

FOR THE APRIL MEETING

- The April meeting will be at the CAF Hangar at 7:00 PM on Tuesday 4/26/16. Enter through the south door. 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 Mike Cycon to renew your commitment to Chapter 228 this month.
 - For this month's program, we will have a "Favorite Tools" session showing that special or unusual tool we have acquired to make a task much easier or safer to do. We will also have Andy give us a wrap up on the last Young Eagle event and also provide us with a safety briefing. If time permits, we will also have the EAA monthly video.

APRIL 2016

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CALENDAR

DATE	EVENT
Tues. 4/26/16	Chapter Meeting
@ 7:00PM	@ 7:00 PM
Tues. 5/10/16	Board Meeting
@ 7:00 PM	@ 7:00 PM
Tues. 5/24/16	Chapter Meeting
@7:00 PM	@ 7:00 PM
Thursday Coffee	Coffee at EAA
@ 8:00 AM	Warbirds Hangar

We are sorry to hear that Phil Buckalew will be unable to continue as Chapter secretary after this month. On behalf of the Board and the chapter membership I should like to thank Phil for all his efforts over the last two years, and we hope he will be able to continue as a member of Chapter 228.

Steve Martin, President EAA 228

We certainly do want to thank Phil for his services to the chapter for a job well done. In the next meeting we will need to have someone step up and take on the position of secretary for the chapter. Please give it some thought and consideration. We would like to be able to fill this position in the next meeting!

The Chapter 228 socials are continuing with dinner at Vito's Italian restaurant on the Southeast corner of McKellips and Lindsay Roads. The socials are scheduled for the 2nd Saturday evening of the month at 4 pm.

EAA Chapter 228 Falcons
Membership Meeting Minutes Summary

March 22, 2016

The March 2016 meeting of the Falcons was held at the Commemorative Air Force hangar at Falcon field, Mesa, AZ.

The meeting was brought to order by President Steve Martin at 6:57 PM.

There were 33 members and guests in attendance.

Steve asked for guests/new members to introduce themselves.

- Rich Martin visiting from Seattle, WA. Currently flies a Long EZ.
- Ron Chase is an active EAA member and has flown Young Eagles with his Cessna 182.
- Alan Kulp Just completed build of a Glasair Sportsman with a Lycoming O-360.

Currently out of Phase 1 testing and has flown it to FFZ. Alan is new to the area and looking to base at FFZ.

The February 2016 meeting minutes were accepted as published in the Newsletter.

The treasurer reported that the balance at the end of February 2016 was \$3003.10. Motion to accept treasurer's report and the motion passed.

Brian Briggerman reminded us that the monthly dinner socials are held on the second Saturday of the month at Vito's Italian restaurant. The restaurant is located at 1947 N Lindsay Rd in Mesa, AZ. The next dinner social is scheduled for Saturday March 12, 2016. Brian also gave us a reminder that weekly coffee socials are held each Thursday morning at 8:00am in the Warbirds hangar located off Fighter Aces Dr. at Falcon Field.

Steve asked the attendees on any builder progress.

Gary Christensen (RV-7A): Progress! He has a couple of people helping buck rivets. Ready to start on FWF.

Keith Pickles (Velocity): Fuselage is filled, sanded and primered. Ready to rolling over to top side. Trent Heidtke (Prescott Pusher): Seat heater installation in progress. Yes, seat heaters! Also installing landing lights.

Jason (RV-10): Just purchased the tail kit.

Jim Timm started off by talking about issues with Restricted 2310. There have been incursions. Pilots have been flying through the center of the restricted area. Raytheon and Boeing and bunch of other companies using the airspace for training and flight testing. Luke has offered to tracking aircraft that encroach the airspace. Conversely, there has been no encroachments into the Goldwater range. Luke complemented GA for staying away

There was good news and bad news as far as accidents. There were four reported in the

Piper Pacer. (Payson) Off airport landing

 Review of the P-51 crash (reported last month). Nothing new as it may be a while before FAA/NTSB provides the final report.

Andy started off this month's Safety Briefing by talking about the Falcon Field Open House set for 26 March 2016. Car show is estimated to be 180 cars. We still need airplanes and pilots for the Young Eagles event during the Open House. Falcon Field is providing a covered shade and tables. Andy has coordinated with the new Falcon Field Tower Chief along with CAE. YE briefing will be at 8:30 am. Falcon Field has reopened runway 4L/4R so there should be no issues with flow. As noted during the February 2016 meeting, Andy reminded the attendees that EAA has instituted a Young Eagles protection program, where any volunteer will require having a cursory background check done along with required training video. The background and training must be done by 1 May 2016. Warbirds including flights being offered in a Cobra Gunship along with helicopter rides by Canyon State Aero.

Andy continued with a briefing on Hot Weather Operations. The briefing covered aircraft performance, specifically focusing light sport (low horsepower) type of aircraft flying in the desert southwest. Examples included covering density altitude examples at Falcon Field and at higher altitude airports such as Flagstaff, AZ.

There were additional tips on extracting all the performance available such as extending runway distance requirements during takeoff, proper mixture management, engine limitations and avoiding long ground delays.

Andy ended his briefing by reviewing survival tips when flying in and around the desert southwest. We were reminded that there is a lot of area in Arizona where there is no cell phone or ADS-B coverage, therefore a PLB/Satellite Tracker is a good idea. If you must set down in the desert, stay with the airplane and find shade. Avoid low-lying areas due to risk of flash floods.

Steve Bass provided us an overview of what to expect now that Copperstate has moved from Casa Grande, AZ to Falcon Field. He covered

attendance over the years and what to expect in 2016. Logistics and planning are in progress, so expect updates as we get closer to the October 2016 date. Volunteers are needed for many positions. They are currently looking for Committee Chairpersons for Youth, Treasury and Awards.

Sincere thanks to Steve Bass for his time and great overview.

Our guest speaker was Jason Stephens from Arizona Soaring, Inc.

Arizona Soaring is located at Estrella Sailport and has been there since 1969. Jason's family purchased Arizona Soaring in 1987. Jason mentioned that about 30% of the students are new to aviation. If you happen to be flying in this area, note that there is an aerobatic box located north of the sailport. Ridge flying is done at 1500 ft above the ridgeline. Thermal flying can reach altitudes of 12-14K ft. There are approximately 20K operations per year along with 45-70 check rides per year. For powered pilots, an add-on rating would take about 4 days at a cost of \$2500. This is 10-12 dual flights, 10 solo flights, a test flight followed by a check ride. For someone with no flight experience, the cost is closer to \$4500-5000.

Jason also noted that there is no more skydiving operations at the field. Hours of operations are M-F 11am-5pm and S-S 9am-5pm.

Sincere thanks to Jason Stephens for his time and great presentation.

Due to the lateness of the meeting, the EAA chapter video was shown to attendees that wished to remain. The video covered Charlie Becker talking about the new EAA Chapter Gear that is being offered and announced last month. He also talked about the EAA hosting a summit with the FAA to go over policies in place, specifically covering hangar use policy for homebuilders along with EAA chapter presence at local airports. Charlie also announced a new member to the EAA office in OSH. She is Serena Camp and will be working as a Chapter Advocate. There was a video article on sky flying at OSH, followed by Hints

for Homebuilders section covering removing scratches from windows.

The meeting adjourned at 8:31 PM.

Respectively submitted Philip M. Buckalew, Secretary

NEWS LETTER REQUEST

We would very much like to have a monthly submission from a chapter member on some notable flying event that has recently happened or that may be coming up or a new or "different" building project that is under way.

FLY IN BREAKFAST VENUES

The first Saturday of the month; Coolidge Municipal Airport (P08) breakfast.

On the second Saturday of the month; The Ryan Field (RYN) fly in breakfast is at Todds Restaurant, open 8 - 2

On the third Saturday; The EAA Falcon Warbirds Squadron breakfast in their hangar.

The third Saturday of the month there is also a fly in breakfast at Benson (E95) at Southwest Aviation. (Often there have been very special fuel prices for breakfast attendees.)

Also on the third Saturday, around noon, a donation lunch is served by the APA at the USFS Grapevine Airstrip next to Roosevelt Lake.

The last Saturday of the month there is a fly in breakfast at Casa Grande Municipal Airport (CGZ) that runs from 7:00 am until 10:00 am. The breakfast is served inside the terminal building.

NEWSLETTER WANT ADS

If you have anything aviation related you would like to sell, buy, or trade, or aviation service to offer, submit the necessary information 2 weeks before the monthly meeting (Please submit via e-mail to; jtimm@amug.org)

and it will be placed in the WANT ADDS 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.

NEED A FLIGHT PHYSICAL

Dr. David Bryman (Sr. AME) is still doing medicals for the FAA but on a reduced schedule. He is now located in west Phoenix. His number is 602-549-2291. You can find him on the www.faa.gov website (search for AME listing).





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