



June 2015

# Hangar Talk



Serving airplane builders, restorers, pilots, & airplane lovers in Western Michigan

**Meeting Friday, June 5, 2015, 7:30pm**

EAA Clubhouse, Grand Haven Memorial Airpark (3GM) 16446 Comstock St, Grand Haven, MI 49417

## FlyQ by Seattle Avionics

Our June meeting will feature our first "Live Webinar" presented by the guys from Seattle Avionics. They will be talking with us and answering our questions about their great apps, such as Fly Q EFB, the #1 rated aviation iPad EFB app on the market, and Free Flight, for the iPad in the cockpit. Those who attend will be offered a discounted subscription at the end of the demo.

Seattle Avionics products include:



The #1 rated aviation iPad EFB app - simple, full-featured, easy to read.

iPad



The simple, fast, and efficient way to look-up airport info, weather, or create a flight plan.

iPhone and Android



The consistently top-rated, award-winning, and powerful application for PC and Tablet PC users.

Windows



The affordable, fast, and easy way to get plates and charts on your phone or tablet.

iPhone and iPad

## Prez Sez

June already!

I hope you had a chance to attend the chapter 578 fly in at Fremont! I attended with my two children. Shelby took a helicopter ride. We all thought they did a great job organizing the event.

I would like to thank Gary Kremers for inviting the chapter to his upcoming



expenses? Then check and respond with your post on our website for ride share info to Air Venture. (Just click the link.)

picnic on Saturday, July 11th.

Going to Oshkosh? Want some company or help with

<http://www.211.eaachapter.org/apps/forums/topics/show/13188984-oshkosh-air-venture-2015>

See you at the meeting!

Tom Marotta  
EAA Chapter 211 President

***A map says to you, "Read me carefully, follow me closely, doubt me not." It says, "I am the earth in the palm of your hand. Without me, you are lost and alone."***

***— Beryl Markham, West of the Night (1942)***

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## EAA Chapter 211 Meeting Minutes – 2015-05-01

Submitted by Earle Bares

### Attendance: 26

### Call to order and Pledge of Allegiance – 19:35

The May 1st meeting was called to order by President Tom Marotta. Twenty-six members and guests were in attendance at the meeting. We welcomed guest speakers Todd Stehower and Greg Toman of GRT Avionics, and their better-halves.

To accommodate our guest speakers, we began our meeting with the Program.

### Program: *The Latest From Grand Rapids Technologies*

GRT Avionics provides electronic flight instrumentation for experimental and light-sport aircraft. Todd Stehower and Greg Toman presented information and insight on their many innovative, industry-leading products. Both Todd and Greg are pilots, so their products are very much oriented to the pilot. GRT has excellent low cost solutions for the E-AB market, from their robust and inexpensive EIS Engine Monitors to their Glass Panel EFIS in 6.5," 8.4," 10.4," to 12," and the new Mini 4.3" EFIS that works perfectly as an minimum cost primary EFIS (or as a backup). They also talked about their angle-of-attack sensing that is now available for all current models of the GRT EFIS, and as an upgrade to other versions. The Flight Director was another innovative feature they talked about. We thanked Todd and Greg for their excellent, informative, and entertaining presentation.

### Coffee Break:

### Previous Meeting Minutes:

A motion was made and seconded to approve the April 3, 2015 meeting minutes. The motion was unanimously passed.

### Treasure's Report:

Last month we had Receipts of \$77.00 and no Expenses, which gives a Chapter 211 May meeting fund total balance of \$4298.14. The checkbook balance from the last meeting was \$3,945.14. Petty cash balance at last meeting was \$71.00. We had no expenses this last month. We had receipts of \$11.00 Coffee Fund and \$66.00 dues (for a total of \$77.00 Receipts). This gives us a checkbook ending balance of \$4216.14 and a petty cash ending balance of \$82.00. A motion was made and seconded to accept the treasure's report. It was unanimously passed.

**Chapter Dues** – Forty-seven members have paid thus far. This compares to fifty-eight paid members last year and sixty-four paid members the year before last. Don't forget we also need your EAA membership number. In addition, please note any corrections or new information you want added to our "data-base".

### Technical Reports:

Jack Brewer talked a little bit about the gyrocopter crash that happen near here today. A 68-year-old pilot took off from Jenison's Riverview Airport around 11:30 a.m. this morning (Friday). About an hour later, his single-seat Benson Gyrocopter crashed near East Sherman and Wunsch roads, just east of Muskegon. It appears that he got a little too low, hit some power lines and ended up here on the road. The pilot was critically injured in crash. The remains of the copter were barely recognizable.

Gary Van Farowe was not at meeting, hence no report from Gary.

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## Young Eagles:

Considerable discussion took place regarding the recently vacated position of Young Eagles Coordinator. New member Kevin Golsch stepped forward to volunteer as the new YE Coordinator, and was unanimously approved by membership. However, primarily for safety reasons, Kevin did not feel comfortable holding a YE event during the August 29th Dawn Patrol. Kevin will attend the next GHAA meeting to help decide what both Chapter 211 and the GHAA should do (the Chapter Board will also discuss).

It was also noted that we have earned and received 94 credits from the EAA Young Eagles Program. These credits may be used during 2015 to support our local Young Eagles, youth outreach, or an EAA Air Academy scholarship. The value of these credits is \$470.00. A set of rules apply for use of these funds or we may choose to turn the credits back to EAA.

## Gone West:

Jason Petroelje, who was one of the original sixteen Charter 211 members, died Sunday, April 25, 2015, at Resthaven Care Center. He was a lifelong airplane enthusiast. He was very active in our Chapter and he built and flew several aircraft. A motion was made, seconded, and passed to send \$100.00 gift to Resthaven Care Center in memory of Jason.

George Wright of Greenville, Michigan passed away on Monday, April 27, 2015. He also belonged to the EAA and was well known by many of our members.

There will be a memorial for Ken Fryling on Sunday, May 17, 2015, Noon to 3 p.m. at the Riverview Airport (08C).

## Important Meeting Dates and Locations:

The Chapter picnic will take place on August 15 here at 3GM - Fremont Chapter 578 has been invited.

## Meeting adjourned at 20:52

## Gary Kremers Summer BBQ

**Gary Kremers Summer BBQ has been announced for Saturday, July 11, 2015 from 11:30 – 2:30, rain or shine (hopefully better than last year!). Ms Piggy will be doing the catering again this year.**

**Gary's and Darlene's home is at Ottawa Executive Airport (Z98), 2742 Airpark Dr. Zeeland, MI.**

## EAA Flight Advisor Needed

Chapter 211 is fortunate to have two Technical Counselors, but we still need a Flight Advisor. So, what are the duties of a Flight Advisor and what is the difference between a Flight Advisor and a Technical Counselor, you ask?

**EAA Technical Counselors** are experienced aircraft builders and restorers who volunteer to pass on their experiences to fellow EAA members.

**EAA Flight Advisors** are experienced pilots that have successfully completed first flights of amateur built aircraft and want to pass this knowledge along to other EAA members.

**The Flight Advisor Concept** is based on one premise: An experienced EAA member is paired with a pilot inexperienced in a given aircraft so the

two of them can evaluate the pilot's skills against what that airplane will require to be flown safely. It is no more complicated than that.

The EAA Flight Advisor's primary function is to hold up a mirror so you can clearly examine yourself as a pilot. Then the two of you will examine your aircraft and its characteristics.

The EAA Flight Advisor isn't there to make any judgments. Nor is he there to make any decisions. He won't look at you and tell you you are either a hero or a bum. He won't tell you yes you can fly, or no you can't. That is your responsibility. It's your decision.

What the Flight Advisor will do is take you through a formalized evaluation process that will focus first on your aircraft and the skills it requires to be flown off your airport safely. Then your skills, as a pilot, will be compared

to the profile drawn of the aircraft to see if there is a match.

The ultimate goal of the evaluation process is a "go/no-go" decision. You have to decide whether the evaluations say you are suited to fly the airplane or not.

An alternate decision may be that, yes, you could fly that aircraft but only with more training. If that's the case, the Advisor will help guide you in finding the right kind of training.

To learn more, click the link below and then talk to a board member about becoming our Chapter's next Flight Advisor.

<http://www.eaa.org/en/eaaviation-communities-and-interests/homebuilt-aircraft-and-homebuilt-aircraft-kits/next-steps-after-plane-is-built/testing-articles/before-you-fly-thoughts-on-your-first-flight-and-the-eaa-flight-advisor-program>



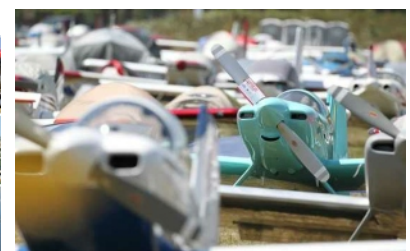
# Oshkosh Air Venture 2015

So much to see and do!

Homebuilts   Warbirds   Vintage Aircraft   Ultralights, LSA, & Homebuilt Rotocraft   Seaplane Base  
Airshows / Aerobatics   Lectures & Workshops   Museum   Nighttime Entertainment

Anyone wishing to share transportation to and from, and/or lodging, at Oshkosh Air Venture 2015, please click the link below to our website and respond with your post, including dates and contact information.

<http://www.211.eaachapter.org/apps/forums/topics/show/13188984-oshkosh-air-venture-2015>



## American Eaglet Project

Wednesday evening Work Sessions are scheduled for June 17 & June 24.

No Saturday Work Sessions are currently scheduled for June.

Always check the website,

[www.211.eaachapter.org](http://www.211.eaachapter.org) for the latest information.

