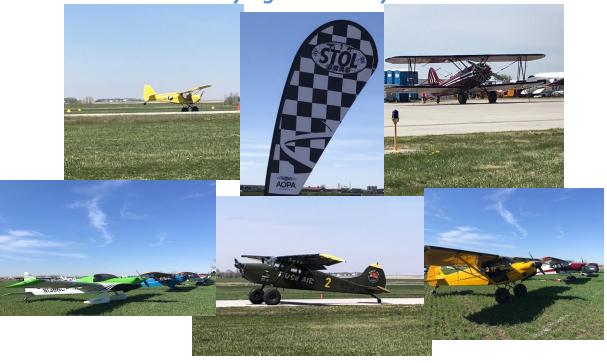


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## Flying Fun in May



STOHL Drag Race Wayne, NE Photos by Telkamps & Rob Burton



## Coming Up...



### From Darrel:

Don't forget: Kid's Day Fly In at Hot Springs Airport June 5 th. 7am till 11am. Breakfast, tethered balloon rides, static displays, flour drops, venders, etc. EAA has given a green light for Young Eagles Flights at this event. If you would like to help contact Darrel Sauder at 605-431-9609





Rob Hall takes to the Skies

### **Next Meeting:**

Tuesday June 8 Rick's hangar/clubhouse

### 6:00 Burger Burn

(Please bring a dish, dessert, or munchies to share. Every thing else will be provided.) Donations appreciated.

### 7:00

Program, followed by the meeting

### Officers

President	Josh Scott
Vice President	Arie LaCroix
Secretary	Gary Schroeder
Treasurer	Dan Benkert

### **Volunteers**

Newsletter	<b>Molly Benkert</b>
Young Eagles	Darrel Sauder
Safety Officer	Jerry Densmore
Tech Advisor	Jerry Densmore



Dan gives his brother a "tour" of his hangar.

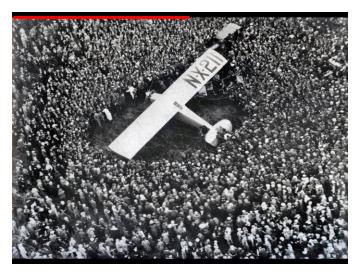
If you haven't already paid your EAA Chapter 39 annual dues of \$20, please do so forthwith. So far, only 20 of our 52 members have paid. Dues may be mailed to Dan Benkert, 15045 Long View Rd 57703 or paid at the May 11 meeting. If you're not planning on joining, please let Dan know at dusterdan2000@yahoo.com/

Treasurer's Report		
By Dan Benkert		
Balance brought forward	\$3732.91	
Income:		
•Dues	240.00	
•Burger Burn Donations	72.00	
•Other Donations	80.00	
Expenses:		
•Burger Burn Supplies (Rick pending)	83.24	
Donations received for tribute to Milo	1735.00	
Balance on hand	4124.91	
GAAC	\$4082.54	

Basic BHFCU account......25.20



Welcome to summer! Warmer weather, fly-in events, and great aviation camaraderie in general. It's exciting to see and hear about all the adventures all of you have already had this year! I am hoping for many more. We need to host an event for the chapter as well. If you are interested in leading the charge on this, please let me know as soon as possible! We have a few items to discuss at the next meeting. First is GA money for an event, second is chapter camping and Oshkosh planning update, third is chapter technology refresh and lastly is community awareness of the chapter. I look forward to seeing everyone at the next burger burn and meeting.



### A Day in Aviation History

Early morning on this date in aviation history; Friday, May 20th, 1927. Burdened by its heavy load of 450 U.S. gallons of fuel load, Lindbergh's Wright Whirlwind-powered monoplane commenced its painfully slow takeoff roll down a muddy, rain-soaked runway. Thankfully her J-5C radial engine still proved powerful enough to allow the Spirit to become airborne at 7:52 am and clear the telephone lines at the far end of the field "by about twenty feet.

Over the next 33.5 hours, he and the Spirit—which Lindbergh always jointly referred to as "WE"—faced many challenges in crossing the Atlantic; skimming over storm clouds at 10,000 ft and wave tops as low at 10 ft, fighting rime and clear icing, at times zero visibility through stratus and only when weather allowed, by using celestial navigation, and dead reckoning to keep on course. Le Bourget airfield in France, was not marked on his map and Lindbergh knew only that it was some seven miles northeast of the city. He initially mistook the airfield for some large industrial complex with bright lights spreading out in all directions. The lights were, in fact, the headlights of tens of thousands of cars all driven by eager spectators now caught in "the largest traffic jam in Parisian history."

"I owned the world that hour as I rode over it. free of the earth, free of the mountains, free of the clouds, but how inseparably I was bound to them."

## May Minutes

### By Jim Hayward

The chapter meeting for May 12, 2021 was called to order by President Arie LaCroix at 7:01 pm. He introduced Gary Telkamp as the guest speaker of sorts since Gary remarked that he had just been asked that evening if he would give a presentation about the STOL Drag Races that he attended in Wayne, Nebraska a few weeks ago. Gary had an interesting slide show presentation of various planes that attended and described what the Drag Race was about, how it was done, and descriptions of some of the planes. He said that there were some interesting situations during the event.

A "new" old member was asked to introduce himself. Jim Tiller had been a chapter member many years ago and has been flying radio control planes for the past couple of decades with the Rapid City Prop busters radio control club. Jim is working on getting his medical back and wanted to rejoin the chapter so as to get some good suggestions from anyone who has been through the procedure with the FAA.

Dwight Pladsen asked if anyone has had any flight conflicts or incidents with remotely controlled drones. He told us about a recent incident where a drone operator lost his \$700 drone due to a GA pilot buzzing a buddy who was fishing on the lake. Apparently, the drone got caught in the wing vortices of the GA plane and the owner lost control causing it to crash into the lake and be lost. Dwight said that drones are supposed to stay below 400' AGL and this GA pilot was apparently in the drone's airspace. It's still a see-and-avoid situation for anyone involved with flying drones or aircraft. No one was able to get the aircraft's tail number but they have a good idea of what kind of plane was involved.

The drone owner complained to the FAA and they are really stepping up enforcement against anyone improperly flying and aircraft or drone. Dwight also relayed a recent FAA rule concerning new airports in proximity to established ones. He said that the FAA will not allow any new airport to be built within 6 miles of an established one. Any airports now within that new restriction are automatically grandfathered in.

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Darrel Sauder spoke some about the Young Eagles program as to the requirements for prospective passengers as well as those for pilots. He asked if the chapter wanted to sponsor a Young Eagles event. Discussion followed but the subject was tabled until the next month's meeting. Darrel also mentioned that the Hot Springs airport will be having a Youth Aviation day on June 5<sup>th</sup>. Breakfast will be served starting at 7:00 o'clock that morning. There will be several entertaining events including skydiving and maybe tethered balloon rides,

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Bert Corwinn then talked about the Airport Board wanting to get 2 individuals who live outside Rapid City, to join the board. It used to be they needed to live in Rapid City but now they're looking for anyone outside of Rapid. If anyone is interested in applying, please contact Bert. John Glasford made a motion to return the Board's funds that were given to the chapter, back to the Board. The motion was seconded but in the discussion that followed it was decided to wait until next month's meeting to make a final decision.

John also brought up Milo Schindler's Memorial which will be done next year. The money is there so it's just a matter of finishing the paperwork. A brick on the wall is what has been decided for him. Also, Milo's name wasn't in the "Gone West" section of any recent Sport Aviation issues. EAA was contacted about the omission and John was assured that Milo's name would be in the July issue.

There was no treasurer's report available nor roll call taken for the 22 members attending. The meeting was adjourned at 8:21 pm.

### No fast hands in the cockpit – why patience is a virtue By John Zimmerman



Learning to fly a tailwheel airplane will teach you patience.



In our 24/7 world, some promoters of aviation have tried to sell flying as an extreme sport, packed with thrills and constant action. This is misleading, but it's also an unhelpful mindset for the cockpit. As a recent training flight proved, sometimes you have to be comfortable doing nothing.

Read more...

# **Project Updates**







Dave Kornmeyer's Pietenpol







Josh Scott's RV-14





### Dan Benkert's Cub





Hope he doesn't forget these.