

EAA Chapter 406 meeting June 8, 2022, held in person at the Port conference room. There was a potluck dinner prior to the meeting.

There were 26 members and visitors in attendance.

Joel Mapes, President, called the meeting to order @ 19:00 and welcomed all.

New faces include **Zach Krause** and his girlfriend **Azalea** and friend **Chris**.

Projects: **Mark Swalley** and his Zenith 701 is getting his new amphib floats. He's still in the fitting and installing phase but hopes to get it done soon.

E-xenos project update by **Mike Friend**: "There are 10 to 12 folks attending on the Saturday build. Fuselage is getting closer to final preliminary assembly, and all is going pretty well"

Update on Bremerton Airport activities by **Doug Houghton**: Beechcraft Formation Flying clinic to be held this week from Thursday to Sunday. August 27th will be the Car Show/Fly-in/ Young Eagle Rally (we expect 150 to 200 kids). Bremerton Pilots Association has awarded \$3500 scholarships, this past Thursday, to 4 deserving recipients, including **Zach Krause**. **Doug** continues to be amazed at the quality of the young pilots-to-be. Doug also related that the scholarship fund is up to \$100K and expressed his gratitude to those donors that have made this possible.

There is planned a "mini" Young Eagle" fly-in for June 25th. Volunteers are needed: both pilots and folks for marshalling parents, kids, and friends to and from the airplanes. Please connect with Trish Williams if you can help, either as pilots or ground assistants.

Jeff Varaday, our treasurer, reports that we have \$9819.78 in checking and \$1316.61 in savings.

Joel reports that discussions are ongoing regarding the upgrades to our flight simulator which should include 3 to 4 new screens. More discussion with **Terrence Simmons** before final determination of what needs to be done.

Jeff Varaday gave an after action report on the recent "Flying Start" event recently held: "16 folks flew, we will need more ground assistance for future events, including marshalling folks and friends to and from the planes.

The new Multi-Purpose Building and Restaurant is tentatively scheduled for an August 27th opening (subject to change).

Our beloved airport manager **Warren Hendrickson** is leaving his position to take a new job at Olympia Airport next month. Warren has been a great supporter of our airport and its pilots. He will be missed, and we hope for a worthy replacement.

We have a visitor **Owen**, who is a young pilot-to-be and is ready to fly. Looking for assistance in anyway it might come to fly and get involved in this thing called "aviation". Reach out to Owen and help get him started on his journey.

This evenings' program is **Ryan LaPointe** and his friend and co-pilot **Trissa's** flight from KPWT to Valdez for the STOL competition this year. The flight departed Bremerton to Alaska via the Inside Passage (due to unexpected, good weather), and finally returned via the "Trench". The talk included great

photos of the trip and included the planning, the gear, the snacks, and fuel management needed to pull the trip off. Many landing sites along the way, including landing on the highway, waiting for weather.

Some data of note: the repowered "**Beige Betty**", a Cessna 170 has a new 210 hp Continental with several STC's. Fuel burn averaged 11.5 gph, and speed 130 mph. Performance at the competition included a 125 ft take off. The landing was not counted as it needed to be less than 300 ft, but due to conflicting winds that didn't work out.

Many friends made on-line and along the way. A great trip and adventure for these two.

Thank you, Ryan and Trissa, for sharing your experience with us!

The meeting was adjourned at 20:30.

Our next meeting will be Wednesday July 13th. Plan on a potluck dinner!

Respectfully submitted,
Mark Donahue, secretary