

**OCTOBER, 1995**



# **CHAPTER 27 NEWSLETTER**

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

## **AWARDS PLUS!**



Above photo shows Jeff Fiscus accepting his First Place Experimental Award at the recent Annual Antique Fly-In at the Brookhaven Airport, Shirley, NY. Also winning awards were Jim Simmons for Best Biplane and Jeff Davenport for Third Place Experimental Aircraft.

## **NEXT MEETING IS SUNDAY, OCTOBER 15**

The October meeting of EAA Chapter 27 will be held at Meriden-Markham Airport on Sunday, October 15, 1995. Time 10:00 A.M.

### **"NEW" PLANE ON THE SCENE**

One of the Classics displayed at the recent Pratt & Whitney Air Show was Ev Cassagneres' Cessna 170. He recently purchased this aircraft and keeps it in the South hangar at MMK and has put plenty of elbow grease in putting it in first class condition.

## **DOCUMENTATION FOR HOMEBUILT AIRCRAFT**

What are the required documents to properly register my newly constructed homebuilt aircraft? Where do I begin? Who do I contact? FAA? FCC? DOT? Everyone who has ever constructed a homebuilt aircraft has had to answer these same questions. You certainly don't want paperwork to stand in the way of flying your newly completed project!

Our October seminar will provide you with all of the appropriate information regarding documentation for registration of your new bird. Be sure to join us at our next chapter meeting which will be October 15th at 10 a.m. for this discussion.

Everyone is welcome to attend!

**REMEMBER—IT'S OCT. 15 AT MMK AIRPORT—TIME: 10:00 A. M.**

## LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

I had the pleasure of flying in the EAA Connecticut Poker Run and I believe that we may have started something big. Everyone seemed to enjoy the event and I'm optimistic that we can grow it into an annual affair.

I would like to encourage each of you to aid us in making our upcoming Young Eagles Day a success. If each of our members was to bring one youngster to the event, we would provide a first flight experience for 69 kids! Relatives, friends and neighbors are all sources from which to choose. Why not help some kid to enjoy the thrill of flight? He/she will never forget you for it.

Assuming that we get the kids to participate, we will need every pilot and aircraft we could possibly assemble. We can certainly use your assistance as a ground support person as well. Please be sure to keep Fran Uliano, our Young Eagles coordinator, informed of your plans for supporting our last Young Eagles event for 1995.

Please consider signing up for our Chapter 27 Christmas Party as soon as possible. It is important for us to notify the restaurant of our head count so that we can acquire an adequate sized room for the event.

I look forward to seeing you all at our next meeting.

Jim

## CHRISTMAS PARTY PLANS FORMED UP

Final details for our 1995 Christmas Party have been completed. It is scheduled for Saturday evening, December 2nd at George's II Restaurant in Wallingford. Plans include private dining room, full course dinner and cash bar. Afterwards music and dancing is available in the main restaurant.

Cocktail hour is scheduled for 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. with dinner to follow. Dinner choices are described on the flyer enclosed with this newsletter. Cost will be \$20.00 per person. Guests, spouses and friends are welcome. We need to firm up the head count for this party and we request that you complete the enclosed form, including dinner choices, and submit your payment as soon as possible.

In the past we have had some great fun with grab bag gifts. Bring a wrapped gift, valued in the \$3-\$5 range for each person wishing to participate.

Directions are also included on the back of the flyer. We hope to see everyone there!

## FIBERGLASS FAIRINGS FOLLOW-UP

Jeff Fiscus prepared a highly detailed and very informative information set of instructions for the fabrication of fiberglass fairings for aircraft. A limited supply were distributed during our September seminar session. If you missed the seminar or failed to obtain a copy of the instructions and would like a set, please contact Jeff Fiscus directly at (203) 828-0218.

## POKER RUN RESULTS

Our first attempt at a statewide Poker Run on September 30th was very successful. The almighty weather gods smiled upon our event. After some early morning low ceilings, the skies cleared up for a beautiful clear CAVU day.

Approximately 66 participants statewide boarded their aircraft and ventured around the state in an effort to obtain the best poker hands. Everyone which we came in contact with (participants, EAA ground support personnel, ATC and FBO personnel) all appeared to enjoy the activity. Below is a list of the winners from the various chapters.

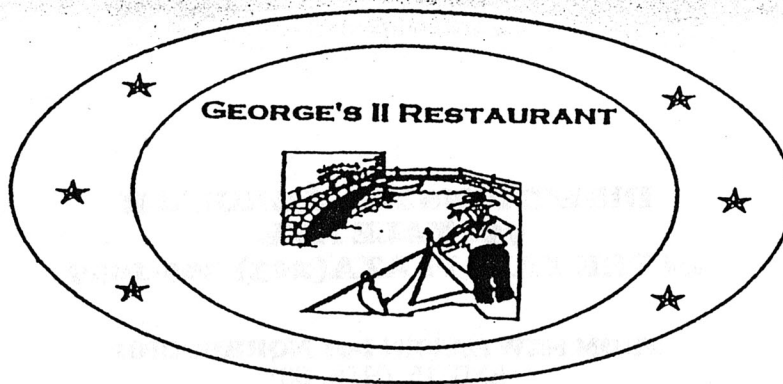
EAA CHAPTER 27—MERIDEN	
Justin Glenn, Forestville, CT	Club Flush, Q High
EAA CHAPTER 130—DANBURY	
Dick Cain, Wilton, CT	Statewide Winner Full House 3's&5's
EAA CHAPTER 166—HARTFORD	
Bob Pulford, Newington, CT	2 Pair, Kings & 3's
EAA CHAPTER 324—SIMSBURY	
Steve Smith, Simsbury, CT	Pair of Aces
EAA CHAPTER 334—WATERFORD	
Tom Hine, East Lyme, CT	Pair of Jacks
EAA CHAPTER 1035—DANIELSON	
Ed Baranski, Woodstock, CT	Three 8's

## SEPTEMBER ATTENDANCE REPORT

Stan Solecki	Bill Simon
Jim Simmons	Bob Brown
Les Mercer	Mike Kredar
Bob Ryan	David Pepe
Maury Libson	George Anderson
Ev Cassagneres	Jeff Martin
Harry Carl	Ed Morris
Alan E. Ortner	C. Maxted
Mark R. Ortner	Frank Mlynick
Ed Peters	Doug Dringoli
David Peters	Chan Schiller
Joe Page	Bob Seemann
Robert Bordiere	Sheila Seemann
Jeff Fiscus	Betty Simmons
Jeff Davenport	Fran Uliano
James Byron	Bob Burk
Ed Schinitis	Herb Bullock
Fran Grieco	

## EAA CHAPTER 27 OFFICERS FOR 1995

**President—Jim Simmons: 272-9346**  
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**DECEMBER 2, 1995**

**EAA CHAPTER 27 HOLIDAY DINNER**

**COCKTAIL HOUR: 6:30 - 7:30**

**CHEESE AND CRACKERS**

**SIT DOWN DINNER FOLLOWING COCKTAIL HOUR**

**SALAD AND ROLLS  
FAMILY STYLE PASTA**

***Entree's***

**PRIME RIB  
STUFFED FILET OF SOLE  
STUFFED BREAST OF CHICKEN**

**BAKED POTATO  
FAMILY STYLE VEGETABLE**

***Ice Cream Roll, Coffee, Tea and Sanka***

**CASH BAR WILL BE AVAILABLE**

**\$20.00 Per Person  
All Inclusive**

**BRING A GRAB BAG GIFT FOR EACH PERSON  
PARTICIPATING (\$3-\$5 range)**

**DIRECTIONS TO GEORGE'S II  
950 YALE AVE.  
IN THE YALE PLAZA (203) 269-1059**

**FROM NEW HAVEN I-91 NORHBOUND**

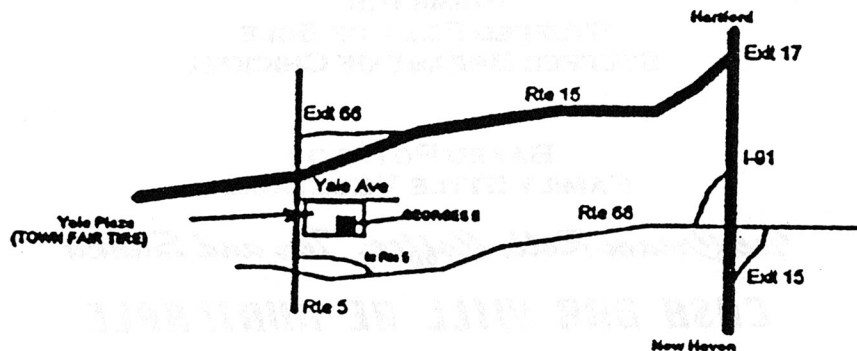
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RIGHT INTO YALE PLAZA: GEORGE'S II IN PLAZA  
TOMMY K'S VIDEO IS LANDMARK TO LOOK FOR

**FROM HARTFORD I-91 SOUTHBOUND**

EXIT 17, RTE. 15 SOUTH (WILBUR CROSS PKY.)  
EXIT 66, WILBUR CROSS PKY. (RTE. 5 EXIT)  
LEFT ONTO RTE. 5  
LEFT AT SECOND LIGHT ONTO YALE AVE.  
RIGHT INTO YALE PLAZA: GEORGE'S II IN PLAZA  
TOMMY K'S VIDEO IS LANDMARK TO LOOK FOR

**ALTERNATE FROM HARTFORD I-91 SOUTHBOUND  
(IF YOU HAPPEN TO MISS RTE. 15 SOUTH)**

EXIT 15, I-91  
RIGHT ONTO RTE. 68, TAKE RTE. 68 TO RTE. 5  
SHORT CONNECTOR TO RTE. 5 ON RIGHT  
RIGHT ONTO RTE. 5  
RIGHT AT SECOND LIGHT ONTO YALE AVE.  
RIGHT INTO YALE PLAZA: GEORGE'S II IN PLAZA  
TOMMY K'S VIDEO LANDMARK TO LOOK FOR



## SHAME, SHAME!

*The article below was written by Tricia Westbrook before she resigned as newsletter editor for EAA Chapter 1011 in Toccoa, GA. I know many newsletter editors share in the same frustrations as Tricia does holding the position of editor for the Chapter. Here are five reasons why members of a Chapter do not contribute to a Chapter Newsletter.*

**No. 1—I don't have enough time.** Sorry, but this is the poorest excuse of all. I have a full time position as a Neuro Clinical Nurse Specialist, do some free-lance work, belong to four major nursing organizations, produce four different newsletters, do public speaking throughout the Southeast, and serve as a volunteer to Safe Kids Coalition of Hall County and The Good News Health Clinic. And yes, I am also a newlywed and my spouse is my greatest priority. I also spend time with my daughter and grandson. I won't go so far as to say that I'm the busiest person, but I will venture to say that no one in our Chapter is busier than I am.

**No. 2—I'm not a good writer.** Also not a good excuse. You don't need to be a good writer. Just write down the basics and the Newsletter Editor will tidy up the spelling and grammar—that part is their job. Your job is to provide the basic material. It also doesn't have to be very lengthy. Just a collection of thoughts and ideas. If you don't want to write, just clip out anything you enjoyed in other publications . . . short articles, cartoons, etc. Most publications don't mind if you use a small item. For larger items, you may need to obtain permission from the publisher.

**No. 3—I don't know enough about the subject to write an article.** This one won't work either. I know nothing about aviation, but have been writing the newsletter for 18 months now and I haven't had any complaints.

**No. 4—Someone might laugh at what I write.** Someone might have laughed at Thomas Edison, too. Laughter is not painful. Besides, anyone who laughs is probably doing so because they are too afraid to try and write an article themselves. I promise no one will laugh at you.

**No. 5—I haven't been involved enough in the Chapter.** Why not? We've already eliminated the "I don't have enough time" excuse. Besides, even with my crazy schedule, I've made 90% of the meetings. I've only missed them when I've been out of town or sick. People made time when it is something they want to do. Anyway, you don't even have to be a member to contribute an article. Are you the type of person who really just doesn't get involved? How sad—you will never get any more out of life than you put into it. The "spectators" of life miss out on a lot of enjoyment and satisfaction.

Is there anyone that I haven't shamed, insulted or humiliated with this editorial? In the meantime, get busy and write something!

### FOR SALE

65 HP LYCOMING—Total time 600 hrs. 0 since major.  
Also 2 65 hp Franklins, disassembled. Plus spare parts. (203) 393-1225.

## SECRETARY'S REPORT

### Minutes of September Meeting By Stan Solecki for Charlie Maxted

The September meeting of EAA Chapter 27 was called to order at 10:05 a.m.

Jeff Davenport reported on the RV seminar at Fulton, NY. He also noted that their chapter has a great hangar and a clubhouse on the field.

A photo of the Meriden Airport was published in a recent edition of the Meriden Record-Journal. Some changes have occurred as the hangar shown was blown away during the hurricane of 1938. The CAP headquarters has since been torn down.

A survey was recently taken comparing the number of accidents between homebuilt and factory built aircraft. It was found that homebuilts proved to have the higher rate of accidents (17 out of 1,000 compared to 6 per 1,000 for the spam cans).

Young Eagles Day is scheduled for October 21 at MMK and pilots, aircraft and volunteers are needed to make this day a success.

Up to date 150,000 Young Eagles have been flown. Chapters are asked to fly at least one Young Eagle per member. This will double the figure.

The Christmas Party was mentioned and it was voted to have it at the George's II Restaurant on December 2, 1995.

The Treasurer's report was read and showed a balance of \$565.17 to date.

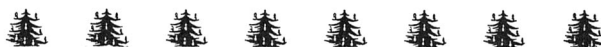
Ev Cassagneres mentioned that his Ryan ST book will not be available until November.

The 50-50 winner was Alan Ortnier.

Joe Page will talk on the paper work needed to get your airplane to fly legally.

Jeff Fiscus gave a very good talk on Fiberglass forming.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:26.



### EAA CHAPTER 27 CHRISTMAS PARTY

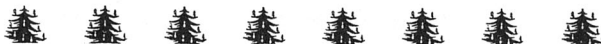
The EAA Chapter 27 Christmas Party will be held on December 2, 1995 at George's II Restaurant, 950 Yale Ave., Wallingford, CT. Please select your dinner choice from this form and mail your check to Bob Ryan.

#### Cocktails at 6:30—Dinner at 7:30

- ☐ Prime Rib
- ☐ Stuffed Filet of Sole
- ☐ Stuffed Breast of Chicken

#### SEND TO:

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NORTH HAVEN, CT 06473



**HERB BULLOCK**  
**1315 Meadow Road**  
**Cheshire, CT 06410**

## **1995 EAA CHAPTER 27 MEMBERSHIP FORM**

Please fill in the following form and mail with your dues to: **ROBERT RYAN, 6 MANOR COURT, NORTH HAVEN, CT 06473.** (Dues are \$15.00 per year. Make checks out to EAA Chapter 27).

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 .....