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**A change in format this month.... See the complete write-up below.**

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## SEPTEMBER MEETING, THE CHAPTER 648 ANNUAL PICNIC, SEPTEMBER 6<sup>TH</sup> IN ELDORA AT THE BOLTON'S



Check out the weather on these shots. A perfect day for a picnic and we had lots of good food and drink.



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Judging from the faces of the people in these shots, it's evident that those in attendance had a good time and certainly got their fill of good food and drink. ...and we even had hot coffee to go along with the wine, beer, carbonated drinks and good old water.

For those who weren't able to make it, if we do it again next year, try to make it. This is an ideal setting and as always, the food, drinks and company are great.

## October Meeting

No formal program is scheduled for October's meeting. There are a number of important issues to discuss and decisions to be made. Please plan on attending and contributing. We will also talk about the Cheyenne visit. This was an event that turned out to be a real winner!

## A Message from the President

By now, most people in EAA and associated with the Young Eagles Program have heard about the fatal accident in a YE flight in September. This is an item we need to discuss at the October meeting. Rick has tentatively scheduled another Chapter Young Eagles flight for October. Whether to hold or cancel this event is something that calls for member input. If you read random comments on the various internet sites reporting on this happening, you will see that they span a wide range from very negative to very positive on the program. In any event, if members are asked about this accident and the overall safety of the program, it's a good idea to have thought through a proper response. Fatal accidents are not always treated fairly, and in particular, the media tends to slant things toward the sensational. So be prepared to discuss this at the meeting and to members of the public at large.

Dick Socash

President, EAA Chapter 648

## Meeting Minutes for September 6, 2014

None Reported

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## NEWSLETTER QUIZ

Each month, we will ask a "question" in the newsletter. Answers can only be given if you attend the meeting referenced in the newsletter. At the end of the year, there will be a prize to the person who has the most correct answers. Some will be easy and some difficult.

### September Question:

General aviation radio frequencies range from xx to yy hertz. What part of this range is devoted to voice communication? Also, when instructed to switch to "Ground at Point Eight", what frequency should you use?

### September Answer:

General aviation frequencies range from 108.000 MHz to 136.975 MHz. The VOR navigation frequency range is 112.00 MHz to 117.95 MHz with a 50 KHz spread which gives 200 navigation frequencies. Voice communication frequencies range from 118.000 MHz to 136.96 MHz on a 25 KHz spread. This gives 760 voice channels. A few values to keep in mind include:

Emergency	121.5
Ground Control	121.X where X may vary from airport to airport
Control Towers	118.000 to 121.400
Fixed wing air to air	122.750
Aviation Multicom	122.850
Trans-Ocean air to air	123.45

Tower instruction to switch to Ground at "Point Eight" means tune to ground at 121.8

### October Question:

You have experienced a two-way radio failure and are short on fuel and approaching a Class D airport where you must land. What set of actions should you take to best facilitate a safe landing?

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## AIRPLANE PICTURE OF THE MONTH (#16) - Paolo Fanti's Lancair

Constructed and first flown in Germany, Paolo disassembled, crated, and had this plane shipped from Germany to Longmont where he reassembled it and completed the necessary paperwork to register it here in the U.S. It's now officially N980PT and cleared to join the ranks of all the other certified experimental. These pictures are from a Sunday celebration marking the completion of his forty-hour fly-off.



## Upcoming Activities:

Young Eagles Flight in October timeframe – Hope to have our next Chapter-sponsored YE flight in October after our regular meeting on October 13<sup>th</sup>. Will need candidate YE's, planes and pilots, and ground personnel.

Chapter 648 Help - Passed a sign-up sheet around for help on various Chapter events. Thanks to all who responded. Big events seem to go well and it's the little support actions that really make them successful. Spreading the work makes being officers in the Chapter easy and enjoyable. Thanks to all!!

Christmas Party – Need suggestions on location and date. Bob and Carol will have Corvette parts scattered about their place so we need to find another location for the event. Anyone willing to host or who has any suggestions should get with one of the Chapter officers on this matter.

## Send in Your Newsletter Items:

**DON'T FORGET!!!** We need to get submissions from the members to include in future newsletters. I'm starting to run out of *ideas and lies*!! Let's hear from you!! Need "Plane of the Month", trip reports, technical tips, hangar tales, "beautiful planes" and aviation slanted "fish stories."

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