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Our Web Site: www.eaa27.org

Next Meeting Meriden Airport, 10am, May 19th

Mark Scott will talk about his experiences flying anxious

Young Eagles and adult passengers and the strategies he uses
to make their flights as enjoyable as possible. Bring your own
stories and ideas for a fun discussion!



President's Message

Many of the skills you learn flying translate to other activities. One of the best is decision making. Over the course of your training you learn how to recognize how a number of small issues can add up to an eventual big issue. For example let's say one evening you plan on flying the next day. Unfortunately you have a bad night's sleep but it's a short VFR trip and you are not that bad. You get to the airport and a stiff cross wind has built up. Then you find out the plane you usually fly is down for maintenance and you have to take another with which you are not that familiar. This is a case of small events adding up to a less than ideal situation, and one that could cascade into an accident. Navy pilots call this the daisy chain that needs to be broken before something bad happens. Personally when I see three significant "Strikes" I have a serious reassessment of what I'm planning on doing. This philosophy works very well for many such things as, car trips, weather related decisions, large purchases, and other things. The next time you are talking with non-pilots about decision making relate how flying has formed your decision making process. I think they will find it interesting and useful.

EAA Chapter 27 Meeting Minutes 03/17/2019

Meeting Minutes, April 28, 2019

President Mark Scott called the meeting to order at 10:00. Officers present, Vice President Dave Rich, Treasurer Bill Jagoda and Secretary Rick Beebe. There were 26 attendees. George Berka is a visitor. He recently bought an unfinished Emeraude but he hasn't picked it up yet.

We have \$8346.20 in the treasury.

Dave Rich talked about installing a PMag on his RV-7. It's a self-contained electronic ignition and can advance the timing based on manifold pressure. Mark Scott is installing a new ADS-B transponder and has noticed that the sharpie labels he made for his wiring 5 years ago have faded quite a bit. Rick Beebe suggested using heat shrink labels instead. They are available for standard Dymo or Brother label makers.

Rick Beebe gave an update on the recent EAA Board meeting. The B-25 Mitchell bomber they've been restoring flew last weekend for the first time in over 20 years. It will be joining the B-17 "Aluminum Overcast" on tour this summer.

Young Eagles, June 9. At the May meeting, Mark Scott will be giving a presentation on flying nervous people. This can be relevant to flying Young Eagles.

Teens to Flight. Dave and Mark didn't get any equity takers on the RV-12 so they're now re-configuring it as a non-equity flying club.

Wilma will be retiring at the end of June. Our greatest thanks to her and her efforts on behalf of the airport. We will be organizing some kind of recognition for her efforts.

May 13-18 a bunch of C-47's will be gathering in Oxford for some training and display before they head to Normandy for the 75th anniversary of D-Day.

May 4 will be Airport Clean Up Day.

The airport has asked us to repaint the men's room. We need a couple volunteers.

Linda Cioffi gave a presentation on what it was like to fly her Cessna 182 into Cuba a few months after personal flights were opened up. It turned out she was the first female pilot to fly her own plane there since sometime in the 1950s!

--Rick Beebe, Secretary

Tech Counselor Tip



Mike Busch's put out a short (100 page) but very informative maintenance book about a year or so ago. It has a lot of very practical ideas and strategies for maintaining your own airplane be it by yourself or through a mechanic. A lot of the book centers around on condition maintenance with frequent inspections. Many of his philosophies stem from something called the Waddington effect, a maintenance program implemented by the British in the second world war which greatly increased aircraft availability. You can buy the paperback online for less than \$15. It will surely save you ten times that if you follow his advice.

Teens to Flight RV-12 Build Program

Dave Rich has been busy working on club articles of incorporation. Through Joe Gauthier we found an attorney to look over the language. We have been receiving calls about the club recently. It looks like there will be enough interest once we get the club up and running.





Memberships Available

Fly cheap with the latest in aviation tech. 5 gal/hr fuel burn and no more "steam gauges"

The club will own a newly built RV-12 which is a light sport category airplane suitable for both light sport and private pilot training.

The RV-12 is equipped with a modern 4 stoke Rotax 912 ULS and Dynon Skyview HDX with synthetic vision, EFIS and EMS.





We will be structured as a CT 501c(7) not for profit, non-stock corporation. Membership will assume officer roles and manage the club, including; oversight, scheduling, maintenance and finances.

If interested, please contact either Mark Scott (203.988.3197) or Dave Rich (860.638.9087) for details.

Young Eagles

There have been 2 YE's flown in the last month. Most importantly Jim Simmons has outstandingly reached a total of 400 YE's flown.

One of our two big rallies is June 9th. As always let's have a strong turnout.



EAA Chapter 27

Young Eagles Program



Free Airplane Ride Introduction to Aviation All Kids age 8 thru 17



Meriden-Markham Airport 213 Evansville Avenue Meriden, CT Jun 9- 2019 9:00 am To 3:00 pm

Parent or guardian must be present in order to participate
For more information Contact Brian Rechtiene
203 414 6142 or Richard Merrill 203 994 2017
brechtiene@gmail.com
R9034@aol.com

www.eaa27.org

Chapter and MMK Airport Activities

MMK Hangars Approved!

Last month the Meriden City Council unanimously approved the repair and/or replacement of the North and South Hangars as well as repositioning and expanding the existing T hangars. See the April newsletter for complete details on the airport master plan.

FBO Bathroom Repainted

Many thanks to Chapter members Joe Bogacki, Randy Seeber, and Bob Young, for painting the airport Men's room. It looks much better now. Constance said she really appreciated it.

Airport Clean-up day

It was a beautiful cool spring morning. We were able to clean the litter from the outside and inside of the airport fence, fix areas of gravel and turf from the winter snow removal, and clean-up around the front entrance.



MMK 100th Anniversary

Save the date August 10, 2019 - more details to follow

AirVenture Pedal Plane Formation

An e-mail was sent a week or so ago about EAA organizing the world's largest formation of pedal powered toy airplanes. Dorothy Vallee responded she has one. If you are going to Oshkosh this year get in touch with Dorothy and see if you can fit it in your plane or car! (dorothyvallee@sbcglobal.net). For more information on the event contact Rob Peterson at robdtw@gmail.com

Fun Destinations

Sugarbush Airport, Vermont by Mark Scott

If you have not been to the beautiful airport you should take a trip up there this summer. The flight up is very pretty as you pass by the Green Mountains. You will see numerous ski areas along the way. The airport is about 5 miles South-East of the Sugarbush ski resort. There is 2500 foot long but only 30 foot wide runway. They have picnic tables on the field where you can watch active glider operations. They give rides all summer. Everyone should take a glider ride. It is a great experience. They have fuel on the field.



Minute Man Airport (6B6) Stow, MA. by Andy Roberts

Minute Man airport 6B6 in Stow, MA has a very good restaurant on the field. Nancy's Airport Cafe offers *classics as well as international and seasonal dishes.* The airport also has the lowest fuel prices I've seen. Airport staff is friendly. You are bound to see some interesting planes stopping by. About 80 nm NE of Meriden.

D-Day Squadron 75th Anniversary

Oxford Airport - Kick of Week May 13th - 19th

http://ddaysquadron.org/d-day-squadron-launch-week/



http://ddaysquadron.org/the-mighty-fifteen-the-american-contingent-flying-to-normandy/>

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 https://www.facebook.com/eaa324/

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

Saturday May 18th, 10:00 AM - Noon Spring Safety Seminar and Cookout IFR / VFR Club Planning Meeting - Mastering the Art of Navigation

Register at https://www.faasafety.gov/SPANS/event_details.aspx?eid=92107

Saturday June 15th, 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM Hamburg & Hot Dog Cookout **New** All you can eat hot dogs and hamburgers for a \$7.00 donation.

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.

New England Air Museum

New England Air Museum Announces Free Admission for Actively Serving U.S. Military for Armed Forces Day on May 18

Armed Forces Day Finds Special Admissions and Attractions for Actively-Serving Men and Women



The Boeing B-29 Superfortress

On May 18, 2019 from 10am to 5pm, New England Air Museum will honor Actively Serving Military men and women with free admission to the museum. Families visiting with Actively Serving Military will receive 50% off their admission. Special activities include climb aboard experiences in historic aircraft; flight simulators; handson Build & Fly Challenges, and much more!

A variety of aircraft will be open for visitors including the WWII era Republic P- 47D, the Vietnam War era Bell UH-1B "Huey" helicopter, as well as supersonic jet fighters including the North American F-100 Super Sabre jet fighter and the Lockheed F-104C Starfighter.

The New England Air Museum is open daily from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Memorial Day through Labor Day. Admission is \$15.00 for ages 15 and up, \$14.00 for seniors 65 and up and \$10.00 for ages 4 to 14. New England Air Museum members and children under

3 are admitted free. For more information, visit **www.neam.org** or call (860) 623-3305. The New England Air Museum is located in Windsor Locks, Conn., adjacent to Bradley International Airport. Take I-91 north or south to CT. exit 40 (Route 20) to Route 75 north.

The New England Air Museum is the largest aviation museum in New England comprised of three large public hangars, outdoor exhibits, and more than 100 aircraft ranging from early airships and flying machines to supersonic jets and helicopter. NEAMs mission is to celebrate and preserve New England's air and space heritage. The museum offers special events and programs including open cockpits, flight simulators, and tons of hands-on family fun. The New England Air Museum is located on 36 Perimeter Road (off Route 75) on the North end of the Bradley International Air port in Windsor Locks, Conn. For more information please visit www.neam.org, call (860) 623-3305 or find us on Facebook.

2019 Aviation Events

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. http://www.eaa146.org

Sat. June 1 9:30 AM - 12:30 PM New England Seaplane Safety Seminar *** New ***
Pittsfield Maine Municipal Airport - Insurance, Floatplane Flying in Maine, Invasive Species, SPA Scholarships. BBQ luncheon available. http://www.seaplanes.org
Weekends June 15 - October 20 Old Rhinebeck Aerodrome, Rhinebeck, NY Saturdays - History of Flight Air Shows feature aircraft of the Pioneer, WWI and Golden Ages of Aviation. Sundays - WWI Air Shows highlight the first warbirds, but also include Pioneer and Golden Age machines.

https://oldrhinebeck.org

July 22-28 EAA AirVenture Whittman Regional Airport, Oshkosh, WI USAF F-16 Viper Demo, F-22 Heritage Flight http://www.airventure.org/

August 24 - 25 New York Air Show Stewart International Airport, Newburgh, NY US Navy Blue Angels, US Air Force F-25A Lightning II Demo Team http://airshowny.com/

September 7 - 8 Beverly Regional Airshow Beverly Regional Airport, Beverly, MA Aerial Performers, Aircraft on Display, Military, Kid's Activities, Food, Airplane Rides, https://flight4cf.com/events/beverly-regional-air-show/

Sat. Sept 14 (Rain date Sept 15) 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. http://www.eaa146.org

September 22 Simsbury Fly-In & Car Show Simsbury, CT www.simsburyflyin.com

October 3-6 B17 tour stop at Westfield Barnes (KBAF) There is a planning meeting prior to EAA Chapter 166's meeting on April 27th at 9a.m.

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RV-7A 1/3 Share at MMK Airport

RV-7A 1/3 SHARE AT MMK AIRPORT • \$32,000 • FRACTIONAL OWNERSHIP OFFERED • 2008 Van's RV-7A hangered at Meriden Markham Airport, CT (MMK). 500 Hrs TT, Sliding Canopy, Superior XP-IO-360-E1AD2, Sensenich 727M8S9-1-85 fixed pitch prop, Dynon D-180 EFIS/EMS, OAT, Garmin 296 GPS, Garmin Xponder GTX327 with GDL-82 ADSB out, ACK 406 ELT, Garmin SL40 Comm, PM 3000-4 intercom, electric flaps, TruTrak AP, Anti-Splat strut, dual brakes, Stratus 2S with iPad mount, full interior. Currently 2 partners with ownership as an LLC. Contact Dave Rich or Mark Scott (203-988-3197) • Contact David Rich, Owner - located Glastonbury, CT USA • Telephone: 8606389087

Pair of Airhawk 7.00 \times 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 (<u>mwscott2@comcast.net</u>)

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: http://www.aircraftspruce.com/catalog/elpages/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, rick@beebe.org or 203-623-3744