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FOR THE NOVEMBER MEETING

- **NOTICE!** The November meeting will be at the Commemorative Air Force (CAF) Officer's Club Room at Falcon Field on Tuesday 11/27/18 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 November meeting we will have the annual election of Chapter 228 Officers for next year. We will also have an A&P Mechanic training overview.

CALENDAR

| DATE | EVENT |
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| Tues. 11/27/18 @ 7:00 pm | Chapter Meeting CAF Club Room |
| No Officer's Meeting in December | |
| Saturday 12/8/18 @ 6:00 pm | Christmas Party Warbirds Hangar |
| 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 Brian Briggerman by the Thursday before if you are planning on attending. Dinner time is at 4:00 pm. The December dinner at Vito's is canceled because the Christmas Party at the Warbirds Hangar will be held on Saturday, December 8.

Christmas Party Notice

For this year's Christmas party we will again join the Falcon Warbirds for the Christmas party on December 8th. Make sure you have paid up your 2018 dues (\$20) to the Warbirds in order to attend with your spouse or significant other.

EAA Chapter 228 Falcons Membership Meeting Minutes Summary

October 23, 2018

The October 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 23 members and guests in attendance. Everyone who paid for pizza tonight got a raffle ticket.

This was followed by the first of three trivia questions, for which a correct answer earned an additional raffle ticket.

Lynn Spencer from the Falcon Field Admin attended our meeting. Lynn announced that the tenant appreciation BBQ will be on November 3rd at the Steak and Stone Restaurant. You should be getting an email if you are a tenant.

Trent started with a shout out for Philip Buckalew. Phil made new stands for signage to be used at YE rallies.

A motion was made to accept the September meeting minutes as published in the Newsletter. The motion passed. Trent passed out a sign up sheet for the EAA calendar (\$8 each).

The treasurer, Don Croyle, reported that the current bank balance is \$3,216.41. Don also passed out membership forms and asked everyone to update the info and return to him. He also had a sign up sheet for logo hats, tees and polo shirts.

Trent asked builders present tonight to give an update on their project. Pete W. is working on control system for his RV-12. Louis M. has been working on his RV-8 wings. He has riveted the top skin on one wing.

Brian B. 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 reviewed the monthly flying activities and referred everyone to the Arizona Pilots Assoc. website (Azpilots.org) to find this info. Trent presented the candidates for the Chapter officers. All existing officers and directors have agreed to continue into 2019 except for Brian Briggerman. However, all positions are open and we encourage new people to lead the chapter. A motion to add Philip Buckalew to fill Brian's position was made and seconded.

Jim Timm started off by saying that the APA is collecting data on GPS blackouts associated with on going interference testing at various locations. If you experience loss of GPS data, please provide the details to the APA.

The FAA is planning on a NPRM for a possible increase in LSA weight. There is a lot of speculation about this but nothing is firm until the NPRM is issued (January 2019?). Also of note is the EAA has released a new Flight Test Manual for home builders.

The FAA has reactivated the ADS-B rebate program for certified aircraft. Uavionics is also offering a rebate for their system for experimental aircraft.

The NTSB has not issued any reports on new accidents this past month but there was a fatal accident in Payson that was covered by the media. The NTSB did release a final report on the RV-7 crash in Arlington, AZ in June 2017. The plane was at 7600 ft MSL when it collided with a flock of rock pigeons, remains of which were found in the cockpit, engine and tail areas. Most likely, the

canopy departed and struck the vertical stab which was found some distance from the main debris field.

Bill W. reported that the next YE event has been moved to December 8th as there earlier November date conflicted with the APA fly-out to Grapevine. Pilots need to send Bill an email so they will be included in the event.

Andy Elliott gave a short talk on focused flight review. This is a new initiative by the AOPA Air Safety Foundation which has created a series of preflight study guides and flight profiles for several different scenarios. If you do a flight review with Andy, expect to be introduced to this new approach.

Tonight's program was presented by Juergen Theerkorn on Lufthansa training at Goodyear airport. Juergen is the Flight Safety Lead pilot and he has over 20 years of experience in flying a variety of aircraft and as a flight instructor. He began with a brief history of Lufthansa flight training which began in 1955 and has undergone several reorganizations. In the most recent one, all training falls under Lufthansa Aviation Training (LAT).

LAT used to fly Bonanza's, but is transitioning to a fleet of SR-22 aircraft with modern glass cockpits. Everything is electronic, no paper charts, except for Emergency Check Lists. Their philosophy is to treat and train students as if they are airline pilots. They have a culture of safety. Mistakes happen, and the students are able to discuss these mistakes with Juergen in total confidence. As long as there is no accident, damage, or FAR violations, this conversation is bound by the same rules as lawyer-client or a priest and confessor. No further action is taken. As a result, LAT attributes their excellent safety record to this culture.

Being close to Luke, all the students are given departure and arrival routes that they have committed to memory. They fly a lot of simulated instrument conditions and usually have student, flight instructor and back seat student to act as a safety. They try to not have more than two planes in the same location at any time even though they fly 60 to 70 sorties per day. They avoid going to Falcon and Gateway airports. They use Buckeye for TOL practice and Casa Grande for instrument approaches. They also use Mobile, which is a

private airstrip on the west side of town and is ILS equipped for training only.

They have an excellent working relationship with Luke controllers and give them kudos for doing a great job of routing planes in and out of the SATR.

Thank you Juergen for an excellent presentation.

The meeting adjourned at 8:40 PM.

Respectively submitted
Michael Cycon, Secretary

CHAPTER 228 WEBSITE

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

POSSIBLE TRAINING IN EXPERIMENTAL LSA

The FAA recently sought comments on a rule change that will allow flight training in Experimental Light Sport Aircraft (ELSA). Current regulations prohibited the use of ELSA for flight training for compensation after Jan. 31, 2010. Changing that rule "would increase safety by allowing greater access to aircraft that can be used for light-sport aircraft and ultralight training," FAA officials said in the NPRM.

FAA RELAUNCHED ADS-B REBATE

On October 12 the FAA reopened the \$500 rebate program to support Automatic Dependent Surveillance-Broadcast (ADS-B) Out equipage. The program that had ended in September 2017 will now close Oct. 11, 2019. The ADS-B mandate is not going away, and we are about 14 months from the January 1, 2020 deadline.

µAvionix also has extended their rebate program for Experimental ADS-B Solutions. Contact them for details at uAvionix.

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.

The EAA Flight Test Manual is a new, comprehensive program for test flying your new airplane. Unique to the EAA's system are test cards that take you through each test flight point-by-point and allow for easy data collection.

Builders who use the EAA Flight Test Manual will complete the program with a thoroughly tested aircraft; a full understanding of their craft's performance, characteristics, and limitations; and have enough data to easily build a comprehensive operating handbook for the airplane.

THINGS TO DO - PLACES TO GO FOR BREAKFAST:

The fly in breakfast at Coolidge Municipal Airport (P08), is restarting, and is on the first Saturday of the month starting October 6.

The Falcon Field EAA Warbirds Squadron fly in breakfast and car show is on the third Saturday of the month and will resume October 20. 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 and the next one is scheduled for Oct 20, 2018.

(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.

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 air cooled 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.

At Tucson's Ryan Field Airport, Richie's Cafe, is serving breakfast and lunch daily. The hours are 6:00 am to 2:00 pm

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.

Cost \$25 for the grey and \$15 for the white.

PHOTO OF POLO SHIRTS AVAILABLE



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NEWSLETTER WANT ADS

Listing in the monthly news letter. If you want a picture included in your adv., send it as a JPEG attachment to your request. Also, when you have an adv. placed, please advise when you want it modified or removed. Otherwise, it will run for 3 months as submitted then it will be removed.

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