



## EAA Chapter 595 October 14<sup>th</sup>, 2017

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### Minutes / Meeting of EAA Chapter 595 Rio Grande Valley

#### *October Announcements*

##### Birthdays

**Geneda Schwanke** October - 6  
**Donald Schwanke** October - 26  
**Carol Heiser** October - 26

##### Anniversaries

#### *November Announcements*

##### Birthdays

**Larry Wheelock** November - 20  
**Shirley Gifford** November - 27

##### Anniversaries

#### *Events*

**REKLAW**  
Oct. 27-29th, 2017

32nd. Annual Flying M Ranch  
Fly-In and Campout, and 24th  
Annual Cub Migration

[Reklaw 2017](#)

#### **Morse Aircraft** Movie Night

Morse Aircraft is planning  
another Movie Night either late  
Nov. or early Dec. check your  
email for the date.

The October 14<sup>th</sup> meeting of EAA Chapter 595 was called to order by President Don Schwanke in the conference room at Edinburg International Airport at 11:07 a.m. There were 11 members present so quorum was made. The members in attendance were:

Don Schwanke	Phil Bowers	Byron Engle
Robert Carter	Kristen Esquivel	Monte Vasquez
Cindy Vasquez	Merle Jenkins	Shirlene Jenkins
Jared Bird	Ted Miller, Jr.	

A big Thank You to Debora Melvin for her hospitality and facilities for our meetings to take place. Thank you so much, Debora!!!!

Byron was called upon to give the treasurer's report and it was moved for acceptance by Merle Jenkins and seconded by Phil Bowers.



Don reminded the membership that the October meeting has always been the meeting that nominations are made for the new slate of officers for the next 2 years. The first thing that happened was that Don was nominated (reelected) by acclamation for the office of president for the next 2 years. After that, no one spoke up about nominations until Don

asked Cindy Vasquez if she would consider taking the office of secretary (to give Byron a break). After much consternation and discussion (cajoling), she accepted the nomination on the premise that it would be okay only if Byron could help her. Byron agreed, so the nomination stands. There were no other nominations, so the votes will be cast at the November meeting (but quorum MUST BE MADE-otherwise voting for the new officer(s) will have to wait until quorum is made), so EVERYONE MUST BE AT THE NOVEMBER MEETING, PLEASE!!

Don spoke about the EAA calendars that could be ordered by the chapter and sold for the princely sum of \$10.00 each. The minimum order is for 10 calendars and Byron was given permission to order the minimum number and they should be for sale at the November meeting at Gulf Aviation. Please try

to buy at least one, as every time the chapter has ordered these great calendars, there was always a loss, as not everyone that promised, bought one. Hopefully, this will not be a repeat of years past.

Robert Carter mentioned that Dan Morse with Morse Aircraft (an A&P, IA mechanic at Weslaco) will be showing movies on a bimonthly basis in his hanger starting Saturday evening. The admission is free and so is the popcorn, but BYOB and chair. An email will be sent for the next viewing date.

At this time, Don called upon Kristen Esquivel to present her impressions of a 1<sup>st</sup> timer at Airventure in Oshkosh. She gave a great presentation and passed several photos and a shadow box of souvenirs around for the membership to enjoy. Very well done, Kristen!! We appreciate your presentation very much!

Byron also spoke about some of the things he and Kristen experienced on the trip and the latest trip he took to Mineola, TX for the 40<sup>th</sup> Corvair College presented by William Wynne and Dan Weseman (of Panther fame). There were about 40 participants and most were either ready to test run their engines, working on the conversion, or just there to learn about them. Corvair engines have been converted for aircraft use since they first came out in 1960 and continue to this day (albeit the conversions now are MUCH improved over the early ones). There are hundreds flying and they range in horsepower from 65 to 130 and more. Some are turbocharged and can fly in the upper atmosphere with some airliners, but most are flying where most of us fly: 1000 to 12000 feet.

Robert spoke about some of the problems he's had dealing with the website and has found a way around most of the problems by putting a link to another page, instead of trying to make changes to the original one that EAA provides. Don also mentioned that there are a lot of things that can be achieved with the chapter Facebook page as well.



Ted Miller spoke about a new thing he's been trying: he's joined the Sport Air Racing League (SARL) and that he participated in his 1<sup>st</sup> race last weekend in Galveston and WON HIS CLASS at a speed of (gasp!) 195.87 mph!!!! Not bad for a 160hp, fixed-pitch propped RV-9! Someone asked if he went the whole 150 miles at full throttle and he said (among other things) yes! He said that was an adrenaline rush like he's never had before (I'll bet!) and plans to compete in another race in Jasper, TX next weekend. Good luck, Ted! We'll be watching & supporting you!

Arlene Garza of Gulf Aviation called and mentioned that Gulf will be having an aviation day fly-in, drive in, walk in, etc. Friday, November 10 from 11:00am until 3:00pm (see flyer) and is inviting any of us to come and participate, especially those with airplanes. She says that she's trying to invite as many aviation oriented folks (including the military) as possible to participate as possible. Maybe this could be an annual thing? We'll see. Arlene has been most gracious for allowing us to have our meetings there every other month and she's asking us for our support, so let's give her our support! There's also a fuel discount for ex-military and certain others, so check it out. (See flyer)

Don asked the membership about the Christmas banquet meeting and Ted Miller, Jr. volunteered his house in Edinburg again. It was moved & seconded that December 9<sup>th</sup> will be at his house. Address & phone # to follow in the next newsletter.

Byron Engle flew 13 Young Eagles at KEBG Saturday evening and everyone had a GREAT time, especially Byron. The kids said that it was AWESOME! So did the parents and scout leaders of the Girl & Boy Scout troops, as well. Everyone went home happy!

The membership voted that lunch would be enjoyed at Trevino's Restaurant in Edinburg (and it was!).

The next chapter meeting will be at Gulf Aviation meeting room at 11:00 am, November 11, 2017. Be there so we can again make quorum and vote for the new officer(s).

Merle Jenkins moved and Cindy Vasquez seconded that the meeting be adjourned at 12:10 pm. whereupon the membership hied off to Trevino's (important stuff, there).

Submitted by Byron Engle, Treasurer/Secretary Chapter EAA Chapter 595



# Veterans Appreciation Day Fly-In

Veterans Day gives us the opportunity to celebrate and honor the bravery and the sacrifices of all our U.S. Veterans

Please join us



5001 Bodenhamer Ave  
Harlingen, TX  
Friday, November 10, 2017  
11:00 AM - 3:00 PM

Present Military ID & Receive  
\$1.00 Off Posted Price  
All Non-Veteran Pilots  
Receive .50 cents off posted price  
when you text 'FlyIn' to 63975

**\* Food \* Car Show \* Music \*  
and so much more!**