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Hangar Talk

News from Experimental Aircraft Association Chapter 211,
serving airplane builders, restorers, pilots, and airplane
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MEETING FRIDAY JULY 9TH, 2010

TRI-MOTOR

The EAA Chapter 211 meeting will be Friday, July 9th at the clubhouse at the Grand Haven Municipal Airport. This is a week later than usual due to the July 4th holiday weekend. The program is an update on the Tri-Motor visit and what procedures need to be followed for volunteers working with the Tri-Motor

EAA Ford Tri-Motor

The Tri-Motor visit is in a few weeks! The plane will be at MKG July 15-19. Tom Marotta has a list of volunteers. We need people helping at MKG with loading and unloading, signing up riders and taking the money, talking to the people about planes and EAA. Tom also has arranged for a table at Bike Time so we will need people to man the table and tell the bike crowd about the Tri-Motor.



EAA Chapter 211 Picnic

The EAA Chapter 211 awards Picnic will be Saturday, August 21st at the Grand Haven Airport. The Chapter will provide hot dogs, brats and tables, chairs, and shade. Bring a dish to share, your airplane, and your appetite. Come early to help set up and watch planes arrive. Lunch will be at 1pm. Awards will be presented after lunch. See you there

Oshkosh Connection

We will be passing out a sheet at the meeting for Chapter members to sign up travel dates and contact phone numbers for Oshkosh. This will let people find each other at OSH.

No August Meeting, September meeting will be September 10

There will be no August meeting and no newsletter in August. The September

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Prez Sez

As we are getting close to the Tri-motor event it sure has me wondering how many passengers will we get? I had been working on sponsors without a lot of great success. Then at the last minute my friend Tim put me in touch with his friend John and WOW! Things started to happen a sponsor, courtesy car for the pilots, a table down in the middle of Bike Time to promote the event. Marty the airport manager has also been helping us out with promotions.

Executive air and transport is providing the hanger and ramp use outside there facilities. You should have received Posters for the event please get them out. If everybody gets there 5 out along with the ones I have distributed there will be about 450 posters displayed. See you at the meeting July 9th 7:30 PM

Tom Marotta

President - EAA 211



Editors Notebook

Summertime

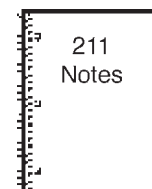
It is getting busy. Tom is working on the Tri-Motor visit planning. Be sure to volunteer some time helping out if you can. I was in Muskegon last week and saw the Tri-Motor visit listed on the lighted sign at Heritage Landing so all the Summer Celebration crowd will learn about it.

Next is Oshkosh. I am sure many of you will make the annual trek to Wisconsin. Your editor will likely miss it again this year due to work travel.

I get a break from the newsletter in August, no meeting and no newsletter. Remember the Picnic comes up late August. This is always a fun time.

Finally, with all these activities I am sure that some of you will be taking photos. Be sure to send a few of them to your editor so I can use them in the newsletter.

George



Visit to Tom Marotta's Shop



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MUSKEGON, MI (MKG)

AS OF:
MUSKEGON COUNTY AIRPORT

TOUR DATES:
JULY 15 - 18, 2010

Additional tour dates and information at: www.flytheford.org

EAA Chapter 211 May 7 Meeting Minutes

The meeting was called to order by President Tom M. with the pledge of allegiance. We welcomed 4 visitors. There were 32 members in attendance. The minutes of the last meeting were approved and the treasure's report given and approved.

Flight advisor, Ken D, reported there were a total of 235 accidents with 21 being fatal and a total of 186 fatalities. The reason the fatalities were so high had to do with an Indian plan being listed. It was unknown why it was listed in the U.S. totals. Of the reported accidents, 36 were experimental with 5 fatal and 6 fatalities. Of these, it was noted that a Long-EZ landed short, an RV4 on take off, an RV6 on landing and a Rans 65 landed on a road and all was well till a stop sign jumped out and attacked it.



Technical advisor, Jack B reported that things were very calm and no real things to report.

President, Tom M expressed a very big thank you to all that came to his project visit. It was mentioned that the Wings of Mercy would be attending the pancake breakfast at Muskegon airport. Tom said that not much progress has been made trying to

get sponsors for the Tri-Motor event. He made numerous calls and visits to possible sponsors but nothing yet. The hotel rooms are booked for the pilots and support personnel. The local AM radio station will be mentioning the event especially during the time the Ford is here. Tom had a meeting with the pilot, Cody and they went over



what was needed from us and what to expect. He also had a meeting with the manager of the airport and was assured of help and co-operation to make the event go smooth. We are waiting on posters as we would like to be able to list those that sponsor the event.

The Dayton trip is progressing according to plan.

A reminder that chapter 145 was sponsoring a film at Cinamax North on Saturday, June 12. The 9:30 am showing will be free to all EAA members.

Scott talked about donating to the mission aviation school, SMAT that is at the Ionia airport. He mentioned that it was good to see the work being done on Spezio and that the original Speed Dreaming and Sid's plane were there now as well as a motor they will be able to use on one of the planes. Scott noted that it is good to be

able to help others get training that can be used on the mission field. Also mentioned, was the fact that a Two to One match to giving has been made by DeVos, so this is a good way to help the school.

Ben E introduced the new manager of the Grand Haven airport, Tony Smit. Tony talked about some plans and things he would like to see done and changed at the airport.

John P said the article about Jason's plane was written 33 months ago and he did not think they were going to use it because of the amount of time.

Lin L brought a pipe that will be the balance on the stabilator of the MFI9 he is building. He explained how he loaded it with



lead and what problems that he encountered. The biggest problem was avoided when he realized the decimal was one place to the left making the mass 4.5 kilograms not 45 kilograms.

A brief video of the Air Races was shown so we could see a Tri-Motor doing a spin.

Chet U and Gary K showed picture of the Canada Air Tour with commentary about the trip and the various places.

Mystery Aircraft



This month's Mystery Plane was a guest at Grand Haven



Last month's Mystery was the Lycoming O-360 Prez Paul Marotta has for his Velocity

September Meeting

meeting will be one week later than usual due to the Labor Day holiday weekend.

Air Force Museum Trip Update

Walt reports that there are currently 18 paid seats on the bus. The bus holds 55 people so those of you who were not sure about going need to get your money to Walt! We have invited the Grand Haven and Sparta chapters to participate to help fill the bus. Contact Walt at the meeting. More information is on page 5

Air Force Museum Trip

Summary of EAA Chapter 211 Bus Trip To Air Force Museum

Cost per seat for bus transportation--\$46.00 .

Cost for overnight at Hampton Inn , Sidney, OH--\$94.00 per night for double occupancy(\$47.00 each for the night)

A limited number of single rooms are available for those that don't want to room with someone. (\$94.00)

Two adults maximum per room and two children/grandchildren under 17 years old per room

Departure date of Friday September 24, 2010 at approx. 6:00PM at the MDOT park-n-ride lot at Exit 16, I-96 Coopersville exit.

Spend all day at the museum (good cafeteria at museum)

Return home Saturday at Museum closing time of 5:00PM and get back to cars at about 10:30PM

The bus is a 55 passenger charter bus and you are permitted to carry on your own food and beverages, if desired. All family/friends are welcome

Payments to: EAA Chapter 211--will be received starting at the May chapter meeting. (include names of all staying in the room)

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Note: All payments due in full by July 15, 2010

EAA Chapter 211 Calendar

July 9	Meeting
July 15-19	Tri-Motor at MKG
July 26-August 1	Oshkosh
August 21	Picnic
September 10	Meeting
September 24-25	Trip to Air Force Museum
October 1	Meeting
November 5	Meeting
December 3	Meeting

Michigan Air Tour 2010

"Bridges and Lighthouses"

October 1-3, 2010

Friday, Oct. 1

Port Huron at St. Clair County (PHN)

Holland, Tulip City (BIV) Lunch

Traverse City (TVC) Overnight

* Tour of Coast Guard Air Station

* Fantastic dinner gala and line dancing



Saturday, Oct. 2

Traverse City (TVC)

* Breakfast buffet and safety briefing

Cheybogan (SLH) Lunch

Sault Ste Marie (ANJ) Overnight

* Tour the town and see the sites

Sunday, Oct. 3

Sault Ste Marie (ANJ)

* Breakfast buffet and safety briefing

Bay City (3CM)

Grosse Ile (ONZ)

* Lunch

* Lighthouse tour

Cost is \$120 per person

- Includes Friday, Saturday, Sunday Lunches
- Friday night Penthouse Banquet and Dance
- Grosse Ile Light House Tour
- Saturday & Sunday Breakfasts
- MAA Membership of \$10
- and many other MAA perks

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