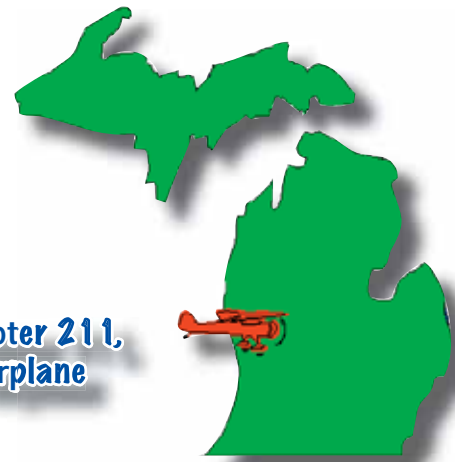


May 2009

Hangar Talk

News from Experimental Aircraft Association Chapter 211,
serving airplane builders, restorers, pilots, and airplane
lovers in western Michigan



EAA Chapter 211

MEETING FRIDAY MAY 1ST PRIVATE STRIPS

The EAA Chapter 211 meeting will be Friday, May 1st at the clubhouse at the Grand Haven Municipal Airport. The program for May meeting is "Private Strips" presented by Stephen J. Zelle from Wixom, Mi.

Roster

You should have received the 2009 Roster, either with your printed newsletter or as a separate email attachment.

From the Library:

Progress is being made however we still need the following Sport Aviation issues:

2007: February, April and June
2008 and 2009 - all months.

Thanks
Vic Matthews

Oshkosh Flight Planning

There will be a presentation by the Grand Rapids FSDO on flight planning for EAA AirVenture Oshkosh on Wednesday, May 20, 6:30 pm at Park Township. There is more about this event on page 6.

GH Airport Anniversary & Dawn Patrol Breakfast June 21, 2009

Everything is going to plan and there are no issues with liability or EAA Headquarters concerning our involvement. We're Covered! I would like to pass a sheet around at our May meeting to see how many in our Chapter would like to help out with aircraft parking or other tasks we can assist with. The event starts at 7 AM, so volunteers should plan to be at the airport by 6:45 AM. Please consider being a volunteer for this great event.

Ben Ennenga

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Prez Sez

This month had more activity than last, probably spring is finally in the air!

I received a call from Oshkosh and the chairman of the antique aircraft group said that he was looking forward to seeing the M-5 flying boat. He had seen the write-up in the magazine and didn't know how to reach the builder.

The plane will not be allowed to fly unless the time is flown off and they can't change the practice area rules.

We will display at the fly-in, probably near the theater in the woods. we are gathering the costs of the transportation and other items for presentation at the May meeting

Chapter 211 was well represented at the chapter 704 meeting at the Sparta airport 13 Apr. The main attraction was the running 1909 Gnome Omega rotary engine.

Yes, I said "running----they wore out at least three starters (it had ton be hand propped--with much more rotation than a normal engine) but the first came back after a rest and it STARTED! You have never witnessed a happier event! Or Tom Kozura, the man responsible for the restoration. bobk

Bob Kenrick

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Editors Notebook

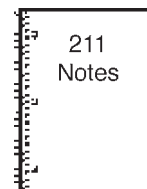
Right now I envy all of you who are at Sun 'n Fun while I am here working.

The roster is out with this issue of the news.
Thanks to everyone for updating their info.

I have not done anything airplane related this month, my focus has been on work. I wish I could have seen the rotary engine running at Sparta but I was traveling at the time. Perhaps we will hear about the next time it will be running.

It looks like summer activities are beginning. Ben is coordinating the Chapter helping out at the breakfast. I'm sure many of you with planes have been taking advantage of the good weather to get some flying in.

George



Photos from the Past - 2003



EAA Chapter 211 April Meeting Minutes

The April, 2009 general membership meeting was called to order by President, Bob Kenrick at 7:30PM with the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.

The March 2009 meeting minutes reviewed, discussed and approved (no changes) with a motion by Tom Brownlee and seconded by John Gill.

Walt Clawson read the Treasurers



report because Secretary/Treasurer, Cliff Cole could not be in attendance. Beginning balance for the month was \$4030.58, with income of \$88.00 from dues and \$18.15 from coffee for a total of \$4136.73.

Expenses during the month were for the newsletter and amounted to \$28.56 resulting in a net Chapter 211 checkbook balance of \$4108.17. No other financial activity occurred.

A motion for approval of the report was made and seconded with no further discussion.

Old business discussed centered around the coming dawn patrol at Grand Haven on June 21, 2009. Ben Ennenga was not present to give an update on the



Lions Club progress of event planning. It was re-emphasized by our chapter President that we are NOT a co-sponsor of the event and will be assisting in the parking of aircraft. Walt Clawson offered to borrow orange vests and brightly colored hand paddles for use by members directing and parking visiting aircraft. The vests and paddles belong to the Hastings Flying Association, Hastings, MI and are used in their dawn patrol every year.

Thanks to Bill Scheltema for mounting Clyde's wooden prop in the clubhouse! Also, there was some discussion about mounting the Waco wooden rib in the clubhouse, but nothing was decided.

New business discussion was



mostly about getting Jason Petroelje's Macchi-M5 flying boat to and from Oshkosh this coming July. After much

discussion of pros and cons it was decided by the members present that a ground display of the airplane in the antique area would be the only feasible way to do it. Flying the aircraft posed too many major obstacles, such as, liability insurance, FAA operational waiver, pilot, several others.

A motion was made by Lin



Light and seconded by Al Smith that the Chapter fund the cost of the operation to get Jason's plane to Oshkosh and back. There were no votes in opposition and the motion passed. It was discussed by members present that the money that the Chapter possesses should be used for special projects and not just be



kept in the bank just for the sake of having it. Perhaps, we should discuss setting a maximum limit of some kind, I think it would be good business.

It was, also felt that using the SS Badger car ferry to cross the Lake on the way to Oshkosh

Mystery Aircraft



A 2003 Mystery



How many of you saw Paul Overbeeks Long-EZ in last months photo?

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and back would be much easier on the aircraft/trailer/driver than going around Chicago and up to OSH.

More loose ends need to be tied, such as trailers (covered or open), one trailer or two, trucks to pull them with (who?). Packing and securing the plane is a big one. We can't wait until a week before OSH to nail all of this down.

Jack Brewer reported that Lee Pitcher passed away recently. Jack also related some information on gasoline fired cabin heaters used in airplanes. I am not aware of any of these used in the real small planes that most of us fly.

Bill Scheltema related an interface problem he had with Tru-Trak/King GPS the situation has been resolved, but is a FYI for those members that use the Tru-Trak autopilot in their planes.

Other brief reports: Phil Michmerhuizen on the Flying Dutchman being built down South (South Carolina?)

Jake DeHaan has his RV-9A flying with a new gearbox on the front of his Subaru engine.

Gary Kremer gave us some information on the progress of using 94-octane un-leaded gasoline as a substitute for 100LL when it dries up in the near future.

After the coffee/cookie break Dave Anderson showed us a slide presentation about aircraft hardware.

It was a fill in for a guest speaker that cancelled at the last minute. Thanks to Dennis Stephen for providing us with that info. The meeting adjourned at 9:30.

Respectfully submitted Walt Clawson
(Board Member)



EAA Chapter 211 Calendar

May 1 Meeting
June 5 Meeting
June 21 Grand Haven Dawn Patrol
July 3 or 10 Meeting

Grand Rapids FSDO presents:

Select #: GL0923845
Representative KARY ANN LUCAS

EAA AirVenture OshKosh - Cross Country Flight Planning

Wednesday, May 20, 2009 at 6:30 pm



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This presentation is to discuss IFR / VFR flight planning and procedures from Michigan to Oshkosh WI - EAA Airventure. The presenter brings 16 years of experience flying either IFR or VFR into the event.

Directions: 1269 Ottawa Beach Rd. Holland, MI 49424

Signs will be posted at the airport for the building / hangar location for the presentation. Also, check Mapquest.com or Google.com - maps for specific directions from your location to Park Township.

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