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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

CAST OF CHARACTERS



Photo shows the people involved in staging the weekly air shows at Rhinebeck Aerodrome in nearby Rhinebeck, New York. (Descriptive story elsewhere in this issue). The 1986 season is about to start so for an entertaining Saturday or Sunday this summer a trip to this unique aerodrome is a treat for young and old.

NEXT MEETING IS SUNDAY, MAY 11

The May meeting of EAA Chapter 27 will be held at Meriden-Markham Airport on Sunday, May 11, 1986. Time—10 A.M.

GOV. O'NEILL SIGNS AVIATION REQUEST

Gov. William A. O'Neill signed a bill last Tuesday, April 29, asking the Smithsonian Institution to investigate whether Connecticut aviation pioneer Gustav Whitehead beat the Wright Brothers into the air.

SEAT PROBLEMS

Several recent accidents and incidents, which may have resulted from inadvertent movement of the pilot's seat at a critical phase of flight, have been reported in Cessna aircraft. FAA is proposing to issue an Airworthiness Directive that could require maintenance and inspection in accordance with Cessna Single Engine Service Bulletin. SEB-85-6 (3-22-85); also possibly repositioning of the seat stops and installation of a seat lock warning placard.

Some 170,000 Cessna aircraft could be affected, including all single engine models and a number of light twins. Concerned persons may obtain further information or may forward comments on the proposed AD by writing to the Regional Counsel, FAA Central Region, Att: Rules Docket No. 86-CE-02-AD, Room 1558, 601 12 St., Kansas City, MO 64106, Send your comments by 5-21-86.

REMEMBER—IT'S MAY 11 IN THE UPSTAIRS CLASSROOM AT MMK AIRPORT—TIME 10:00 A.M.

LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT:

Once again, we had another fine turnout for our Chapter's monthly meeting. We enjoyed a fine slide presentation and narration by Jeff Davenport and George Molina about their recent trip to the "Sun 'n Fun" Fly-In in Lakeland, Florida. Jeff also took many other pictures of the same trip which are on display on our Chapter bulletin board in the Plane Fare Restaurant. Be sure to stop by the restaurant and view them.

During the April meeting we reviewed our plans for 1986 and we are looking forward to a very active season for our chapter. We decided to visit the Bridgeport Flight Service Station following our next monthly meeting when they will provide us with a tour of their facility and demonstrate the capabilities of their newest computerized services. It should be very interesting and I hope that we can get enough aircraft owners interested that most of us can fly down to Bridgeport.

Additionally, we discussed our planned visit to Old Rhinebeck Aerodrome in Rhinebeck, N.Y. They will start providing airshows in mid May and we will probably target for a Sunday in mid June. A complete description of their program will be found in this issue. Further details will be available at our next monthly meeting.

See you all at our May meeting!

Happy Flying!

Jim Simmons

DON'T MISS OUR NEXT MEETING!

We have a very special day planned for our May 11th EAA meeting. We plan to follow this general schedule:

- 10:00—10:30 Chapter 27 business meeting.
- 10:30—11:30 Jeff Davenport will conduct a demonstration of sheet metal fabrication for aircraft construction; specifically his RV-4.
- 11:30—12:30 Close meeting and travel to Bridgeport Airport (via car and/or airplane).
- 12:30—13:30 Visit Bridgeport FSS for a tour of their facility.
- 13:30—14:30 Visit Whitehead aircraft project. Andy Kosch (pilot and one of the builders) has invited us to visit this very unique aircraft and learn first hand what is being done. Bring your cameras. The project is located near the airport and transportation will be provided. Thanks to Bob Kinney for his help in putting this plan together).
- 14:30—15:30 Return trip to Meriden; if necessary.

We believe it should be a truly interesting day! Try to keep your schedules open for this one.

COLE PALEN'S OLD RHINEBECK AERODROME

1986 SEASON

(Our 28th Year)

Looking for a unique and exciting trip to the country? Allow us to acquaint you with the unusual activities at Old Rhinebeck Aerodrome.

Old Rhinebeck Aerodrome is a living museum of antique airplanes located 3 miles North of Rhinebeck, New York, 100 miles North of New York City. We present one of the largest collections of old airplanes and fly many of these historically significant aircraft in exciting Air Shows every week-end. There are three Air Museum Buildings full of antique airplanes, engines, cars, motorcycles and related vehicles from the period 1900-1937. We have free parking (buses accommodated) and picnic tables (no cooking), as well as a snack bar and gift shop on the premises. A trip to the Aerodrome provides a full day's outing and great family entertainment for both young and old.

The Aerodrome is open daily 10 A.M. to 5 P.M. from May 15th through October 31st. Exciting Air Shows are held every Saturday and Sunday through the end of October. Saturday is the History of Flight Show featuring Pioneer, World War I and Lindbergh era airplanes. The Sunday Show is a melodrama which features World War I airplanes and the Black Baron. Show time is 2:30 to 4:00 P.M. (one performance). Admission is \$6.00 for adults and \$3.00 for children. Senior Citizens receive a 10% discount.

For the Saturday Show ONLY, we offer a 10% group discount for 15 or more people. Before unloading large groups, we ask that one adult with the actual count go down to purchase the tickets and then distribute them to avoid confusion at the entrance. No advance reservations are necessary.

Barnstorming rides are available in an open-cockpit biplane before and after the shows. Enjoy a unique experience of old time flying, complete with helmet and goggles. Our 1929 New Standard D-25 carries four passengers at one time. Flights are approximately 15 minutes long. Rides book-up quickly on a first-come first-served basis; so sign up early in the day.

We thank you for your interest in our attraction and hope you can schedule a trip this season.

OLD RHINEBECK AERODROME

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President—Jim Simmons
Vice President—George Molina
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HARNESSING PASSENGERS

A shoulder harness must be installed at all seats of normal, utility and acrobatic aircraft having passenger seat configuration of nine seats or less (excluding pilot seats) and manufactured after December 12, 1985. During takeoff and landing the harness, when available, must be fastened, in accordance with instructions provided by crewmembers. FAR Parts 23 and 91 have been appropriately amended.

HOMEBUILDERS "SEARCH-A-WORD" PUZZLE

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Find the words listed below in the puzzle above.
They may appear horizontally, vertically,
diagonally, forward or backwards.
Happy Hunting!

3 letter

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oil
saw
sit

4 letter

bolt
form
hose
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5 Letter

align
bench
grind
learn
ruler
sport
track

6 letter

dacron

7 letter

linkage
measure
plywood

8 letter

aluminum
dihedral
longeron
nosebowl
patience

9 letter

bellcrank
homebuilt
sandblast
styrofoam

10 letter

fiberglass
instrument

12 letter

experimental

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

MAY 25—BERLIN, NH—Air Show, Rededication of Berlin Municipal Airport. Main event; Jim Parker, Flying Farmer and others. Kiddy rides, helicopter rides. Antique planes welcome. Trophies awarded. Contact Paul Ingersoll, (603) 449-2168.

JULY 13-19, LOCK HAVEN, PA — Convention of "Rag-Wing" Piper aircraft, at the W. T. Piper Memorial Airport. Sponsored by A Sentimental Journey to Club Haven, Inc. Includes seminars, workshops, demonstrations and vendors geared to rag-wing interests. Contact: A Sentimental Journey, Registration Committee, P.O. Box J-3, Lock Haven, PA 17745. Tel. (717) 893-4200.

JULY 19-27—QUEBEC, CANADA—First Air Rally of Quebec, including about 50 light airplanes touring the northern part of the Province of Quebec and landing at bush airports formerly used to develop the James Bay Hydro-electric project. Pilots and their passengers will sleep in tents and receive meals prepared by cooks flown in on "reliable DC-3s," according to organizers. Contact International Air Rally Organization, 1860 Broadway, Suite 1406, New York, N.Y. 10023.

JULY 24-27—DAYTON, OHIO—DAYTON INTERNATIONAL AIRSHOW AND TRADE EXPOSITION—Dayton International Airport, Vandalia, Ohio,

AUGUST 3—WINDHAM, CONN.—The Greater Willimantic Chamber of Commerce Air Show at Windham Airport. Show includes Leo Loudenslager, Frank Kingston Smith and Solo the Clown. Static displays, warbirds and parachute demonstrations are also planned. Contact Robert A. Adams Executive Director, 1010 Main Street, Willimantic, CT 06226. Telephone (203) 423-6389.

WANTED

PARTS FOR STINSON 108-2—Prop, Tailfeathers. Cowling. Windshield—Ed Morris, (203) 238-1134.

HONDA CIVIC ENGINE—EB 2 or 3. Must have aluminum block. Fred Troske. 753-7833.

CESSNA 150 OR 152—Other aircraft of comparable size considered. Morris Dibner, 34 Welton Street, New Haven, CT 06513. (203) 776-7592.

FOR SALE

EAA BIPLANE P-2—Continental 85-F, 250 hours airframe & Majored engine. Fresh annual, "SHARP" — Always hangared! \$8,500—(203) 272-3830.

300 BACK ISSUES OF SPORT AVIATION—From September, 1960 to date. All in excellent condition. John Boyce, Peck Road, Bethany, CT 06525.

'46 LUSCOMBE 8A—65 hp, Mattituck Major. 345 SMOH. Ragwing. At Meriden Airport. (203) 272-3702

TABLE SAW—Eight-inch with attachments including dado head and moulding head. Fred Troske 753-7833.

MAY 22-BENLIN, PA-Air Show. Radioactive of Benlin Municipal Airport. Main event, Jim Parker, Flying Circus and others. 1:30 p.m. Admission free. Advance plan. Tickets \$2.00. Contact: Benlin, PA 17002. Tel. 44-2382.

JULY 13-15 LOCK HAVEN, PA-Convention of "Red Wing" Piper, held at the W. T. Piper Memorial Airport. Sponsored by A. Schmitt. Journey to Lock Haven, Inc. features seminars, workshops, demonstrations and various games for the young. Contact: A. Schmitt, 1000 Journey, Registration Committee, P.O. Box 3-1, Lock Haven, PA 17045. Tel. (717) 862-4200.

JULY 19-21-QUEBEC, CANADA-First Air Race of Quebec, including about 50 light aircraft from the northern part of the Province of Quebec and landing at busy airports. Primarily used to develop the "Three Day" hypothesis project. Pilots and their passengers will also be tested. Receive meals prepared by local towns in the "Reliable 3C-3s" according to organizers. Contact: International Air Race Committee, 1000 Broadway, Suite 1000, New York, NY 10018.

HERB BULLOCK
1315 Meadow Road
Cheshire, CT 06410

AUGUST 2-WINDHAM, CT-The Greater Windham Chapter of the Connecticut Air Show at Windham Municipal Airport. Show includes 1-2 p.m. display, Frank K. Agston Smith and Sons, the "Town State" display, workshops and parachute demonstrations. Also planned: Contact: Robert A. Adams, Executive Director, 1010 Main St., Windham, CT 06095. Telephone (203) 452-6882.

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1986 EAA CHAPTER 27 MEMBERSHIP FORM

Please fill in the following form and mail with your dues to: **BOB SEEMANN, 89 EARL AVENUE, HAMDEN, CT 06514.** (Dues are \$10 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