



Experimental Aircraft Association - Rock Hill, SC - KUZA

EAA Chapter 961 *Flyer*

February 2018

Louis Kantor's RV-7A

Louis is our Chapter Vice-President and the owner of a very nice RV-7A, the "A" is the designator of a tricycle gear RV. Louis and his buddy Vince had built a Zenith 601XL back in 2009. However, Louis bought N924CM from the original builder in Chicago. He said "I spent a year searching for a low time, well built -7A with a factory Lycoming O-360 engine." The forth aircraft he looked at was "the one." The kit was from the early 2000 era, and it had only 180TT with a fuel injected O-360 coupled to a fixed pitch prop. The panel features a Garmin Aera 660 in an Air Gizmo mount, Garmin SL30 NAV/Comm with an ILS receiver, and the Garmin GTX327 transponder. Louis recently added the Dynon D2 Pocket Panel, a portable EFIS display.



Pilot Heaven - camping by your RV at Triple Tree Aerodrome!

This combination of airframe, engine and panel make for a great 2 passenger cross-country aircraft. Louis and N924CM frequently fly to Pennsylvania and Florida. The fixed pitch prop provides more useful load and less maintenance. At 1800 lbs. GW, the useful load is 670 lbs. With full tanks at 42 gallons, that yields 4 hours range with over an hour reserve, and still leaves 418 lbs. for two people and baggage. With 180hp this plane will cruise at an honest 150 kts while sipping just 8 gph, allowing 600nm range.

Louis has flown N924CM for almost 250 hours. Watch for Louis and his nice RV-7A in the very first T-hangar as you drive in on Taxiway J Blvd.

CAUTION - NEW DATE & TIME for Carolina Aviation Museum Tour

SUNDAY - FEBRUARY 25th



ALL Chapter Members are INVITED.

You may meet at the Rock Hill Airport terminal building parking lot at 1:00 pm to car pool to the museum, or just drive to the museum to arrive by 1:30 pm.

Admission is \$12, and Seniors +60 are \$10. We'll have a guided tour by our own Chapter 961 member, Joe Baranowski.

2018 FEBRUARY						
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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President's Hangar

Rick Maury



The February meeting was well attended. The SCBC is May 6th and we still need some more volunteers to help Wayne. We approved the purchase of 6 more tables, so we should have plenty of room.

The number of people that have passed the Youth Protection Program from the EAA is increasing. I would still like everyone that hasn't done so to get 'er done. We are going to need a number of people to make a successful Young Eagles event. It is part of our charter to promote and educate flying. And besides, it's a good time.

The program from the Carolinas Aviation Museum was interesting and informative. As it was pointed out, there are many opportunities to volunteer. Our plan to have a field trip on the 25th should be fun.

That's about it from me. Mostly a recap for those that couldn't make it to the meeting. For the March meeting, Joe Baker is going to regale us with his tales of Hummel Bird construction. It is a project that Joe adopted and has long roots in this chapter. See y'all on March 12th.

Chapter 961

Vice-President

Louis Kantor

In this issue of the *EAA Chapter 961 Flyer* we are going to begin a new section to spotlight our newer members. For each issue we'll pick a few folks who have joined our Chapter in the last few months and give a quick biography on them and their involvement with general aviation. We are fortunate that our Chapter 961 now exceeds 80 members, and is still growing. If you are at a meeting or event and see a member's face you don't recognize, please introduce yourself and make them feel welcome.

Louis

New Member Spotlight

Bill Wilson, a resident of Stanley NC, is originally from Virginia. Bill began flying in the 1970's. He got his COMM, CFI & CFII at Concord. Bill flew aerobatics in a Cessna Aerobat. His instructor was Bill Kershner, the noted aviation author. Later, Bill owned an aerobatic flight school at Lincolnton, specialized in safety training for upset recovery and spin maneuvers. Currently, Bill is buying a 1948 PA-17 Piper Vagabond with a C-85hp,



restored by Woods Aviation in Mount Olive, NC. Bill and wife Debbie are expecting to pick it up in March.

Joined NOV 2017

Gerry McBurney, moved to Clover, SC from upstate New York about 2 years ago.



Gerry is a CFI and Airbus Captain plus a Check Airman for American Airlines. A 30+ year veteran of EAA, Gerry was

a founding member of the Flight Advisor program and had several articles published in the EAA Experimenter magazine. While in NY, Gerry did some instructing in a J3 and Taylorcraft, club planes from his old EAA Chapter 486. Since moving to the Carolinas Gerry has been renting C-172's

Joined OCT 2017

Erin Miller, recently relocated to Fort Mill after a year living in Italy and 5 years in the Air Force. Erin got her private pilot license in high school and would like to begin working on her instrument rating. She has a Mechanical Engineering degree and is currently working as a Manufacturing Engineer for Aerotech. Erin has a 3 y.o. daughter who also loves airplanes. Erin's dad is our Chapter Secretary, Ken Nelson.



Joined JAN 2018

Saturday February 24th Litter Pickup 8:00 am

Please come and volunteer to help pick up litter around our airport. Meet at the terminal parking lot at 8:00 am and we're usually done by 9:30 am.

Gardy Wilson - Chairman

"Many hands make light work"



Keep KUZA Clean & Green

Saturday February 24th Lunch 12:30 pm

Triple Tree Aerodrome

would like to invite all pilots to come out for our 4th annual Chilly Chili Fly-In and Lunch. Join us for lunch and land on our 7000' x 400' grass strip.

You must purchase lunch tickets online no later than Friday February 23, 2018 7:00 P.M.

www.tripletreeaerodrome.com
Drive ins are welcome. This is a one day event, 9:00am till 5:00pm Lunch will be at 12:30 in the hangar and includes: Homemade Chili, Fresh Bread, Cheese, Jalapenos, Corn Chips and dessert. Adults \$20, 12 and under \$10. All proceeds go to Triple Tree Aerodrome

Sunday February 25th Tour at 1:30 pm

ALL Chapter Members and guests are INVITED for a tour of the Carolina's Aviation Museum. You may meet at the Rock Hill Airport terminal parking lot at 1:00 pm to car pool to the museum, or just drive to the museum to arrive by 1:30 pm. Admission is \$12, Seniors +60 are \$10.

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Treasurer's Report



2018 Annual Dues are \$25

Please pay our treasurer.

Thank you!

Chapter Tools

Are available to be barrowed or used by any Chapter member.

See John Long

1. Spark Plug Cleaner/Tester
2. Dyna-Vibe Prop Balancer
3. Aircraft Scales
4. Ablescope Borescope



**To order official
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or
Logo Shirts**

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**Next Meeting:
Monday, MAR 12th
at 7:00 pm
Social at 6:30 pm**

Our program will feature
"Hummel Bird Aircraft"
By Joe Baker