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Hangar Talk

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



Meeting Friday, January 4, 2013 Project Reports

The EAA Chapter 211 meeting will be Friday, January 4th, 7:30 pm, at the clubhouse at the Grand Haven Municipal Airport. The program will be Project Reports. Be ready to talk about your project.

Dues

Dues for 2013 will be collected at the meeting, \$25 or \$22 with email delivery of the newsletter.

The treasurer will have an envelope with the 2012 roster information for each member. Put your dues in your envelope and check that the roster information is correct. This way we will be able to keep track of who has paid dues and your editor will not have to add a sheet with the news for roster updates.

Christmas Party

The EAA Chapter 211 Christmas Party was held December 15, 2012 at John Gill's hangar at the Sparta Airport. The weather was good which made for large attendance. There was food, fun and conversation for all. There are photos on page 3

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American Eaglet Project

The restoration of the American Eaglet continues. Your editor again worked on the project this month. The Saturday work session included wing ribs, more covering on the tail surfaces, and painting fittings. There are photos of the project on page 5.

Plan on spending some time in Gary's warm shop working on the project. There is still one wing to rebuild and a lot of covering. Contact Gary for more information or to let him know what days you are available. Work sessions are on Thursday evenings and Saturday mornings. The work schedule for the next month is:

Thursday, January 3 Saturday, January 5 Thursday, January 10 Thursday, January 24 Thursday, January 31

Gary would like to host a Project Visit in February. The tentative date is February 9

Tour of Waco/Great Lakes in Battle Creek

The Michigan chapter of the Antique Airplane Assn. has scheduled a tour of the Waco/Great Lakes factory on the Battle Creek Airport on January 12. Chapter 211 members are welcome to join the AAA for the tour. The tour starts at 10 am, please be there by 9:50. After the tour there will be a short AAA business meeting then lunch at Clara's. Gary VanFarowe needs a count of members planning to attend by December 31. Contact Gary at (616) 875-8670 or mirearwinworks@vahoo.com.

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Chapter 211 meeting is the first Friday of the month, 7:30pm at the Grand Haven Airport. Check the calendar on the last page or the web site for any changes.

Prez Sez

New Year Greetings, everyone!

I want to start off this year by expressing my appreciation to President, Paul Overbeek, Vice-President, Dave Thomas, and Secretary/Treasurer, Craig Christilaw, for the great job they in 2012.

I'm looking forward to an exciting year working with Vice President, Chet Uncapher, and Secretary/Treasurer, Karl Kotecki, and Board members, Ed Cech, Doug Formsma and Ben Gerhardt.



I think I speak for the whole membership when I say a huge thank you to George Wolter for all his years of faithful service to our chapter, publishing our monthly newsletter and sending out other important communications to our members. With George's help, I will be taking over the newsletter editor duties. George has set the bar high, but I will try to live up to the standards you all are used to.

We have a lot of exciting things that will be happening this year, including the completion on the Eaglet project, a Young Eagles event, and this might be the year we get a new clubhouse! As always, we will be trying to put on a variety of programs of interest, and to that end we would like your input. Perhaps you yourself have had experiences or knowledge that all the members would benefit from, or know someone we don't. Please see Chet about program ideas.

Looking forward to seeing you all at the meeting.

Dale Hagen

President - EAA Chapter 211

Editors Notebook

Happy New Year

I hope everyone has had a relaxing holiday and is ready to talk about projects at the next meeting. It is always interesting hearing what everyone is working on.

We had a great turnout at the Christmas party. I do not know if anyone counted but it looks like the biggest turnout yet. Thanks to all who helped set it up.

We have a busy month coming up. There are six work days on the Eaglet. Gary has invited us to the AAA tour at Waco in Battle Creek and Chapter 145 has invited us to hear Mac McClellan.

I have no active airplane project but I am setting up my shop and getting ready to do some engine work on the motorcycle.

George

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Minutes for the EAA Chapter 211 meeting of December 7, 2012.

The balance of the treasury is currently \$3402.38. Visitors to the meeting were Jack Frost, Sebastian Fester, Robert Chubb, and Paul Chubb. Ken Dannenberg told the club members that the FAA and NTSB are very concerned about the number of accidents and fatalities of EAA members. Gary Van Farowe discussed the importance of logbook entries when doing maintenance and modifying our airplanes. Paul Overbeek discussed the EAA Chapter 145 in Grand Rapids inviting us to their January 12, 2013 meeting. Paul also discussed the club Christmas Party on Saturday, December 15, 2012 to be held at John Gill's hanger in Sparta. Also discussed was the Waco/Great Lakes factory tour on Saturday, January 12, 2013. Karl Kotecki then presented a classic movie of news clips from World War II. Gary Kremers then presented a program on the Carbon Cub.

Submitted by Secretary/Treasurer Craig Christilaw Craig Christilaw







Mac McClellan at Chapter 145 meeting

Join Mac McClellan, EAA VP, for a fun, informative discussion. He'll be talking about the leading aviation issues of our time and what EAA is doing to grow participation in aviation.

Admission is free. Friends & family welcome!

When: Saturday, January 12, 2013

09:00- Socializing w/ coffee

10:00- Meeting begins

Where: Riverview Airport (08C), Main hangar building, 805 Taylor St., Jenison, MI 49428

Here's the link to Mac's meeting:

http://www.riverviewairport.com/Riverviewairport1.com/HOME.html

Mystery Aircraft



An Eaglet Mystery Part



This mystery is a Champ

More of The Eaglet Project







Eaglet Progress







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