

## EAA CHAPTER-690 **NAV-COM**

MEETINGS 2ND FRIDAY EACH MONTH AT STONE MOUNTAIN AIRPORT—8:00 P.M.

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#### RECREATIONAL PILOTS LICENSING

EAA Headquarters has recently mailed a letter to all chapters regarding the new NPRM that the FAA has issued pertaining to recreational pilots licenses. As you know, Eaa has been very supportive of legislation to create a new type of recreational pilot certificate to lower the cost and encourage more participation in general and sport aviation. Accompaning the letter from headquarters was an analysis and comments letter with some concerns about the negative effect this proposal may have on pilots that hold private pilot certificates. Several of the key points that EAA opposes are described as follows:

-The proposal does not provide for a transition from a recreational certificate to a private pilots license. EAA feels that many may use the recreational certificate as a stepping stone for a private license in the future.

-EAA opposes restrictions on current private certificates in this NPRM. These include an annual flight review for all private pilots that do not have 400 hours, two hous of flight instruction per year, and flight instruction for any pilot that has not flown in the past 180 days. This proposal was intended to provide an entry level certification process, not to restrict currently rated private pilots.

-FAA has not yet decided whether to require a 3rd class medical or a self certification of no known medical defect for a recreational certificate. FAA welcomes comments on this issue.

-A recreational pilot will be restricted to a 50 mile radius of the departure airport. This does not mean he/she could not travel out of the 50 mile circle, but does mean that they must land and establish a new departure airport. FAA's thinking is that the stop would enable the pilot to check weather etc.

-Recreational pilots would not be permitted to fly from controlled fields.

-FAA intends to eliminate the minimum flight hour requirement for the private and recreational certificate. At this point they have not finalized what will replace this, but it appears that they prefer a minimum number of dual flights as opposed to the set number of hours.

-FAA has decided to leave the minimum age requirement at 16 years old, EAA believes that a student recreational certificate should be granted to ages 14 years old.

The deadline for comments on this NPRM has been extended at EAA's request to October 24th. EAA encourages everyone to write their comments in DUPLICATE and send them to the FAA. The information is as follows:

FAA Office of Chief Counsel, ATTN: Rules docket (AGC-204) docket number 24695 800 Independence Ave. S.W. Washington, DC 20591

### What Our Members Are Doing

#### HOLIDAY

Thanks to John Liner, we have found a suitable place to have our annual holiday holiday banquet this year. Mark your calendars for Saturday night, November 30th, 1985. Plans are being made NOW to have a buffet dinner similar to banquets in years past, only this year, the event will be held at the Radisson Inn in Dunwoody. Even though the event is booked, there are some areas where we can still help out -- WE NEED A GUEST SPEAKER! Anyone with ideas and contacts or if you would be willing to help out with these details, please contact Tom Ferraro as soon as possible. Thank you.

Stone Mountain/Britt Memorial Fly-in 1985 was a fun event, even though mother nature did not co-operate to the fullest. Our undaunted team of pop-pushers, corn poppers and dog dressers did their collective best to move the tasty merchandise in dire circumstances. Thanks for hanging in there guys! Their knowledge of Classic Coke, new Coke diet Coke was refreshing in making a soft drink selection!!! Below, please see proof of performance par excellance....



## President's Message

SEPTEMBER 1985

Oshkosh '85 is now history. What a show it was! It appeared that Chapter 690 was well represented at the annual convention as many members were able to get away from their busy schedules and take in the show.

One member of our chapter, who also is an officer of the Gainesville Chapter, was the recipient of an EAA Major Achievement Award. Congratulations to GEORGE SCOTT for receiving this award at an awards ceremony at Oshkosh this year. This honor is only presented to a select group of EAAers who have made significant contributions to sport aviation during the past year.

Once again, the annual after-Oshkosh pitch-in and picture party was a great success! Thanks again to the Stalcups for hosting the group in their home again this year. WE ALL ENJOYED IT!

Lately there seems to be an increased awareness of the presence of our chapter. Several times a week, I receive phone calls asking about the chapter, it's activities and meeting times. I encourage every member to continue to promote the chapter and give our visiting guests (prospective members) a warm welcome at the meetings.

NEXT MEETING IS SEPTEMBER 13TH 8PM at STONE MOUNTAIN AIRPORT. GEORGE GAY, AUTHOR OF SOLE SURVIVOR WILL BE THE GUEST SPEAKER -- BRING LAWN CHAIRS AND COME ON!!

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Since our last meeting, Stone Mountain /Britt Memorial has hosted their fly-in and many things have happened. I wanted to thank the powers for their efforts in setting up the fly-in here -- I wish the weather had co-operated a little better. Our EAA Chapter was represented by "Hot Dog" Stalcup and his crew, who did a jam up job at the hot dog stand - thanks guys!

ADDRESS CHANGE: My address has changed. Please ignore the cover of this months NAV-COM and consider my address to be 5879 O'Hara Drive, SW. Stone Mountain, Ga. 30087. We moved, but the phone stayed the same number.

I have had many members call regarding the NAV-COM and its habit of no-showing them over the past months. I will be posting a roster of members and prospects at the September meeting -- take a minute to check your name and be sure it is on the list. Check your address, phone, project and EAA number to be sure that they are correct. If not make me aware of the discrepancy and I'll correct it immediately.

It was good to see our group so well represented at McCollum yesterday. Their show sure seemed to be a participation success. It was great to see so many BIRDS gathered at one place!

See you all Friday night.....

Bill