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EAA Chapter 211

MEETING FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 11TH

BRING YOUR OSHKOSH STORIES AND PHOTOS

The EAA Chapter 211 meeting will be Friday, September 11th at the clubhouse at the Grand Haven Municipal Airport. This is one week later than usual, to avoid the Labor Day holiday weekend. The program will be sharing stories and photos from Oshkosh.

Chapter 211 Awards Picnic

The Chapter 211 Awards Picnic was held on Saturday, August 22nd at the Grand Haven Airport. Bob Vermeulen and Walt Clawson received builders awards for the MiniMax and RV-6. Last years officers; Paul Overbeek, Paul Dannenberg, and Al Smith, were recognized. There was lots of good food and good conversation. And... Phil Michmerhuizen provided some entertainment by letting us see and hear his Szekely engine run. Thanks to all who helped make the day a success.

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If anyone is interesting in video of the Szekely running check out
<<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IyQnaAz8Sc8>>

New Pilot!!

Chapter 211 Secretary-treasurer Cliff Cole passed his checkride last month and is now a Sport Pilot! Congratulations Cliff!

The Macchi Made It to Oshkosh

With a little help from Chapter members for loading and unloading the Macchi made it to Oshkosh. The plane had a prime location in the Antique/Classic area and was featured on the front page of the Oshkosh newspaper on Thursday.

Congratulations, Jason.

From the Library

The following copies of **Sport Aviation** are needed:

2007: February, April and June

2008: March and December

Thanks for your support and contributions!

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Prez Sez

This was the first time that I was able to spend over 2 days at Oshkosh. The show was very good and well attended.

There were several new developments--some were very interesting--would you believe a jet Sonex?--How about an electric powered parachute--22+ Cessna 195s--a sea of RVs--The 12 is a little tricky to get into at my stiff age--!@#\$\$--The Sonix is easier as is the Zenair. I guess I have decided to follow our latest pilot, Cliff Cole, and look at the Light Sport types. I just am not in a hurry anymore.

The big stuff was there in spades-----A380--new C5--And a chopper big enough to carry a house. It was equipped to pick up water and fight fires--looks effective.

Scott was there and was shown on the web site overview.

Jason had a big hit on his hands--after he was on the front page of the EAA paper Thurs.

Sorry not to be at the picnic (I bet the bride & groom wouldn't have missed me) but family needs happen.

I look forward to getting back to whatever passes for normal after the labor day break. See you all 11 Sept. I'll have way too many Oshkosh pictures and you can pull the plug when you feel like it. bobk

Bob Kenrick

President - EAA 211

Editors Notebook

I had a busy couple of months since the last meeting. I missed Oshkosh due to work travel but I did get a photo of Oshkosh from about 26,000 ft. above Appleton. The picnic was fun in spite of the threatening weather. It was good to see some planes brave the weather, thanks to Bill, Paul, and Dale. We had lots of help with tables, lots of food, and lots of good conversation.

George



EditorsView of Oshkosh



Chapter 211 Awards Picnic



Bob Vermeulen



Builders Awards

Walt Clawson



EAA Chapter 211 July Meeting Minutes

Chapter 211 Minutes of July 10, 2009

The meeting was brought to order by vice president Dave Anderson at 7:35pm with the Pledge of Allegiance. Thirty-five members and a guest, Daniel Raywood were present. The June minutes were reviewed. Scott DeGaynor moved to accept, was seconded and passed.

The treasurers report was given, was moved to accept by Bob Vermeulen, seconded and passed.

Tech Counselor Jack Brewer reported on overheated cylinders. He said to be aware that when your gauge reads 180, that it's often 212 degrees in the engine. Also, you need the 212 to disperse moisture during a run-up after sitting. He advocates using the best Aviation Oil from his experience with racing engines. Even his lawnmower



likes it. He also discussed oil pressure readings. Keep in mind what's happening in your situation right now. One key question is, is it holding steady or falling? Always watch it.

Bill Scheltema presented 6 photos of his problem where the spinner plate at the back of the prop began rubbing the cowl at the top on his last flight. He

bought a new spinner. This time he sliced it from one blade to the other prop blade hole. He



put the back on first, the prop in place, then put the front on last. The first spinner required filler which he believes caused the problem and made for a heavier prop with more screws that he was proud of finding a way for them not to show. Although the heads show this time, the installation is much lighter.

Walter Clawson led a discussion about the details of getting Jason's Macchi Flying boat to Oshkosh 09. Topics discussed were; transportation, parking, camping, site management of the Macchi, disassembly, loading, unloading, assembly and costs. One suggestion was, should they find themselves short-handed at Oshkosh, to ask for help from either the EAA Volunteers or the Civil Air Patrol. Walter made a motion, seconded by Scott DeGaynor and passed by the membership, "that the Chapter support sending Jason's Macchi Flying boat over there (to Oshkosh) because Jason is a Charter Member, one of few

Charter members remaining, and we are recognizing his contributions to the Chapter and recognize his excellent craftsmanship. Also the Chapter will spend up to \$500 for fuel for the truck to haul the aircraft over and back to Oshkosh."

Victor Matthews showed an Alcohol Tester, \$15, from EAA with screwdriver for those cowl screws, to determine within minutes whether the fuel you plan to purchase has alcohol in it and if so, what percentage by a simple Load, Shake and Read technique on the tube.



It was noted that a station in Ferrysburg and one in Sparta sells straight gasoline yet.

Break

The Feature event for the Program was the Video "Flying To Oshkosh" from the Wide World of ABC Flying: Vol 1#2 circa 1987 - A Review of Flight Procedures when lining up at Ripon, Wisconsin so as to get in the pattern to land at Oshkosh.

Standing in for C Cole, Past Secretary/ Treasurer, Alfred A. Smith

Mystery Aircraft



An Oshkosh Mystery



Last month's Mystery was Paul Overbeeks Long-EZ



Macchi at Oshkosh

EAA Chapter 211 Calendar

September 11	Meeting
October 2.....	Meeting
November 6	Meeting
December 4.....	Meeting
December ?	Christmas Party



Phil starts the Szekely