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EDITOR'S MEMO. . .

Another month is in the books for 2021, and I would say we've had it all in April; HOT, COLD, WIND, CALM, SNOW, RAIN...did I forget anything? And in among all of that, we did manage to get some flying done.

I have to commend the committee in Wayne for their efforts to host the MayDay STOL meet the last weekend in April. The weather didn't cooperate with Wednesday opening cloudy and wet. Things dried out as the day wore on, and by the end of the day, the parking area was full of airplanes. I was able to spend time there on Thursday and will share photos and comments as we go through the newsletter. Friday was a decent day, and with the forecast for even higher wind velocity for Saturday, it was ultimately decided to get as much done on Friday as possible. Indeed, Saturday was all but a blow out until very late in the day, and events were canceled. Contestants, volunteers and committee members worked hard to keep things safe, especially when the wind threatened.

Our April gathering was well attended, and I would like to apologize to **Mike Nahrstedt** for misspelling his name in the newsletter. I also thank him for opening his shop and allowing 12 of us inside to look over his handiwork. His **Zenith 750 STOL** is shaping up nicely and Mike's workmanship is first rate. He has enough room on his property to take off and land when he is ready. I know that the members who attended also appreciated the opportunity to visit with Mike regarding the project. Hopefully, we can do this again with another member, even as we watch Mike's progress on his Zenith.



Jerry Kohles and Lin made a LONG cross country early in the month, to Lake Havasu, AZ in his Mooney. He was kind enough to share some photos he took while cruising over Colorado. He said they found all the bumps "in the road" on the way out there but enjoyed time with family, after a long, COVID inspired hiatus. Lots of photos this month, so enjoy!

MEETING MINUTES

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13 APRIL 2021

Meeting at Mike Nahrstedt's place; President Tim Miller called meeting to order at 1920. There were 13 members present.

- Reviewed minutes from the March meeting; minutes approved.
- Ray advised the bank account balance of \$988.09; report approved
- Don Wisnieski passed his Private Pilot checkride; motion was made to purchase a one year membership for him in the Experimental Aircraft Association, as well as chapter membership. Membership voted to approve. John will contact Don and let him know.
- Randy reported on activity within the Passport Nebraska program. He won the award for the most points in the first quarter, accepting a Sporty's PJ-2 handheld radio. Congrats to Randy for his dogged determination!
- Randy reported that we should plan on a Young Eagles event to correspond to the national event scheduled for 12 June 2021. He plans to open the registration on 20 May 2021. He will check on the recommended protocols and advise at the next meeting. Expect to have to wipe down the interior after each flight.
- AirVenture at Oshkosh is still on schedule for the last week in July.
- Mark Berger advised that the annual Pietenpol gathering at Broadhead,
 WI is still scheduled. More information forthcoming...
- ◆ There was some discussion regarding the meeting between the Norfolk City Manager and the Norfolk Pilot's Association, and actions which may be taken by the Norfolk City Council, regarding the Norfolk Regional Airport. The airport board will maintain productive communication with the political leadership. Each owner and pilot needs to be aware of what is happening, and how we can each play a positive role in the outcome.
- There was some discussion on the MayDaySTOL event scheduled for the last week in April in Wayne, NE. Volunteers are needed; check the website.
- ◆ There was the suggestion of a fly in breakfast sponsored by the chapter sometime in July. Further discussion was tabled until next meeting

Formal meeting was adjourned at 1950. Members remained and visited with Mike regarding his project.

MAYDAY STOL PHOTO ESSAY. . .PG 3, 4 GONE FLYIN' . . . PG 4

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ADVENTURES OF DOTSUWA.

Nice looking Cessna 150 at OFK. Eloy, AZ craft has 150 horsepower Lycoming under the hood.



May 2nd sunrise climbing out of OFK. Hazy but nice flight.



Rans S-21 at OFK - Montana airplane very well done.

REMINDER OF UPCOMING EVENTS

May 21 Norfolk Pilots Assn. breakfast (7:30AM)

June 20 Nebraska State Fly In, Hastings, NE (KHSI)

June 24 - 27 Midwest Aerobatic Championship, Seward, NE

July 26 - Aug 1 Airventure, Oshkosh, WI (www.airventure.org)

ADVENTURES OF DOTSUWA



THE CONTINUING ADVENTURES OF DOTSUWA - 13

By Randy Neuharth

Another month has passed; my how they seem to fly by. This month's article will be a bit shorter so that we have a bit more space for John to include a few more photos from the Wayne Mayday STOL races. I volunteered to help out a cou-

ple of days, mostly doing crowd control. Right up there with my skill level. It did give me the opportunity to watch some practice sessions on Thursday and qualifying time trials on Friday. John had the chance to get over on Thursday and take some great photos so I'll let him report more. Suffice it to say there were some interesting planes with major modifications including the use of nitrous oxide. Crazy performance and some major piloting skills. There were also several stock planes and rookies entered. Fun to watch!

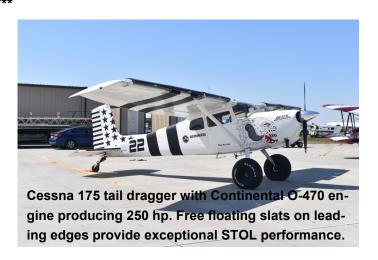
All right, what have **Dotsuwa** and I been up to this month? We have been continuing with our Nebraska Pilots Passport quest. I wasn't quite as active this month because of weather and other activities but was still able to get five more airport checked of the list. On the 18th I was able to get to Fairbury, Hebron, Superior, Red Cloud and Genoa. I would like to say the flights were super smooth but alas, this has been the month of winds and some turbulence. I made that comment on FaceBook and someone replied, "a calm sea doesn't make a skilled sailor". Not much sympathy there! I am hoping to start getting in some of the longer flights soon and hope to get some overnight trips and some sightseeing out west. I currently have landed at 45 of the 80 airports, have accumulated 60 total points and was the point leader for the first quarter of the year. The prize was a new digital handheld comm radio. Pretty cool. I would encourage all of you to give it a try if for no other reason than to have a different place to fly. I have a few passport books if anyone wants one.

Last month I reported that I had replaced my impulse coupled magneto with the new **SureFly** electronic ignition module. One of the things that I have noticed is the **Dotsuwa** sure starts easy with the module. She never was a hard starter but there is a definite improvement. She also seems to burn a bit less fuel but I need to get a few more long trips to get a better feel for that. I also think that she runs a bit smoother. So far, I am quite happy with the switch over.

Until next time, let's get out there and fly!

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Rick Boardman's Piper Super Cub



MAYDAY STOL at Wayne, NE

I counted better than 20 competitors for the 'drag racing'/STOL event, with airplanes running the gamut from ultralight weights, to the Cessna 206. Here are a few photos of the machines...great show, superb piloting skills.



GONE FLYING...

Just a few photos of flying adventures of chapter members.



Outa space for another month...hope you enjoyed the photo essay. Don't forget Norfolk Pilots Assn meeting at First Choice in Norfolk. Good turn out at last meeting, and a great meal. Take care, fly when you can; practice, practice, practice, and leave the 'bush flying' to the experts.