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# CHAPTER 690 NAVCOM

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### Andy Anderson Memorial

Frank and Margaret Wilcox

Members and friends of Chapter 690 gathered at the new Chapter building on Friday evening June 7th to remember Andy Anderson. Andy died of cancer on May 22, 1996. The program was arranged and led by Steve Ashby. He called on president Duane Huff and former president Frank Wilcox to speak. Duane spoke about what Andy had done with and for the chapter. Frank, who knew Andy both in college and when they were co-workers for Rockwell International, told more about Andy's life and his contribution to aeronautics. Steve then shared his thoughts about Andy as an outstanding person, pilot, chapter member and aviation enthusiast. He mentioned Andy's great concern for safety which had led to his being appointed the chapters representative on the airport safety committee.

Andy's wife Dona and their three children and their families were guests of honor. Dona presented the video tapes that Andy had made documenting the construction of the chapter hangar complex Andy would have wanted the evening to from the beginning before any dirt was moved and up to within a few days of his death. He also had instructive videos about flying the B-17 and the B-29 which had been given to him. He wanted them to Fund in memory of Andy Anderson are be a part of the chapter library. She then gave to the chapter a television to be kept at the building for viewing the chapter's video library. This too had been Andy's request. Several memorial donations had been given to Dona designated for the completion of the chapter building and these she presented to Steve.

The highlight of the evening was to be a

fly-by of three aircraft in the traditional missing man formation. The planes were a Stearman, the plane in which Andy first soloed, piloted by John Reed; Duane Huff's Aeronca Chief piloted by Duane and a Citabra piloted by Elgin Wells. Unfortunately an unexpected but very violent summer storm developed just as the aircraft were taxiing onto the runway and they had to hurriedly, and with some assistance in the case of the Aerona, return to the hangars. Steve promised that there would be a missing man fly-by at some later date for he had proposed to Andy he would be remembered in this way and Andy had replied,"I'll be watching."

The storm did not dampen the fellowship of the evening as the group shared a delicious pot-luck supper. Meaningful memorabilia belonging to Andy were on display including his log books and the picture taken when he piloted the B-17 - the "Aluminum Overcast" this past March. It was as be - a celebration of a great life!

Donations to the Chapter Building being received by Duane Huff or Sherry Langford. The money is designated toward completion of the interior of the building. A specific project or area will be selected in memory of Andy. Members of the chapter are encouraged to make contributions towards this fund since the amount received will determine the scope of this memorial.

### Presidential Pitch

Congratulations are in order again, to start this month's column. Dennis Kass flew his Express for the first time on Sunday June 23rd. Dennis used Clyde Schnars, 690 Flight Advisor, to help make this a very successful flight. I'm sure we will hear more about this flight and others from Dennis. Again, congratulations!

On Friday June 28th some of our members were able to help give a group of preschool children who are visually impaired an opportunity to learn about airplanes. This was a hands on experience for them —touching the airplane, sitting in the seats, feeling the controls and listening to the radios. The children were "the Beginners" from the Center for Visually Impaired. The little folks had a great time and we had another opportunity for some community service.

Aeronca NC 3420E settled nicely into the grass at Hook Field in Middletown, Ohio and seemed to say, "Thanks for bringing me home again." It was the National Aeronca Convention. Tied down in the field beside the factory where 11-AC-1737 rolled off the assembly line and parked among 125 other beautifully restored aircraft (7 ACs, 11ACs and others including a low wing Aeronca) it was a beautiful sight. Activities at the convention included a tour of the Aeronca factory and also the Air Force Museum at Dayton. Both were very impressive. I flew up to the convention along with Ted Roman and Tom Harris who were flying an Aeronca 7AC Champ. Ted received the award for the best restored post war Champ. Both men plan to attend our July meeting and have indicated they would be joining 690.

Thanks, David Posey, for conducting the June meeting in my absence. I understand that it was a great meeting with good

President Duane Huff

attendance and lively discussions. It was announced that we now have over 100 members. That's great!

I heard that the 690 Ham Radio Club set a record over the weekend. Ask Joel Levine or Jim Garner or any of the other 13 members about the 24 hour contest conducted in our hangar June 22 and 23rd. Lynn Zahner and Theresa Coleman did a great job of organizing the traditional Chili Cook-off which was held Saturday evening in conjunction with the event. A good number of our members attended even though the weather was almost as hot as the chili.

Contributions to the Andy Anderson Memorial Fund are coming to me and are accumulating to be quite a large sum. The funds will be used in the completion of the interior of the hangar in a way that will be a memorial to Andy. If you have not contributed and wish to, checks can be given to me or Sherry Langford.

The first meeting for this year of the Executive Committee has been called for Monday July 1st. In compiling the list of committee members, I was impressed with the large number of officers and committee chairpersons who serve Chapter 690. I would like to thank all these fine volunteers who keep the chapter active, growing and running smoothly. I could not do my part without them.

Espie"Butch" Joyce, President of the Antique Classic Division says, "Remember, we are better together. Join us and have it all."

### Board of Trustees Report

With the final coat of shiny white paint on the hangar floor and the grass and trees growing well, we can turn our attention to interior finishing projects. When you visit the building you will see building materials - lumber, steel, plywood, etc. stored in the southwest corner of the building. This is the area that will be used to store chapter property, which still leaves most of the floor area for chapter activities.

As mentioned in previous reports, hard surfacing much of the interior wall area is our first project. The plan is to build a metal stud framework and cover it with dry wall. Since this is a project in which all members can participate, we are scheduling a chapter work day for Saturday July 13. We know that a project visit to Peter DiTomaso's Starduster project has also been scheduled for that morning, but we will be working all day at the chapter building. So come and help build the interior after visiting Peter. We will have the plans, material and sample construction ready so we can pitch right in and get a lot done that day.

Chapter member Linda Kuntz has volunteered to develop a master plan for the interior layout of the building. The plan

will follow the "use of space" that was approved by the membership early in our building program. This will take some time for Linda has been asked to prepare recommendations for construction phases together with estimated material required and cost for each phase. These will be reviewed by the Board of Trustees and the Board of Directors and then the recommended plans will be presented to the membership for discussion, modification and approval before work is started.

Vacations, the Olympics and of course, the summer heat will restrict the availability of manpower to work on the authorized building projects - the wall finishing and the construction of the mezzanine storage area. It will probably be mid-September before these are completed. We hope that by then Linda's master plan will be available for review so we can move ahead on approval of the final plans. In the mean time we are all enjoying our new and expanded meeting facilities.

### Chapter Calendar

July 12—Chapter 690 Monthly Meeting, 8 pm Chapter Hangar, Gwinnett Co. Airport. 7:30 Hangar Flying. Speaker: Leonard Pace. Topic: Pursuit of Excellence in Aerobatics!

July 13 - Chapter 690 Work Day. Help put up the framework for the interior hard wall. 8 am, Chapter Hangar!

July 13 —Visit Starduster project. This month's project is the revisitation of Peter DiTomaso's Starduster II biplane. Peter has made progress since out last visit: the Starduster has some unique shapes and ways of putting an ariplane together. It's also BIG! We meet at Peter's house 10-12 am. DIRECTIONS: Ronald Reagan Pkwy to Five Froks Trickum. East on FFT about 1.5 miles to Flowers Crossing. Right onto FC, quarter mile to Providence. Left onto Prov, go about 1.2 miles to Mille Chase Ct. Right onto MCC to 1557 Mill Chase Court; 770-972-9087.

July 13 -Carrollton, GA EAA Chapter 976 Fly-Out. 770/834-7970

July 20—Cartersville, GA. EAA Chapter 268 Workshop/Fly-In. 770/928-9064

August 1-7 — Oshkosh, WI. EAA Oshkosh '96. 414-426-4800.

August ?? — Post Oshkosh gathering at the Kuntz homestead—Replaces regular meeting!

August 17—Cartersville, GA. EAA Chapter 268 Workshop/Fly-In. 770/928-9064

October 12-13—5th Annual Fall Biplane Classic. Gwinnett County Airport 7:30-5:30. Biplanes, Homebuilts, Warbirds, rides, food. "Odd-winged" aircraft welcomed, too. ALSO, both days, GPBC: pancakes, sausage, juice, coffee, FUN.

### Budget and Finance Committee Report by Greg Jannakos

The B&F.committee has the responsibility of overseeing the financial status of the chapter. We have a goal of meeting our operating expenses and becoming debt-free in the very near future.

As you know, we got our initial monies from dues, donations, small loans, and an assessment. We also had materials donated. What we need from each of you is to review the following list of persons who have loaned the chapter money. If you need to be on the list or to have your name removed, please let me know; otherwise, that's the way it is. As soon as we can get a handle on expenses and know what to expect in income, we'll move forward with a repayment plan.

I'm in between houses and may be hard to reach. Please

keep trying. The best bet is work at 404-305-4970; second best is 770-995-3297; and then 770-237-0386 (after 10 pm).

Building Loaners:
Barney Barnes
John Connelly
Frank Flessel
Lisa Goodman
Alan Langford
Ken Sharp
Harold Stalcup
Roy Stoutenburg
Frank Wilcox

#### **Tidbits**

#### Chili Cook-Off and Field Day

36 Chapter 690 members attended. There were 7 judged chilis and one late-comer. Barney and June Barnes won best Classic/Antique. Frank and Margaret Wilcox took honrs for Warbird. Theresa and Bill Coelman won for Experimental. The Colemans also won Grand Champion (best overall). 12 gallons of iced tea and 18 cups of cheese were consumed.

#### Oshkosh Camping

The Colemans and the Langfords are going to Oshkosh (Mon, 28 aug and Sun 27 aug, respectively). Both families are driving. If anyone else is going and would like a campsite spot saved for them, contact the Colemans at 978-0196 or the Langfords at 339-3674.

#### Pursuit of Excellence!

Several 690 members placed well in a recent aerobatics competition. Fred Meyer took 2nd in Sportman Elgin Wells took 5th in Intermediate. Leonard Pace took 4th in Unlimited. Congratulation to all! Leonard will be talking about aerobatics at our next meeting.

## Classified Advertisements

For Sale: Tri-Q Project (160 MPH on 65 HP) All major construction completed—wing, canard, fuselage, and control surfaces. To be finished—assembly, systems, engine installation, and finishing. All materials, fittings, and hardware to complete including instruments, prop and new Revmaster 2100-D engine (65 HP). This is an original factory kit. All factory newsletters and Quickie Builders Assoc. newsletters, drawings, and instructions. \$13,000 invested. Make offer. Frank Wilcox: 770-9778-

For Sale: Van's RV-6A Empennage & Wing Kit:Wing inc. factory-assembled main spar. All plans and assmby video tapes incld. \$4200; Garmin 55 AVD GPS Receiver: Yoke mount with est. power plug, remote antenna cable. \$500; HobbyAir Power Fresh Air Respirator: Single mask system. Never used. 50' airline. \$275; All For Sale by Alan Langford, 339-3674

For Sale: 1968 Cessna 150, 230 hrsSMOH Approx. 5700TT, AT-50A XPDR + ACK Mode C; Intercom, ADF, MK-12B (360) King KX-145 (720), Audio panel/MKR BCN REC, Wheel pants - red & white, has lots of TLC; 7/95 annual - \$15,500 Firm, N50132 - based at Lenora, Reason: Need full 4 place; Ken Sharp (770) 979-4233 (H); (770)750-6025

VARIEZE, 90% complete rebuild, O-200 300 SMOH. Warnke prop, IFR instrumentation and radios. In law school, no time to finish. \$7950 firm. Terry @ 404-257-8794.

Wanted: Challenger II or Rans S-12. Bobby Hester <hester@hop-uky.campus.mci.net>

### Greg Jannakos Looks for Partner

I am looking for one or two partners in my 1946 Ercoupe. I want to keep the cost of ownership and flying at an affordable level and recoup part of my investment.

The aircraft is being restored head to toe under the watchful eyes of an IA inspector and an A&P.

The airframe is a 415C, serial number 207, and came off the assembly line in December, 1945. It is original with the exception of updating the elevator trim machanics and the addition of turn and bank, vertical speed indicator, and cylinder head temperature instruments. I will be adding an EGT. All ADs will be satisfied.

The engine is a C75-12 and is truly a 0-time engine, being completely rebuilt. Cylinders ans pistons are new. Accessories include new Slick Magnetos, a rebuilt generator, a a rebuilt starter clutch. Main and rod journals are minus .010. All necessary parts have been magnafluxed and yellow-tagged. All machining has been done by FAA-approved

My personal desires are to update the brakes to Clevelands, install a GPS/Com unit, and if affordable, hangar the airplane. Presently I have a tie-down rented in front of the EAA hangar.

I am working on the FWF in Frank Wilcox's hangar. Plans are to do the final assembly and test flying at Winder. This should happen sometime this summer. Ownership requirements are:

Either a student pilot with a CFI who is checked out in an Ercoupe or at least an SEL Private Pilot sho has been checked out in an Ercoupe. Aircraft to be based at Lawrenceville.

Able to get along with a cranky old Greek.

Anticipated prices are \$8,500 for half, \$5,700 for a third ownership. Estimated monthly expenses

Tiedown/hangar (sharing) 50/120

maintenance\*  $600/12 \, \text{mo} = 50/\text{mo}$ insurance

600/12=50 personal property tax 300/12=25 req'd inspections 480/12=40

Anticipated monthly expenses:

1/3 ownership w/tiedown ~\$75 w/hangar ~\$100 1/2 ownership w/tiedown ~\$110 w/hangar ~\$150

If interested, call Greg Jannakos at home 770-995-3297 or at work 404-305-4970

<sup>\*</sup>Maintenance/upkeep may be based upon individual's hours used.

#### Membership News

Peter Di Tomaso, Membership Chairman

The 1996 EAA Chapter membership list was distributed at the last meeting. The total membership at this date stands at 100. Forty five are new members since January!!

Please join me ( better late than never) in welcoming the new members listed below

An addendum to the Membership List will be printed each month in the NavCom as new members join throughout the remainder of the year. Also if you would like to update your file, please let me know. My Fax No is 770-339-9612

Angelo, Dennis EAA# 521050

Chapter Member Since: June-96

Bailey, Jr., W.D. EAA# 475210

Chapter Member Since: Jan-96

Barrett, Jim

Chapter Member Since: Mar-96

Barrett, John EAA#

Chapter Member Since: Mar-96

Burns, Charlotte

EAA# Chapter Member Since: Jan-96

Burns, Garey EAA# 392683

Chapter Member Since: Jan-96

Butler, Tom EAA#

Chapter Member Since: Mar-96

Che, Francis EAA# Chapter Member Since: May-96

Cranford, Frances H EAA# Chapter Member Since: Mar-96

Curtis, Bill EAA# 518859 Chapter Member Since: Mar-96

Fadner, Raiph W. EAA# 352244 Chapter Member Since: May-96

Flahive, Dale EAA# 518865 Chapter Member Since: Apr-96

Flahive, Dennis EAA# 518863 Chapter Member Since: Apr-96

Garner, Faye EAA# Chapter Member Since: Jan-96

Garner, Jim EAA# 456256 Chapter Member Since: Jan-96 Gilbert, Rick EAA#

Chapter Member Since: Jan-96

Grab, Ron EAA#

Chapter Member Since: Mar-96

Haskell, Dave EAA# 485996

Chapter Member Since: Jan-96

Higgins, Alton EAA# 518915

Chapter Member Since: May-96

Hutchins, Ferris

EAA# Chapter Member Since: Mar-96

Lail, Wallace C EAA#

Chapter Member Since: Mar-96

Linnekin, Dennis EAA# 425709

Chapter Member Since: Feb-96

Linnekin, Patricia

EAA# Chapter Member Since: Feb-96

Meyer, Fred J. EAA# 397283

Chapter Member Since: Jan-96

Miller, Frank

EAA# Chapter Member Since: Jan-96

Nuse, George EAA#

Chapter Member Since: Feb-96

Pace, Leonard EAA# 332401

Chapter Member Since: Jan-96

Patterson, Charles EAA# 352138 Chapter Member Since:

Pope, Peter EAA# 328693 Chapter Member Since: Nov-95

Powel, George EAA# 390914 Chapter Member Since: May-96 Price, David Wayne EAA# 507462

Chapter Member Since: Mar-96

Reed, Joe D. EAA# 135470

Chapter Member Since: Jan-96

Reichert, Helmer EAA# 521493

Chapter Member Since: May-96

Schobel, Charlie EAA# 480611

Chapter Member Since: May-96

Seidens, Dick EAA# 459805

Chapter Member Since: Mar-96

Shumaker, Robert EAA# 368166

Chapter Member Since: Mar-96

Sinke, Jim EAA# 515262

Chapter Member Since: Feb-96

Sledge, Frank EAA# 516537

Chapter Member Since: Mar-96

Sommovigo, Mickey EAA# 454537

Chapter Member Since: May-96

Stembridge, Ed EAA# 355608

Chapter Member Since: May-96

Tate, Joe EAA# 409732

Chapter Member Since: Jan-96

Teitsma, Jerry EAA# 456210

Chapter Member Since: Mar-96

Wells, Jr., Elgin EAA# 373602 Chanter Member 6

Chapter Member Since: Jan-96

Wilbanks, Robert EAA# 455171 Chapter Member Since: Jan-96

Winkes, James EAA# Chapter Member Since: Mar-96

6/28/96

#### 'Kick Off Summer Poker Run' by Sue Adams, Event Chairman

Winds calm and skies blue. The perfect combination for flight. Those who participated in the first scheduled Chapter 690's Poker Run planned their flight course and time so that all were back to Gwinnett by 3:00 PM to enjoy cool refreshments, meet new and old friends. Many of those who decided last minute to play scrambled to register at the official 'tailgate' registration table. (Sue used the tailgate of her truck since the chapter hangar floor had just been painted the day before.)

Larry Bishop opened his hangar for those who returned early or just came out to do some hangar flying. Hangar pilots included Lnor and Joel Levine, Robert and Mike North, Lisa Goodman, Der Cricket, and guest Rod Russell. We all sat in the cool shade, had cold drinks, talked airplanes, and watched Terry Adams seal the asphalt in front of his hangar.

Poker Hand participants included members: Terry Adams, Larry Bishop, Bill Bailey, Jim Estes, Duane Huff, Der Reinhert, Mike North, Joel Levine, Frank Settle, Barney Barnes, Bob Zahner. Guest Poker Hands participants included: Jeff Crowe, Jack Dunphy, Dick Seideas, Rod Russell, John Sageder, Bruce Lamb, Larry King, Rick Gullett, Richard Wallace. Many showed their support to both the event and chapter by having someone draw their hands since they could not attend in person. And wouldn't you know it, Duane could only fly to two of the five airports since he had to be at a wedding reception in the afternoon AND HE WON FIRST PRIZE OF \$75.00!... And guest participant, Bruce Lamb was on a business trip AND HE WON THIRD PRIZE \$25.00!... (HE HAS SINCE JOINED! OUR CHAPTER).... Guest participant, Rick Gullett WON SECOND PRIZE \$50.00. He did fly the entire course in his beautiful Cessna with another guest Richard Wallace. (We did recruit three new members.)

Once all returned, our volunteer guest judges Rod Russell, Jeff Crowe, and Mark Crowe, from the accounting firm of "Cheatem and Howe" began opening envelopes. All participants and guests watched anxiously for the results.

The more hands played the higher the prize money winnings. Since all prizes came out of the registration fees paid... In addition, we were able to deposit into the hangar account \$100.00 after all expenses.

Definitely a WIN WIN situation!!

Thanks to all the poker run ground volunteers. AND A SPECIAL THANK YOU TO ALL OF YOU for keeping FUN IN FUNDRAISING.

PLAN ON PARTICIPATING IN THE NEXT POKER RUN....WATCH FOR DATE ANNOUNCEMENT SOON!

#### MANGAR/GARAGE SALE

#### HUGE SUCCESS! MALES SUPPORT 690

Submitted by Sue Adams, Event Chairman and Wayne whitaker. Newsletter Reporter

On Saturday May 4 Chapter 690 held its first-ever Hangar/Garage sale at their new headquarters at Gwinnett County Airport, 690's new home is located in a row of eight hangars all owned by chapter members, forming an EAA complex at the northwest corner of Briscoe Field.

All the venders, members of 690, were up and ready by 7:30 am. While all of us settled into a sun rising serving of pancakes, sausage, juice and coffee, our perspective customers were looking at over a dozen surrounding newspapers for the weekends activities. By 8 am the day's activities and sales started with hungry customers both by air and by land. At noon hot dogs were ready for that midday snack, along with ice cold refreshments that surely took care of everyone in the heat of the day of 90 degrees plus on the ramp.

In addition for our EAAer's to unload some surplus items from their attics, garages, and hangars, some members brought their completed or partially completed projects and displayed them in the sale area. Others static their planes on the ramp. Radio controlled models were also there for your viewing or purchasing enjoyment along with the usual garage sale treasures such as clothing, knickknacks, aviation oriented items ranging from instruments, cables, cylinders and plane parts. All adding a festive fly-in atmosphere to the event. Many curious passers-by stopped in to see what was happening and ended up making a purchase.

The main thrust for this event was for EAA'ers to unload surplus items they no longer needed with a portion of the proceeds donated to the chapter to help pay for the new hangar and other needed items. In practice chapter members couldn't resist each other's wares and a few went home with mnore stuff than they originally brought to sell!! One homebuilder's junk is another builder's indispensable airplane part.

The sales was a definite success judging not only from the earned for the chapter, but because everyone involved left feeling good: the sellers ere relived to get rid of some old stuff, and the buyers felt like they got a bargain on some great new stuff.

The NavCom needs submissions! If you have any news, a story to tell, etc., please drop us a line! Jeff Boatright (404/315-6869) or Wayne Whitaker (404/296-6883)

Norcross, Ga 30092

Larry Bishop

6527 Rosecommon Drive

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hangar. 8 am.

July 13 — Chapter 690 Workday at

flying at 7:30. Leonard Pace on Aerobatics at the Chapter 690 Hangar, 8 pm. Hangar July 12 — Chapter 690 monthly meeting

> Calendar Chapter

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