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CHAPTER 27 NEWSLETTER

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

NEW MEXICO HOT SPOT

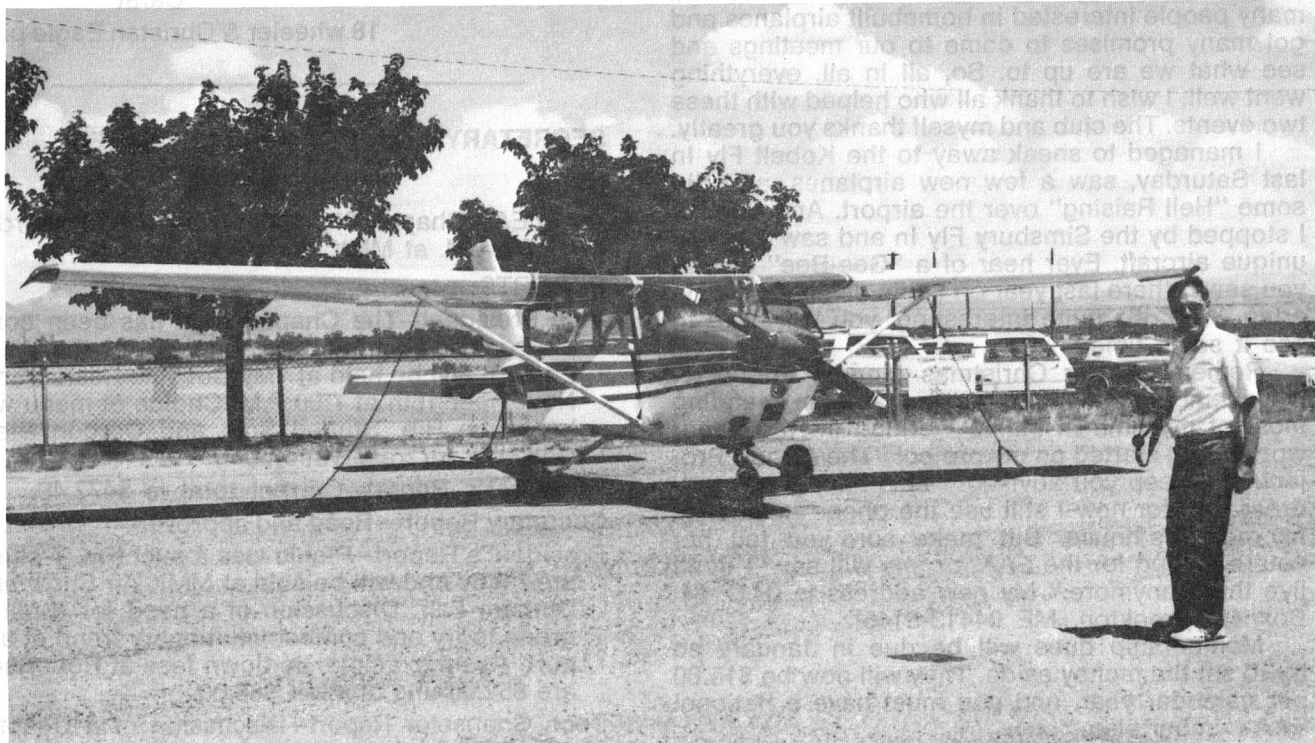


Photo shows Fran Grieco just after tying down his trusty Cessna Skyhawk (37G) at Truth or Consequences, NM. It was decided to stay over here as the temperature was well over 100 degrees on this afternoon.

NEXT MEETING IS SUNDAY, OCT. 13

The October meeting of EAA Chapter 27 will be held at Meriden-Markham Airport on Sunday, October 13, 1991. Time 10:00 A.M.

ANNUAL FLIGHT REVIEW POSTPONED

The FAA has decided to postpone the requirement for an Annual Flight Review for low time (less than 400 hours) pilots for another two years, until August, 1993.

NONE INJURED AFTER GLIDER MISHAP

CHESTER—A pilot and two passengers escaped injury recently when an airplane towing a glider lost power and crashed shortly after taking off from Chester Airport.

Richard Patenaude, 61, of Old Saybrook, pilot of the tow plane, and his passenger, Nicole Terry, 45, of Durham, were towing a Schweizer glider in which Jack Greta, 64, of Chester, was sitting.

The plane began to lose power and attempted to return to the airport, state police at the Westport barracks said. But, as the airplane descended, the glider cut loose and crashed. The plane landed within a quarter mile of the airport and the glider went down within 100 yards of it, police said.

No injuries or damage was reported.

REMEMBER—IT'S OCT. 13 IN THE LOUNGE AT MMK AIRPORT—TIME: 10:00 A.M.

LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT:

Guess who? It's the Lone Cowboy!

Lots of good things to report. First off, our "T" shirts arrived just in time for the Airshow, and we sold a few, picked up a couple of new members, and had many people interested in our projects. For those of you who missed the show, well, you didn't miss much. I've seen better shows from Jeff on our way to a fly-in. Jim Simmons had the lower wing of his Skybolt on display, and it is a "work of art." It's a shame to cover it. Jeff had the RV-4 in the field, which we all know is superb, and my project, of course.

The following week we set up a booth at the Durham Fair, and sold a few more shirts. We had many people interested in homebuilt airplanes and got many promises to come to our meetings and see what we are up to. So, all in all, everything went well. I wish to thank all who helped with these two events. The club and myself thanks you greatly.

I managed to sneak away to the Kobelt Fly In last Saturday, saw a few new airplanes, and did some "Hell Raising" over the airport. And Sunday I stopped by the Simsbury Fly In and saw a rather unique aircraft. Ever hear of a "Gee-Bee" Maybe you saw it there last year on static display, no covering. Well, it's quite interesting, you will have to see it some time.

Remember, our Christmas dinner/banquet is in November so mark your calendars. I'm spending most of my time in Maine working on the paper work to get started on my project "The Airport Project." I'll keep you advised. I also have a new address, but for now I still use the phone number at my mother's house. But make sure you tell her you're calling for the EAA, or she will say "I don't live there anymore." My new address is (H.C. 81, Box 45, Brookton, ME 04413-8145).

Membership dues will be due in January so try to set the money aside. They will now be \$15.00 per calendar year, and you must have a national EAA number also.

A gentleman stopped by and wanted some information on building a "Pietenpol Air Camper," but I personally know next to nothing about this aircraft, so I said I would put it in the newsletter. If you have any information to share, drop him a line or call. Christopher Jacobs, 3 Deerfield Dr., Clinton, CT 06413. Tel. 669-9192.

Well, got to run to Maine See you at the meeting.—Don't be late, 10:00 sharp.

Cowboy,

Ken Winiarski, President EAA # 27

SEPTEMBER ATTENDANCE REPORT

Ken Winiarski	SiriDev Khalsa
Jim Rowley	Harry Carl
Jim Simmons	John Lunz
Fran Uliano	Bob Pulford
Carl K. Eaton	Jeff Davenport
Frank Mlynick	Pat Manning
Ed Schinitis, Jr.	Herb Bullock
Charles Maxted	

KOREAN GREETINGS

*Following is a postcard from Dorothy "Carat" Vallee
EAA Chapter 27 member*

O-Hi-O (That's the Korean greeting)

On Monday 9/16, I boarded the NW 747-400 in Detroit. 14 hrs. and 19 min. later we landed in Seoul, Korea. I flew the first 6 hrs. & 53 min. and then took a snooze in the bunk—so the flight went quickly.

There are no female Korean pilots, general aviation is unheard of here and all the men go through military training to be pilots.

This morning 9/18 I paid \$9.48 for French toast & coffee. 727 won is the exchange rate. Very high!

May you all have tailwinds,

"Carat"

18 wheeler & Christen Eagle pilot

SECRETARY'S REPORT FOR SEPTEMBER

Local EAA Chapter 27 meeting was called to order at 10:05 A.M. at MMK.

REPORTS:

Vice President—The Chapter sign has been completed. The Hall has been booked for the Xmas Party. It will be held at "My Cousins Restaurant" November 16th at 7:00 P.M. Choice of menu will be Prime Rib, Stuffed Sole and Cordon Bleu. Call Jim for reservations.

Treasurer's Report—Current total is \$477.40.

Secretary Report—Read and approved.

President's Report—Picnic was a success. T shirts are ready and will be sold at MMK Air Show and Durham Fair. Discussion of a need for a pilots group to try and combat inflationary trend at airport. As an example, tie down fees at Robertson are \$52.00 and at MMK \$65.00.

Tech Counselor Report—Discussion of a Chapter display at Durham and the need for help during the three days. If you can help Sept. 27, 28, 29 call Jeff.

OLD BUSINESS:

T shirts were discussed as well as the MMK Air Show and display at Durham Fair.

NEW BUSINESS:

Twenty-five calendars will be ordered.

Discussion: Ken has the name of a company selling jigs for RVs. The East Coast Fly In will be held on Sept. 28 & 29th in Maryland's Wilmington Airport.

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CALIFORNIA SOJURN

By Fran Grieco

A year ago last month Herb and I fired up Old 37G and we were off to California.

We left with no real plan except to visit Herb's brother and relatives in California and visit my children in the Seattle area.

We picked all of our stops out of the AOPA Airport Guide as we went along.

Our first stop was Clearfield, PA, a nice field supported by a coal strip mining operation on the premises.

Second stop and first overnight was Moraine Field in Dayton, Ohio. The next day we toured the Air Force museum. Awesome!

That night Herb found a nice local tavern where we ate, had a couple of cool ones and watched the local color.

Next day we left under low ceilings that got lower, causing us to stop at Connersville, Indiana for our only weather delay on the trip. After that we stopped at Litchfield, Indiana for fuel. The airport loaned us a car to drive to lunch. The car was parked next to the hangar with the keys in the ignition!

The next stop was Ottawa, KS, where we had to land on the taxiway. The FBO gave us a truck that we kept overnight—no charge!

The next day we stopped at Anthony, Kansas, (near Wichita), Woodward, Kansas, where we saw the replica P-51 featured on the cover of Sport Aviation. He had engine trouble. We stopped for the night in Pampa, Texas. The next day we stopped at Tucumcari, New Mexico and overnight at Truth or Consequences, New Mexico. Here the mood was rather glum as the local major industry just had a major layoff. The Flight service on the field had only one employee.

The next day we flew over the aircraft graveyard in Tucson, made two stops looking for fuel and on to Imperial Valley California where we landed on a field 53 feet below sea level and was it HOT!

We left there and flew into that wonderful California sunshine (smog) and had to be vectored by Approach Control to Brown Field, San Diego, CA. Total time, 26.7.

We stayed a few days with Herb's relatives; got to see San Diego, and a very nice Aircraft Museum.

Then, on to San Francisco. The VFR corridors thru L.A. were too much for me so we went around the east side of the TCA with no trouble. San Francisco was my first experience flying into instead of under a TCA. The airports we stopped at were Lumpoc, Mesa Del Ray and Hayward.

We went to Walnut Creek, CA to meet a lovely lady (Herb's cousin) who made us lemonade from lemons we picked in her yard.

We did the cable cars and most of the tourist stops in San Francisco. We left S.F., landed at Arcata, CA and on thru much forest fire smoke to Tillamook, Oregon. Tillamook had huge blimp hangars left over from WWII.

Next stop was Auburn, WA where my daughter lives. San Diego to Auburn, 11.6. While at Auburn we flew around the Mt. St. Helens crater and saw

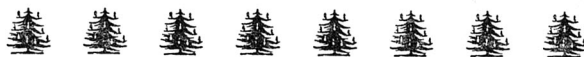
another plane fly right into the crater. We caught this maneuver on video. We also flew to Arlington and Point No Point and along the shore by Seattle. The Boeing Museum of Flight was also visited.

After my daughter had finished all our laundry and fed us for a few days we figured we had better leave.

In perfect weather we flew over the Cascades to Ontario, OR for fuel and on to Idaho Falls for the night. The next day it was Casper, WY, Rapid City, SD where we saw Mt. Rushmore and the unfinished Crazy Horse Monument. We stopped overnight at Chamberlain, SD, a nice little town on the Missouri River. The next day it was Mankato, MN, Ludington, MI and overnight in my favorite motel at Mt. Pleasant, MI. We passed over Oshkosh. Talk about a field with no traffic. MMK is busier.

The next day it was on to that lovely Lake Erie haze and Dunkirk. Then we flew on top of cumulus to near Candlewood Lake where we descended into our lovely New England version of smog and ended up following the road home. IFR?

Total time for the trip, 66.9 hrs over a three-week period. I would do it again but a faster airplane would be nice



EAA CHAPTER 27 CHRISTMAS PARTY

The awards dinner will be on November 16th at 7:00 p.m. at My Cousins Place Restaurant, 809 North Main Street, Wallingford, CT.

Please write in how many are attending and what you would like to eat. Send the slip back to me with the amount for your dinners, also made out to me. Please return them no later than Nov. 15 so I can give them a head count.

DINNER MENU: Tossed salad, ziti, baked stuffed potato, green beans almandine, ice cream parfait, hot rolls, coffee and tea.

- ☐ **Prime Rib \$18.95**
- ☐ **Stuffed Filet of Sole \$17.95**
- ☐ **Chicken Cordon Bleu w/Swiss Cheese and Ham \$15.95**

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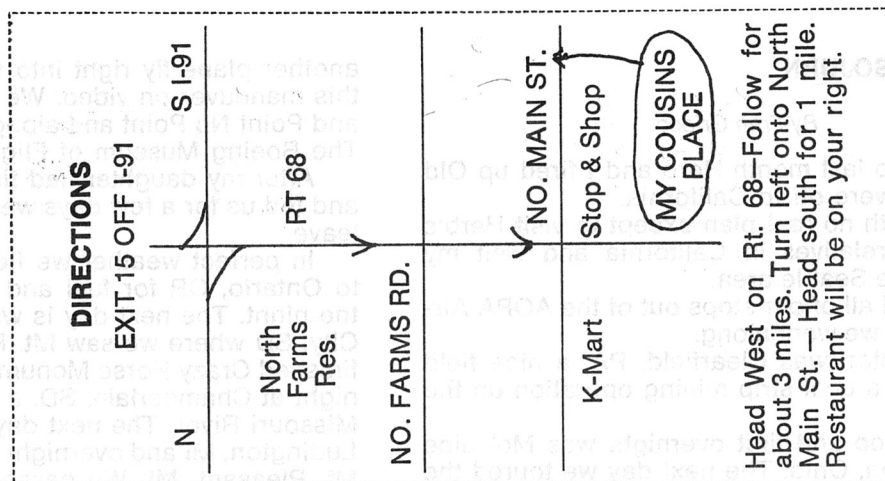
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FOR SALE

1982 FORD V6 GRANADA ENGINE—3.0 Liter, 232 cubic inch, aluminum head, 30,000 miles. \$350—Charles Maxted, 272-4922.

AIR PROGRESS MAGAZINES—Also large assortment of antique and model aircraft magazines—1960's vintage, make offer—235-2169.



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1991 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. Make checks out to Deborah Raymond).

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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