apparently not-so-content member answered, "Not much right now." But, another another said, "The programs have been much better the last year or two."

#### 6. If there is something you would change about Chapter 211, what would it be?

This question yielded lots of interesting suggestions...here are some: "Focus on how to build and fly, not on business and social." "Don't change a thing." "Get more members involved in Chapter events and projects." "Be more inviting to new members." "Take credit card payments for dues and donations." "Have some 'fly-outs' for

breakfast or lunch, or a camping trip to Fox Island." "We used to bring in guests. I miss that." (WHAT?)

#### 7. Would you be in favor of having social "cookouts" before most of our meetings, in order to raise money (via a suggested donation)?

Yes	38.46%	10
No	11.54%	3
Maybe	50.00%	13

#### 8. Would you like to see Chapter 211 take on a "project" of some kind in the future?

Yes	30.77%	8
No	7.69%	2
Maybe	61.54%	16

#### 9. What kind of project(s) would you favor?

Airplane Build	68.75%	11
Flight Simulator		
(Build from scratch)	18.75%	3
Certified Flight Sim		
(Fund & Purchase)	12.50%	2

Other: The multiple choice feature only allowed for one answer to be checked so about five additional votes to build or buy a flight simulator were registered under "Other." Some other suggestions were, "Youth oriented flying project, not just giving rides." "Build an airplane but include youth - meet on Saturdays." "Build a plane, engine, wing, something!"

If you participated in this survey, thanks again! Watch for more surveys to come!



# The Great First-Annual “Chapter Chili Challenge”



Do you make a mean (or nice, mild) Chili? March is a perfect month to try something new and fun... to liven up a long, dreary, cold winter! And, if this goes off well, I can even see this maybe, someday, becoming a multi-chapter event! We are calling it "The Great, 1st Annual, Chapter Chili Challenge."

Here's how it works: Any member who wants to participate by making their favorite Chili is welcome to do so. Just make up a medium or large crock pot of your Chili and bring it to the February meeting to share. Even if you don't bring Chili, you will be welcome to partake of (and judge?) the Chili that is there. We already have at least four members bringing Chili, and we are hoping at least a couple more of you will as well. (Does anyone make a great, White Chicken Chili?)

To make this work best, we will be meeting in the Tom Manderscheid Meeting Room in the Grand Haven Memorial Airport Terminal Building. Our regular

meeting will take place there as well, at the regular time of 7:30, but to participate in The Great, 1st Annual, Chapter Chili Challenge, please come at 6:30pm. And if you're bringing Chili, please come by 6:00pm to get it set up and make sure it's warm.

Chapter 211 will be accepting monetary donations at this event, as we will also be providing beverages, veggie tray, crackers and bread, so this may just suffice as your dinner for the evening.

If you would be willing to make Chili for this event, **please call, or text, Dale Hagen at 616-260-4990** to let him know. Then remember to come **no later than 6:00pm** so we can get the "Chili Bar" all set up. Please heat up your Chili at home so that it will come up to serving temperature quickly at the event.

*Hope to see you there!*