

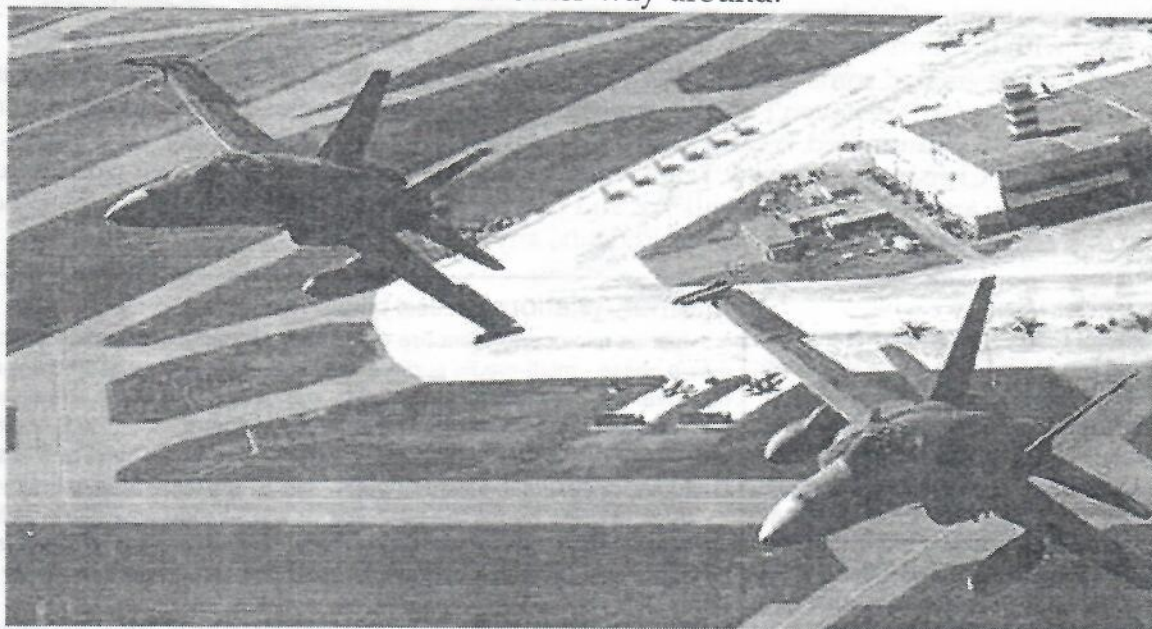
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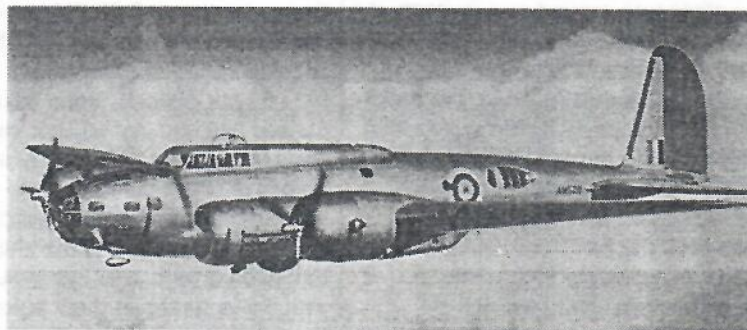
Start the Year with FUN! January's Meeting is a Winner

The January meeting of EAA Chapter 690 should prove to be a winner. The scheduled speaker is Mr. Rick Price, formerly of the US Navy. Mr. Price flew in Desert Storm and ejected from a burning F-18, sustaining injuries that forced him to leave active duty and the service. Recent surgery has hopefully solved most of his problems. Not being one to let the grass grow, in his convalescence he attended and graduated Vanderbilt Law School. He also designed and is selling a voice warning system for general aviation aircraft. His topic for the meeting is "cockpit ergonomics." So, come hear this interesting pilot and learn about how flying machines should be built to fit humans and missions and not the other way around.



FLASH !

The "Aluminum Overcast" returns to The Sport Aviation Center at Briscoe Field this spring. Details at the next meeting on January 10, 1997.



Presidential Pitch

President Duane Huff

The Holiday / Awards Banquet was a great success. As my grandson Matthew would say, "awesome!" It was really nice to be able to set up early and be relaxed for the party. Lynn Zahner and Theresa Coleman, with the help of others, outdid themselves in preparing and decorating the hangar and the clipped-wing Ercoupe. Everything was beautiful and created a festive atmosphere.

All of the food was delicious. David Posey's turkey was the best turkey I've ever tasted (uh, Tess, is there a problem here?). Thanks, David and thanks Bob Zahner for the excellent ham.

I was pleased to present the completion awards to Fred Meyer and Joe Tate for the Atlantis, Dennis Kaas for his Wheeler Express, and Clyde Schnars for his RV-6A. With all of the great and fun things the chapter does, it's easy to forget the core activity of building homebuilts. These three completions are wonderful reminders. Good luck to you all in your building or restoration efforts!

It was a pleasure to award the Individual Achievement Plaque to our outstanding member of the year, Mr. David Posey. Congratulations David for a well-deserved award. Thanks for all of your hard work this past year.

The highlight of the evening for me was giving the upgraded, more utilitarian Frank Flessel Memorial Award to Steve Ashby. The nav lights really enhance this unique trophy. (We hope you never have any more trouble with the plumbing, Steve).

Joel Levine created some great humor with his Non-Meritorious Awards. I haven't had an opportunity to use my AWRS (Automated Weather Rock System) since am spending Christmas and New Years with my kids, their families, and friends in Phoenix AZ and Glendora, CA. It's always warm and dry here in Phoenix, anyway.

My B-17 jacket is often a conversation piece. I wore it to choir practice at my daughter Susan's church. After practice, a gentleman asked me about the jacket an *Aluminum Overcast*. During our conversation, I found that he was Lorne Case and had been a member of the Skunk Works for 37 years. He seemed surprised and pleased that I knew about the Skunk Works and Kelly Johnson. Lorne recognized my interest, so he loaned me a book entitled *Skunk Works* by Ben R. Rich and Leo Janos. I am not an avid reader, but this book was so interesting that I read it in about three days. It is the true story of the development of the U2, the SR-71 Blackbird, the F-117 Stealth fighter, and other projects. I recommend the book to anyone interested in these projects. The publisher is Little, Brown.

On Saturday, Jan. 11, 1997, we have committee meetings scheduled. At 9:00 AM the Board of Trustees will meet; at 10:00, the Board of Directors and the Executive Committee. The purpose of the meetings is for the Board of Trustees and Board of Directors to conduct any regular and necessary business for the beginning of the year. The Executive Committee will evaluate 1996 and begin plans for 1997. I would appreciate having all officers and committee chairmen at this meeting. Committee chairmen should be prepared with a status report and any requests for help that you have not been able to solve. I am asking that all of us think of ways we can involve a larger percentage of our members in our regular meetings and activities; also, ways in which I can better serve you as a president. Remember, board and committee meetings are not closed, but are open to all who want to attend.

Nineteen ninety-six was a wonderful year for Chapter 690. Let's all work harder and play longer for an even better nineteen ninety-seven.

SHORT FINAL...

A Mexican newspaper reports that bored Royal Air Force pilots stationed on the Falkland Islands have devised what they consider a marvelous new game. Noting that the local penguins are fascinated by airplanes, the pilots search out a beach where the birds are gathered and fly slowly along it at the water's edge. Perhaps ten thousand penguins turn their heads in unison watching the planes go by, and when the pilots turn around and fly back, the birds turn their heads in the opposite direction, like spectators at a slow-motion tennis match. Then, the paper reports, "The pilots fly out to sea and directly to the penguin colony and over fly it. Heads go up, up, up, and ten thousand penguins fall over gently onto their backs."

--Audubon Society Magazine,
contributed by Joel Levine

Internet Aviation with Joel Levine

Just as microcomputers are constantly entering new growth phases, the Internet has entered a new phase - multi-media audio and video. Although multi-media is not totally new, it is relatively new over the Internet. To the aviation enthusiast, one of the more interesting and readily available sources of audio is through a free software program called Real Audio. Anyone can download the program from the Progressive Audio website (realaudio.com) and assuming they have an audio board and speakers in their computer, add a new dimension to their web cruising.

Internet audio brings the potential for such valid applications as live concerts, lectures and interviews at the click of a mouse button. Imagine a graduate program lecture where the instructor is in California and the students are spread out over every continent. It's happening today.

For the aviation enthusiast, "aviationweekly.com" offers live interviews and call-ins every Friday evening at 8:00 PM local time. Jonathan Witherspoon and Adam Shelberg "broadcast" in a radio-like format. In the past, they have interviewed a B-2 bomber pilot, a Boeing executive, a Microsoft programmer partially responsible for Flight Simulator and recently, John Burdon direct from EAA, Oshkosh. John talked about the success of the Young Eagle program (which just passed 262,000 flights), last years convention, and the CAFE Foundation as well as two issues of great importance to Sports Aviation: Safety and Insurance. Also in a recent broadcast Chris Maddy of Cirrus discussed the certification plans for the SR-20, pointing out how the homebuilt movement gave them the support needed to pursue this lengthy process.

The technology and the shows format are in their infancy. Both have room for improvement, but, to be able to hear live lectures or interviews on issues of interest and to be able to interact with the lecturer has great potential! Try it, you might like what you hear.

Joe's Chapter Calendar

Saturday, Jan. 10 - 8:00 PM: EAA 690 Hangar (Lawrenceville Airport)—January Chapter Meeting. See Page 1!

Saturday, Jan. 11 - McMinnville, Tenn.—Fly-in country ham breakfast at Warren County Memorial Airport (RNC). Call Joe Howard at (615) 668-4806 for more information.

Saturday, Jan. 18 - Chattanooga, Tenn.—Collegedale Pilots Club monthly fly-in breakfast at Collegedale Airport (3M3). Call the airport at (615) 236-5008 for more information.

Saturday, Jan. 18 - Lewisburg, Tenn.—Fly-in country breakfast at Ellington Airport (LUG). Call Clay Derryberry at (615) 359-5001 for more information.

Saturday, Jan. 18 - Sebring, Fla.—EAA Chapter 803 fly-in breakfast or brunch and static display at Sebring Regional Airport (SEF). Call Frank Whittam at (813) 735-2269 for more information.

Sunday, Jan. 19 - Russellville, Ala.—Monthly fly-in at Russellville Municipal Airport (M22). Call Hans Pauli of Quad City Aviation at (205) 331-9000, 332-9906 or 486-3170 for more information.

Saturday, Jan. 25 - Dayton, Tenn.—Rhea County Civil Air Patrol monthly fly-in breakfast at Mark Anton Airport (2A0), 7:30-11 a.m. Call Wanda Fulmer at (615) 775-8407 for more information.

Saturday, Feb. 1 - Winchester, Tenn.—EAA Chapter 699 monthly fly-in breakfast at Winchester Municipal Airport (BGF). Call Scott Scarborough evenings or weekends at (615) 967-1991 for more information.

Saturday, Feb. 8 - McMinnville, Tenn.—Fly-in country ham breakfast at Warren County Memorial Airport (RNC). Call Joe Howard at (615) 668-4806 for more information.

The History of the EAA Chapter 690—

FRANK B. FLESSEL MEMORIAL AWARD

The Frank B. Flessel Memorial Award was created by Frank B. Flessel as a welded sculpture of various welding practice exercises during a EAA Chapter 690 sponsored welding workshop at Harold Stalcup's residence in Lawrenceville GA on April 1, 1989. In addition to the various welding practice exercises, the sculpture also includes a working pair of pliers and a welding torch striker (no longer working.) It was retrieved from the trash bin and declared to be an official EAA Chapter 690 work of art which was to be awarded to some deserving member at the chapter's annual Christmas Dinner. The recipient was to retain possession of the award for a period of one year.

The trophy has been awarded to the following members:

Dec. 1989	Frank B. Flessel
Dec. 1990	Mike North
Dec. 1991	Reinhart Kuntz
Dec. 1992	Charlie Sego and Harold Stalcup
Dec. 1993	Henry Warner
Dec. 1994	Barney Barnes
Dec. 1995	Andy Anderson
Dec. 1996	Steve Ashby

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If there is any additional information, suggestions or corrections to be made to this article, please notify the Official Frank B. Flessel Memorial Award Historian -- Barney Barnes at

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FOR SALE

FS: Half interest in a Beech Musketeer. Full VFR with lots of TLC for the last 3 yrs. Bill Bailey 770/934-7756; 770/934-1414 (FAX).

Wanted...new home to keep warm in the winter and cool in summer. We have a 75,000 BTU Rheem furnace and a 2 1/2 ton condensor looking for a home. Only one year old and in perfect working condition. Asking \$1200.00. Call Terry Adams PMs only 770-613-9501 for more information.

For Sale: Two folding bikes. Great for X-ctry travel. Selling as a pair for \$300⁰⁰. \$100⁰⁰ of sale goes to Chapter 690 Hangar Fund. Jim Estes 770-938-3515.

For Sale: Bill Bowers award-winning plans-built Fly-Baby. Approx. 45%. Have all plans and invoices. All ribs complete-brakes, wheels, and tires-also, converted Javelin 1.0 liter, alter., starter, with all engine instruments. \$4500. Frank Settle 770-923-6149.

For Sale: 4 star rated vacation pkg in Sugar Mtn NC. Paid close to 11K will sell reasonably or trade for what have you. Any interest call Frank Settle, 770-923-6149

For Sale: 1968 Cessna 150, 230 hrs SMOH Approx. 5700TT, AT-50A XPDR + ACK Mode C; Intercom, ADF, MK-12B (360) King KX-145 (720), Audio panel/MKR BCN REC, Wheel pants - red & white, has lots of TLC; 7/95 annual - \$15,500 Firm, N50132 - based at Lenora, Reason: Need full 4 place; Ken Sharp (500) 677-4169.

VARIEZE, 90% complete rebuild, O-200 300 SMOH. Warnke prop, IFR instrumentation and radios. In law school, no time to finish. \$7950 firm. Terry @ 404-257-8794.

COZY 3-seat project, 45% completed. Wings, canopy, wheels, canard done. First layer of micro part sanded. Builder died; widow will sell for \$14,000 OBO. Also, RV-6A wing kit still in crates. Paid \$3245 new. Will sell for \$2500 OBO. Both located in Atlanta-Alpharetta. Call 770-740-0606.

For Sale: Tri-Q Project (160 MPH on 65 HP) All major construction completed - wing, canard, fuselage and control surfaces. To be finished - assembly, systems and engine installation and finishing. All materials, fittings and hardware to complete including instruments, prop and new Revmaster 2100-D engine (65HP). This is an original factory kit. All factory newsletters and Quickie Builders Association newsletters, drawings and instructions. \$13,000 invested. Make offer. Frank Wilcox, 770-978-2403.

FS: 1957 C-172. 750 smoh, 3760 TT. KX125, 1 pc windshield, fresh annual. Asking 19,500. Baby came early, plane's gotta go! Guy Clarkson 770-339-7281 after 6 pm.

For Sale: Garmin 55 AVD GPS Receiver: Yoke mount with est. power plug, remote antenna cable: \$400. Alan Langford, 770-339-3674

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