

Experimental Aircraft Association

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(Aircraft is owned by Fran Uliano, photo by Lauren Dubois.)

Fly-in

Just a reminder, the 18th, will be the airport fly-in, with a rain date of the 25th. Parking will be across the street from the airport. If anyone from the chapter is interested in helping out, Fran is still looking for help at the Chapter's Young Eagles table. I imagine he will especially need assistance when he and Mark Scott will be giving their seminar about Aircraft building and the Young Eagles program. As a chapter known locally for our Young Eagles program I hope we will have a strong turnout of volunteers wanting to talk about the program, please join Fran at the table to show your support, even if it's for a short time. If you are able to help out at any point during the day, please contact Fran directly. - Lauren

Letter from the President

October 2014

For what this month's letter lacks in substance, it is perhaps offset by reminders of a rather full calendar for the next few months.

Although by the time you are reading this the event will have passed, our fall Young Eagles rally hopefully will have been another smash hit. Fran, Rick and all the volunteers who



Next meeting:
Sunday, October 19th

Rick Brosius will be speaking about his trip across the Atlantic Ocean and back in his Mooney in the mid 1990's. He will tell us about preparation and the trip itself.

Meeting will be held at Meriden Markham Airport at 10am

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make our YE program such a success are to be thanked for their untiring efforts...and I'm sure tomorrow's rally will be of the same high caliber that is our norm. Now, as I pen this, I'm also watching the NOAA weather forecast which suggests a rain date...it is what it is.

Saturday, October 18th is the Meriden-Markham Fly-in and Public Services Exposition. The City of Meriden along with some hard work being put in by Chapter 27, the Civil Air Patrol, and Silver City Flying Club members will make this a stand-out gathering of people, airplanes and public safety vehicles. It's not too late to offer your services as a volunteer. Please contact me, Mark or Connie and Lauren at the FBO desk to sign up even if it is for an hour.

Next on the agenda is our monthly chapter meeting, Sunday, October 19th, starting at 10 PM. The seminar Mark lined up for this month should hold everyone's rapt attention. We will be hearing from a Sikorsky colleague of mine, Rick Brosius, as he details the planning and execution of a transatlantic flight in his Mooney. I can promise this will be a very interesting talk.

It's time for the annual election of chapter officers. We'll be confirming who is on the ballot for the leadership positions at this month's meeting, then casting our votes at the November meeting. Please consider volunteering for one of these jobs. The organization cannot run properly unless we have all of our positions filled. Please see me or Mark for additional information if you are interested.

Our December "meeting" is being planned and tentatively will be a joint effort with the City of Meriden and the FBO. To celebrate the holiday season, an FBO open house is in the works with superb food and a great opportunity to schmooze with many of the good people who make up our local aviation community...sounds like a perfect time to have our monthly meeting to me. Stay tuned for more details on this one.

And finally, our chapter Holiday Party will take place at Villa Capri in Wallingford, on January 3rd or 10th, the exact date subject to final confirmation. You'll be hearing more about this event at our next meeting. So, there it is, a lot happening in addition to flying airplanes. See you at the meeting.

Stay safe,
Bob

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**Meetings are the
3rd Sunday of the
month at 10am at
Meriden Markham
Airport**

Meeting Minutes

August 17, 2014

Officers: President Bob Spaulding called the meeting to order at 10:05. Officers present: Bob Spaulding, Mark Scott, Bill Jagoda, Rick Beebe. There were 19 attendees.

Membership: Lauren reports getting inquiries about Young Eagles on the Facebook page.

Treasurer's report: Bill Jagoda reports a balance of \$1308.61 at the end of July.

Tech Counselor's: Mark Scott was smelling exhaust in his plane. He showed off a small carbon monoxide detector that you can keep in your pocket. "Pocket CO" he bought it at Aircraft Spruce. Bob has a larger household size unit in his plane. He also reports being amazed at how much CO gets in his plane with a strut seal out of place.

Airport update: Jim Simmons cleared the brush outside the north hanger in preparation for painting. Painting may happen this week. EAA volunteers will be spraying. The city will be providing a bucket truck. Jim and Fran are the lead volunteers. The roof will be redone by a pro. The new hangers are still proposed for September.

EAA HQ update: Rick Beebe gave an update on AirVenture. The Thunderbirds were a big success and on those days attendance was up 15% over last year. The One Week Wonder—where they built a Zenith CH750 kit plane in one week—was a big success. 2500 people helped put the plane together and it was completed within the AirVenture week. It passed its airworthiness inspection on the Monday and flew on Tuesday with Jeff Skiles at the controls. Rick was re-elected to the Board of Directors for a 3 year term.

Young Eagles: Fran reports we flew 9 kids since the last Young Eagles rally for grand total of 2169. October 11 is Young Eagles rally with the 12th for rain date. We're going to have a YE booth at the Airport open house on October 18th. Rich received a thank you letter from the person that we co-sponsored with chapter 166 to attend the Air Academy. She said it was the best camp she'd ever been to.

Airport Improvements: Everything has been done except the paving blocks under the picnic tables. The 99's did a fantastic job on the new compass rose.

Events:

- Holiday Dinner – January 10th 2015 at Villa Capri
- Simsbury Fly-in and car show – September 14
- The EAA B-17 "Aluminum Overcast" is coming to Oxford airport on September 16-17
- Annual picnic – Saturday September 20— rain date is the 21st—In lieu of a meeting

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• The Airport open house – Saturday October 18. Many volunteers are needed. Please see Bob Spaulding or Lauren DuBois if you want to help. We need people doing:

- o Aircraft marshalling & parking
- o FBO radio operators
- o Chapter 27 booth
- o Registration booth for aircraft judging

Seminar: Mark Scott talked about flight testing homebuilts. The EAA Homebuilt Advisory Council has a draft flight testing plan that he's using for his flight testing and it's proven very useful. Thanks for a great presentation Mark!--Rick Beebe, chapter secretary

Anyone wishing to send in their 2014 chapter Dues, here is the form, please fill it out and send it to EAA Chapter 27, c/o Bill Jagoda, 43 Derby Road, Rockfall, CT 06481

Dues are \$20.00 per year, due in January, make checks payable to: EAA Chapter 27

Deadline for submitting material for the next newsletter is the 2nd Saturday of the month

2014 EAA CHAPTER 27 MEMBERSHIP FORM

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Do you own an aircraft?: _____ Make & Model: _____ Registration No: _____

Are you building an aircraft?: _____ Make & Model: _____ % completed? _____

