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NavCom

News and Information for the Gwinnett County Chapter of the Experimental Aircraft Association

Chapter 690 Meets in Hangar #1 of the Sport Aviation Complex at Briscoe Field, 690 Airport Road, Lawrenceville, GA

Nancy Causey to Speak at February Chapter Meeting

John Reitz, Chapter 690's new Vice President, has announced that our guest speaker for the Chapter Meeting on Friday, February 13th, will be Nancy Causey, Support Specialist at the Macon Flight Service Center.

Nancy has held a variety of job positions - clothing buyer, store decorator, newspaper reporter, secretary, and school teacher. In 1978 she started her Federal government career as a supply clerk at Kings Bay Naval Submarine Support Base, where she was the first civilian hired. In 1979 she transferred to Jacksonville Center (ARTCC) at Hilliard, Florida where she was a secretary to the Personnel Director.

During that period Nancy took the air traffic control test. After the Professional Air Traffic Controllers Organization (PATCO) strike in 1981, she got a job with the SSI Flight Service Station (FSS). When the smaller flight services were consolidated into larger Automated Flight Service Stations (AFSS), Nancy elected not to transfer to Macon and went back to school and obtained her real estate salespersons license and brokers license.

After a year Nancy went back to the government, working for the Department of Treasury, with the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center. She was offered an opportunity to come back to the FAA and air traffic control at MCN AFSS in 1991. Nancy became the Support Specialist for Training in January of 2002. Some of her duties are to ensure that the facility training program is planned, conducted, assessed, and revised on a continuous basis. She develops lesson plans, conducts classroom training, and provides oversight and direction to operations supervisors to ensure compliance with training directives. Nancy assists employees with individual development plans by locating resources for their training.



U.S. AIR RACE READY FOR ENTRIES

"Honor the Past. Invest in the Future" is the theme for the celebration of the sparkling 75th Diamond Anniversary of the 1929 National Air Races.

The teams in the exciting cross country Marion Jayne Air Race will fly from California to Cleveland, and 300-mile air races are also planned. These fabulous flying events will be held from August 28 to September 6, 2004.

Entry kits are available at www.us-airrace.org.

Air Academy Scholarships for 2004

Air Academy Scholarships are available for students ages 12-18. Don't miss this opportunity to help that interested young person take the next step toward their future contributions to aviation. Please give a copy of the scholarship application (on page 5 of this issue) to any young person you think may be interested in applying. Their tuition will be covered. They will be responsible for their own transportation. Return applications to Debi Huffman at Fernbank. Deadline for completed applications is March 15th.

Come Join the Gang for Dinner

A bunch of Chapter members meet for dinner before the monthly meeting at Valentino's - starting at around 6:15-6:30 p.m. If you'd like to join the group, give Duane Huff a call at 770-962-3117 so that we can reserve enough space.

Chapter 690 Scenes



◀ New Chapter President Larry Bishop at the podium at the January 9th meeting.

The members in attendance are an attentive audience. ▶

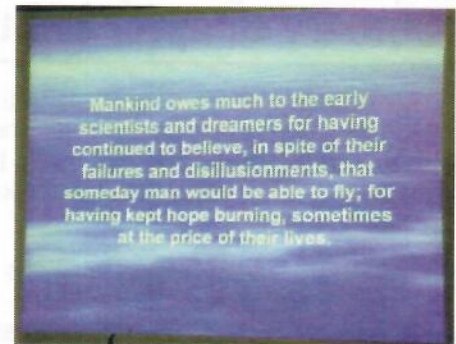


▲ Vice President John Reitz thanks Robert Ormsby for his interesting presentation on pre-Wright flight.



One of the slides from Robert Ormsby's presentation. ▶

◀ Randy Avera had the undivided attention of a large audience when he presented a program about his NASA experience in January.



Annual Chapter Dues are Due

Chapter 690's Fiscal and Membership Years begin on January 1st - so chapter membership dues are due at the first of the year. They can be paid at meetings or mailed to our new Membership Chairman, H. Glenn Clark at 2143 Mountain Creek Dr., Stone Mountain, GA 30087.

Dues may also be paid on-line at www.eaa690.org through PayPal. Select the Membership Folder in Web Links.

E-mail Update Request

Chapter members and other interested friends of Chapter 690 are alerted and reminded of chapter plans, timely aviation news (such as LZU runway closings) and other items of interest via NOTAMS sent by Publicity Chairman Joel Levine.

If you recently changed your e-mail address, have a new preferred e-mail address, or are not receiving these notices (usually one or two per week) please give your updated info to Joel at a meeting, or send him the info at jlevine@akorn.net.

Chapter Badges Available

For new members, members who want to add a new or different aircraft, or if you just can't locate your old badge –

Please see Dave Haskell at chapter meetings, breakfasts and other events to order your chapter badge.

Badges come with either a pin backing for \$8.00 or with a magnetic backing for \$9.00.

Badges are usually one week delivery.

Your Assistance Is Requested

Mike and Jennifer North, who have served as our dedicated food service chairpersons for many years are requesting some relief.

If you can help out in the kitchen at our 1st Saturday Pancake Breakfasts or other event where food is served, please let the North's know. There is a sign-up sheet available, and "on-the-job training" is available.

Some work is involved - but the camaraderie is great – and members being involved in chapter activities is part of what makes our Chapter strong.

The NavCom

The NavCom is the official monthly newsletter of EAA Chapter 690, serving its members and other persons interested in the advancement of Aviation.

Original articles, art and photos are invited and welcome. Submit articles in Word 97 or ASCII format and pictures in jpeg, tif or bitmap format via e-mail to: lnor@akorn.net

Deadline for submissions is the 15th of each month, unless otherwise announced. The deadline for the March 2004 NavCom is Monday, February 16th.

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The President's Pitch

By Larry Bishop



Winter is almost over and springtime flying is just around the corner. Let's start our planning for the Sun'n Fun Fly-In which starts Tuesday, April 13. It looks like the Sport Pilot License will be reality by then and we'll see even more products and services aimed at the Sport Pilot as well as a strong focus on our continuing Young Eagle Program. The theme of Airventure 2004 later in the summer at Oshkosh this year is "Launching the Next Century of Flight." The AirVenture planning guide will be available soon.

We had a good turnout for the January meeting, with a total of 58 attending, including 7 visitors and several new members. If you missed the meeting, you missed an outstanding presentation by Robert Ormsby on flight prior to the Wright Brothers. Thanks to those who renewed their chapter membership at the meeting. If you haven't renewed yet, see Membership Chairman Glenn Clark at the pancake breakfast or at the February meeting. You can also renew online with a credit card at our web-site (www.eaa690.org). We have another super program for our February meeting; don't miss it.

Marc Stewart, Aviation Artist and friend of EAA Chapter 690, has recently opened an art exhibit at the Museum of Aviation at the Robins Air Force Base in Warner Robins Georgia. Several EAA 690 members attended Marc's opening reception at the museum and had a few hours to tour the facility. If you haven't visited the museum in the last few years, you will be impressed with the new 60,000 square foot Century of Flight Hangar as well as the Eagle Building and the entire facility. Almost 100 aircraft are on display including 20 fighters, 17 cargo, 8 bombers and 10 helicopters. They also have on display various missiles, drones, trainers and others ranging from an Aeronca Champ to the U2 and SR71. I plan to go back to spend more time at the museum soon; maybe we can plan a chapter fly-out to Macon this year. By the way, Marc's exhibit is open through March 14, 2004. The museum has a neat

web-site with lots of graphics and sound (www.museumofaviation.org) and admission to the museum is free.

The second century of flight is off to a good start with many local and national youth education programs under way. A planning meeting was held at PDK on January 19, with representatives from various aviation organizations, schools, local aviation businesses and representatives from EAA Oshkosh. EAA 690 members Debi Huffman and Duane Huff are participating in the new Georgia program called GCASE; we'll ask them to give us an update at the February meeting. This is an exciting program and fits right in with our Young Eagle and youth education programs.

An important regulatory issue in the works now is FAA's Notice of Proposed Rule Making (NPRM) 4521 regarding the National Air Tour Safety Standards. This rule, if approved as written, will significantly impact air tour companies, charitable sightseeing flights, charitable medical transport flights and vintage aircraft demonstration flights. Due to pressure from EAA and others, the comment period for the NPRM had been extended to April 19, 2004. I would like for everyone interested in this important issue to send a comment to the FAA. It only takes a few minutes and I'll show you how to do it at the February meeting.

Good news on the regulatory front is that, thanks to EAA's efforts, the Department of Transportation (DOT) has approved the Sport Pilot rules. This is a major milestone for general aviation; we are almost there. The Office of Management and Budget (OMB) has up to 90 days to review the package and upon their approval, it becomes a file rule!

Georgia Wings Weekend will be at LZU again this year from Friday, April 30, through Sunday, May 2. If you are a pilot, check it out now and sign up at www.wingsweekend.com. If you attend the program and fly with one of the instructors you will not only improve your proficiency, you will satisfy your flight review requirement. Be sure to

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CBS NEWS PIECE IRRESPONSIBLE TOWARD GA

EAA has reacted strongly to the CBS Evening News segment aired Wednesday evening, January 14th regarding the lack of security within general aviation, spotlighting residential airparks in particular.

"We thought that the CBS Evening News had higher integrity and better news judgment than what they aired as their so-called investigative piece, which lacked balance or even basic fact-checking," said Bob Warner, EAA Executive Vice President, in communications to the network Thursday morning. "CBS completely ignored the security improvements throughout general aviation over the past 30 months and presented a sensationalistic piece that will do nothing to inform its viewers or solve any issues."

If any EAA members or other aviation enthusiasts wish to contact CBS about the piece, they may do so at evening@cbsnews.com.

Among the specifics that EAA called to CBS' attention were:

- * More than a dozen direct security improvements have been recommended for general aviation since September 2001, many of which have been adopted;

- * EAA has learned that CBS declined an interview with the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) that outlined the security improvements in GA since 9/11, despite TSA requests for an interview with their agency, which is directly responsible for aviation security, or with aviation groups such as EAA;

- * No apparent contact was made with any aviation organization for background. EAA was not contacted prior to airing of the segment;

- * The only official interviewed was a retired NTSB representative, with no indication to his aviation security knowledge or background;

- * A complete lack of context as to the extremely low security threat posed by GA aircraft when compared with cars, trucks, boats and other forms of transportation;

- * A misguided definition of airparks, which are rarely used for flight training.

"Residents of airparks create no more security risk than people who keep cars in garages in residential neighborhoods," Warner said. "In fact, the average SUV or small truck has more payload than a typical general-aviation aircraft. To indicate that small aircraft present a potential threat larger than any other type of transportation is not only wrong, it is an irresponsible scare piece." (From WWW.EAA.ORG)

EAA DISCUSSES AVIATION SECURITY AT GAO

(From WWW.EAA.ORG) EAA Vice President of Government Affairs Doug Macnair recently briefed General Accounting Office (GAO) officials in Washington, D.C., on EAA and its role in helping assess general aviation's security needs and solutions. Macnair addressed a statement made by a GAO official late last year that "GA is far more open and potentially vulnerable than commercial aviation" and that "TSA (Transportation Security Administration) has taken limited action to improve GA security." In reality, much has been done to address GA security.

Immediately following the 9/11/01 attacks, 12 recommendations to enhance GA security were developed and widely distributed by members of the GA Coalition. In addition, Airport Watch, a program developed by the Aircraft Owners and Pilots Association (AOPA), provides common sense security recommendations for people at airports, including a TSA hotline to report suspicious activity or people, 866/GA-SECURE. (An EAA version of the Airport Watch videotape was distributed earlier this year to EAA's vast network of more than 1,000 Chapters, including comments from EAA President Tom Poberezny.) The National Association of Flight Instructors (NAFI, an affiliate of EAA) also developed a series of security recommendations and best practices for flight schools and flight instructors that have been distributed widely throughout the flight training

community. NAFI is also working with TSA to develop a security awareness training syllabus for flight schools and FBOs.

More recently, the Aviation Security Advisory Committee (ASAC) submitted to TSA the General Aviation Airport Security Working Group report, which outlines airport security recommendations going forward. Response to security at a GA facility should come from and be coordinated by a local community with what assets they have available, the report states.

"It's not about spending \$100 million on airport fences," Macnair continued, "It's about leveraging the assets and integrating the monitoring and response into the local plan that encompasses everything in the community, not just the airport, but all infrastructure. Focusing single-mindedly on airport security isn't a viable solution."

"GA has been repeatedly criticized for being vulnerable to misuse but this, in isolation, does not pose a threat," he added. "GA aircraft simply have not proven to be an attractive choice for terrorist activity when compared to other readily available personal conveyances. Boats and automobiles have a long history of being used in terrorist activities worldwide because they can carry more payload, have similar access to sensitive areas, and can do far more damage with greater predictability than a light general aviation aircraft. Yet, in the marine and automotive security world, the focus is on large ports and the protection of sensitive facilities, with the recognition that you cannot make recreational boats and personal automobiles secure in every location they exist. Similar logic needs to be applied to recreational aircraft."



EAA Air Academy SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

PLEASE COMPLETE AND RETURN TO: **DR. DEBORAH J. HUFFMAN**
FERNBANK SCIENCE CENTER
156 HEATON PARK DRIVE, N.E.
ATLANTA, GEORGIA 30307
DEBI.HUFFMAN@FERNBANK.EDU

Date: _____

Last Name _____ First _____ MI _____

Street Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____ E-mail address _____

Date of Birth _____ Grade in School _____ Home Phone Number _____

I am applying for :

- ☐ EAA Primary Aviation Fun Camp (ages 12 & 13 years)
- ☐ EAA Intermediate Aviation Experience Camp (ages 14 & 15 years)
- ☐ EAA Advanced Leadership Camp (ages 16, 17 and 18 years)

School Attending: _____ Grade _____

School Principal's Name _____ School Phone Number _____

Parent's Name _____ Parent's Name _____

Parent's signature _____ Parent's signature _____

EAA Sponsor's Name _____ Sponsor's signature _____

Sponsor's Phone Number _____ Sponsor's EAA Number _____

Applicant's signature _____

Scholastic Information: Please list classes and grades for the last school period completed.

	Class	Letter Grade	Extracurricular Activities/Volunteer Work
1.			
2.			
3.			
4.			
5.			
6.			

- Please attach a letter of application stating aviation and career goals and how this experience will help you meet those goals.
- Please attach at least two letters of recommendation from teachers, clergy, Flight Instructors, etc. **No family members, please.**
- **Incomplete applications will be rejected.**

Board of Directors Meeting Minutes, 01-06-2004

By James Welsh, Secretary

Organization and election results:

Board of Directors		Board of Trustees	
Larry Bishop	Chapter President	Duane Huff	Chairman
John Reitz	Chapter VP	Forrest Wilson	Board Vice Chair
James Welsh	Chapter & Board Secretary	Lee Olson	Secretary
Mike Stewart	Chairman BoD, Chapter Treasurer	Chip Lewis	
Larry Dickinson	Member at Large	Charles McCormick	
Bill Ferguson	Member at Large	Tim Fulmer	(not present)
Mike North	Member at Large		
David Ostergaard	Member at Large		
Duane Huff	COB Trustees		

Mike Stewart called the meeting to order. The aforementioned chart (less election results) was presented to those in attendance. The trustees left to elect their officers and conduct their own meeting. The directors then elected their. Election results were added to the above chart.

Other attendees included: Frank Wilcox, Joel Levine, Lnor Levine, Dave Haskell, Lee Craymer and Jeff Gwathney.

Reports

Mike Stewart gave a treasurers report. The proposed budget is a "duplicate" of the 2003 budget, as both revenues and expenditures are expected to be similar. The discussion was tabled pending a vote next month.

Mike North has posted a signup sheet for Pancake Breakfast tasks. He's asking for volunteers to spread the work load. Mike requested a notice of the signup sheet be placed in both the NavCom and the website. Mike had to purchase warming trays to replace those on loan to the chapter by a member that needed them back. This prompted a general discussion regarding building security, which will be handed off to the trustees.

Glenn Clark, the new Membership Chairman, is expected to be at Friday's chapter meeting. Mike Stewart will take dues any way he can. Lee Craymer suggested we put a drop box in the hangar to make collection easier. Lnor Levine says we can insert a bill for dues in each member's NavCom. National insists on having the national membership number.

Joel Levine says publicity is in good shape with everyone except national. They want copies of our insurance policies before they will publish any of our activities. Larry Bishop sent the necessary documents to national, and will copy Joel for reference. If anyone finds any publicity item(s) in any Gwinnett publication (newspaper, etc.), please make sure Joel receives a copy.

Mike Stewart raised the question of the chapter library. Barney Barnes, our postmaster and librarian, is leaving us for Ohio. Larry Bishop has a new "volunteer" already in mind. We expect to revisit this topic next month.

Lnor tells us all is well with the NavCom. It was late getting out last month due to the holidays. The question was raised regarding publication/distribution of the NavCom in electronic format, either via e-mail or web link. (The topic was moved to New Business.) There are no paid ads, but no one is adverse to the idea as a form of revenue generation. Guidelines for classified ads by members already exist and are published in the NavCom.

Mike Stewart tells us the chapter web-site is now hosted by an ISP... for free. We are getting great feedback from a Linux based open source piece of contact management software. Mike says we regularly receive hits from all over the world.

Mike also brought up the GAFI question: do we do it again, and if so, when? Dave Haskell suggests we define a date now so we can start working with vendors/sponsors now, rather than later. We need to charge a fee to the vendors, as a revenue source and as a way to get them to respect the event. September 18 was tentatively set, which matches last year's third Saturday in September, pending a review for conflicts with other events.

Mike asked about fly-outs. Tim Fulmer is no longer the fly-out chairman. Is Greg Jannakos still "taking over?" Larry Bishop will investigate. Fly-outs were very successful in 2002, but 2003 had weather problems. Larry suggested we use IFR capable aircraft and plan to go farther. Lee Craymer suggested Sun N' Fun in Florida. Once a chairman is identified, the discussion will resume.

Mike asked about the project visit program. Do we want to continue the idea? If so, who will chair it? Do we want to expand the Chili Cook-Off by adding an Open House and Friendship flights?

Old Business

Larry Bishop has investigated the leasing situation. Our current lease is for a period of 25 years. We may be able to extend that to 40 years if we, with Astron, are willing to accept responsibility for the vehicular security gate. Other airport leases are being examined to determine if there is a way to obtain the extension. At this time, the Airport Authority is not interested in leasing any more land to us for additional hangar space.

Larry also reported on the insurance situation. The main chapter hangar's coverage is okay. The question is for the remaining hangars leased to chapter members. National will not quote insurance for them. The owners need to obtain "slip and fall" insurance from their current carriers in order to meet National's requirements. In Larry's case, all this took was a phone call. Larry will approach the other lessees to get this done. We will maintain a file in the main hangar for audit purposes.

New Business

Larry Bishop will propose a plan for committees to the Board for review next month. Joel Levine proposed we honor our past presidents with something like a piston gavel. There are 10 past presidents eligible for the award. Joel and Frank Wilcox will investigate the costs.

The Trustees returned, with the election results as shown in the above chart. David Posey will focus on the water line problem, followed by the air compressor hookup. The Directors requested a membership renewal drop box. Lee Craymer tells us the hangar phone responsibility must change as Don Roberts, the current "owner," no longer wants the responsibility. Mike Stewart and Duane Huff will resolve the issue.

Duane is concerned about the Young Eagles. We plan to fly

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them on January 17, but Duane wants Debbie Huffman's input prior to setting any more dates. After some discussion, a plan was set to continue flying Young Eagles on the first Saturday of each month, so long as they were twenty or fewer in number. Any "overflow" would be flown the third Saturday of the month. This will enhance safety, and provide the YE volunteers a chance to sit in on the presentations following the Pancake Breakfasts. As chairman of the YE effort, Duane Huff now has the authority to schedule YE events outside of the aforementioned schedule without Board oversight.

Duane has been approached by the Cub Scouts to use the hangar for two Pinewood Derby races in March. Frank Wilcox will get a calendar posted in the hangar to track these and other events, including the annual Chili Cook-Off set for March 20th.

The NavCom was discussed. Do we stay with paper or move to electronic distribution, or both? Paper is believed to be more likely to actually be read, but electronic is cheaper. The web-site contains the NavCom before actual print publication, and is in color. Lee Olson came up with a compromise: Joel Levine will include a link to the web-site for the NavCom in his NOTAMS to the membership as we continue the printed version. Mike Stewart will check the web-site's usage stats to determine if the strategy drives more visits to the web. We'll reevaluate after giving the NOTAM link a chance to work.

Lee also is concerned with the annual Hangar Dance. He believes we should begin planning now, since this major event requires substantial management. He has a proposed process flow for Larry's review before bringing it to the Board.

Per his plan from the last meeting, Larry asked us all to review last year and think about this year. What did we do right last year? Young Eagles, scholarships, Pancake Breakfasts, GAFL and operating "in the black" were all deemed "good." The "bad" included leaving members behind in terms of interactive engagement, a lack of Young Eagle follow-up, and the Chapter answering machine out-going message. Ideas to improve one or more areas included more youth outreach and education, such as a day camp, or assisting Scouts with their aviation merit badge. Duane plans to investigate a mentoring program as a form of YE follow up. Encouraging each other to meet and greet everyone at the social events may alleviate the "left behind" syndrome. And a permanent sign on the road pointing our way would be a big help.

After the "good, bad and ugly" discussion wound down, Mike Stewart adjourned the meeting.

Our "Postmaster General" is Retiring

Barney Barnes and his lovely wife June are moving to be near their family. We will really miss them, and hope that they will keep in touch.

Barney has led the crew of members who fold, address and stamp the NavCom. Perhaps you have seen them at work at the Pancake Breakfasts, or even chipped in to help them get the newsletter ready for distribution.

If you could help the Chapter by assuming this position, please contact Larry Bishop at 770-263-7139.

Leadership Meeting, 12-09-2003

Old & New Officers, BOD and BOT

Notes by James Welsh. Attendees: Bill Ferguson, Dave Ostergaard, Duane Huff, Frank Wilcox, Joel Levine, Larry Bishop, Lee Olson, Lnor Levine, Mike North, Mike Stewart.

Old Business

Mike Stewart made a treasury report. We have made so much money, we have to file with the IRS. We're in the black. The major issue seems to be access control over the water supply, which is a trustee issue. Major revenue generators include membership dues, pancake breakfasts, and the annual hangar dance. A visit by the EAA B-17 also generates a significant amount of revenue. Will we see it next year?

Is there a new lock on the alternate gate? Is there any possibility of making that route an all-weather road? Someone (not clear who) needs to get with Matt (who?) about this.

The chapter now has 501c(3) status. This is not an issue to Oshkosh in general, but since we did it, they want the details for their records. Larry Bishop & Mike Stewart will handle this off-line. This is an advantage should someone wish to make a large tax-deductible donation to the chapter.

New Business

According to Larry Bishop, a former member is paying the phone bill. Lee Olson will check with Bellsouth for alternatives.

Duane Huff is looking for some level of activity for December 17 to mark the centennial of flight. Joel Levine has sent a NOTAM indicating the hangar will be open and inviting anyone to drop in when they can for a time of fellowship and informal eating and flying. The RV community plans to fly somewhere for lunch. Rome was suggested, but voted down, so the destination is TBD. Oshkosh just wants us to fly. The activities at Kitty Hawk will be broadcast on the Discovery Channel.

A significant donation was made to the chapter in the form of books and models. Duane plans to use some of them as prizes during the Christmas banquet.

An idea was put forth to create a builder/project photo wall upstairs. No decision was made.

Larry is concerned about the chapter's liability on the other hangars and will investigate the current insurance coverage. Larry also challenged us to define our criteria for success and failure. We also need to come up with budgets for chapter-sponsored activities. It is up to the leadership to set the direction of the chapter. Larry intends to continue this process during the January meeting.

Trustee's Report

There is a new faucet in the kitchen, which Mike North really likes. The Aeroshop display cabinet has new wheels. The shop air compressor is not yet connected, but in the able hands of David Posey.

If You Want Your Tailwheel Endorsement

From Jeff Patnaude, who gets frequent inquiries about tailwheel instruction:

South Atlanta Aviation is located at Tara Field. Instructor Mitt Farmer provides Tailwheel Instruction in either an Aeronca Chief or a Citabria.

Phone 770-707-7860

EAA Chapter 690 Meeting Minutes - January 9th, 2004

Respectfully Submitted by James Welsh

A call to order and a welcome by Larry Bishop, chapter president, started the January 2004 meeting. We recited the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag, and then Larry asked the new chapter officers to introduce themselves. The Elected Officers are:

- Larry Bishop President
- John Reitz VP
- James Welsh Secretary
- Mike Stewart Treasurer

Larry went on to explain the organization of the chapter, and to introduce the Members at Large that, with the elected officers, comprise the Board of Directors. The Board of Directors include:

- Mike Stewart Chairman
- Larry Dickinson Vice Chairman
- James Welsh Secretary
- Larry Bishop
- John Reitz
- Bill Ferguson
- Mike North
- David Ostergaard

The ninth member of the Board of Directors is the Chairman of the Board of Trustees, Duane Huff.

Larry also introduced the Board of Trustees and explained their functions within the chapter organization. The Trustees include:

- Duane Huff Chairman
- Forest Wilson Vice Chairman
- Lee Olson Secretary
- Tim Fulmer
- Charles McCormick
- Chip Lewis

The seventh Member of the Trustees is the Chapter President, Larry Bishop.

Larry noted that the most important positions are those members willing to serve as committee chairs. Tonight, Membership Chairman Glenn Clark is THE most important person to see if you have not paid your dues for this year.

Larry then asked everyone to introduce themselves. During the introductions, Larry passed around a roster asking for everyone's name and phone number and to let us know if anyone was a visitor. Larry started with Glenn Clark to reinforce the membership drive.

Larry regained the microphone to make a few announcements, including the standing Chapter activities (also listed in the NavCom and soon to be posted on a calendar in Hangar 1):

- Pancake Breakfasts are on the first Saturday of each month
- Monthly Meetings fall on the second Friday evening of each month
- Board of Directors meetings are held the Tuesday before the monthly meeting and are open to all chapter members

- Young Eagle Flights will be conducted the third Saturday of each month, although up to 20 Young Eagles are okay for the first Saturday
- The annual Chili Cook-off will be March 20. This is a third Saturday, so we will fly Young Eagles while a Cub Scout troop holds a Pinewood Derby that same morning. Chapter members with aircraft are encouraged to host Friendship Flights for non-flying members that afternoon.
- A second Pinewood Derby will be held on March 27.
- Just like last year, September 18, the third Saturday of September, is the tentative date for the Greater Atlanta Fly In, or GAFI

Marc Stewart, and Aviation Artist, is a friend to Chapter 690. He will have his art exhibited at the Museum of Aviation in Warner Robbins. The Opening Reception will be Wednesday, January 14. Duane Huff and Larry Bishop plan to go, if anyone wants to hitch a ride. Handouts are available on the table by the door.

The Wild Blue Wonders program for middle school aged aviators is looking for sponsors. This program culminates in a national competition. Please see Duane Huff for details.

A new member is looking for access to an eight foot sheet metal brake 0.032 Aluminum for his project. If you have such a device, or can advise where to find one, please notify Larry Bishop.

Wings Weekend 2004 will be here soon. Chapter 690 has participated for the last five years here at LZU. In 2003, approximately 150 pilots, 7 helicopters, 60 flying companions, 7 IA renewals, worked with 60 instructors to maintain flight proficiency through safety. Doorprizes are available for participating pilots and CFIs. Volunteers are needed. Advance registration is required, and is now open at www.wingsweekend.com.

Boy Scout Troop 2000 honored Chapter 690 with a Certificate of Appreciation for Young Eagle Participation. The certificate came with a very nice letter of appreciation. Thanks to the YE volunteers that make this possible.

Committees/Chairpersons gave reports, including...

- NavCom/AeroShoppe - Lnor Levine - 2004 calendars now in.
- Membership - Glen Clark - stop in and renew!
- Food Services - Mike North - requests help with Pancake Breakfasts per the sign-up sheet.
- Publicity - Joel Levine - Saturday programs set up, please see the NavCom for details.
- Mike Stewart - Treasurer - 2004 proposed budget in Directors' hands.

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Project Visit Scheduled

Larry Bishop has offered to show and tell his 1938 Aeronca project. The project is at the teardown stage and is a good chance to see how Aeronca designed and constructed this model of the 1930 era. Also we'll get a chance to see how the rebuilding of the flying surfaces is progressing.

The date is Saturday, March 13 and time is 10:00 to 12:00 noon. Coffee and donuts will be served.

Also if anyone is close to being able to host a project review just e-mail or call me and we'll schedule a visit.

Greg Jannakos
gpjann@juno.com
770-277-1637

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- Mike Stewart – Board of Directors have new officers.
- Meeting Programs – John Reitz – Friday programs in the works, please see the NavCom for details.

Old Business - There was no old business.

New Business - There was no new business.

Larry then adjourned the meeting. We took a break and partook of Michelle Hurley's refreshments. The featured speaker was Robert Ormsby, a retired president of Lockheed Georgia. He spoke of the early efforts to achieve manned flight.

Respectfully submitted by James Welsh, EAA #705644.

Presidents Pitch (Continued from Page 3)

notify your insurance company regarding your Wings participation. Wings participation satisfies my insurance company's requirement for recurrent training and gets me a nice break on the insurance cost. Chapter 690 is assisting with Wings again this year, and we will serve our "First Saturday" pancake breakfast on Saturday, May 1st at Wings on the south side of LZU in the large Jet Center hangar.

Don't forget our EAA 690 regular monthly schedule:

Pancake Breakfast 1st Saturday
Program
Young Eagle Flights

Monthly Meeting 2nd Friday
(Preceded by Dinner at Valentinos for all who care to join the gang.)

Project Visits Saturday after the Monthly Meeting

Board Meeting Tuesday prior to Monthly Meeting
(Everyone is invited.)

Young Eagle Rally 3rd Saturday

We have scheduled the Annual Chili Cook-Off and Friendship Flights for Saturday, March 20th. Details will be in the March NavCom.

Everyone is invited to the February Board meeting on Tuesday, February 10, and to join us if you can at Valentinos for dinner prior to the Friday night monthly meeting. If you can make it for dinner, please let Duane know at (duanehuff@yahoo.com) and we will save a place for you.

Contact me if you want to talk about chapter stuff.

Larry Bishop
LDBishop@mindspring.com
770-263-7139

This is That

Paid up Chapter 690 Members may get access to the Chapter Building at times other than meetings and scheduled events/activities. Please see Joel Levine at the regular monthly meeting to purchase a key (\$1.50).

As most of you know, we are continuing the very successful Young Eagles program beyond the original 1,000,000 and First Wright Anniversary of Powered Flight goal. Plans are being made to go beyond just the opportunity for an introductory flight – other aviation activities, education opportunities and mentoring plans are being made. If you have not been involved with the Young Eagles up until now, you've been missing a chance to pass your interest in aviation on to the next generation. Join the chapter for a Young Eagle event – as a Pilot or member of the needed Ground Crew. It's a great experience!

EAA NATIONAL STAFF ON THE ROAD -

On Monday, January 19th, Horace Sanchez was in Atlanta for a meeting of organizations and individuals promoting aviation education for young people. Members of EAA Chapter 690 and Warbird Squadron 17 were instrumental in organizing this meeting, which also included representatives of the Air Force and FAA, among others.

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Contact Scott Perkins -

678-290-0507 or e-mail: 2scott@bellsouth.net

12/03

1958 Piper Comanche-180-132, N5119P for Sale

An extensive annual was recently done by Jim Moore, IA at LZU which includes most of the following:

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New Aeroquip Fuel and Oil Hoses

New Landing Gear Bungee Cords

New Main Wheel Brakes & Linings

New Main Wheel Tires

New Exhaust Muffler

New Exhaust Tailpipe

NDH

Complete Logs

Invoices & Receipts Past 12 years

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Instruments arranged in T category

Audio Panel - Terra TMA 340D - 3

Light Marker

Navcom # 1 - Bendix King 155 TSO

Navcom # 2 - MX 12

Yoke Mounted Push Talk

Transponder - Altitude Reporting

Narco AT 50A

Heated Pitot

Shoulder Harnesses Front Seats

Sound Insulation Installed Under

Cabin Flooring

Interior - Very Good

Exterior - Very Good

Some hail marks occurred before painting

Aircraft flown about 20 hours last year and due to family circumstances I believe it should be available to a new owner. Excellent condition and flies beautifully. Interested parties are welcome to contact Jim Moore, IA, for reference. I have owned this aircraft for the past 12 years. Should anyone in EAA be interested I can be reached at this e-mail, chancy@compuserve.com. Gene Chancy.

12/03



Earn Your 'Wings' In A Day

Come join us at the annual Georgia Wings Weekend FAA Pilot Proficiency Awards Program - better known as 'WINGS' - an annual event held at Briscoe Field (LZU) in Lawrenceville, Georgia.

At Georgia Wings Weekend, all pilots can participate in the FAA Wings Pilot Proficiency Award Program in lieu of a flight review.

Georgia Wings Weekend features a variety of seminars and opportunities for pilots, CFI's, IA's and others.

Free Flight Instruction – Receive three hours of free flight instruction from a volunteer flight instructor. You only have to pay for the operation of your plane or aircraft rental. Your Certificate of Insurance is required to participate. *Note that free flight instruction is only for licensed pilots holding at least a recreational pilot's certificate.*

Attention All Certified Flight Instructors - If you are a CFI, you are always a VIP at the Georgia

Wings Weekend. By volunteering as a CFI, you are participating in the FAA's Wings Program and you're helping to keep fellow pilots proficient and safe. Also, participation during Wings Weekend can renew your CFI certificate **FREE**. However, if you need your certificate renewed, you must contact Pete Acevedo, State of Georgia Safety Program Manager at 404-305-7394 (or send email to: Peter.K.Acevedo@faa.gov) at least 30 days in advance of the Georgia Wings Weekend along with pre-registering on-line.

VOLUNTEERS are the heartbeat of every organization's accomplishments and successes. Becoming a Georgia Wings Weekend Volunteer has many benefits. Your contributions can help continue the mission to promote aviation safety and the best kept secret of the FAA. Our enthusiasm comes from our ability to offer a venue where you and other volunteers can use your talents to contribute to what we all have in common, the love of aviation. You do not have to be a pilot - if aviation interests you, you are welcome to share your time and talents. You can help all week, for a day, part day or a few hours. You must be 18 years and older to apply.

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO INCLUDE THE VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE AS PART OF YOUR NEXT GEORGIA WINGS WEEKEND VISIT OR NEED ADDITIONAL INFORMATION, contact us at volunteer@wingsweekend.com or fill out a Volunteer registration form at www.wingsweekend.com/reg.

For event schedule and seminar information, and to register to participate as a pilot or CFI, check the Wings Weekend Web-Site www.wingsweekend.com.



SPRING CELEBRATION OF FLIGHT

The City of Lakeland and the Lakeland Linder Regional Airport have hosted the Sun 'n Fun EAA Fly-In for over 30 years. Their annual Spring Celebration of Flight brings together those from all over the world, and from all segments of the aviation community to enjoy the "best fly-in experience ever."

The 2004 fly-in dates are April 13th - 19th. They have changed their weekly format from Wednesday - Tuesday to Tuesday - Monday. Please take special care in scheduling your activities during the event this year. Stay updated by checking their Convention Schedule online. They will do our best to keep you informed of their new schedules. Please contact Sun 'n Fun if you have questions regarding the schedules.

During your visit to the Sun 'n Fun EAA Fly-In, be sure to enjoy the static display aircraft, over 500 commercial exhibits, Ladies Pavilion, Parts Exchange and the daily airshow.

You can also visit their year-round venues, which include the Florida Air Museum at Sun 'n Fun and Gifts of Flight. The fly-in promotes its mission by making over 450 educational forums and hands-on workshops available to all guests.

For more information, visit www.sun-n-fun.org, or call 863/644-2431.

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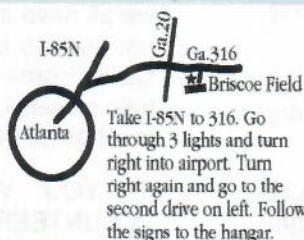
Come Join Us!

Regular monthly meetings — On the 2nd Friday of every month (except for August's Post Oshkosh Bash). In the Chapter Building at 8:00 p.m. Hangar flying before & after!

Pancake Breakfast and Aviation Program or Activity — On the 1st Saturday of every month, in the Chapter Building.

Breakfast served 8:00 – 10:30 a.m.

Free programs start at 10:30 a.m.



FEBRUARY MEETING –

Friday, Feb. 13th, 2004 at 8:00 PM

Program – Guest Speaker is Nancy Causey, Support Specialist at the Macon Flight Center.

Visit the EAA 690 Website at <http://www.eaa690.org>

The March 1st Saturday Pancake Breakfast & Program to Feature An Alaskan Adventure

Chapter 690 member Ted Rabenko will share pictures and stories of his trip to the Arctic Circle in a Cessna Skylane.

During a lunch conversation in Marietta between Ted and Herb Williams, Herb was describing his trip to Alaska the previous year in his Skymaster. Herb wanted to repeat the trip and Ted had been thinking about such a trip. And so it began. While Ted was visiting family in Connecticut he described the Alaskan adventure to his cousin Ray Navage. This filled out the trio that made the trip to Alaska.

The plan was to fly Ted's Cirrus SR20 to Alaska, but after a weight and balance calculation, it was found that three people and baggage in the SR20 left room for only 20 gallons of gas. The SR20 would need to be on the ground every hour for refueling. They needed a different airplane! They found a 2000 model Cessna Skylane for rent. The Skylane could be loaded with all the people and gear plus enough fuel to fly for seven hours. Perfect for this mission!

The adventure began north of Atlanta on May 25, 2003 and was completed in Atlanta on June 5th.

Below is a photo of the reflection of Moose Pass in the Upper Trail Lake along the Seward Highway taken by Ray on the trip.



"There is one word of advice and caution to be given those intending to visit Alaska for pleasure, or for sightseeing. If you are old, go by all means, but if you are young, wait. The scenery of Alaska is much grander than anything else of its kind in the world, and it is not well to dull ones' capacity for enjoyment by seeing the finest first."

Henry Gannett, Harriman Alaska Expedition, 1899