

# Mile High Flyer

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## MAY MEETING MINUTES:

The editor wishes to thank **Gene Horsman** for filling in as secretary at the May meeting/picnic.

The meeting was called to order at 11:30 A.M. by President George Hayes.

The minutes from the preceding meeting were approved as published in the newsletter.

Treasurer's report: Bob Wilson reports a balance of \$2602.25.

George said there was a hassle on the EAA insurance coverage for the chapter. It was submitted on time even if EAA didn't think so.

Progress reports: George Hayes has ordered a new prop for his mini-Piet. Elliot Crawford is about ready to fly his Sonorai. Ib Hansen's new racing Cassutt is about ready to fly.

Don Coleman went to Sun-N-Fun and gave a report. Said the massing of the P-51's coming from Kissimee was great. They had a P-51/F-51 fly-by with them. Also, there were two F-104's present.

George reported that the parachute jump zone at Longmont had been changed to the south side of the runway and he felt that it was going to make a dangerous situation.

Bob Lee asked for Young Eagle pilots and volunteers for the Erie Town Fair days at Tri-county airport on May 15.

George asked if anyone needed name badges.

Pat Claar pointed out that the Boulder Aeromodeling Society was going to have a re-enactment of the one and only flight of Howard Hughes' "spruce Goose" with a 14 ft. wingspan scale model of it at the Boulder Reservoir at 9:00 A.M. on Saturday May 22. They only intend on making one flight with the model, which weighs approximately 60 lbs. and has eight "91" four stroke engines. It will take 6-7 crew members to get it off the water.

Steve Beach gave out certificates for 1998 officers that weren't present to get them before. The chapter approved paying a half share of the cost of this year's Brad Davenport Memorial Trophy to be awarded at the fly-in in June.  
Meeting adjourned at 12:00 noon. **Gene Horsman.**

## JUNE MEETING:

**Sat. the 12th, 5:00p.m., Tom & Sonja Young's Dancing Horse Stables, Firestone, Co. Bring your favorite entree to barbecue and side dish pot luck. Bring chairs! Please turn to page 3 for directions.**

## STEVE'S CORNER

### ROCKY MOUNTAIN REGIONAL: LAST CALL!

The Rocky Mountain EAA Regional Fly-In is just three weeks away; June 26 & 27. Everything is progressing nicely except for volunteer sign-ups. We have plenty of names but very few have committed to a time slot. If the volunteer committee knows in advance how many volunteers to expect, and when, they can do a much better job in planning for the needs of the fly-in. If you can make the fly-in and know when you can help, please x-off the time on the sign-up sheet at the next meeting. Or if you will not be at the June meeting you can call Steve Beach at 303-469-7661 or Gene Horsman at 303-279-5782 to commit to a time slot.

Now that the request for help is out, here is some of what you will find at this year's fly-in. Demonstrations will be taking place on both days. Marv will have his hammer and/or English Wheel and as always will be inviting people to try their hand at creating aircraft parts. Aircraft Spruce is giving fabric covering and composite workshops on both Sat and Sun. For more information on their workshops call 1-800-967-5746. Lincoln welding will be showing the latest in wire feed and we hope tig-welding technology.

Marvin has been working for a number of years on getting the Tin Man to come out and demonstrate his talents. This is the year that he has decided to come. If he gets enough response at the regional he will stay in town and give a full class in metal working the following weekend.

Roger Standard has been busy getting demos on fabric covering and rib building. This will be a very important educational workshop for the Young Eagle rally on Sunday. Roger has even taken the time to build some  
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very nice jigs to help the kids enjoy themselves and gain a little aircraft knowledge in the process.

Speaking of the Young Eagle rally, Bob Lee is working with Earl Bolton on making this YE Rally the event of the year. We need the pilots and aircraft but, and almost more importantly, we need ground support assistance. It would be nice to have at least two people for every aircraft flying and a couple of people that could be giving preflight's. The Tri-County YE Rally was a success (see the next article) but the ground help was really short-handed.

The aircraft judging will take place on Saturday June 26 with the awards and trophies given out at the banquet on Saturday night (actually late afternoon). There will be fly-bys and the second annual spot-landing contest on Saturday afternoon. You can also watch the aviation students from Metro compete in a preflight contest to show off their skills. This competition has not been scheduled yet, but if it doesn't take place on Saturday you can come back on Sunday to watch.

As in years past the activities will abound without too much commercialism. The cost to get into the event will be the same as last year, \$5.00 per day. A new bonus this year is both days for \$7.00. If you purchase a two day ticket you will get a dynamite souvenir wrist band for your scrapbook.

The regional board is hoping that by next year we will be able to attract enough corporate sponsorship to make the event free or at least with a smaller gate admission. If you work for a company that might consider donating for the fly-in please let the committee know. The regional should be a 501c3 by next year and that is very attractive for corporate giving. One of the keys to getting the 501c3 status is involvement with the community i.e. the Young Eagles Rally.

Once again, if you can help sign-up at the next meeting. Help is needed on Friday during the day for set-up, Saturday and Sunday. Please, if you can donate a couple of hours about 3:00pm on Sunday for clean-up it would be a big help. But, if you cannot spare the time to volunteer, be sure to work out enough time during the weekend to come out and just enjoy the Fly-In.

## YOUNG EAGLES:

The May 15<sup>th</sup> rally at Tri-County was a good success. If Bob had known how many aircraft were going to show up we could have flown a lot more YE's and it would have been a great success. The totals were; 31 kids flown in 8 aircraft. Helping out on the ground were Bob Lee, Roger Standard, Michael Maya Charles and Mary Mitchell. The pilots, that I can remember, were Bill Mitchell, Gene Horsman, Pete Kelly, Blue Grassfield, Tom Melsheir, Cliff Begnaug, and Tom McGovern.

Thanks to everyone that volunteered!!!

With all of the aircraft available we were able to fly all of the kids in a little under two hours and everyone had a great time. As noted in the regional article the ground support was a little short handed. Remember that even if you can't fly, your help is always appreciated. Put Sunday June 27 on your calendar for the next YE Rally and it should be a good one. It will start at 9:00am (volunteer briefing) on Sunday, so allow yourself enough time to come out for the pancake breakfast first.

## AIR ACADEMY:

Our local EAA community has to be the best represented area of the country at the EAA Air Academy this summer. As reported last month Chris Goodholm, had been accepted for the camp in July, and now Jan Hensen has also received his acceptance letter for the same session.

Their camp runs the week before AirVenture and runs through the first two days of Oshkosh. It looks like they will both opt to stay at least one extra day to enjoy more of the Airshow. Congratulations to both of our campers, they will have an unforgettable experience!

## EVENTS:

### CHAPTER 43 MEETINGS:

June:	Project Visit & ?BBQ? - Tom Young's Phoenix
July:	Tri-County Open Hanger Night & Oshkosh Primer
August:	Project Visit & Oshkosh Review
September:	Engine Building
October:	Special Guest - Still being scheduled
November:	Ron Denight - Air Racer
December:	Open - Any Suggestions

### OTHER REGIONAL EVENTS: (Bold print indicates an EAA sponsored activity)

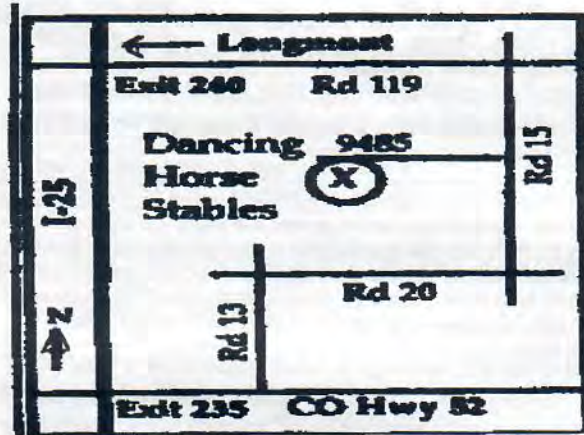
June 11-13	Fremont County Airport, Thorp T-18 Fly-in. Walt Griffin, 719/5472906.
June 12	Buena Vista, Taildragger Stampede & Competition. 719/395-2496.
June 19 <sup>th</sup>	Gunnison Cnty Airshow - Pancake Brkfst
June 19 <sup>th</sup>	Air Rodeo - Spanish Peaks Airfield - Many Flying Events - Bob 719-676-3235
June 19 & 20	1999 Air Show Colorado - Jeffco - No major jet team but plenty of aerobatic talent(Gene Soucy)

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- June 20-25 Int'l Cessna 170 Assn Convention – Durango 409-369-4362
- June 26 & 27 Rocky Mountain Regional EAA Fly-In – Longmont**
- June 26<sup>th</sup> Fort Morgan Fly-In Breakfast – Vernon Tryon 970-867-5688
- July 4<sup>th</sup> **Fly-In Open House Chaffee County Airport (Salida) Pancake Breakfast – Chp 1161**
- July 4<sup>th</sup> Independence Day Fly-In – Brush Municipal – Pancake Breakfast – 970-766-0742
- July 5-8<sup>th</sup> Int'l Chapter Short Wing Piper Club Convention – Centennial - 303-979-3012
- July 9-11<sup>th</sup> Mountain Mania Car Show - Buena Vista – Dan Bremmer 719-395-2496
- July 7-11<sup>th</sup> **EAA Northwest Fly-In – Arlington Washington – 360-435-5857**
- July 17<sup>th</sup> Custer County Airport (near Westcliffe) Pancake Brkfst – Wray Pedro 800-748-2430
- July 28– Aug 3 1999 AirVenture – Oshkosh**
- Sep 10-12 EAA Golden West Fly-In – Atwater CA – 530-677-4503
- Sep 11-12<sup>th</sup> EAA MERFI Fly-In - Marion OH - 937-849-9455
- Sep 25<sup>th</sup> Telluride Breakfast Fly-In
- Sep 28<sup>th</sup> Aspen Air Show – Aspen – Featuring the Canadian Snobirds
- Oct 2<sup>nd</sup> 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Mountain Pilot Flying Competition - Buena Vista – Dan Bremmer 719-395-2496
- Oct 7-10<sup>th</sup> **EAA Copperstate Fly-In - Mesa AZ - 520-298-3522**
- Oct 8-10<sup>th</sup> **EAA Southeast Fly-In - Evergreen AL - 334-743-3916**
- Oct 8-10<sup>th</sup> **EAA East Coast Fly-In - Wilmington DE - 302-738-3077**
- Oct 14-17<sup>th</sup> **EAA Southwest Fly-In - Abilene TX - 830-997-8802**

## DIRECTIONS TO TOM YOUNG'S:

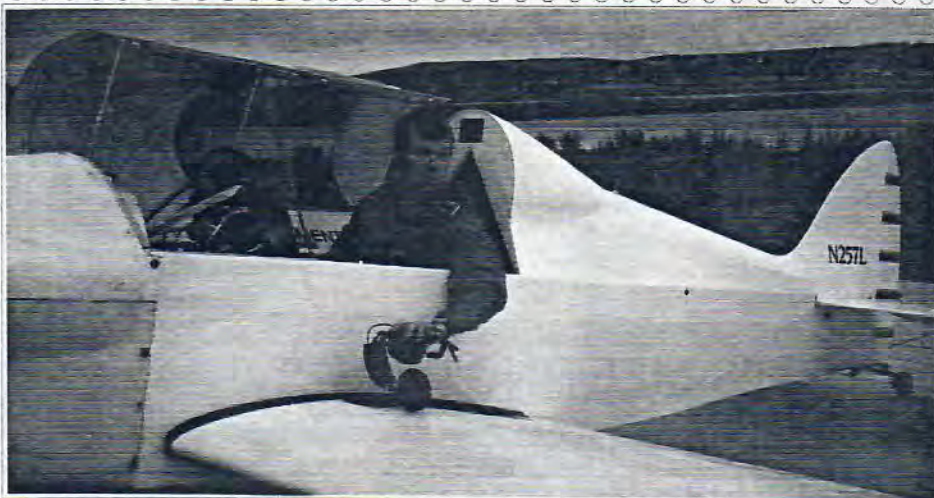
Please note that this month's meeting will be a Pot Luck barbecue held at member Tom Young's "Dancing Horse Stable" near the town of Firestone. To get there, take I-25 north to the Frederick, Dacono exit (#235), take Highway 52 east 1.9 miles to Road 13, go north 3 miles to Road 20, turn east 2 miles to Road 15, turn back north for 1/2 mile to the double drive on the west, proceed west .2 miles to the Dancing Horse Stables and you're there. If LOST, call Tom at 303/833-4091.



Tom is going to stoke up the big barbecue around 5:00P.M. for a picnic before the meeting. This will be a pot luck affair with everyone bringing what ever they would like. Bring your own main course and something to share. Also bring your own silverware and serving hardware if needed.

Tom and Sonja are getting ready to go back to Alaska this summer so this will be our last opportunity to meet at their ranch.

## ELLIOT CRAWFORD COMPLETES FIRST FLIGHT IN SONERAI !



"I CAN'T BELIEVE I DID IT!" were the first words spoken by Elliot upon opening the canopy of his newly minted Sonerai Model 1L, (N257L) after successfully completing the ship's FIRST FLIGHT. The maiden voyage took place May 23, 1999, at Tri-County Airport and was witnessed by Ron Denight and Ruby Lanich. Congratulations Elliot!

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## THIS MONTH'S MEETING:

Pot Luck - SATURDAY, JUNE 12TH, 1999 at 5:00PM .Tom & Sonja Young's Place. See inside, page 3 for details.

