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CHAPTER 27 NEWSLETTER

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Meetings Held on the Second Thursday of the Month at Meriden-Markham Airport, Meriden, CT

MICRO AIRPORT



This is how Kenmore Airpark (near Seattle Washington) which has very little real estate "ties down" its airplanes. Aircraft land on the water, taxi to a dock where a special fork lift picks them up and PARKS them above their automobiles on a special rack.

NEXT MEETING IS THURSDAY, OCT. 11

The October meeting of EAA Chapter 27 will be held at Meriden-Markham Airport on Thursday, Oct. 11, 1990. Time—7:00 P.M.

WHERE IS CHAPTER 27 LISTING?

In reading the 1990 International EAA Chapter Directory which was included with our Sport Aviation magazine we noticed that Chapter 27 was not included under the Connecticut section. To date we haven't heard of any reason for not including us in the Directory. Any answers?

CHAPTER 27 MEMBERS TAKE AWARDS

It's been a good season for Chapter 27 members in their award winning aircraft!

For starters, the Antique Airplane Club of Greater New York awarded Jeff Davenport the trophy for the best homebuilt monoplane. At the same meet, Jim Simmons captured the second place award for the best homebuilt biplane. The next day at the Stormville Chapter 130 Fly-In both Jeff and Jim went home with the first place honors for their respective aircraft. At the Sept. 30 Simsbury Antique Aeroplane Club's Fly-In they both again won top honors in their class, namely best homebuilt biplane and best homebuilt monoplane. Congratulations, guys!

The Mansfield, MA Chapter 701 Fly-In saw Debbie Raymond take best homebuilt honors with her T-18. She also won a cash prize. Nice going, Deb!

REMEMBER—IT'S OCT. 11 IN THE UPSTAIRS CLASSROOM AT MMK AIRPORT—TIME: 7:00 P.M.

LETTER FROM THE VICE PRESIDENT

Hello, everyone!

As you know, Fall is here and Winter is on its way. Now is a good time to start preparing your plane for the cold months ahead. Dont delay work while it's warm!

Our September meeting started at 7:25 p.m. and ended at 8:15 p.m. Jeff gave a treasurer's report stating we started the month at \$749.84, paid out \$34.00 to the postmaster and our balance is \$715.84. Ken Winiarski made a motion to accept the report as read and Bob Seemann seconded it. We discussed a timed X-Country race or poker run for the future, but we need more input from the rest of the members.

Our Christmas party is set for December 8 at the Britannia Spoon Restaurant. Time will be set after we get a feel for how many are going to attend. You will see a return notice in this issue of the newsletter. Please return it to me ASAP and I will have a menu choice for the next letter.

Nominations for officers were made at this time. They are as follows:

President—Ken Winiarski
Vice President—Jim Rowley
Technical Counselor—Jeff Davenport
Secretary—Sheila Seemann
Newsletter Editor—Herb Bullock
Treasurer—Debbie Raymond

We will be voting at this meeting (Oct.) Please attend if possible.

We will be looking into purchasing 1991 calendars for the Chapter. When they arrive it will be posted in the newsletter.

Anyone who is interested in helping out with the Kiwanis Foliage Flight can contact Pat Lucco at 634-4119. They would prefer 4-seat aircraft and pilot with over 200 hours. They also encouraged EAA to display their aircraft that day so the public can see our interest in aviation. The date is October 14, 1990, hours 9 to 5 and pilots who fly will be reimbursed for gas and oil.

Ray Morin, from FAA, will be putting on a demo about paperwork involved in licensing your aircraft for this meeting.

That's all for now. Our meeting will be in the classroom upstairs in the administration building. Time—7:00 p.m.

See you there.

Jim, VP

SEPTEMBER 13 MEETING ATTENDANCE

Jim Rowley	Ed Dunn
Ken Winiarski	Steve Daniel
Herb Bullock	Jack Heinzmann
Carl Eaton	Siri Dev Khalsa
Charlie Maxted	Bob Seemann
Jeff Davenport	Frank Darius
Steve Rinaldi	Erwin Hauer
Shawn Legacy	Harry Carl

GEORGE ENHORNING

CHATHAM, MA—A Wolcott pilot was taking his passenger, a retired Air Force general, on a fund-raising flight for charity when the vintage plane they were in crashed into a hillside, killing them both.

George F. Enhorning, 63, of 109 Fairview Drive, Wolcott, and his passenger, retired Air Force Brigadier Gen. H.L. "Moon" Mullins, 55, of Alexandria, VA, were killed when Enhorning's World War II P-51 Mustang fighter plane crashed into a hillside in a residential area shortly after 11 a.m.

Mullins purchased the ride aboard Enhorning's "Passion Wagon," a Canadian-built 1944 P-51D Mustang fighter plane, at a charity golf tournament Friday night, according to a report in The Cape Cod Standard Times. The auction was part of the Leo Diehl Charity Golf tournament at Eastward Ho! Country Club in North Chatham.

Lonnie Pickett, Chatham airport manager, said Enhorning had been flying for about 15 minutes when he made one last fly-by before attempting to land. Pickett called it a "traditional military approach."

After the fly-by, the pilot made a turn and the plane apparently stalled and started to roll at about 800 feet. Pickett said Enhorning appeared to recover from the roll at about 500 feet but did not have enough speed to fly out of it.

The plane narrowly missed two houses, clipped some trees and crashed into a ravine at the end of a residential street, landing right side up in the trees. A section of the plane hung from a tree, the engine lying a few feet away. The plane broke into pieces but did not burn. Investigators from the Federal Aviation Administration combed through the wreckage.

Enhorning, who was a pilot for more than 30 years, started collecting and restoring warplanes after first flying one at Oxford Airport.

"With a pilot as skilled as that, it's hard to believe you could rule out the possibility of something mechanical," said Frank Joy of Orleans, owner of Cape Cod Aero Marine and the airport's operator. "Something initiated the stall. He was right on top of it."

A semi-retired businessman, Enhorning spent weekends at his summer home at 20 Juliene Circle, South Harwich, and the plane was well-known at area air shows. Joy remembered him as an expert pilot and a "public spirited, non-assuming man."

Enhorning, who was the former president of Bruce Manufacturing and Molding of Southington, owned at least seven aircraft, including five antique warplanes.—Reprinted from The Waterbury Republican-American.

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LAKELAND TRIP BY RV-4—THE RETURN TRIP

Jeff Davenport and Jim Rowley

After having a good time at Lakeland, seeing everything there was to see, it was time to head for home. So, on Wednesday evening, we decided to head for Daytona Beach to stay overnight at my parents' place. Taking off right after the air show, we had to run in between thunderstorms to the northwest and southeast of us. There was a fairly clear path from Lakeland to Daytona, although there were a couple of rain showers we had to run through. The landing at Daytona was normal with no rain showers there. After tying down, my Mom came over and picked Jim and I up. Well, Mom told me to drive and wouldn't you know it, I took a wrong turn onto the beach right where lots of people in swimsuits hang around . . . If I come to Florida again, it would be a toss-up as to where I spend my time, at Sun 'N Fun or at the beach!

Back at Mom and Dad's place, we had a home-cooked meal, watched the weather channel and went to bed for a 5:00 a.m. wake up call. Back out to Daytona Beach Airport we were in the plane and taxiing out before it was completely light out. We made four stops on the way back. Hilton Head Airport in the Carolinas, had their golf and tennis tournaments going at the time. They had all kinds of jets, twin-engine and heavy single engine planes flying in for the games. It was a very busy place. Coming into New Jersey we ran through some very light snow showers. After landing and refueling we finally headed for home. We touched down at MMK at just before 5:00 p.m. The trip down took 6:45 and the trip back took 7:00 hours. Our average ground speed was just over 170 mph—the winds were pretty good to us. After a total of 14 hours in the somewhat cramped back seat, Jim was VERY relieved to be back on the ground. Jim did 90% of the navigating and was always right on the button.

TECHNICAL COUNSELOR ADVISORY

Jeff Davenport

Lycoming Engines—Cracked Cylinders

In the last two years, I have seen or heard of at least eight cracked cylinders in O-320 and O-360 engines. I flew a friend's Cherokee 140 to Lakeside Airport for annual that had 3 cylinders cracked! I wish I had known they were cracked! Quite a few mechanics don't know where or how to find these cracks. They usually occur around the exhaust ports, or near the lower spark plugs in between the cooling fins. These cracks will eventually lead to a failure costing you much more than to replace the cylinder so make sure your mechanic checks very carefully for them.

SKYBOLT SOLD!

THIS TIME IT'S FOR REAL!

Jim Simmons has sold his Skybolt to the original buyer, a gentleman from Sweden. He is coming over to pack it up for shipment at the end of Oct.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

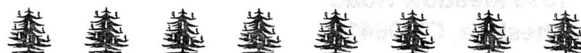
OCT. 14—OWLS HEAD, ME—Cadillac Meet and Airshow. Owls Head Transportation Museum. WWI and WWII aeroplane demonstrations and the Red Baron Airshow.

OCT. 14—HANSON, MA—Breakfast meeting, EAA Chapter 279, Cranland Airport. All you can eat for \$3.50: Pancakes, bacon & eggs, muffin, juice and coffee. Antiques, classics and homebuilts welcome.

OCT. 21—ORANGE, MA—Pancake breakfast, EAA Chapter 726, Orange, MA Municipal Airport, 8-11 a.m. Pancakes, sausages, home fries, juice, coffee. \$3 donation. No rain date.

APRIL 7-13—LAKELAND, FL—Sun 'N Fun, Lakeland, FL.

JULY 26-AUG. 1—OSHKOSH, WI—EAA Oshkosh 91 Annual Convention, Wittman Field.



EAA CHAPTER 27 CHRISTMAS PARTY

At The

Brittania Spoon Restaurant

DECEMBER 8, 1990

I will attend the Christmas party ☐

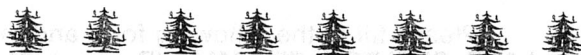
I will not attend the Christmas party ☐

Number in party _____

Name _____

Please mail information to:

**JIM ROWLEY
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FOR SALE

SENENICH PROPELLER—Metal, 73DM 6-0-56. Fits 150 HP Lycoming O-320. Dressed down to minimum Good for homebuilt, length ok, \$350. Ken Junior 237-1839.

STEARMAN (mostly) PARTS — At reasonable prices. Project complete, selling extras including fuselage with papers. Send SASE to A. Gomez, RR #1 Box 265 Lambertville, New Jersey 08530.

WANTED—O-200 ENGINE—Core or complete, any condition. Peter Baltrush, (203) 723-2411.

HERB BULLOCK
1315 Meadow Road
Cheshire, CT 06410

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CHRISTMAS PARTY

At The

Britannia Sports Restaurant

DECEMBER 4, 1989

1990 EAA CHAPTER 27 MEMBERSHIP FORM

Please fill in the following form and mail with your dues to: **DEBORAH RAYMOND, 49 HICKORY LANE, SHELTON, CT 06484.** (Dues are \$12.00 per year).

Name City Phone

Street State Zip

Current EAA No. Pilot Rating Held

Do you own an aircraft? Make and Model Registration No.

Do you have a project? How much completed

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