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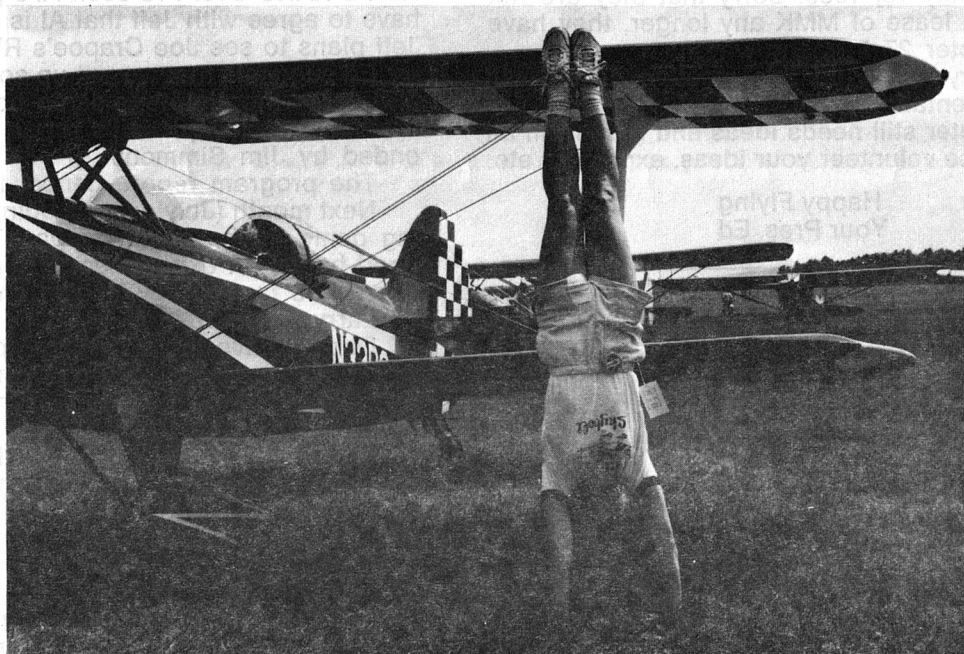


CHAPTER 27 NEWSLETTER

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

INVERTED OWNER/UPRIGHT SKYBOLT



Marilyn Pearson of West Hartford has fallen "Head Over Heels" in love with her newly purchased Stearman Skybolt. This beautiful aircraft (former Honorable Mention Winner at Oshkosh) is now based at Brainard Field and Marilyn plans on entering it in future aerobatics competition. Photo was taken at the June 25th E.A.A. Fly-In at Orange, Mass.

NEXT MEETING IS SUNDAY, JULY 9

The July meeting of EAA Chapter 27 will be held at Meriden-Markham Airport on Sunday, July 9, 1989. Time—10 A. M.

PROGRAM FOR JULY

This month's program will feature a hands-on welding seminar by Ken Winiarski in the South hangar. Ken will demonstrate all types of welding on 4130 steel flat stock and tubing. If any of you are at this stage of your project, don't miss this opportunity to pick up a few pointers on putting your bird together.

FLY A CITIZEN REPORT

Hello! It's Debbie, your activity Chairperson.

I thought that our chapter would like an update on how well our event went for Fly A Citizen Day. It was a sunny but very windy day. I believe that this contributed to the small turnout, which was a little disappointing. However, six flights did take place, with passengers grinning from ear to ear.

Two reporters showed up from the Record Journal. They gave us a positive write-up on this event, which helped us to promote general aviation.

A special thanks to all the pilots, Jim Simmons, George Molina, Rick Rinaldi, Ken Winiarski, and my husband Chuck Raymond for flying your airplanes and sharing your love for aviation with others. I also wish to thank our ground crew, Andy Rose, Jeff Davenport, Joel Volevski and Jim Rowley for their time and support.

REMEMBER—IT'S JULY 9 IN THE UPSTAIRS CLASSROOM AT MMK AIRPORT—TIME 10:00 A. M.

LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT:

Time sure flies. It is apparent that we still have a tough row to hoe to keep flying as we know it. But, don't give in. You are the people who have to contact your Federal, state and local representatives, senators, commissioners, FAA, etal about each and every issue which affects your privilege to fly. The latest, under 400 hour pilots required to take an annual flight test; added electronics on board, recreational pilots license, etc. These people only count numbers for and against, so please take the effort upon yourself.

You probably have heard that Meriden Airways will not provide any services except gas and tie down after July 15, 1989. Sorry that they are not pursuing the lease of MMK any longer, they have helped Chapter 27 in many ways.

Please try to attend this meeting as we will make a presentation at this time.

The chapter still needs ideas and help from all of you. Please volunteer your ideas, expertise, etc.

Happy Flying
Your Pres. Ed

MEMBER PROFILE

NAME: Debbie Raymond
OCCUPATION: Beauty Shop Owner
TOWN OF RESIDENCE: Shelton, CT
PILOT'S LICENSE: Private SEL
OWN AN AIRCRAFT? Yes
AIRCRAFT: Thorp T-18

AVIATION BACKGROUND

My fascination for airplanes started as a young girl. I use to lay down on the grass and fantasize what it would be like to fly.

I feel my father had a little to do with this. He was a crew member on a PBY recon plane during the second World War. He use to take me to war movies and my imagination would put me behind the controls in a fighter that flew along with John Wayne. When I met Chuck he was building and flying enormous remote control models. This fascinated me. Chuck did some flying in the 1950's but didn't get his ticket. So I paid for one flying lesson for his birthday, and that was it. He flew everywhere. But I became concerned about Chuck becoming incapacitated so I signed up for the first ever "Pinch Hitter" course at Bridgeport. My instructor said that I had a good feel for the controls and that I should go for my ticket. I soloed after nine hours and my knees were knocking uncontrollably. Seventy-two hours and nine months later I got my license. In 1985 we went to Oshkosh and I thought it would be great fun to build a plane. So Chuck and I finished the tail of an RV-4 and almost finished the marriage. After that we dragged Joe Gauthier all over the country looking for a well built experimental. Joe found our T-18 and it has been a love affair ever since. After starting the RV-4, rebuilding the T-18 and helping Joe with the BD-4, I have come to have the greatest admiration for the people in the EAA and thankful to all who helped make a young girls' dream come true.

SECRETARY'S REPORT FOR JUNE

The June meeting of Chapter 27 was brought to order by Ed at 10:10 a.m. All of the chapter officers were present. The secretary's report was read, a motion to accept was made by Jim Rowley and seconded by Sheila Seemann.

Ed discussed the race and its outcome. Jim Rowley gave the vice president's report. Upon completion Ed made a note that lately the chapter has had a communication breakdown.

Sheila read the treasurer's report. We presently have \$707.25. Bob Seemann motioned to accept. It was seconded by Larry Folsom.

Jeff Davenport reported on his visit to see Al Hine's RANS S10. I've seen Al's plane myself and have to agree with Jeff that Al is doing a nice job. Jeff plans to see Joe Crapoe's RV-4 next week.

Ed suggests that we put up some funds for film to enlarge the chapter's scrap book. Sheila made a motion to accept Jeff's report and it was seconded by Jim Simmons.

The program report, cancel for this month.

Next month (July) we are going to have a welding demo in the south hangar. This would be a good hands on experience. The motion to accept was made by Siri-Dev Khalsa and was seconded by Larry Folsom.

Debbie gave the activities report. The chapter didn't make much money on the race. The participating people enjoyed the event and vowed to return next year.

Fly A Citizen Day needs another plane or two. Jeff made a motion to accept. It was seconded by Bob Seemann.

A comment was made that the proper technique helps on pylon turns.

BRIEFS

Air show at Bridgeport August 12-13. Some members are going. The achievement award nomination went out for Ed Dunn. A proposal to put up a tower near Tweed-New Haven Airport. It will be almost in line with one runway. Ed read letter from Paul Poberezny apologizing for requesting donations for Spirit project. George Molina brought up insurance problems. Dealing with the public can be a problem for the chapter; mainly liability and lawyers. The Recreation Pilots License has been approved. Don Taylor is scheduled to make a record breaking attempt in a Lancair.

Reminders:

Picnic—July 16th

Meriden Police Air Show—August 27th

Barnstorming Day—September 17

Meeting ended at 11:45 a.m.

LARRY FOLSOM, Secretary

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MODE C RULING

Last week Paul received a personal letter from DOT Secretary Sam Skinner. The letter contains some very disappointing news. The Secretary's letter said, "I have concluded that the Mode C rule should be implemented without change and according to the regulatory schedule." Although the final government letter concerning the reply to the petition submitted to the FAA by EAA, AOPA, and HAI has not been received, it looks as if the petition has been denied. The government is going ahead with their plan, against the wishes of thousands of aircraft owners, pilots and citizens, to implement a program of additional restrictive flight rules. Of additional concern was a statement that said, "Moreover, the National Air Space System Plan is predicated on the eventual, almost universal installation of automatic altitude reporting transponders in aircraft operating within the United States." A letter regarding the Mode C rule has been sent to all Chapter Presidents and further details will be available in the July issue of SPORT AVIATION.

EAGLE HANGAR UPDATE

The opening of the EAA Eagle Hangar is scheduled for Saturday, July 1, with formal dedication ceremonies set for Thursday, August 1. Crews have finished painting and sealing the floor and we will begin moving exhibits into the facility in a few days. In addition, the Hangar's blacktop apron has been poured. In other Eagle Hangar news, EAA President's Council member Tom Warner indicated he will donate \$25,000 to the EAA Eagle Hangar. We thank Tom for his generous contribution. Zaug's Food Service has pledged \$50,000 for the EAA Eagle Hangar and we thank Allen Zaug and his organization. Response to the EAA Eagle Wingman and "War Bond" program is still very strong. So far, we have a total of 403 EAA Eagle Wingmen and have received requests for 127 EAA Eagle "War Bonds." The first of the EAA Eagle Wingman jackets are now ready for shipment. For additional information on either program, please contact the Development Department.

EAA OSHKOSH '89

Last week we received word that the U.S. Air Force will be sending an SR-71 "Blackbird" to the Convention for static display. This display was made possible through the efforts of EAA member Greg Gutsell. Based on discussions between Tom and Maj. Bill Bateman, who coordinates the military aircraft on display at the Convention, the SR-71 will arrive on Friday, July 28 and depart on Monday, July 31. In addition, two KC-135 Tankers will accompany the SR-71 to provide fuel and special ground service for the Blackbird. We are very pleased to add this attraction to the growing list of events scheduled during EAA Oshkosh '89.

ATTENDANCE REPORT FOR JUNE

Joel Volovski
Andy Rose
Monty Johnson
Harry Carl, Jr.
Jeff Davenport
Herb Bullock
Bob & Sheila Seemann
Siri-Dev Khalsa
John Anderson
Bob Looker
Ed Dunn
Fran Uliano
Jim Simmons

Lawrence Folsom
Stephen Daniel
George Bendesi
Erwin Hauer
Kenneth Winiarski, Jr.
Don Whelan
Bob Ryan
Jim Rowley
George & Janeen Molina
Chuck & Debbie
Raymond
Ed Morris

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

JULY 8—PLYMOUTH, NH—Second Annual Open House, Plymouth Municipal Airport, Plymouth, New Hampshire, breakfast; 9 a.m.-11 a.m., lunch: 11 a.m.-3 p.m. Flying events start at 12 noon.

JULY 15—WESTERLY, RI—Fly Market and Open House, Reeves Air, Inc., State Airport, Westerly, RI. Static displays, parts, avionics, buyers and sellers welcome.

JULY 16—HANSON, MA—Breakfast meeting, EAA Chapter 279, Cranland Airport, \$3.50 donation, pancakes bacon & eggs, muffins, juice and coffee, 9:00 a.m. until noon.

JULY 28-AUG. 3—OSHKOSH, WI—37th Annual Experimental Aircraft Association Fly-In. Contact John Burton, EAA, Wittman Airfield, Oshkosh, WI 54903-3086. Phone 414-426-4800.

AUG. 26-27—SCHENECTADY, NY—Northeast Flight 89 Airshow—Schenectady County Airport. Thunderbirds, military, demos, homebuilts.

FOR SALE

WANTED—O-200 ENGINE—Core or complete, any condition. Peter Baltrush, (203) 723-2411.

SILVER CITY FLYING CLUB—Has share openings available. The club owns two aircraft; a Cessna 172 and a Piper Warrior. Call (203) 239-3711 for membership information.

ELECTRONICS FOR SALE—Antenna Coupler Splitter. Nav or Com; Antenna Development, 1 into 2 \$15. Circuit Breakers—WOOD \$5 ea. KLIXON \$4 ea. King KA42 Loop Antenna with Antenna Specialist Sense Antenna. For ADF installation—Complete \$100. Grimes Rotating Beacon, Red, new bulbs, 1 still in pack. Bulbs worth \$25 each—\$60. King KN64 KN62 install tray with install kit—Complete \$100. Mobil AD 50 and AD 30 oil—\$2 ea. Narco NAV-12 self-contained Nav Loc Receiver and G-S indicator—\$500. Call Rob at (203) 284 9588.

Please fill in the following form and mail with your dues to: **SHEILA SEEMANN, 89 EARL AVE., HAMDEN, CT 06514.** (Dues are \$12 per year).

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