

Spirit of Flight

Experimental Aircraft Association
Chapter 14, San Diego CA

October 2002

October Chapter Meeting

Saturday 10/19 10:00 AM

At EAA hangars, Brown Field

Mark Davis, chapter member, will talk about his experiences building his Lancair

Chapter Elections in November

Dayton Smith and Rik Keller comprise the nominating committee; Call Dayton or Rik, or mail in the nomination form in this newsletter if you would like to run for an office or a seat on the Board. See list of nominees on page 4.

I'm an editor—not a reporter! This newsletter will be a LOT more interesting with YOUR article in it. Send news and articles to Kerry Powell, newsletter editor at kgpowell@aol.com (760) 602-0662

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The Leader In Recreational Aviation

The Flying Report

By Bob Osborn

September 7 - Rain! The first Saturday in September opened with an actual bit of wet rain. First rain since April. The field was IFR with low ceiling and mist about when we opened for business at EAA Chapter 14 in the morning. The usual maintenance activity was going strong all morning but little fly in traffic appeared. John Bovee and Mike Maxwell, old glider guiders of 20 years ago with AGCSC, came flying in in John's Cessna 182, a 1950's aircraft beautifully restored and placed on display (for property tax exemption). They were just in time to finish up the last of the sloppy Joe's served up by Allan Osborn who flew in from Springfield, VA to take his stand in the lunch serving line along with Bob Osborn and Galen Shirley who was the principal architect of the large bubbling pot of sloppy Joe gumbo. Nacho's, chips, cole slaw, apple sauce, and ice-cream topped off the menu for some 45 happy diners. Once the food was dished up, Allan O cranked up his old mount, Cherokee 19F, and stirred up the elements over San Diego, completing the flight with a series of wingovers and tight turns which Cherokees are capable of (Though pilots can get pretty rusty when flying a desk for weeks at a time).

Jay Rathbun was observed laying the keel for his



Dennis Cullum assists Paul Hanson in the reinstallation of his Jabiru engine.

Rotorway 162 helicopter last week. Gerrett Gregory was on hand to represent the Coast Guard and insure the craft would float when completed. Jay allows himself one of the kit "Christmas package" openings each day. Paul Hanson has retrieved his Jabiru engine from the dealer in Fresno and was seen surrounded by a critical inspection group of members supervising the installation on Paul's Offshoot.

September 14 - Second Saturday September and Young Eagles day. They came, we flew. The mists lay over the field until about 10 O'clock when like magic it cleared. Before that happened we were driving up 905 to Brown with our headlights on and it was a struggle to see the rotating beacon signifying IFR conditions. John Watts and Dayton Smith collected some 13 Young Eagles and a few adults who wanted a first flight and Dennis in his Tommyhawk, John in his Kolb Firestar, Dick in his Stinson, and Bob his Cherokee provided the introductory rides. Everyone went home smiling. One Young Eagle who wanted to ride in the Kolb had to endure a bit of harassment as he was warned that John chewed tobacco and spit a lot and the open air arrangement in the Kolb is a bit like riding a flying motorcycle with the passenger riding behind. Nevertheless he mounted up and took his chances. (Actually John has never in his life chewed tobacco but who else knows that.)

Dean Beddow with Chef Galen Shirley fed some 45 hungry aviators and otherwise on spaghetti, meatballs, garlic bread, garden salad, and fruit salad as dessert. I can tell you for a fact, those of us who eat there

regularly are putting on weight.

The Chapter is grateful for a donation of two propellers, one from an Avid Flier and one from a RV-4, both in serviceable condition. They were donated by the widow of Tom O'Tool a former member who passed away some time ago. Ken Coward an aircraft designer of Wee Bee, Honey Bee, etc. fame dropped them by this week. Plans are to hold them for emergencies such as a member breaking a prop at an outlying field and needing a spare to get home, and for test purposes.

September 21 - Gabriel Heater would report "There is sad news tonight" but that was in the golden days of radio, before TV and not everyone will remember. The sad news is that lifetime member and Chapter benefactor of many talents, principally the video library and many of the tapes therein has flown west. Leon "Bink" Brown departed peaceably Saturday morning in a La Jolla convalescent hospital after a short bout with shingles at the hospital earlier in the week. Bink was within a few days of his 88th birthday. He and his Texas bride, Aurelia, were married for over 60 years. Private family services are planned. Ray Knize Program Director, interrupted the Chapter meeting when the announcement of Bink's death was made to tell of his welcome to Chapter 14 by Bink when he was a new member and of Bink and Aurelia's contributions to the video library and what it meant to him and then led us in a moment of silence in honor of Bink.

This weekend is the EAA Chapter 1 fly in at Flabob Airport. This is an event attended heavily in the past



John Bovee's Cessna (I'm thinking it's gotta be a 180!)



Gene Hubbard attaches the rudder to his Pietenpol fuselage. Gene was the featured speaker at the September meeting, talking about his experiences building the Pietenpol.

with a dozen Chapter 14 fly in aircraft and 25 to 30 Chapter members gathered together by Ben Hunsaker for the noon picture in front of Chapter 1's banner. Tom West flew in this year and reported back the only other Chapter 14 member he saw there was our president Sam McCutcheon. It was a full day schedule at Brown. Pancake breakfast, chapter monthly meeting, lunch, and young eagle flights. Dennis and Bob flew 4 young eagles who just happened to be the grandchildren of Paul Hanson. They were superb pilots and really nice kids, evidence that heredity is not overly dominate in the second generation of a family.

John Watts started off the day with a pancake breakfast, assisted by Ty Tyvoll, Paul Hanson, and Bill Clark and followed with a lunch by Chris Puntis assisted by Jack Thomson of tamale pie, 3 bean salad, and applesauce. Who could fly to Flabob after taking on all that food?

The program of the month was given by Gene Hubbard who brought his Pietenpol fuselage into the meeting and delved deeply into the why's and whyfor's of such a project. The many changes to the original plans developed over the years as engines and materials have improved involve countless decisions and soul searching as one trys to stay with the original 1930's design. Gene is certainly doing an impressive job of it. His Pietenpol is almost too beautiful to cover and hide all that wood work.

Also at the meeting it was announced that Ben Hunsaker has had a pacemaker installed and is now back on his feet and hopefully will rejoin us soon at the

hanger. Bill Moore was in Mercy Hospital a day or two and missed today's events but is improved and hopefully will be back for the Tuesday/Thursday hangout.

Thanks to Allan Sparks for donating and setting up a computer in our office to replace the computer which mysteriously disappeared a couple of months ago. We miss our computer greatly as it had our accounts, Young Eagles data, and much useful information stored thereon. We still want it back. Anyone know where it went?????

Nathaniel Osborn who made his first Young Eagle flight about 12 years ago and wrote an article which was published in the Chapters "Spirit of Flight" soloed in a Cessna 172 on Friday. Congratulations Nat!

September 28 - Out like a lamb, not March, September. The last weekend in September at EAA Chapter 14, Brown Field fly in luncheon was quiet. True, the Bucker's came in on schedule, even the MU-2, and others. Perhaps it was the gloomy overcast, even light mist falling at times, condition. Perhaps just the arrival of fall. John Wood fired up his Kolb Firestar to test out the new fuel arrangement and stirred the air a bit. John flew the Kolb to Flabob last weekend. Quite a cross-country excursion for an "ultralite". The fuel tanks did not feed evenly and as he plans another cross-country to Copper State soon he needs every drop available. A new ultralite Minimax built by Richard Davies is tied down in front of hanger 1, awaiting the blessing by the FAA before starting flight testing. The "two cycles" just keep on coming.

Dennis Cullum with the assistance of Chris Puntis



John Wood's Kolb Firestar

prepared a gala luncheon of sausages and mash, beans and icecream. A sturdy meal for a cool day.

SportAir Aircraft Builders Workshop to be held in Corona

On Saturday and Sunday, November 23 & 24, EAA will be holding an EAA SportAir Aircraft Builders Workshop in Corona, CA. These workshops teach people how to build their own aircraft. For more information or to register, go to the following web site

<http://www.sportair.com/>

Or call

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Minutes of the meeting of the Board of Directors of Experimental Aircraft Association Chapter 14

August 22, 2002

The board meeting was called to order at 7:07 PM.

Present at the meeting were: Ray Knize, Jack Thomson, Kerry Powell, Joseph Russo, R.S. Ryan, Richard Kalling and Dan Patch.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read aloud. There was a motion to accept the minutes as submitted. This motion was seconded. The vote was called for the vote was taken and the motion passed.

The treasurer's report was given by Jack Thomson. There was a motion made to approve the treasurer's report. This motion was seconded. After discussion, a vote was called for, the vote was taken and the motion passed.

It was announced that a letter regarding the lease was delivered by Sam McCutcheon to Tracy Means.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:24 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Joseph Russo, Secretary

Nominations for Experimental Aircraft Association Chapter 14 officers and board for 2003:

The following nominations have been received:

President--Sam McCutcheon
Vice President--Richard Kalling
Secretary--Joe Russo
Treasurer--Jack Thomson

Directors:

Dennis Cullum
Eugene Hubbard
Ray Knize
Bill Moore
Kerry Powell
Larry Rothrock
R. S. Ryan
Dayton Smith

Our bylaws allow up to 14 total members of the board of directors, so we could add one or two more directors. If you are interested in serving Chapter 14 as a director, or would like to run for President, Vice-President, Secretary or Treasurer, please fill out the nomination form in this newsletter and mail to Chapter 14 or call Rik or Dayton. The election ballot will be printed in the November newsletter and votes counted at the November membership meeting. Qualifications for office are to be a current paid up member of Chapter 14 and EAA National.

Labor Day fly in

By Kerry Powell

Labor day weekend, my wife and I drove to a fly-in in Santa Ynez. Santa Ynez airport is nestled in the hills about 30 miles north of Santa Barbara. The fly-in was sponsored by the fearless Aeronca Aviators (the fAA.) Lots of low and slow, tube and fabric aircraft, friendly folks, fun events, and barbecue.

Fun, low-key events included a flour bombing contest and a spot landing contest. A 30 gallon trash can was the target for flour bombing, with bombs released from 200 feet agl. Next year we've got to drop from a higher altitude or get weaker bags—none of the bags of flour burst on impact! And the safest place for those of us on the ground measuring distance from the target was

right at the target! Closest bomb was ~15 feet away. The spot landing contest was much closer—but hey, most of the planes were Aeroncas!

The most exciting event was the fly out to the Point Conception lighthouse. About 15 miles up the coast from Santa Barbara, under the Vandenburg AFB restricted area. The floor of the restricted area is 500 feet MSL. I rode right seat in John Rodkey's Chief, leading a procession of 6 Aeroncas and one Cessna, flying 200 feet above the waves. Twice around the lighthouse, and then up the valley back to Santa Ynez where Santa Maria style barbecued tri-tip awaited us. We plan to go back again next year, but hopefully in the Chief!



Robert Steuber's "Metallized Tri-Chief" (aka Cessna 150) pulls ahead of us up the coast from Santa Barbara.



The Point Conception lighthouse sits on a rocky spit of land under the Vandenburg restricted area.

Unclassified Ads

Unclassified ads are free to Chapter 14 members - \$5 to non-members for 2 months. To submit an ad (or other newsletter input) send to Kerry Powell, Newsletter editor, either by email (preferred) at kgpowell@aol.com, or by phone at 760-602-0662

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GPS - Northstar M-2 GPS/Loran (Panel Mount) combination with antenna and operating manual \$900.00. Call Vern Vawter at (619) 479-7687. [01/02]

Hangars for sale or rent at Brown Field, call Art Wollgast, (619) 593-9812.

Hand-held Garmin GPS 89 – Like new, \$150

Maule pneumatic 8" tail wheel – Like new, \$125

Call Joe Pribilo at 619-449-1855

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

October 5 – Open house, coffee, lunch at Chapter 14 hangars, Brown Field.

October 12 – Young Eagles, 9AM, Open house, coffee, lunch at Chapter 14 hangars, Brown Field.

October 19 – Pancake breakfast 7:30, Chapter meeting 10 AM, Open house, coffee, lunch at Chapter 14 hangars, Brown Field.

October 24 (Thursday) – Chapter Board of Directors meeting at Montgomery Field administration building conference room (first floor underneath Casa Machada restaurant) 7:00PM.

October 26 – Open house, coffee, lunch at Chapter 14 hangars, Brown Field.

EAA Chapter 14 Nomination Form

To submit your name for nomination for an office or board seat, fill out this form and mail or hand deliver to:

**EXPERIMENTAL AIRCRAFT ASSOCIATION
SAN DIEGO CHAPTER 14
1409 CONTINENTAL AVENUE
SAN DIEGO, CA 92154-5707**

Or call Nominating Committee members:

Dayton Smith - (619) 421-6546 daytons@cts.com

Or Rik Keller - (619) 466-4762 rik2@home.com

Name:

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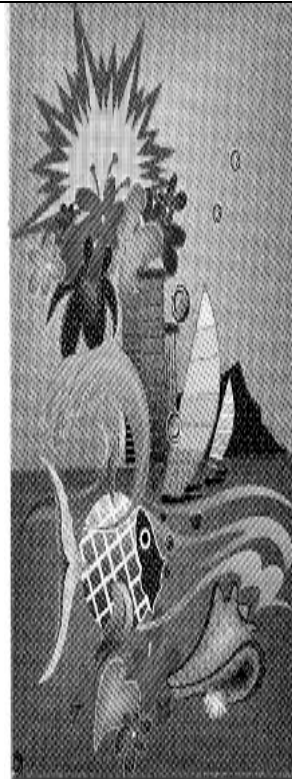
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Membership cost is \$25.00 per year plus an initial \$5.00 induction fee for new members. Applications are available at our Brown Field hangars and on our website.

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On-Going Chapter Events

Open House at the Brown Field Hangars every Saturday from 8:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M. with lunch at 11:30.

Pancake breakfast - third Saturday of each month.
 General Meeting - 10:00 A.M. third Saturday of each month.

Tape Library

Our tape library contains over 700 tapes of many interesting and informative subjects. These tapes may be checked out by members for a period of one week. If you can't return the video in person, please return it by mail.