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FOR THE APRIL MEETING

• **NOTICE!** The April meeting will be at the Commemorative Air Force (CAF) Officer's Club Room at Falcon Field on Tuesday 4/23/2019 at 7:00 PM. Use the entrance on the south side of the building as before. The pre-meeting food (served at 6:00 PM) will be Pizza & soda for a \$5 donation.

• **It's membership renewal time.** A real bargain, your Chapter dues are still only \$20 per year. See Don Croyle to renew your commitment to Chapter 228 this month.

• For our March meeting we will have Gary Christensen discuss flight Data Logging, what it means, and why you should care.

CALENDAR

DATE	EVENT
Tues. 4/23/19 @ 7:00 pm	Chapter Meeting CAF Club Room
Tuesday 5/14/19 @ 6:30 pm	Directors Meeting Warbirds Hangar
Tues. 5/28/19 @ 7:00 pm	Chapter Meeting CAF Club Room
Thursday Coffee @ 8:00 am	Warbirds Hangar @ 8:00 am

CHAPTER SOCIAL ACTIVITIES

In addition to the Thursday morning coffee at 8:00 in the Warbirds Hangar, a Chapter 228 monthly social with dinner at Vito's Italian restaurant happens on the 2nd Saturday of the month. To make reservations for dinner at Vito's, please advise Phillip Buckalew by the Thursday before if you are planning on attending. Dinner time is at 4:00 pm.

EAA Chapter 228 Falcons Membership Meeting Minutes Summary

March 26, 2019

The March meeting of the Falcons was held at the CAF hangar at Falcon Field, Mesa, AZ.

President Trent Heidtke brought the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. There were 36 members and guests in attendance.

Trent opened the meeting with a call for a volunteer for a socials director. Philip Buckalew's new job requires much traveling so he had to step down. Duties include the Thursday morning coffee set up and the monthly Vito's dinner. He also passed around a sign up sheet to help with the Chapter table at the Falcon Field Open House on March 30th.

Trent asked if anyone had a maintenance item they needed help with. Andy E. is looking for ideas on how to trouble shoot a leak in his pitot-static system. Gary H. reported that his low oil pressure problem was traced to a leaking pressure relief valve. After fixing, his pressures are at 80 psi. Someone else asked how to get a quick paint match. It was suggested he try Space Age Paints. Ron A. is looking into either a build project or a flying airplane and wants inputs on various models (pro/con) to help him decide.

Todd B. gave a short update on forming a flying club and passed around a sign up sheet. He said other flying clubs in the area have a waiting list, so if we do form a new club, he expects the membership to grow quickly.

Trent asked if there were any changes/additions to the February minutes as published. A motion to accept the minutes passed.

Trent asked for guests/new members to introduce themselves. There were 4 guests tonight:

Tim and Sherrie are snow birds visiting from Ohio. Tim is a member of EAA Ch 5. They enjoy visiting other Chapters so they can bring back new ideas to their own chapter.

Rick got his PPL in '85 but and has flown Cessna's and Pipers.

Frank started flying in 2001. He flew rentals but has been inactive for the last 15 years. He'd like to get back into flying.

Welcome to all our guests/new members!

Treasurer Don C. said the current balance is \$4277.54. He also reminded everyone to update their information on file. If you have not paid your dues, see him after the meeting. Don is taking orders for chapter logo shirts. Please see him.

Trent gave a shout out to all the pilots and ground crew who helped with the last march 9th YE event. We flew about 36 kids. Those who participated got an extra raffle ticket. Trent also thanked those that volunteered for the CAF big band dance. It was a huge success with over 1000 attending.

Trent asked builders present tonight to give an update on their project. Bob S. has reached a decision point with his Sonex. He either needs to get a partner or sell the project as he will be spending only a few months in Arizona from now on. Lewis is making good progress on his second wing for his RV-8. Gene M. installed the baffles on his restoration project. Bob G. reports he has looked at Alex and Kim's RV-8 project and they are doing excellent work.

Trent reminded everyone of the Thursday coffee (0800-0900) in the Warbirds hangar and the dinner social on the second Saturday of the month at Vito's.

Trent listed the monthly flying activities and referred everyone to the Arizona Pilots Assoc. website to find this info.

Jim Timm started off by saying that there were no air traffic control issues to report. The new Grand Canyon Chart is out. A new FAA administrator, Stephen Dickson, has been appointed by President Trump to succeed Dan Elwell.

Todd B. reported there was only one accident. A Kitfox pilot had a passenger get airsick. He could not access his sick sack, so he tried to make an off airport landing. Thankfully, there were no injuries but the plane had substantial damage. The lesson here is to brief your passengers before flight and have sick sacks within easy reach.

Andy Elliott started off the Safety briefing with some upcoming events. This Thursday CAE will be hosting a "Mystery Safety Theater " and on April 23rd there is a webinar on Weight and Balance. Andy reminded everyone that due to the Falcon Open House this Saturday, expect high surface congestion on the airport. Avoid flying that day if you can.

Tonight's safety topic was on transporting weapons in GA aircraft. The rules for handguns may not be the same for long guns. Each state has its own rules which you should be familiar with. In the US, the ATF is the enforcing agency except in commercial airports, it is the TSA. Do not cross the red lines at commercial airports to avoid TSA controlled space.

The Federal Safe Passage Act 18 USC926A allows you to transport a weapon from airport A to airport B as long as both locations allow open carry. The weapon must be unloaded and the ammunition is in a remote location not accessible to pilot or passengers.

Don't take a gun into California or Mexico. Don't even bring ammunition into Mexico. If found, you will be arrested!

Canada has its own rules enforced by the RCMP. Permits are required and in some remote areas, a gun is required (and a permit as well). Be smart and know the rules before you go.

The main program tonight is Juergen Janzik speaking about his flying career and his experience in the German Air Force during the cold war. Juergen started off with a short video called "High Flight" featuring the F104 aircraft. More on that aircraft later.

Juergen began his flying career in Germany in 1955 by getting his "C" class glider rating. The glider they trained in had no enclosed cockpit or any instruments. Just a stick and rudder control. It was launched with a large rubber band. The first rating obtained was the "A" level and you only needed 20 seconds of flight to get this rating. For the "B" rating, you had to demonstrate turns. For the "C" level, you had to accumulate 1 hour of flight experience. After getting his "C" badge, Juergen knew he wanted aviation to be his career.

After joining the German Air Force he came to the US for basic pilot training at Williams Air Force Base. Upon graduation, he went to Luke AF Base where he learned combat skills in the F84F. He returned to Germany and flew the F84F and eventually transitioned to the F104G Starfighter. As part of a quick response squadron, he flew low level missions across Western Europe to keep the Russians at bay. It was not until the cold war ended that they learned how effective they were as the Russians had no defense against them. In 1966 he returned to LAFB as an instructor pilot in the F104G. When he returned to Germany in 1969 the German AF had no significant roll for him so he retired and returned to the US. He started a flight school at Scottsdale Airport and won a contract with ASU to train pilots. Eventually he launched his own consulting business which continues to the present. In his career, Juergen has flown over 100 different aircraft, acquired almost every rating possible and amassed over 24,000 hours with 14,000 hours as an IP. He also became the only non US FAA examiner.

A significant point that Juergen made regarded the reputation of the F104G. Considering that at one point there were more than 900 F104s operating in Western Europe, the actual safety record was better than the F100. Every time there was an incident with the plane, the newspapers made a huge story out of it, often condemning the plane as unsafe to fly. It was later learned that all this bad press was being fed by the Russians in an effort to eliminate a plane they feared.

Thank you Juergen for a very interesting presentation.

The meeting adjourned at 8:45 PM.

Respectively submitted
Michael Cycon, Secretary

FALCON FIELD OPEN HOUSE

Falcon Field had an open house on Saturday March 30th, from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm. Our chapter had a display at the event, and a big thanks goes out to those chapter members that helped staff the display, answer visitors questions and sign up potential Young Eagles.

CHAPTER 228 WEBSITE

Check out the new chapter website 228.eaachapter.org and please give us your thoughts.

EAA FLIGHT TEST MANUAL

The long-awaited EAA Flight Test Manual (FTM) is ready to ship, and the EAA is now [accepting orders](#); the member price is \$17.95 and \$22.95 for nonmembers.

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THINGS TO DO - PLACES TO GO FOR BREAKFAST:

The fly in breakfast at Coolidge Municipal Airport (P08), is on the first Saturday of the month.

The Falcon Field EAA Warbirds Squadron fly in breakfast and car show is on the third Saturday of the month. Starting this year they will also have a Fly Market during the breakfast. If you have an aviation item to sell, bring it and sell it, or come and see what's for sale that you must have.

On the third Saturday, the fly in breakfast at Benson (E95) at Southwest Aviation is now on a quarterly basis. Check APA calendar for dates. (There are still special fuel prices for breakfast attendees.)

The Grapevine Airstrip (88AZ) next to Roosevelt Lake is open to fly into any time, but the BBQ lunch hosted by APA is on the third weekend each month thru May.

The last Saturday of the month there is still a fly in breakfast at Casa Grande Municipal Airport (CGZ). The Airport's restaurant, Foxtrot Cafe, operating in the climate controlled Terminal Building, is open 6:30am to 2:00pm Monday thru Saturday. On the last Saturday of the month they have a "Fly in Breakfast Special" available on the menu; the price for adults is \$8 and kids \$5.

228 CHAPTER APPAREL

Do you have Chapter 228 apparel for the upcoming flying events? If not, get your's on order now. Caps with our logo are available. See Mike Cycon to get your caps. To get your order in for polo shirts, contact Don Croyle. We have shirts available for sale in the following sizes, White 2 XL and 2 2XL.

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