

EAA CHAPTER 677, OCTOBER 1986

OCTOBER MEETING

The October meeting will be held at 7:30 PM on October 9, 1986 at the First Federal Savings and Loan Association building on the Beallwood Connector at Whitesville Road. One of the primary activities at this meeting is the ELECTION OF OFFICERS FOR 1987. The program for the meeting should be very informative, Major Addington from the local Civil Air Patrol Squadron will have slides and a film to show on the purpose and mission of the Civil Air Patrol, an auxiliary of the USAF. The CAP is a very necessary aspect of aviation, so lets show our support.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Your interest in this chapter is necessary for its continuing existence. The election of officers is required by the Chapter 677 by-laws and must be conducted in October. In the past we have made it very easy for members to nominate and elect officers by providing nominating and election ballots with the newsletters that could be returned in person or by mail. This year we have been calling members to solicit nominations from them. We have been unable to reach many of the members by telephone and those who were contacted had few nominations to suggest other than reelecting the present officers again. With one or two exceptions the persons contacted did not wish to have their names placed on the ballot this year, therefore, a motion will be made at the meeting to reelect the existing officers for another term. The chapter by-laws do not prohibit this, so for want of something better this is what will be offered to the membership at the meeting.

WHAT OUR MEMBERS ARE DOING

Jack and Brian Austin have purchased a 1959 CallAir A-5. If you have never heard of it don't feel alone. The A-5 was set up as a cropduster version of the A-4, it has a pilots seat (open cockpit) with the hopper to the pilots right in the location where the A-4's right seat was. Jack has obtained another stick and pedals and hopes to convert it to a two seat side by side. the airplane is a low winged taildragger powered by a 150 hp Lycoming (O-320 series). Jack expects to take about two to three years to have it flying and I figure that by then the FAA will have figured out how to license it! The airplane will weigh about 1025 lbs. empty and will have about 850 lbs. useful load. Not bad for a two seater.

Bill Winters is on another trip to Oklahoma and parts unknown. They have filled the 150 to the full mark (the baggage compartment that is) and checked the oil and gas and were last seen headed west on Saturday.

Pearce Massey and family are off to Orlando and Disney World for a couple of days but should be back by mid-week.

We regret to hear that Jim Davis will be moving in the near future, we will miss him around the airport. Good luck Jim!

Bud Schuman's Mustang is looking better than ever with a coat of white paint and some blue striping.

Joe Dunaj, Bobby Jones and Lonnie Wilson all traveled to Prattville, AL for a fly-in there and Joe and Bobby both came back with some awards, look to hear about it at the meeting.

Mike Wilson is working on installing a radio stack in his EAA biplane and the installation is looking real nice.

HAPPENINGS

October 11 & 12, Tullahoma, Tennessee, A fly-ing flea market will happen, sponsored by the Tullahoma Bunch.

October 11 & 12, Thomasville, Georgia, A genuine fly-in will take place with many antiques and homebuilts attending. This is a very active area and attendance is always very good. On Friday nite (the 10th) a spaghetti supper will be held and on Saturday nite a chicken BBQ will be the feast, both begin about 7 PM.

October 18 & 19, Naval Air Station Atlanta (Dobbins AFB), Canada's RAF Snowbirds demonstration team will preform.

CALENDARS

Don Breeden has ordered 100 of the 1987 EAA Calendars and hopes to have them in time to sell them at the meeting.

MEMBERSHIP CARDS

Once or twice in the past we have issued Chapter membership cards, but there never seemed to be much interest one way or another. Recently however there seems to be a renewed interest in having membership cards that show that you are a current member and also show how long you have been a chapter member. We are investigating the possibility of having cards custom printed, or at the worst use the standard ones printed by National EAA and made available to the chapters.

1987 DUES

Your 1987 dues are, according to the by-laws due and payable to the Secretary-Treasurer by December 31st of this year. Please help keep things running smoothly and don't overload Don by waiting until the January dinner meeting to pay your '87 dues. A new membership list will be published early next year, probably in late February and we would like to include everyone!