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FOR THE NOVEMBER MEETING

•NOTICE! The November chapter meeting will be held at the California Aeronautical University (CAU) Hangar. Mike Cycon will issue the meeting location information with the Newsletter, or shortly thereafter. There will not be a Director's meeting or Chapter meeting in December, but there will be a Christmas Party at Flights of Wine next door to the Steak and Stone restaurant on Dec. 13th from 6 PM to 9 PM.

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

•For the November meeting we will have an EAA Video for the main program.

•We will also have Andy Elliott give an appropriate safety presentation.

CALENDAR

DATE	EVENT
Tues. 11/22/2022 @ 7:00 pm	In Person Meeting
No December Meeting	Board Meeting Webinar
Tues. 12/13/2022 6 PM to 9 PM	Christmas Party
Thursday Coffee @ 7:00 am	Falcon Warbirds Ready Room

CHAPTER SOCIAL ACTIVITIES

The Chapter has restarted the dinners at Vito's restaurant on the southeast corner of McKellips and Lindsay Rds. The meeting time is 4:00 pm on the second Saturday of the month. Contact Gary Hertzler on the Thursday before the dinner to make your reservations. Join the group for an enjoyable dinner and conversation.

NOTICE !!!

All the Chapter officers, and the elected directors have consented to stand for re-election to their respective positions for the next year. In the November meeting a slate of officers will be presented, and the election will take place.

EAA Chapter 228 Falcons
Membership Meeting Minutes Summary
October 25, 2022

The October meeting of the Falcons was an in person meeting at the CAF hangar. President Don Croyle brought the meeting to order at 7:04 PM. There were 31 members/guests present.

Don opened the meeting with a reminder there are 271 days to Oshkosh 2023. Dorm rooms fill up quickly so make plans early. Next month is elections for chapter officers and directors. Don asked if anyone wants to add their name to the slate. There were no responses. There is still time to get on the ballot. See any chapter officer.

The holiday party will be on December 13th at Flights of Wine next door to the Steak and Stone restaurant. The time will be from 6 PM to 9 PM. This was the same place as last year and Todd B. will again be providing entertainment. If you want to buy a 2023 calendar, see Don.

Don asked any new members or visitors to introduce themselves.

Tony C. has relocated from northern Virginia where he earned his Private Pilot license on a Ray Scholarship from another EAA chapter. He just got his tail wheel endorsement and is currently training with CAE for instruments, multi engine, CFI/CFII.

He hopes to get a glider rating as well in the future. He also has a job lined up with AA commuter branch.

Dee Anne from Falcon Field admin gave us an update on the current projects. First off she announced that the south runway will be closing at 9 PM Wednesday until 6 AM Thursday for survey work in preparation for upcoming exit ramp rework. They have funding for the next phase of the crack fill/reseal project of the southwest hangar area. They are looking to keep the taxi lights on all night but some technical issues need to be addressed. The runways will get a seal coat treatment. The next Warbird movie night and pancake breakfast will be on November 18 and 19th. Aviation Fascination is coming on November 18th at the Helio Components hangar from 5 to 7:30 PM. The CAF Wings and Wheels event is on October 29th.

The annual remembrance of RAF pilots who died while training at Falcon Field will be held on Veterans Day, November 11, at 10:45 to 11:30 AM at the Mesa cemetery.

Dee Anne reminded everyone to expect significant increase in traffic for the Super Bowl on February 12th. A reservation will be required for IFR flight plans during the event.

Thank Dee Anne.

Before giving the Treasurer's report, Dave Bankhead wanted to give a shout out to Todd Bristol (and his wife) for all the hard work they did to organize this year's Page/Bryce Canyon fly out. The chapter has a balance is \$10,411.44.

Don had one update on members build projects: Eric H, -RV 10. Eric was present and reports that he has all the kits on hand and the fun has just started.

Socials dinners at Vito's on the second Saturday of the month at 4 PM. Coffee in the Warbirds ready room on Thursdays at 7:30 AM.

Next Don asked Trent for an update on the Passport program. The QR code plaques have been distributed to 50 of the 53 airports.. Check the APA web site to get the exact location at each place as they vary from place to place. A few of the airports have been slow to display the plaques so be patient.

Here is the current flying outlook :

11/5- Coolidge pancake breakfast
11/18-20 Grapevine camping

Don did not have any airspace issues or accidents to report (Andy will discuss aviation accidents later in his Safety Briefing). Gordon C. gave some details of a plane that went down in the Fountain Hills area. The pilot was doing an engine break in flight but failed to monitor his fuel levels. The engine quit and he made a forced landing on the canal bank and walked away without injury.

Bill W. gave the YE update. Members flew 9 YE in September/October. He has a 10 and 11 year old looking for a flight. The next private event will be the EVIT aviation students on October 29 at the Pegasus airpark. He expects 35 plus 5 on a wait list. The next public event will be February 4th at the CAU hangar (north side of FFZ). Mike Ellis will be picking up more of the YE work so see Mike if you can help with the event.

Our guest speaker tonight was a ZOOM presentation by Brolin McKay, sales director for Adventure Pilot, the group behind iFly GPS. Brolin loves ever thing flying related and hopes to take his PPL check ride this Saturday.

The iFly GPS product is the only EFB that can run on Windows, Apple and android products and is about ¼ the cost of Foreflight. A basic subscription with the multi platform option allows you to run the program on up to 4 devices. Many users like to do their flight planning on a PC and transfer the results to a tablet. They sell the 740B tablet but many prefer to use an Apple tablet which has a faster processor and gives you the option of using a mini or full sized tablet.

Brolin showed a list of the many companies who have made their products compatible with iFly GPS and indicated that Garmin may be coming on board in the future.

The product was designed from the ground up with all the things pilots want in a EFB. Brolin demonstrated many of the features such as flight planning, decluttering (vector mode), fuel prices, customizing display data and real plan which can select the fastest, cheapest or shortest flight path avoiding the airspaces you designate.

Thank you Brolin.

Andy's safety briefing tonight covered cold weather operations. Before starting, Andy updated the fatal accident tally for this month. Although less than a month ago, the numbers are still too high. Andy stressed the importance of frequent training and will fly with you as an observer at \$25 per/hr through the end of this year. Call him at 720-460-1823.

Regarding cold weather ops, Andy stressed three things: First is preparation. Get a weather brief or self brief. The FAR's say you are responsible for getting all the available information for you proposed flight. File a flight plan. This is really easy to do and you will get open and close reminders on your cell phone.

Check tire pressure. The pressure will decrease 1 psi/ 10 deg F decrease in temperature. Consider removing wheel pants. Know the conditions of the airport you are going to. Is the runway plowed? What facilities are there if you have a problem and need to stay overnight? If IFR, will your plane be able to reach MEA?

Second, dress warmly. Bring a good hat (wool recommended) and gloves (mittens are better than gloves). Put extra clothes in the baggage area. If you have a survival jacket, where it. If you have a weeping wing, make sure you have the reservoir full be departing.

Third, be prepared to survive a forced landing. Carry a fully charged cell phone and/or a PLB if you have one. If you do make a forced landing, stay with your plane unless you are absolutely sure you can walk to get help.

In flight,

- Don't fly into icing conditions
- Pitot heat should be on
- Be ready for inlet icing
- Cycle boots (if equipped)
- Be realistic about escape routes

Thank you Andy for tonight's presentations.

The next meeting will be on November 22, 2022. Don closed with a reminder to keep current by learning. The meeting adjourned at 8:51 PM.

Respectfully submitted
Michael Cycon, Secretary

PILOT DEVIATIONS

Fortunately the number of pilot deviations have gone down a bit this reporting period. These deviations were committed by Private Pilot to ATP/CFI certificate holders. It appears that there are still a lot of pilots that still don't seem to know what's expected of them when flying through the airspace they are in. Always remember, when you flying in controlled airspace, don't try to be creative, and do something without first talking to ATC. Pilots really need to pick up an Airman's Information Manual (AIM) and brush up from time to time. Fly with care, and don't become part of the problem by committing a deviation. See the latest APA Newsletter for the latest pilot deviation details.

CHAPTER 228 WEBSITE

Check out the chapter website <https://chapters.eaa.org/ea228> and please give us your thoughts.

FLIGHT TEST MANUAL

If you have completed your airplane project and are preparing to make the first flight, and subsequent test flights, you really need to get the new EAA Flight Test Manual. The EAA is accepting orders; the member price is \$17.95 and \$22.95 for nonmembers. Order now and the shipping is free.

The new revised EAA Flight Test Manual is a comprehensive program for test flying your new experimental 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.

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EAA 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.



THINGS TO DO - PLACES TO FLY FOR BREAKFAST

The fly in breakfast at the Coolidge Municipal Airport will be on the first Saturday of the month.

On the second Saturday of the month, Ritchies restaurant on Ryan Field (RYN) is serving breakfast after 6 am.

The Falcon Field EAA Warbirds Squadron has their fly-in breakfast on the third Saturday of the month.

Grapevine is now open full time, but the third Saturday of each month is a special time for a group camp dinner on Saturday evening. Come and camp for the weekend! The camp host will prepare the main course, and campers, please bring a side dish or dessert to share. ***Grapevine, which lies within a National Forest, is heavily used by the Forest Service for fighting wildfires, and the Military for Special Training.***

There is a pancake breakfast on the last Saturday of the month at the Casa Grande Municipal Airport (CGZ). The breakfast is being put on by the Casa Grande Masonic Lodge (Pinal Lodge #30). Time is from 7:00 to 10:00 am, and the breakfast is being served in the air-conditioned terminal.

CHAPTER WANT ADS

Misc. Items For Sale

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.

I have several small tools for sale that are all in like new condition:

Avery vise grip pimplier, flutter, seamer, and a Goodyear cold flex rubber air hose with quick connect couplings, and centering punches.
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