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EAA Chapter 797 Meeting: The Monthly Meeting will be on May 18, 2024

PANCAKE BREAKFAST

Fly-in or Drive in
Suwannee County Airport, 24J



Pancakes

Plain or Blueberry

Sausage

Bacon

Orange Juice

Coffee



8:00 to 10:00 – 3rd Saturday

\$5.00 Adults \$3.00 under 12

Everyone is invited to stay and enjoy
VMC Club presentation and our
Monthly Meeting!



From The Top

Well President Ed has had a crazy month so I figured that I would step in to enlighten everyone on the cause for his busy schedule.





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VMC Club

VMC meeting this month was presented by Greg Boyette. His presentation included a great presentation on Runway Incursions followed by a safety discussion.

Editor



Membership News

I would like to extend a thank you to all of our members who have renewed their membership. I feel that we have a great club, and it is awesome to see the club continue to grow.

For those who are considering joining the club or are interested in renewing membership. The membership year runs from January 1st through December 31st. Any new member dues collected after October 1st each year will carry over until December 31st the following year. The cost of an annual membership to our chapter is \$20.00 a year.

You can remit payments in person or to the address below:

Suwannee Co. Airport, EAA Clubhouse
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Editor

Monthly Fly-Out

Thanks to everyone who has send photos and updates for activities. We are still hoping to try to schedule chapter fly-outs on the first weekend of each month – weather permitting., so be sure to keep an eye out for upcoming events on our Facebook page.

Also, if you know if any upcoming events, please put a post on the Facebook page or email me so that I can make sure that the word gets out.

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Wings Over Suwannee

October 5, 2024:

Wings Over Suwannee will be held on Saturday; October 5th so be sure you are saving the date.

We still help with the event. Even if you have missed the first several meetings, we still need additional help. And, even if you cannot attend the event, there are lots of planning activities that you can assist with.

Please consider staying after the monthly club meeting to find out ways that you can offer any assistance.



Young Eagles

If you have not already done so, please sign-up to help with the youth by completing the Youth Protection program training.

We still have our International Young Eagles Day scheduled for June 8th. Please plan to volunteer. Even if you are not a pilot, there are plenty of ways that you can help on the ground.

If you have any suggestions or questions regarding the Young Eagles program, please call Dave Holmes, Young Eagles Coordinator at 817-308-9752.

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Potluck

Pot Luck Tuesday Reminder.

Taco Tuesday has officially been replaced with Potluck Tuesday. It will still be held on the 4th Tuesday of the month and promises just as much fun as we have been having with Taco Tuesdays.

Taco Tuesday has been a great success, however, many members felt that a potluck might offer a greater variety and a perfect opportunity for our members to showcase their culinary skills.

We look forward to seeing everyone for this month's Potluck. Socializing will start at 6 PM with dinner at 6:30 PM.



There was a suggestion that the research and planning be held by zoom meeting to allow more members the opportunity to help research parts and participate. I am sure more details will follow. I will keep you posted.



We have the frame and the fabric but there is currently no engine.



Club Project Photos:

It was mentioned at the last club meeting that Pete VanSpronson had been able to secure a potential project for the club. This is potentially a great opportunity for members who had never learned about fabric aircraft to participate in this restoration.

There have been a couple of options mentioned for how to best approach the donation of the aircraft, but the project is early so a committee, and plans are still in the development stage.

Many of our members had a chance to see the project up close and personal at Taco Tuesday.

Here are a couple of photos for those members who were not able to attend Taco Tuesday and see the aircraft up close.





...Special thanks to Robert Hallock for providing the photos for our club members.

Williston Fly-In



Bob Lester and I drove into Williston for the annual Pig Roast. Bad weather was forecast to worsen as the day went on from Perry to Suwannee County. This appears to hold off the northern pilots. Many people still arrived from the east and south. The ramp was full, and parking extended down the taxiway.

By the time we headed home, the rain was pouring down, justifying our decision not to fly. It appeared to be another successful Pig Roast

David Poirier
Daddy, Pilot, all around nice guy.





There is a nice wiki page https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Dick_Rutan with many of Dick's accomplishments.

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I am sad to tell that one of aviation's heroes has gone West. Unfortunately, this time we have lost Dick Rutan.

Club Calendar

- EAA 797 Club Meeting – 3rd Saturday of every month. The next meeting is May 18th.
- International Young Eagles Day June 8th – We will be flying young eagles on this date. Please consider volunteering to support the event.
- Wings Over Suwannee October 5, 2024

Please email corrections, event information, photos, and any information that you would like to pass on to:

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