



FOR THE AUGUST MEETING

• **NOTICE!** The August meeting will be at the Commemorative Air Force (CAF) Officer's Club Room at Falcon Field on Tuesday 8/27/2019 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 August meeting we will have a Post AirVenture Review, and we will also have a Best/Worst Fly-In Experiences Roundtable with six people for five minutes.

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CALENDAR

DATE	EVENT
Tues. 8/27/19 @ 7:00 pm	Chapter Meeting CAF Club Room
Tues. 9/10/19 @ 6:30 pm	Directors Meeting Warbirds Hangar
Tues. 9/24/19 @ 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 usually happens on the 2nd Saturday of the month. Because of the summer schedules, this social will be on hold until September.

EAA Chapter 228 Falcons Membership Meeting Minutes Summary

June 25, 2019

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

President Trent Heidtke brought the meeting to order at 7:05 PM. There were 28 members and guests in attendance.

Trent opened the meeting with several announcements:

Bill W. reported on the June 8th YE event for the EVIT aviation summer camp. We flew 24 kids (and one eagle flight). Bill also has 3 kids who need a YE flight. See Bill if you can help out.

The chapter board decided that instead of Social Director to handle Thursday coffee and the monthly dinner, we need a Communications Director to keep members up on social events. If anyone is interested, please see Trent.

Next Trent gave a status on the flying club. Todd is absent, but is still gathering info on what planes are available and the cost.

For those interested in building/owning an airplane, we started a segment called "what I fly and why". Brian B. talked about his Zenith 601 XL. This is an all metal LSA kit built aircraft. Brian considered several other options but after meeting and talking to Chris Heinz at Sun and Fun he settled on a metal aircraft. He looked at the Thorpe T-211 which used a Jabiru engine. He decided on the 601 and a friend insisted he go with the Continental O-200 engine. He wanted a patriotic paint job and left it up to his painter to come up with the design. Brian has over 2500 hours on his 601.

Lynn S. from the Falcon Airport admin gave a status on airport projects. First is that they are

looking for two non profit companies to bid on the old WWII hangar used by the Warbirds. They want non profits that have warbird aircraft and will allow some public use of the hangar during the year. Selection will be made in July. On the North side of the airport, over 400,000 sq. ft. of new hangar space is being planned by a private developer. Construction will start later this year. Small T hangars will be included in the plan.

A motion was made to accept the May minutes as published. The motion passed.

Trent asked for guests/new members to introduce themselves.

Mark D. -Lives in Phoenix and flies for Frontier Airlines.

Morgan B. - Met Todd B. and heard all about our chapter. He wants to get back into flying.

Seth V.- Lives in Fountain Hills and is the father of new member Camron. He has a PPL since the mid 90's and has flown mostly Cessna's. He is an A&P.

Welcome guests and new members!

Next Trent gave a shout out to all who helped with the June YE event.

Treasurer Don C. said the current balance is \$4,252.18. Don has logo shirts/hats for sale tonight. See him after the meeting.

Trent asked builders present tonight to give an update on their project. Lewis has finished hanging his RV-8 wings to make room for the fuselage. He expects the fuselage kit in early July. Alex H. reports that his RV-7 fuselage kit has arrived. Lewis invited anyone interested in building is welcome to come over and see his project.

Trent reminded everyone of the Thursday coffee (0800-0900) in the Warbirds hangar .

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

Jim Timm started off by reminding us to watch out for fire TFR's. They can pop up without warning. In

August, Coolidge will be closing runway 5/23 for several months for resurfacing.

In the past month, there were 5 accidents. The most serious was a gear up landing at Gila Bend. The pilot admitted he went through the pre landing check list but failed to verify the gear was down and locked. The second involved a Mooney M20 that just departed Scottsdale and headed west. Somewhere near Lake Pleasant, the pilot reported engine trouble. The Deer Valley tower offered vectors to Pleasant Valley, but the pilot opted to land at Deer Valley. He crashed 2 miles short. The plane was destroyed and the pilot seriously injured. The lesson learned here is in an emergency, land at the closest airport.

Tonight's program was a round table discussion of your favorite weather app/web site. Brian B. uses FlyQ pocket on his phone. It is a free app for Android, \$69/yr for iOS, and gives you detailed weather info on airports in your immediate area.

Gary C. gave a brief overview of the weather available on Foreflight. This is an iOS only app and you need an annual subscription. Gary finds the ceiling/visibility and winds aloft a real help in flight planning. The winds aloft help with predicting where the weather is moving to. The app also shows radar returns for precip. and is color coded green/yellow/red for the intensity.

Mike C. likes to use the HEMS tool found on www.aviationweather.gov. The HEMS tool is geared to helicopters so it is especially applicable to low level flying. You can get TAF/METARS of all the airports and they are color coded for VFR/MVFR/IFR and LIFR. The time span for the data is plus/minus 5.5 hrs

Alex H. also recommends the GFA Tool on the same site as it allows a longer forward look at the weather.

Thanks for to all for sharing their favorite apps.

Trent reminded everyone that there is no meeting in July. See you on August 27th. Bring your favorite KOSH stories!

The meeting adjourned at 8:20 PM.

Respectively submitted
Michael Cycon, Secretary

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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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 GO FOR BREAKFAST:

The fly in breakfast at Coolidge Municipal Airport (P08), on the first Saturday of the month has stopped for the summer, and will restart on October.

The Falcon Field EAA Warbirds Squadron fly in breakfast and car show on the third Saturday of the month has also stopped operation until October 19.

On the third Saturday, the fly in breakfast at Benson (E95) at Southwest Aviation is still 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 which was hosted by APA is on hold for the summer, and is planned to restart in October.

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 will continue thru the summer to have a "Fly in Breakfast Special" available on the menu; the price for adults is \$8 and kids \$5.

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COMMUNICATIONS DIRECTOR NEEDED

The Chapter needs a Communications Director. There has to be someone out there in the chapter that can fill this simple task. Please think about it and volunteer.

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.

TOOLS FOR SALE

An RV-8 builder is selling his sheet metal tools used to build his RV-8. All tools half price. Too many to list. Contact John by email: john@jvick.net.

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