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These are not Sidewinders.

Photo Chris Miller



Better than the Bourbon.

Photo Paul Bowen

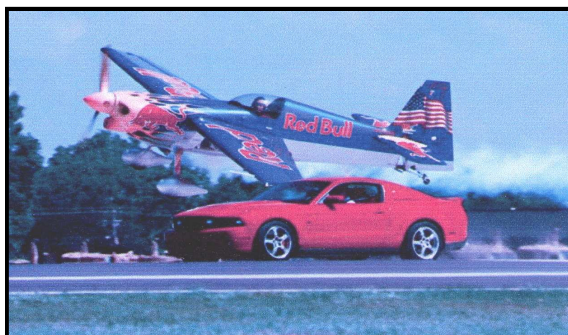
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Red Bull gives you wings. I win.

Photo Larry Grace



After this we are going to Disneyland.
Photo Mariano Rosales

Chapter 43 next meeting will be on Saturday, August 11 at the home and hanger of Lynn & Pat Miller at Erie Airport. 6 PM early start.

Chapter 43 Board Meeting Minutes
July 14, 2012

Members in attendance: Dave Biesemeier, Stan Specht, Bob Young, John Evans, Bill & Mary Mitchell, Don Smith, Terri Bazacos, Scott Serani and John & Roxie Juul.

Dave B. had talked to Myles Lee. who said the application was ready to submit for the 591 (c) 3. Miles was absent for the meeting. The board approved the \$100 filing fee.

Dave B. announced that the auction proceeds exceeded the picnic expenses by about \$450. Consideration was given to put the profit into the scholarship fund, but the general fund has had a negative cash flow for some time. The money will be left in the general fund.

Dave B. announced that the fund raising was a little behind for the scholarship fund. He was going to ask the membership for someone to head up that effort. One suggestion was to have Lynn Miller send out a letter asking for donations to the fund. Another fund raising idea was a "Fly Your Buddy", FYB. Offering rides for adults for a donation to the fund. Legal matters are yet to be verified. Time frame could be Sept 29 or Oct. 5. Another suggestion would be to tie it into a Young Eagles event. The membership would be asked for a volunteer to head that up.

Dave B. was concerned about the pizza party held at the home and hanger of Lynn & Pat Miller. We didn't want to wear out our welcome.

Next on the agenda was the Lifetime Achievement Award. The board was asked to be thinking about members that fit the requirements. Three names were mentioned as possible recipients.

Award plaques: Last year the chapter spent quite a bit of money on the plaques. The cost of them would be reviewed. One suggestion would be giving an embroidered flight jacket. Those costs also would be reviewed.

Chapter Programs: Currently programs are July; Mike Duggan's S-19, August; Pizza party and AirVenture review, September; Rod Woodard on buying and selling homebuilt aircraft and nominating committee for officer elections, October; Officer elections and Don Dolce on using the iPad in the cockpit, November; Dagmar Kress on spin recovery and aerobatics, December; Amelia Earhart on her around the world flight. Some members would like more programs on homebuilding.

Mile High Air Derby to be advertised in newsletter.

Adjourned.

OSHKOSH/AIRVENTURE

By Dave Bieseemeier

Those of us who have been hanging around EAA for a couple of decades or so generally refer to the annual EAA convention as just plain ol' Oshkosh, and when ever the subject comes up in discussion, we all know what Oshkosh refers to. I'm counting ten EAA mugs on my bookshelf, so the Sidewinder has made the trip ten times, plus a couple where I parked off field and didn't get to register as a Fly-in participant. Lyne & I also made the trip a couple of times by motorcycle before the Sidewinder was completed.

Now the convention is called AirVenture, a name dreamed up by EAA marketing, and meant to give the convention a bit more flash and pizzazz. It really doesn't matter what you call it - it is still a remarkable event by anyone's measure. For me and most attendees, it truly is an air adventure, and flying in is absolutely the best way to get there. For many years now, I have been able to bypass the "Fisk" arrival procedure by flying in the AirVenture Cup Race and finishing the last leg in the race group mass arrival, which is always an adrenalin rushing mind warper.

This year I didn't race, so I flew the Fisk Arrival along with most everyone else. The NOTAM calls for listening to arrival ATIS at 30 miles out, turning the transponder to standby, and aiming for the little town of Ripon WI., then following the railroad tracks to Fisk. At that point, everyone else in the sky decided that they needed the airspace located just in front of my nose and they were flying airplanes incapable of flying the prescribed 90 knots indicated.

Let me recommend practicing flying lots of slow flight maneuvers before setting out on this particular cross-country trip, because there will definitely be a quiz when you get to the end. I only had to turn out and away from Ripon once for a three sixty turn to get spacing away from the Citabria that cut me off on my first attempt at Fisk, so maybe I just got lucky. The Sidewinder did an admirable job of hanging on the prop at 80 mph indicated for the rest of the trip into KOSH, and I was able to keep the required half mile spacing near as I could tell. Do those five high wing pilots ahead know where the throttle is and how to read an airspeed indicator? Sheesh! And could those controllers on the ground please stop calling me an RV?

Anyway, you really should make the trip if you haven't done so. Kid Venture was an unexpected treat and I highly recommend you have a go at making wooden ribs with the kids. Roger Standard and his crew will get you trained in the art of rib building and you will be an expert (adequate) instructor on your uh, second or so try. Please come out to the Miller's house on the 11th for our pizza party and Oshkosh (OK, AirVenture) wrap up. I'm sure there will be stories galore and probably lots of pictures to go along with them. See you there!

EAA 43 Chapter Meeting July 14, 2012

Dave Bieseemeier opened up the meeting with the banging of the gavel.

Guests: Bob Viles of Arvada and Tom Greeno of Broomfield. Welcome.

Anecdote: Scott Serani shared a story about “The Worlds Smartest Man.” A pilot, Michael Jordon, Bill Gates, the Pope and a pizza delivery boy were all aboard a plane flying through a storm. Suddenly the pilot made an announcement that lightning had hit the plane. They were going to crash in a few minutes. There are only 4 parachutes for 5 men. A long story short. The pilot, Michael Jordon and Bill Gates grabbed chutes and jumped. The Pope conceded to give the last chute to the pizza boy, who then said the worlds’ smartest man just grabbed my backpack.

June meeting minutes approved as published.

Finance Report: Myles Lee our Treasurer was absent. Dave Bieseemeier gave the report. The chapter had \$158.17 left over scholarship money from 2011. It was motioned and approved to add it to the 2013 fund. The 2013 scholarship fund has \$1500 plus the \$158. Dean Cochran Fund had \$490 of which \$350 was paid to EAA. Stan Specht made a suggestion and later a motion to use the money for the airport memorial garden. Passed. Dave B. then gave the rest of the chapter finance report. The auction made \$448 for the chapter.

Progress Reports: John Evans has been chipping away on his Kit Fox i.e. wheel pants. Our guest “Bob Viles is about 35% complete on a P-200.

Trip Reports: Herrill Davenport went to Yellowstone. Dave Bieseemeier flew to Alamosa for breakfast today and then to Leadville on July 4th. for a new FBO dedication and BBQ. Bill Mitchell went to Nebraska and back in a C-195.

Safety Report: None given.

Scholarship Report: Scott Serani mentioned that he would remove himself from the interviewing because of applicants from the Young Aviators. Dave B. mentioned that the funding for the 2013 scholarship is running behind. He asked the membership if anyone desires to chair the fund raising to give him a call.

Young Eagle Report: Terri Bazacos gave the report of two YE events. One on June 16 and the second on June 30. 32 kids were flown on the 16th. and 23 kids on the 30th. Many thanks to the pilots and ground crew that helped. The following is a list of the **ground crew** and the dates they helped.

Dave Bieseemeier 16&30, Ken Scott 16&30, Phyllis Scott 16&30, Daphne Davenport 16, Mike Powell 16&30, Jim Bohannon 16, Glenn Hetchler 26, Greg Hall 16, Ron Miller 16&30, Don Smith 16&30, John Reuterskoild 16, Scott Serani 16, Mike Duggan 16, John Juul 16&30, Roxie Juul 16&30, Ricky Dominico 30, Bruce Stevens 30 and Evan Garrett 30.

Pilots: Herrill Davenport 16, Bill Kendall 16, Al Godman 16, Rich Winegarten 16, Rick Howard 16, Stan Specht 16 &30, Billy O’Donnell 16, Kyle Heckman 16, Paul Hahn 16&30, Damon Becker 30, Stephanie Wells 30, Tony Garrett 30, Rocky Mapes 30 and Terri Bazacos 30.
Stan Specht shared about a handicapped kid he gave a ride to.

Young Aviators: Scott Serani reported that progress was slow. The group was going to work real hard in the coming week to get the project ready to take to Longmont. The purpose is to show Chapter 648 and others their project.

Old Business: Steve Beach asked Dave Biesemeier to mention the Rocky Mountain Air Show in August. They have offered a booth space to the chapter and a list was sent around for volunteers. Steve Beach also did a redesign of the ribs to take to KidVenture. He also cut out all the supplies by himself.

New Business: Stan Specht mentioned that the last day of Oshkosh, the Memorial Wall Ceremony will be held. Dean Cochran will have a brick on the wall.

Dave Biesemeier mentioned that our chapter election will be in October. Scott Serani shared that some new faces and fresh ideas would be needed. For the past several years the same group of volunteers have held the chapter offices, but maybe in a different role. Consider throwing your hat in the ring to fill some of the positions.

Many thanks to Andy Parks and Mike Gugeler for their support at our last meeting.
Adjourn.



It pays to volunteer.
Photo John Pata



Got to get here early to get the good strollers.
Photo Larry Grace



Another year and another cup for Dave.



Check out that babe next to the Cub.



Just a little more and we can sneak into the concert. Photo Phil Burmeister



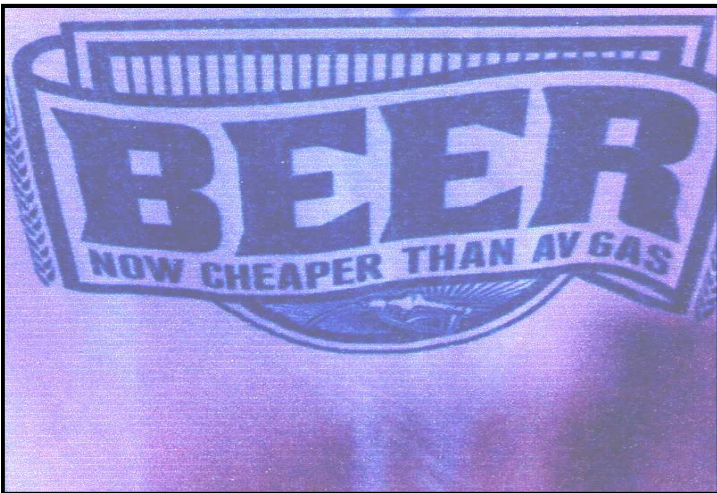
Opening act for Steve Miller Band. Photo Craig Kolk



Where's Waldo or Steve Beach? Photo Brady Lane



Tragedy: One small spark sets all the Porta Pottys on fire. Photo Laurie Goossens



On a serious note. What's in your tank?



Rod Hightower being introduced on his karaoke debut. Photo Cindy Luft

The next Chapter 43 Meeting will be a
“PIZZA PARTY AND AIRVENTURE REVIEW”

We will meet at the home of Lynn & Pat Miller at 3015 Piper Drive South at
 Erie Airport at 6:00 PM

Pizza and soft drinks will be furnished.
 You may bring a dessert or side dish to share.



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Proposed monthly Programs for 2012

August: Pizza Party and Oshkosh Recap

September: Buying and Selling Experimentals with Rod Woodard

October: Flight Planning with IPod and Foreflight with Don Dolce

November: Aerobatics with Dagmar Kress of the IAC

December: Amelia Earhart (9 NEWS) Round the World Trip?

Other possibilities: animal ferry and taxi operations, Redstone College,
Wings Over the Rockies, Rotors helicopter school.

Note: all programs not set up as yet.

Sad Note

The 2012 Spirit of Flight Day was a huge success. The sad part is that \$2600 was stolen with not much hope of recovering the money. Someone also broke into the main airport building. Donations needed to pay our property tax.

Thanks, Gordon Page

Local Events

Aug 18 8th Annual Classic Aircraft/Car Show and pancake breakfast at FTG.

Aug 26-26 Rocky Mountain Regional Fly In at Metro Airport.

Sept 8 CO 99s Mile High Air Derby.

Aug 29—Sept 3 Blakesburg

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