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# Next Meeting January 20th

The January Presentation will be by Danbury EAA chapter member Alan Clair. He is a retired U.S. Air Force historian. He will be speaking about the Air Force Historical Research Agency and his participation in Operation Uphold Democracy in Haiti.







## President's Message

We had an excellent holiday dinner last weekend. We had a good crowd, good food, and a fun time all the way around. As I prepared my annual review I was struck by how well our events were attended by chapter members in 2018. That is a great sign of a healthy happy chapter. We will continue with our regular events and meeting formats next year. However, suggestions are always welcome! One is to have more seminars and other activities focused on experimental aircraft building and ownership. We will work on that. Another thing all of us can do is promote the chapter and look for new members. We have done pretty well the last couple years. Let's keep it going.

## **Tech Counselor Tip**

Always check an airport's ATIS or AWOS twice before you get into the pattern. My instructor taught me this years ago and it payed off again the other day. I dialed in the MMK ATIS 5 miles out to the South East and winds were light and variable. I set up for runway 18, the calm wind runway. On a one mile 45 deg entry I checked again and it switched to 010 deg at 7 kts. That is a pretty big change in less than two minutes. A 7 kt tailwind will lengthen your landing A LOT! Always check the wind sock and wind tee as well on downwind.

## Teens to Flight RV-12 Build Program

For the first time in three years there is not much to report on the RV-12. That is a good thing, I guess. Some of the mentors may be going through withdrawal symptoms. We are working on FAA registration paperwork and club formation. To form a club we need interested people to commit to the club. Please contact Mark Scott or Dave Rich regarding details. The current plan is to have between five to ten people buy a share. We are also thinking about non share owner participation. It depends on what we hear from people. Either way it will be very economical way to fly a fun airplane.

## Chapter 27 and MMK Airport Activities

### **Young Eagles**

**Spectacular 2018, 100 Young Eagles flown by Chapter 27.** Many thanks, to all the pilots and ground crew that participated to make the year such a success.

### **General Aviation**

### Proposed AD

FAA has proposed an airworthiness directive on Piper aircraft, PA-28, PA-32 requiring inspection for metal fatigue on main wing spares. The EAA, AOPA, GAMA and other groups have requested an extension of the comment period stated to end February 4, 2019

#### Federal Register.com

< www.federalregister.gov/documents/2018/12/21/2018-27577/airworthiness-directives-piper-aircraft-inc-airplanes>

#### Medical Examination

Ray Basri MD, "Medical Examination" Email to Mark Scott Saturday December 15, 2018

#### "Good Morning.

I am a senior aviation medical examiner for the FAA. I would like to discuss doing third class student pilot medical examinations for some of your young aviators. I am willing to offer these examinations without charge if the aviator is from a disadvantage background in between the ages of 15 and 20 years old. It would be arranged after your recommendation.

Call to discuss this with me at your convenience. I am available all weekend My cell phone is 845-344-7006
Thanks
Ray Basri MD"

### **New England Air Museum**

No new events to share. However, on the museums website <<u>www.neam.org</u>> in the news section there are interesting updates on the restoration of a DC3 and Burnelli CBY-3 Loadmaster" and newly started restoration of a Kaman HOK-1.

## **Regional Activities**

Chapter 1310 Meetings - 2nd Wednesday 7 PM April-October 2nd Saturday 10 AM November, January, February, March at Skylark Airport

Chapter 166 Meetings - Last Saturday of month 10:00 AM (Except July, Nov & Dec) at Hartford Jet Center, 20 Lindberg Drive, Hartford. http://166.eaachapter.org/

Chapter 27 Meetings - 3rd Sunday of month, 10 AM at Meriden Airport http://eaa27.org/

Chapter 324 Meetings 1st Wednesday of month, 7 PM Simsbury Airport <a href="https://www.facebook.com/eaa324/">https://www.facebook.com/eaa324/</a>

**Chapter 1620 Meetings** 1st Wednesday of month, 7:30 PM Barnes Airport Hangar 3, 111 Airport Rd.

Westfield, MA. 01085 <u>aircrafttech7583@gmail.com</u>

#### Chapter 1310 Events

Sunday January 20 5:00 P.M.

**Annual dinner** 

U.S.S. Chowderpot, Hartford. See details in this newsletter.

Saturday March 23 8:30 - 11:00 AM

Pancake Breakfast

Enjoy our hot pancakes, sausage, scrambled eggs. Plus fruit cup, coffee, tea, juice.

Saturday April 13 9:00 - Noon

Chapter Cleanup Day

Let's help out and get the airport looking good for the flying season.

May 10:00 AM - Noon

Spring Safety Seminar and Cookout

Topic and date to be determined

Saturday August 17 11:00 AM- 2:00 PM Annual Corn Roast and Cookout

We get the freshest corn available. Picked the morning of the event. Also hamburgers and hot dogs off the grill.

Saturday September 28 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM Young Eagles Flights

We will be providing complementary introductory flights to kids 8 - 17 years old.

Saturday October 19 10:00 AM - Noon

Taildragger and Experimental Safety Seminar

Topic to be announced.

Saturday November 2 8:30 - 11:00 AM

Pancake Breakfast

Enjoy our hot pancakes, sausage, scrambled eggs. Plus fruit cup, coffee, tea, juice.

#### **2019 Aviation Events**

**April 2 - 7** Sun'n Fun Fly-In Lakeland Linder Regional Airport, Lakeland, FL US Navy Blue Angels <a href="http://www.sun-n-fun.org/">http://www.sun-n-fun.org/</a>

Sat. June 1 (Rain date June 2) 8:00 AM - Noon Pancake Breakfast - Kline Kill, NY Presented by EAA Chapter 146 We put on a great pancake & egg breakfast, and a fun time is guaranteed. <a href="http://www.eaa146.org">http://www.eaa146.org</a>

Weekends June 15 - October 20 Old Rhinebeck Aerodrome, Rhinebeck, NY

### Classifieds

Pair of Airhawk 7.00 x 6 tires and inner tubes, 85% tread remaining, in excellent condition, \$150.

B&C 60 amp alternator. Less than 250 hours, works great. \$175.

Mark Scott (mwscott2@comcast.net)

Whelen Strobe System & Wing Tip Navigation Lights\*\*\*(\$350 obo)

\*Power Supply Whelen Model \*= HDACF (Priced on ACS for \$420)

http://www.aircraftspruce.com/catalog/elpages/whelenpowersupplies.php? clickkey=13887

\*Wing Tip Position Light\* (Red Model = A600-PR-14V) (Priced on ACS for \$484)

\*Wing Tip Position Light\* (Green Model = A600-PG-14V) (Priced on ACS for \$484)

Complete kit is \$1362 on ACS

Details on ACS here for the full kit: <a href="http://www.aircraftspruce.com/catalog/elpages/">http://www.aircraftspruce.com/catalog/elpages/</a> whelena600strobe.php

I'll include the wiring instructions / manuals booklet and connectors. You'll just need to buy wire and pins to make the system work.

Contact Rick Beebe, <u>rick@beebe.org</u> <<u>mailto:rick@beebe.org</u>> or 203-623-3744

Pat Kelly, one of our members, is selling his project. Please go to the link on next page if you or someone you may know, might be interested.