

EAA 713 Newsletter *August 2021*

EAA 713 Club Officers

President – Fred Breisch
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President's Briefing:



Downwind for KCOD runway 04!

First, a reminder that this Saturday, August 7th Choice Aviation is holding "Air Fair - 2021" EAA Chapter 713 will be cooking a Pancake Breakfast - which will include: Sausage, Orange Juice and Coffee!

This is a great opportunity for us to raise funds for the Hawk Scholarship, which assists young people in pursuing a career in aviation.

If you can, make a point to come out and enjoy the "Air Fair" and maybe even help out in the food serving line or assist in the Young Eagle flights.

There will be static display aircraft and several other familiar events at this year's "Air Fair" – The weather forecast looks favorable, so that shouldn't be an issue. Bring along friends and family for a fun morning at the airfield!

As a final motivation to attend, Choice Aviation is hosting a FREE! LUNCH!

It's quite outstanding that Choice sponsors events like this – they also sponsored events at their other FBO Operations in Montana this year.

The Cody airport is a very important part of the Cody Community and EAA 713 is proud to be a part of the Air Fair in support of General Aviation and the Cody community.

Thank You Choice Aviation!

Vice Presidents Korner:

Karl has been extra busy with all the prep for this weeks Air Fair, but urges everyone to come out and try some of John Elgin's special pancakes and have some fun at the event!

Secretaries Report:

EAA Board Meeting
July 27, 2021

Fred opened the meeting with Vicky and John L and John B missing. John B is in Oshkosh and Leroux's on vacation. Cebe read the June minutes and they were approved as read. In Vicky's absence Cebe gave the Treasurer's report. We have \$10,766.72 in the checking account and our donation jar scholarship fund is now at \$179.56 and the Leroux scholarship is at \$30,000. The report was accepted as read.

Old Business concentrated on the Choice Air Fair. We began with David Kapplemann from Choice giving us an update on the outline for the morning activities. This involved a question-and-answer session on our needs and how our plans will work with them. David indicated that after the West Yellowstone Air Fair they may have a lot of breakfast food left over that could help us. David and Karl will converse next week. We reviewed our Fly-In checklist to see that we have everything covered. We will plan to meet at 5:00 August 6 to pack up Karl's trailer to get everything to Choice for the next morning. John B will be our Air Boss for the procedures for the pilots to follow for the Young Eagle Rides. Fred will contact him with needed information. Workers have lined up nicely, but we can use more, and we will have 5 – 4 place aircraft to fly for Young Eagles making it possible to fly 75 youth. Under New Business Chuck gave an update of the 2 YRA Board Meetings he attended. The new taxiway and 10-unit T-hangars, and terminal expansion were discussed and then in the second meeting the new lease agreement was presented. Although there are good things about the lease agreement a controversy over multiple airplanes in a private hangar opened up a brand-new discussion and so it was tabled again for more thought and information. Then Karl gave an update on scholarships. Our 2 Leroux recipients have both applied to continue their scholarship for another and final year. The committee will review these applications. Fred indicated

he received an email from someone interested in applying and he will follow up.

The August meeting will have burgers and hot dogs and potato salad and chips. The program will be to summarize our Choice event and hear stories and reactions from the YE pilots and all who worked.

Meeting Adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Cebe Sue Breisch, Secretary

From Your Editor:



Picture taken by Bev Shaw at Oshkosh EAA Fly-In 2019...excellent composition Bev! I think it's a keeper! **A great Memorial Day Tribute!**

Project Reports:

Here is Ron McClure's excellent report and pictures of a fascinating, recently completed project, Jerry Wengers 1938 Minamoa sailplane – beautiful!

Dear Fred

A couple years ago we featured an article in the newsletter on the Minimoa, a 1938 wooden gull-wing glider owned by Jerry Wenger. As you recall, the plane was then undergoing a complete restoration by club member Thomas Evelo of Powell. I was recently invited to Thomas' shop to help with the final assembly of the plane before it is shipped off to Elmira, New York for the ISVM glider meet that will take place July 9th - 17th. I thought perhaps our members might enjoy some pictures of the final results of the restoration efforts.

Originally built in Germany in 1938, the plane has won numerous awards at glider meets in both Europe and the U.S. (It was transported to the U.S. in 1940, where in 1943 Shelly Charles set an altitude record of 19,434 ft above point of release in a hail storm with no oxygen!) However, by 1950 the plane was placed in storage and not flown again for 70 years. It was purchased by Jerry Wenger in 2017, and Thomas began the restoration process in 2019.

Scheduled to be completed and flown again a year ago, those plans were interrupted by the pandemic. However, this past June Thomas and Jerry trailered the plane out to Hood River, Oregon where it made several successful test flights. Thomas admits that the pandemic's interruption was something of a relief, as it gave him an extra year to work on the plane. All in all, the restoration took almost three years of full-time effort.

The plane's wingspan is 56' and it weighs 497 lbs. To move the plane, Jerry ordered a custom made Cobra trailer from Germany that was recently delivered to Powell. Thomas admits that he had to make several alterations to the trailer, but that it is now ready to go. Like the work he did on the Minimoa, the trailer and the plane are now better than when they were new.

I had the privilege of working with Thomas on the plane during the early days of the restoration process. Hence, I have had the luxury of seeing first hand the "before and after" results of the entire project. It's impossible to describe the extreme degree of detail and precision that Thomas invested in every aspect of the restoration. He's an amazing craftsman. One has to see it to believe it, and perhaps you and other club members will someday have the opportunity, as after the glider meet in Elmira, Minimoa will return to Wyoming where Powell will be her home.





Can Anybody help out with this?

Hangar Space Needed. If anyone has a small amount of hangar space they would consider renting to reduce their hangar costs please contact Branden Christiansen or Ron McClure. Our plane is a Kolb Mark III Extra that measures 30' by 24' (or 7' by 24' with the wings folded.)

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A pretty nifty looking *little* machine,
looking for a *little HANGAR SPACE!*
If anybody can help give Ron or Branden
a call.

“Sunday Morning Breakfast”

*Breakfast at 7:00 AM Sunday Morning—
bring your appetite and a few tall
tales...or tails!*

*That pretty much wraps-up this
month's news.*

I'll be seeing you around the airfield, just
remember:

Keep the shiny side up,

A Final Reminder:

*The August 10th
Meeting will take
place at the EAA*

*Hangar – start time is
6:00 PM – the club
will be providing
Grilled Hamburgers,
HOT DOGS and
Potato Salad!*

*You've got to
ATTEND to enjoy
Karl Lampe's
Skillfully Grilled
Hamburgers and,
something new -
HOT DOGS - potato
salad and chips!*

*Also, at no additional
cost, some excellent
fellowship and maybe
a few tall tails!*

*All the best,
Fred*



*Looks like the sun is setting
on this month's newsletter.
Fly Safe!*

*(If anybody has some news or
would like to make a contribution to
the newsletter, submit or write an
article, send pictures, etc., please
send me your material and I'll work
it in. Please use Microsoft Word
and I will reformat as needed to
utilize the material.)*

This Saturday August 7th

Choice Aviation Air Fair

Set-Up starts at 0700

*Pancake Breakfast Starts at
0800*

*Young Eagle Flights start at
0830*

Free Lunch at 1200

See You There!