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### EAA MILE HIGH CHAPTER 43 50TH ANNIVERSARY 1958-2008



My interest in aviation didn't start until after high school. An Air Force recruiter kept calling on me at a grocery store in Ohio (1964) where I worked. Not seeing much future in what I was doing, I joined. I signed up for motor pool thinking I could learn a useful trade. I was assigned helicopters. After training, I was assigned to Whiteman A.F.B. in Missouri. ( a SAC Missile base) I worked as a mechanic, later a crew chief on a UH-1F Huey, served in Thailand and Viet Nam and got out in 1968. My first job in Kansas City was a line-boy at the downtown airport. I enrolled in an A&P school that went belly up before finishing. Later I found another one and finished the training. I didn't get around to take the FAA test. At the time I was an auto mechanic that was paying much more than an aircraft mechanic. Later in life, after marriage and college, I got the bug again. I packed up everything and moved to Colorado (1987) and started Colorado Aero Tech. on the midnight shift and worked at Goodyear during the day. This time I got the A & P License. Again, aviation jobs were paying too low or were not available. Not wanting to stop my pursuit, I started flying lessons at Erie. After some medical issues and 4 different instructors, I had to quit just before solo. I then turned to selecting and building a Zenith 701. It was going slow to start with because of still working, maintaining a garden, yard, house, two cars and the never ending "honey do list". Since retiring in October, I have the gift of time. I am able to devote more time to building and serving as secretary/newsletter editor of our chapter.

Bob Young

Our next chapter meeting will be on February 9th. at 7 PM in the Mount Evans Room upstairs at the Rocky Mountain Metro Airport. Program for the evening will be Terry Edwards, DAR, Designated Airworthiness representative.

## Definitions not found in the AIM Manual

**ABSOLUTE CEILING** = The top of your canopy during a hard landing.

**AIR DEFENSE IDENTIFICATION ZONE (ADIZ)** = A place where you can see an F-18 in action when you fly into it.

**AIR TAXI** = A vehicle that you can't find at a small airport.

**ANGLE OF ATTACK** = What a bird uses while aiming for your freshly detailed plane.

**CENTER OF GRAVITY** = The part of your body where the seat belt doesn't fit after a big meal.

**CRAB** = What you become after a weather delay.

**DIRECTIONAL GYRO** = Heading toward a Greek sandwich.

**DRY WEIGHT** = What you are before your first cup of coffee.

**FEATHERING** = What happens to a bird when your prop hits it.

**FISHTAILING** = What happens when you start tail dragger training.

**FLIGHT ENVELOPE** = The postman brings your pilot certificate in this.

**FLIGHT PLAN** = What you tell your spouse when you leave to go flying.

**GLIDER** = The results of a tank full of air.

**KNOT** = Used to tie down an aircraft

**MAGNETIC COMPASS** = A small toy found in a Cracker Jacks box.

**NON-TOWERED AIRPORT** = An airport where you can make a poor takeoff or landing and not hear a controller laugh at you.

**PITOT TUBE** = That tube sticking out of the airframe that will burn off a cover if the correct switch is used.

**ROTARY ENGINE** = What you have when the engine mounts break.

**RUDDER** = A device on the rear of an aircraft that guides you to the nearest bathroom facilities.

**SEAPLANE** = A plane with a boat-hull fuselage that can also land on fresh water rivers and lakes.

**SECONDARY STALL** = What you need to find when the first stall door is locked in the bathroom.

**SEE-AND-AVOID** = What you do when you are headed to the airport and your spouse has a "honey do" list.

**TORQUE** = What happens to your attitude when the price of Avgas goes up.

**TOUCH-AND GO** = What happens when you hit the starter button without holding the brakes.

**UNDERCARRIAGE** = What scrapes the runway when you don't extend the landing gear.  
(created from Bob's twisted mind)

## NEWS PAGE



### Annual Banquet

Our annual banquet was a huge success again this year. The staff at Vista Ridge did a great job. Pictured here is Bobby Baumgartner with his plaque of appreciation from the chapter for his outstanding service during the B-17 tour. He is also the recipient of an EAA Chapter 43 Lifetime Achievement Award which includes lifetime membership in Chapter 43. Many thanks, Bobby.

### SNOWBUSTERS

We are hosting the Snowbusters fly-in on Saturday April 5th. That is a while away, but there are some things we need to tend to in the near future. We need to make some signs to put out on fly-in days so people can find us. We could use some old realtor signs and repaint them. If anybody has a source for them and would like to donate them, please let me know. If you have any other ideas, let me know. If signs are located, I could use some help in getting them ready. Thanks, Greg Hall.

### PROTECTING YOUR SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER

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### EAA SPORT AVIATION

Be sure to read John Evens article on his Thorp 18 in the January issue.

### TOM POBEREZNY SURGERY

The EAA President had successful prostate cancer surgery this past month. The 61-year old said it was found in the early stages and the success rate is very high. Our thoughts and prayers are with our President in this time of recovery.

### ADAM AIRCRAFT

Adam Aircraft Industries made an adjustment to streamline their operations. The facilities at Ogden Utah have been suspended until early summer. The facility at Pueblo will transfer lay-up and bonding for the empennage to the facility in Englewood. All operations at Pueblo, with the exception of the machine shop, will cease. Many employees will experience a layoff, but this will not change the long range plans and visions for the company.

### ATG (JAVELIN JET)

ATG has halted the development of the Javelin at this time. The company is seeking adequate funding to continue developing the high performance business and military trainer.

### MIT ENGINEERS

MIT engineers have designed a class of material that repels oil. These materials can be used to protect o-rings and rubber gaskets that can be damaged by fuel or oil.

## Chapter 43 Board Meeting Jan. 9, 2008

Members attending the meeting were Roger Newman, Greg Hall, Stan Specht, Bob Young, Lynn Miller, Steve Beach, Gene Horsman, Bill & Mary Mitchell, John Reuterskiold and John Juul.

Roger started the meeting by thanking everyone for their help for the past 2 years. He then turned over the reins and a stack of paperwork to the new president, Greg Hall.

Arrangements were made to present Bobby Baumgartner with a lifetime membership at the banquet. John Reuterskiold was introduced to the group as the replacement Data Base Manager. Gene Horsman was thanked for the work he did in that position.

Our local Chapter 43 turns 50 years old this year. It was founded in 1958. Information will be compiled for an article in EAA Sport Aviation.

Discussion was made on taking over the name of "Snow Buster" previously used by Chapter 720. Several dates were mentioned and April 5<sup>th</sup> was decided on. This event will be tentative on checking with EAA National to see if their insurance carriers will cover the event. Realtor yard signs that are repainted and flyers to area airports can be used to advertise. Volunteers will be needed for the event.

Lynn purchased 2 large plastic tubs to contain what is left of the chapter library. Several others mentioned they had items to donate. Space is needed to store the items until someplace permanent is found.

Lynn also mentioned that plans are in place for a building at Erie Airport to house the Spirit of Flight Center. This may be a possible meeting place for the chapter.

Next topic discussed was what to do with money in the chapter checkbook. Suggestions made were scholarships to EAA Air Academy, flight lessons to solo, and other things to promote aviation. Interested recipients could write an essay and submit it to the board. Lynn was to put together a scholarship form. Brian Cabebe could ask teachers for candidates.

Final item for discussion was for monthly program ideas. Some suggestions were for dope & fabric demos, rivet forums, visits to Tri-County Propellers, to airport towers and Platte Valley Museum.

Meeting adjourned at 9:13.

HUMOROUS AIRCRAFT DEFECTS AND CORRECTIVE ACTIONS  
(Collected from U.S.A.F., Royal A.F. and Qantas)

Defect: Turn & slip indicator ball stuck in center during turns.  
Action: Congratulations. You just made your first coordinated turn.

Defect: Whining sound heard on engine shutdown.  
Action: Pilot removed from aircraft.

Defect: Autopilot tends to drop a wing when fuel imbalance reaches 500 pounds.  
Action: Flight manual limits maximum fuel imbalance to 300 pounds.

Defect: 3 roaches in cabin.  
Action: 1 roach killed, 1 wounded, 1 got away.

Defect: Unfamiliar noise coming from #2 engine.  
Action: Engine run for four hours. Noise now familiar.

Defect: Noise coming from #1 engine. Sounds like man with a little hammer.  
Action: Took little hammer away from man in #1 engine.

Defect: Weather radar went ape.  
Action: Opened radar, let ape out, cleaned up mess.

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Alex Yermilov got his airworthiness certificate on his Mustang II on Jan. 9th. He moved it to Rocky Mountain Metropolitan Airport. It is presently tied down on the tarmac and Alex is looking for some hanger space for his plane. If you have some to share, he would like to hear from you.

303-424-6659

**2008 Membership Information**

**(Needed for 2008 Roster Chapter documents, mailing info at bottom)**

Even if nothing has changed from last year, please fill out, and we particularly need EAA # and Renewal date.

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**\*\*We can now send you our monthly newsletter on E-Mail. It will come to you in a form that has a brief message and a link to our website, where you can then bring the newsletter up in color in PDF form. We also send out periodic news items by e-mail. The newsletter will be sent to you automatically this way, if you have an E-mail address.**

**AIRCRAFT INFORMATION:**

Note: Category - Standard, Experimental, Ultralight, WarBird, etc.

Status: ----Built, Building, Restoring, Considering, etc

<u>Make, Model</u>	<u>Category</u>	<u>Since (Yr)</u>	<u>Status</u>	<u>Based At</u>
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
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**HOW WOULD YOU LIKE TO BE INVOLVED DURING 2008 ?**

**Would you?**

- Run for a Chapter Officer Post For 2008? -----Yes\_\_\_ No\_\_\_
  - Arrange, Or Be, The Program For One Of Our Meetings? ----- Yes\_\_\_ No\_\_\_
  - Host A Chapter Meeting At Your Project?----- Yes\_\_\_ No\_\_\_
  - Volunteer To Serve On the Rocky Mountain Regional Fly-In Planning Committee? -----Yes\_\_\_ No\_\_\_
  - Volunteer For The 30th (2008) Annual Rocky Mountain EAA Regional fly-In?-----Yes\_\_\_ No\_\_\_
  - Participate in Young Eagles functions, either pilot or volunteer?-----Yes\_\_\_ No\_\_\_
- Pilot\_\_\_ Volunteer\_\_\_

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**Annual Dues for 2008 are \$20.00. Please make check payable to EAA Chapter 43, and mail to :  
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