

**JUNE, 1990**

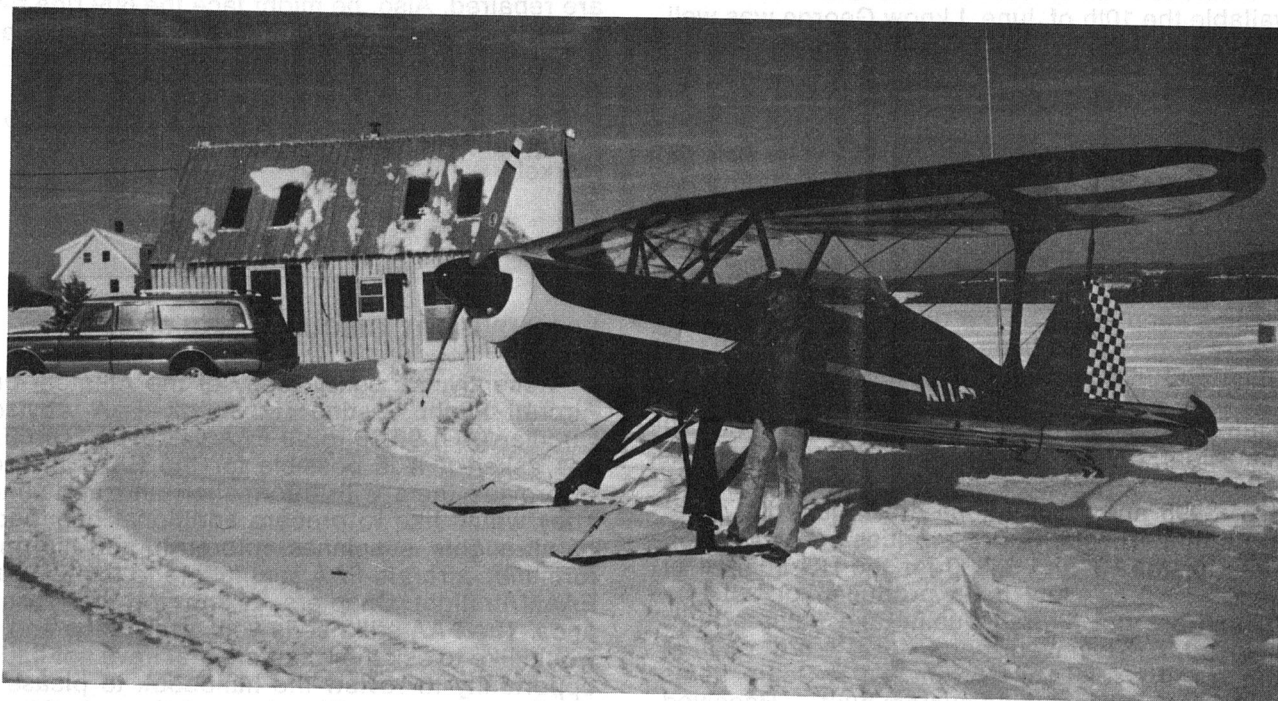


# **CHAPTER 27 NEWSLETTER**

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

## **A COOL STARDUSTER II**



We thought the month of June would be a good time to print a winter scene although our weather hasn't been too hot yet! Photo shows Phil Hax and his Starduster II on skis parked in front of his cottage at West Burke, VT, 20 miles from Canada.

## **NEXT MEETING IS SUNDAY, JUNE 10**

The June meeting of EAA Chapter 27 will be held at Meriden-Markham Airport on Sunday, June 10, 1990. Time—10 A.M.

## **WILL JOHNNYCAKE SURVIVE?**

The future of Johnnycake Airport is in jeopardy due to the death of Morris Hogan last year, owner of the property on which Johnnycake's runway is situated. Some of the land has been offered for sale through a real estate agent (about 100 acres of airport land). This was reported to have an asking price in excess of 2.5 million.

## **FLIGHT LANDS AT BDL WITHOUT CLEARANCE**

WINDSOR LOCKS—A student pilot near the end of a 300-mile solo flight apparently became disoriented and landed his plane at Bradley International Airport without first making radio contact with the control tower, authorities said.

Air traffic controllers had to direct large commercial airliners away from the Beech C-23 piloted by Michael A. Salvaggio, 35, of Watertown, MA, as he landed without clearance Thursday, authorities said.

Salvaggio will be questioned by Federal Aviation Authority officials in connection with the incident and investigators could recommend that both he and his flight school instructor be reprimanded and fined.—**Waterbury Rep.-Amer.**

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

## LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT:

Well, another month zipped by and things must be adjusted as usual. Perhaps we, as a chapter, should investigate the possibility of having our meeting on a different day than the 2nd Sunday. Case in point; Mother's Day, school graduations, other activities, picnics, fly-ins, etc. Please give this some thought as April meeting was cancelled, May meeting had a very poor turnout (Mother's Day) and June's original presentation on insurance will be given by Bill Grohs from William Grohs Aviation Co., instead of George Molina. George had an unforeseen family commitment and will be unavailable the 10th of June. I know George was well prepared and he apologizes for this unavoidable circumstance . . . We have another conflict for our July meeting and therefore need a chairman for our picnic. . . Well, our noise sensitive neighbors are voicing their objections. This time a parent came from the Bahamas to see the graduation ceremony at Choate School and flew his Lear jet into MMK. Then he left for another New England state and returned. Of course the newspaper had to be involved and now we are very visible again. So, let's keep flying by the rules as we have been and try to give our chapter a good image with the public and news media. . . About another jet, the Concorde will be flying passengers at Oshkosh on Saturday, July 28, Toronto to Oshkosh; July 29 local flights at noon and 4:30 p.m.; July 30th at 4:30 p.m. and back to Toronto July 31. Cost is \$895—\$995 and reservations are required. . . Got a note that Wheeler Express prices are increasing \$3000 for the FT and \$3800 for the RG kits, as of July 1, 1990. . . Any bolts produced or sold by Voishan are not aircraft quality and failures have occurred. . . Received parts for Pipers catalog from Airparts of Lock Haven in Pa. Some items fit other aircraft including custom built. . . Received calls from prospective members Jeff Anderson and Dave Dilmaghani and spoke with both. . . Did more airport reviewing (plus grass strips). Refound restaurant at New Bedford on the west side in the terminal. Also at Groton in the terminal. Both have good food at fair prices. . . Toyota bolted Texas engine onto an airframe and flew it (feasibility study only) an auto engine with a special turbo-charger. . . New name and address of STS Enterprises is 1409 Washington Ave., St. Louis, MO 63103, 1-800-875-8877 for you STS owners. . . I finally received my prop and governor for 19EM and am in the process of fitting the propulsion items to the airframe and modifying the cowl assembly again for this combination. I still need to locate a 12 volt Delco starter field coil and armature for this project. The coil also fits early Buick 6 volt starters but the armature is an aircraft only item. . . Received a letter and info from an EAA chapter in Stanley, Nova Scotia. Will discuss this at the meeting as there appears to be much going on Aug. 31 thru Sept. 3, 1990. There will be trophies for the crews. Last year they had between 110 and 120 aircraft. I have tel. numbers to contact. Seems like a nice way to spend Labor Day. A note; customs fee and large N numbers (can be temporary) to get back into USA. This is a beautiful area of

Nova Scotia. . . Oshkosh is still looking for volunteers. . . FAA has asked for comments on the Flight Testing Handbook and EAA Headquarters requested we set up a review committee to look this document over. . . If anyone is interested in trying for a NAA record flight I have the criteria sheet. Perhaps someone going to Oshkosh would like to try. Let me know. . . Our insurance presentation should bring all out for this meeting as we had a no insurance accident just recently at Skylark Airport. A single engine classic aircraft (taildragger) departed the runway during landing rollout and tagged a Cessna 140 and a Cessna 170. All aircraft were damaged and the pilot owner of the straying aircraft is now digging into his bank account and will be out of flying until all aircraft are repaired. Also, he might face the 609 ride from FAA. Please attend and bring your questions and quotes on your existing insurance so that Bill can help you. . . I'll try to be there also (working 12 midnight to 12 noon, 7 days this week) . . . See you at Orange, MA June 23, 24. I'll be in a spot for fly market.

Your Prez. Ed

### FAA ADVISORY CIRCULAR (AC) 90-89

Recently, we sent a copy of the Amateur-built Aircraft Flight Testing Handbook—FAA Advisory Circular (AC) 90-89 to all EAA Chapters. The FAA has asked if it is possible for the EAA Chapters to provide them with information and assistance. They would like to prepare additional handbooks on ultralights, seaplanes, rotorcraft, and high performance aircraft. FAA sent letters to the EAA and EAA/Ultralight Chapters asking for their assistance. The FAA still needs your assistance and we would like to ask the Chapters that have not had an opportunity to review the handbook to please do so. Set up a committee to read through this advisory circular, prepare a brief outline, and submit your thoughts to the FAA. This is an excellent opportunity for EAA to provide valuable input so let's take advantage of this opportunity. Send your thoughts and recommendations regarding flight testing procedures to the FAA address below. Also, please send a copy to the EAA Chapter Office:

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## REPORT FROM WEST BURKE AERODROME

Flying 13HX from my own airstrip—on skis—in my favorite part of the world is what I call "Heaven on Earth." The skis were a gift from Chet Fudge—they were the very same skis I flew on before solo in Cessna 76357, a 120, with Mike Jellen as my instructor.

Ski flying in the "Northeast Kingdom," as the area is called, opens unlimited opportunities to have new experiences. Lakes and ponds with 2' of ice and 2' of snow. If the flying weather is good on a typical Saturday morning of the weekend, I fly to check out the ski conditions and Burke Mtn. 6 miles east. Or up to Lake Willoughby to see if ice boating may be good. Then there's always the Willowvale Inn on the lake—Fly in for Brunch on Sunday. Tell me I haven't found pilot heaven!

Depth perception is a problem in flat light so I use red flags stuck into the snow along the runway.

My 17-year-old Sears aircraft battery finally quit (at -20F)—think I'll ask for a refund!

I use 15/50 Aeroshell oil, electric crankcase heater or a portable gas preheater for cold weather operations. I put a hot air exit baffle in to reduce cooling which has a spinoff effect in that it pushes more cabin heat through my manifold heater.

Change over from wheels to skis takes about one hour each wheel—with 20 minutes to install a tailski. Hangar maneuvering is difficult but conveyors do the trick. The airplane tracks well, handles 2' of snow like an Arctic Cat with wings. Pumping the brake pedals do absolutely nothing except remind you to PLAN AHEAD. Hard rudder and a blast of power kicks her right around.

The hangar is a 30x30x16' galvanized kit from Universal Bldg. in PA. The assembly crews were Barb Hax, Dave Hax, Brian Hax, Doug Brady and Wayne Graham and a few other friends.—3,000 3-8 bolts—one 30' door.

My father, Ted Hax, supplied the all-important windsock. The runway is turf—1000'x65'. Not used turf yet!! All my neighbors are supportive and most have had a ride already.

Thanks a thousand times to EAA for the opportunity to take part in this life experience.

Respectfully,  
Phil Hax, EAA 50680

## FOR SALE

**SENENICH PROPELLER**—Metal, 73DM 6-0-56. Fits 150 HP Lycoming O-320. Dressed down to minimum Good for homebuilt, length ok, \$350. Ken Junior 237-1839.

**STEARMAN (mostly) PARTS** — At reasonable prices. Project complete, selling extras including fuselage with papers. Send SASE to A. Gomez, RR #1 Box 265 Lambertville, New Jersey 08530.

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

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

**JUNE 10—NORTH CANAAN**—AACC Fly-In Breakfast (Free).

**JUNE 23-24—ORANGE, MA**—New England Regional Fly-In.

**JULY 4—PENN YAN, NY**—Penn Yan Flying Club Fly-In Breakfast.

**JULY 15—MERIDEN**—EAA Chapter 27 Picnic.

**JULY 27-AUG. 2—OSHKOSH, WI**—38th Annual EAA Convention, Wittman Field.

**AUG. 12—WINDHAM, CT**—State EAA Fly-In. Rain date, Aug. 19.

**AUG. 24-26—SUSSEX, NJ**—Sussex Air Show.

**AUGUST 25-26—HARTFORD**—Pratt & Whitney Air Show—Rentschler Field.

## SECRETARY'S REPORT FOR MAY

The May, 1990 meeting of EAA Chapter 27 began at 10:10 a.m. in the lounge.

Ed reviewed a number of flyers from other chapters. One, in particular, was the Stanley Fly-In in Nova Scotia. To enter Canada, a pilot needs his birth certificate, license and has to add large N numbers to his airplane.

Ed discussed some personal experiences with propellers and has a book on propeller specifications. Ed also has a few propellers for sale.

The chapter received a letter from an M.D. in Hartford who gives 3rd class physicals.

The treasurer's report was read. The chapter has \$986.23. Ken Winiarski made a motion to accept the report. It was seconded by Larry Folsom.

The chapter discussed possible programs for the coming months. Some of the ideas are listed below:

- Fabric covering
- Glass layup and molds
- Welding demo.
- Loran installation
- Repair of certified aircraft structures
- Insurance
- Engine installation and systems

The chapter discussed Fly a Citizen Day; possibility of having a Fly-In; and the picnic which will be held in the South hangar on July 15th. The chapter will probably need chairs, tables, salads and dips, etc.

The chapter members also discussed the possibility of door prizes of \$50, \$30 and \$20 for the FBO. A motion was made by Jim Rowley and seconded by Ken Winiarski and passed by the chapter for door prizes.

The meeting concluded at 11:33 and was attended by 17 members.

EAA Chapter 27 Secretary  
Larry Folsom



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## 1990 EAA CHAPTER 27 MEMBERSHIP FORM

Please fill in the following form and mail with your dues to: **DEBORAH RAYMOND, 49 HICKORY LANE, SHELTON, CT 06484.** (Dues are \$12.00 per year).

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 .....

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