

EAA Chapter 406 meeting August 10th, 2022, held in person at the Port conference room. There was a potluck dinner prior to the meeting. Thanks to all who brought something to eat. It was welcomed.

There were 25 members and visitors in attendance.

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

**Jeff Varady** was not able to attend. Jeff is our treasurer. Joel notes that we are solvent...details to follow.

**Doug Haughton** gave a short update for the upcoming car show, Valve Cover Race, airplane fly-in and EAA 406 pancake breakfast and Young Eagles Rally.

**Doug** is still in need of volunteers for the August 27<sup>th</sup> event. If you can, please let **Doug** know if you can help. **Doug** told the story of **Herm Petersen**, a drag racer who suffered severe burn injuries from a crash and how he overcame. **Doug** made a **Herm Petersen** valve cover special racer (that will not be an official racer, but rather the object of an auction for the benefit of BPA's scholarship program. **Doug** thinks that there will be up to 50 entrants, so it will be a single elimination program. It sounds like so much fun. We hope everyone that can will participate.

So, on August 27<sup>th</sup>, our big day, we have an EAA 406 pancake breakfast starting at 7 am. Funds from the breakfast are for EAA 406, for our building project and for our scholarship fund. It's a worthy program so we wish all to join in and those that can, to volunteer. Please reach out to MJ, and for all to come and have breakfast.

On the August 27<sup>th</sup>, we will have Young Eagle flights from 9am-12am, then from 1 pm to 3 pm. If you are able and comply with the EAA requirements, please let Trish Williams know that you could volunteer as pilot or as ground support. This is so important, and we expect a large number of kids that want to fly, so let's get the pilot/ground crew set to handle the kids.

Mike Friend gave an update on his trip to Oshkosh this year. Fellow EAA chapter member George Steed also attended. George and Mike participated in the Sonex one week wonder build. Mike showed a video of part of the build, and explained some of the pitfalls. Non the less, he and George learned a lot and will bring that knowledge to our Sonex build. Mike noted that the newer Sonex B model has more factory prefab parts (CNC machined) than we have. Oh well. Also noted that experience in the one week wonder build, noting several mistakes, that it's important for QA to double check parts prior to drilling and installing. Mike will bring these lessons to our build.

Mike also discussed his flight to Oshkosh, including his loss of the control of his radio, the autopilot, and also his panel mounted GPS. The helpful assistance of a friendly pilot in Glacier Park RAF airport that offered a loner radio to allow Mike to make it to Oshkosh. He made it and made it home. He has a new panel set to be installed by Pacific Avionics this fall, so this should cure the issues.

While at the AirVenture show, Mike entered our EAA 406 info for a drawing for a Lincoln 200 TIG welder, a \$2400 retail machine. He won!, We won! That machine is coming our way, and we can either use it or sell it to support our build project or other chapter goals.

Thankyou Mike!

Joel asked for volunteers to join the nominating committee for new chapter officers. Marc Ballandras volunteered. Hopefully others will consider volunteering on the committee and also for taking on one of the officer's positions. Let me know if you would like to join the nominating committee, and/ or offer to become one of the officers. The positions are President, Vice President, Treasurer, and Secretary.

It's worthwhile and it's a contribution to our chapter. Thank you for considering.

And we have a new member tonight: Bill Gregory, a commercial pilot, who is building a RV 10. Thanks for joining us, Bill.

That was it for the night. Please reach out to volunteer for our August 27<sup>th</sup> event.

Thank you,

Respectfully submitted,  
Mark Donahue, secretary