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Sauder's Annual Fly In Breakfast

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FLYBOY NEWS





The Prez Sez...

by Darrel Sauder

"Volunteer"....what is that?..something to eat?...something you wear?...a foreign language? Ask these people: Mike Harmon, Bruce Bowen, Gary Telkamp, Norma Kraemer, Darrel Sauder, Dan Benkert, Patrick Ealy, John Glasford, Harold Sandal, Jason Eatherton, Aspen Eatherton. They all volunteered to help with the Hayward Air Rally air race activities on the afternoon of July 25 and morning of July 26.

Rapid City Regional Airport will be having an Open House in conjunction with the 50 or so aircraft launching on the 26th. Here is your chance to be a part of it (i.e. Volunteer) to help out. Shawn Gab (volunteer) has all ready done a lot of prep work and attended numerous meetings in preparation for this event. He needs our help. Please contact him at 605 390-0645 if you can help out. He has details of what activities you can volunteer for and will be discussing "The Big Picture" at our next meeting. Look for further explanation from him at our next meeting.

Speaking of our meetings...Charlie Summer's presentation of the History of WWII glider aircraft at our last meeting was outstanding (I've never seen Charlie give a presentation that wasn't) Our upcoming meeting will have several speakers, You! After the business portion is completed the meeting will be turned over to you to tell stories. I believe the rule is that they have to be 10 percent true. Cheering, jeering, and laughing is mandatory. Sooo..start thinking about the ones you would like to tell or maybe I should say the ones you "can" tell. The burger burn line up will begin promptly at 6 o'clock. Feel free to come early and enjoy a little extra "hanger talk". Did I mention a few early arrivals to help set up?

Speaking of another gathering...Thank you all who showed up for my hanger "drive in" (again) breakfast. I used the term "my" since Sharon was out of town. I was able to pull it with the help of friends, Sam's Club, and Wall Mart. Be prepared to get an email notice or phone call for a "Fly to Wall" for breakfast sometime in July. Oh, yes, another small gathering coming up at the end of July....Oshkosh!

July...a busy month....did I mention volunteering? Don't forget to floss.





Gary Telkamp got in some flying time in Don Williamson's Cub. (photos by Dan Benkert at Dan's Airport)

Mystery Plane of the Month



This 2-place biplane that made an appearance in the late 1920s.

The May "Mystery Plane" was a Stout ST-1, a Navy torpedo plane.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, July 8 at Chapter 39 Clubhouse

6:00 Burger Burn

Please bring a salad, dessert, or munchies to share.

7:00 Meeting

Program: In lieu of a formal program, we'll be doing "story time."

Chapter 39

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Coming Up

July 25-26 Hayward Air Rally Stop

July 26 RAP Open House

- Aug. 12 Young Eagles 9:00 at RAP
- Sept. Benkert's Annual Fly In Picnic at Dan's Airport
- Oct. Williamson/Telkamp Fly in at Spearfish Airport



July Birthdays:

Gary Telkamp—14th Chuck Childs—17th Grove Rathbun—24th Harold Samdal—26th

TREASURER'S REPORT

by Milo Schindler

Balance brought forward	\$1048.85
Income: Dues	20.00
Burger Burn	
Expenses: Sam's club (burgers/buns)	\$80.62

Balance on hand...... \$1073.23

*Note: Breakfast at Sauders was : income: \$96.00 Expense \$96.00

Secretary's Minutes

By Gary Schroeder

- •Meeting was held at the clubhouse
- •Burger burn in Rick's hanger
- •Darrel called the meeting to order at 7:17
- •Minutes read and approved
- •Treasures report given, balance \$1048.00 Club house rent is due
- •Guests Jerry McDow, Emily Iverson, Scott Raccynski, Arie LaCroix, Fabianna Meridith, and Tim Sauder
- •New Members—Mike Harman, Steve Berke
- •Birthdays Patrick, Gary, and Brenda

Old Business

•Discussion about the Hayward Air Rally and a request for volunteers for the arrival and departure on the 25th and 26th

•Shawn talked about a possible open house during the air rally and requested volunteers to help show the public around and maybe open up their hangers or show off their planes, etc

•July fly-in will be in Wall

•Young Eagles will be Aug 12th more info to come

New Business

•Bill Mitchell donated a Mustang I to the chapter as fundraiser for the chapter. After some discussion about how to sell the project, the topic was tabled until next meeting (ed. Note: see next page for more info.)

Program

•Charlie presented a very interesting and informative briefing about the gliders in WW II and about the pilots from SD that flew them in the war.

Meeting adjourned 8:40 PM



Good turn-out for our June meeting (photo by Sean Gab)



Charlie talks about WWII gliding. (photo by Sue Larson)

Complete Mustang 1 fuselage kit (does not include finish kit or firewall forward)

Included in this kit: Rivet Gun (1) Numerous bucking bars Rivet set Hand squeezer (new) Dimple Die Sets Clecos and pliers Numerous Clamps 90 degree angle drill attachment Drill Bits 4x4 Wheels and brakes All Rivets needed to complete

Inspection of these items will be at Milo's hangar at the July Burger Burn, prior to 6 PM. Bidding is by sealed bids.

I will accept the bids. MILO

The

United States Air Force requests the honour of your presence at the ceremony dedicating Ellsworth Air Force Base named in honour of Brigadier General Richard E. Ellsworth Saturday, June thirteenth Nineteen hundred and fifty-three Rapid City, South Dakota

The Dedicatory Remarks will be delivered by Dwight D. Eisenhower President of the United States

R.s.v.p.

11:30 A. M.





Just Possibly The World's Greatest Pilot

Royal Navy Captain (Retired) <u>Eric Melrose "Winkle" Brown</u> (<u>CB</u>E, DSC, AFC, Hon FRAeS), who was born 21 Jan 1919, must rank as one of the most extraordinary airmen alive. Indeed, open his memoirs at any page and you are left asking a single question: *How on earth did this modest Scotsman live to tell the tale*?

But Eric Brown is very much alive and in sparkling form as he pours me a glass of sherry at his West Sussex home and reflects on an astonishing life. This is the man who has flown more different aircraft than anyone else in history. He was the first man to fly a jet on and off an aircraft carrier. He



has set many aviation records that will almost certainly never be broken and is revered as one of the greatest test pilots of all time.



But even if you take out the aerobatics, his story is remarkable. Here is a man who narrowly cheated death the wreckage of a torpedoed ship, helped to liberate Belsen, and took 2,000 enemy prisoners armed only with a pistol.

In the immediate aftermath of the war, Eric had to interrogate a bewildering cross-section of leading Nazis, including Hermann Goering, as well as plane manufacturer Enrst Heinkel, and designer Willie

Messerchmitt. What's more, he then had to test all their aircraft. And all this before turning 30. Little wonder that when he arrived at Buckingham Palace at the grand old age of 28 for the fourth time, to receive the AFC in addition to the DSC, MBE and OBE he had already received, George VI greeted him with the words: *'Not you again.'*

In fact, young Brown would soon be back once more to receive the King's Commendation for Brave Conduct. Years later, he would end up as an aide-de-camp to the Queen, who would add a CBE to his collection in 1970.

Still in-sharp at 95, Eric is in constant demand from historians and documentary makers, while his autobiography, <u>Wings On My Sleeve</u>, is a must-read for any self-respecting aviator.

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