

Experimental Aircraft Association



Chapter 23



Salt Lake City, Utah

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Minutes of Last Meeting

Saturday 9th May - the Chapter Meeting was a breakfast held at Bill Letcher's hanger.

Next Meetings

Saturday, 13th June – 10:00 am Chapter Meeting followed by Barbeque lunch at Bill Letcher's hanger, located at 1983 Thunderbird Dr. #B, at Bountiful Skypark Airport. Duane Woolsey is going to talk about "I learned about flying from that." The BBQ lunch price is \$6.00 and includes:

- 1 hamburger w/ bun & condiments
- 1 hotdog w/bun
- 1 small bag of chips (assorted flavors)
- baked beans
- bottle of water w/flavor packet

Saturday, 11th July - Chapter Meeting

Saturday, 8th August - BBQ

Saturday, 12th September - Open

Upcoming Events

- **June 12th -14th - Thorp T-18 Gathering of Tigers**
South Valley Regional (Formerly SLC #2)
For info see www.t18.net/events.htm
- **June 12th - 14th - Golden West Regional Fly-In**
For info see www.goldenwestflyin.org
- **Air Academy**
 - Young Eagles Camp - Ages 12 and 13
Session 1: June 15 – 19, 2009
Session 2: June 21 – 25, 2009
Fee: \$675 for non-EAA member
Fee: \$600 for EAA member, or member in family.
 - Basic Camp - Ages 14 – 15
Session 1: June 27 – July 2, 2009
Session 2: July 6 – July 11, 2009
Session 3: July 13 – July 18, 2009
Fee: \$875 for non-EAA members
Fee: \$800 for EAA member, or member in family.
 - Advanced Camp - Ages 16, 17 and 18
Session 1: July 21 – 29, 2009
Session 2: July 31 - August 8, 2009

Fee: \$1,075 for non-EAA member

Fee: \$1,000 for EAA member, or member in family.

Applications and scholarship information:

www.young eagles.org/programs/airacademy/

- **July 8th - 12th - Northwest EAA Fly-In**
For info see www.nweaa.org
- **July 16th - 18th – Confederate Airforce B17**
Their B17 will be in Wendover. And don't forget the Jet Blast event.
- **July 27th - August 2nd – AirVenture**
For info see www.airventure.org
- **August 22nd & 23rd Rocky Mountain Regional Fly-In**
For info see www.rmrfi.org
- **August 29th - Thunder Over The Coconino Fly – In,**
Saturday 8:00am - 4:00pm Grand Canyon Valle Airport, 40G (just 25 miles south of Grand Canyon!), \$10.00 per plane (Includes entrance fee for Planes of Fame Museum), contact Norm Gobeil at 928-635-5280 or info@valleairport.com, more info at www.valleairport.com.
- **Sept 25th-26th – Wendover Airshow**
Volunteers needed to help with airplane parking. Join the list of experimentals for display. Contact Doug Benson 801-255-0954, or Glen Olsen 801-943-2931.
- **October 22nd - 25th - Copperstate EAA Regional Fly-In**
For info see www.copperstate.org

Articles

President's letter for May

We've had our first Fly in Breakfast. It went well. We sold 49 breakfasts and came up \$50.00 short. A lot of the non-perishables were bought in quantity and will not have to be purchased for the next few meetings. We should break even on the next meeting. Thank you all for attending. The next meeting will be a breakfast meeting also. After that we were thinking of a lunch meeting. Hamburgers, Hot Dogs and the trimmings. Lunches are more expensive to make than breakfasts. Could be around \$7.00. Think about it between when you read this and the next meeting.

I am very sorry Dana and I couldn't be there. We had pressing business in Canada that would not wait.

We finally had a good weekend for flying and managed to get out and go a few places. We flew B 17 posters to Ogden and Wendover and had brunch in Jack Pot Nv. We don't gamble but it is nice to walk from the plane to the buffet half a block away. We met four RVers from Ogden and three from Salt Lake. It looked kinda nice to see seven RVs lined up at the tie downs.

It has always been my dream for all of us in Chapter 23 with a plane to fly in somewhere. Wouldn't that be a sight. Maybe to Wendover for the air show in September.

We need volunteers for Wendover Saturday May 2nd. To clean the pool and the F-86. Lunch will be provided. And for the Windover air show September 26th.

We also need volunteers to help out on the B-17 on Saturday May 30th. Chapter 58 in Ogden would be glad to do it for us but they will get a bigger share of the income. This is the only income we make other than dues.

Some of you were wondering why we do the B-17 every year. If we don't do it for one year Chapter 58 will do it and we may never get it back. Do we want to give up that revenue and if so what kind of fund-raising do we want to replace it with? If you have any ideas don't keep them to yourselves.

Bill

President's Letter for June

For some reason the President's message didn't make it into the newsletter last month. So you get two this month. Lucky you.

The last meeting was a success; we broke even on the breakfasts. And, had a great time doing it.

This coming meeting along with the presenter is going to be our first lunch meeting. We haven't finalized the cost yet but it shouldn't be too bad. Around \$6:00 for a hamburger, hot dog, baked beans and chips. The meeting will start at 10:00 AM and lunch and social time start at 11:00AM. Should be fun, we are looking forward to it.

The weather hasn't cooperated very well this spring. More weekends have been bad flying weather than good flying weather. Our trip to Monument Valley has been postponed twice. Looks like it will have to wait until fall. It is now Tuesday before the B-17 arrives and the forecast is good for Friday and Saturday morning, not so good for Sunday.

Dana and I are looking forward to being there again this year. We had a great time with the B-17, our friends that were there and the dinner Saturday night. This year our plane has enough time on it to fly Young Eagles on Saturday as well. Last year we were just short of the 40 hr. fly off. Hope we have a good turnout again this year.

Looking forward to seeing all of you at the next meeting.

Bill

Crosswinds Forum Now Available

The Crosswinds Forum is up and running. I am very excited to provide a place for pilots. A place for pilots to meet

and share stories, experiences, knowledge and to just plain have fun.

General aviation is under attack and it is our job as an Aviation Community to bring positive awareness about General Aviation and share this with our neighbors.

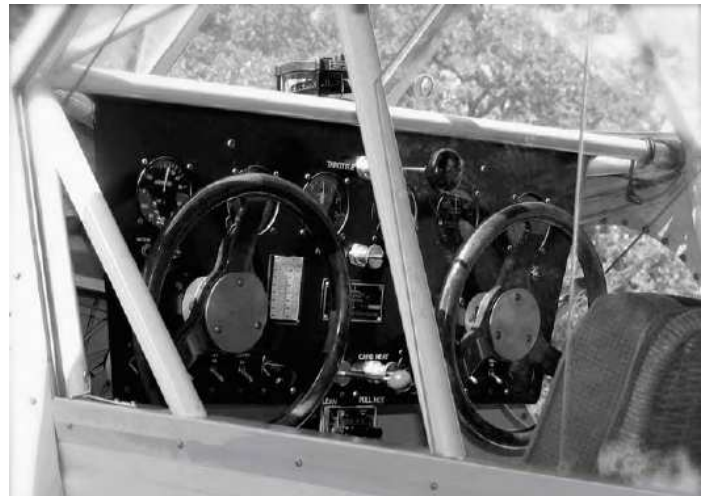
We at crosswinds forum invite all Pilots, non-pilots and those interested in aviation to register post messages and make Crosswinds Forum a success. It's FREE to Register.

<http://www.crosswindsforum.com>

Thanks, Jared Despain

Record Photography by Peter Denny of EAA Chapter 25

Record shots are those shots taken by the photographer, with the sole intention of recording a particular aspect of an aircraft. For example, attractive or historical "Nose Art", an "N" number, or some unique feature that jumps out at you at that moment you walk past that vintage aeroplane. Look for the "Small Scene" inside a larger scene. Note the record shot I took of the dual controls and the intake two years back at Oshkosh. Try to isolate exactly what caught your eye. Then view it from different angles through the viewfinder. Try lowering your tripod; "you do have one don't you"?



Shoot from a low angle. Aim for a strong composition without distracting elements. Slightly overcast skies diffuse the light, reducing harsh contrast, deeper shadows and reduce reflection off windscreens. If you can, try and save cockpit photography for early mornings or later afternoons. The results will please you no end.

So how do you approach this from the photographer's point of view?

Firstly, look at the aeroplane from a distance. It's all psychology you know! Walk around it and take in as much information as you can, look for the direction of the sun and where the people are standing. Ask yourself, "What is it that turns me on with the aeroplane. You might have a fin fetish, a prop hub fetish, if you're like me; it's a rigging fetish. There you have it, I'm out of the closet!

Choosing Equipment:

Choosing equipment is like buying a dog. You can get a cheap dog that will sit around and share its fleas, or you can buy an expensive dog with a few brains that can bring you your newspaper and slippers when required. What ever dog (camera) you acquire, there are several items essential for good record photography.

Try to use a camera that enables you to easily adjust the white balance, aperture and shutter speed settings, and ISO. If using auto white balance, make sure it gives accurate results. Forget a wide-angle lens, distortion of perspective should be avoided as much as possible. Zooms on the other hand, are extremely useful, as they allow you to frame the subject with a full frame. Zooms really come into their own when access to the subject is restricted or unable to move in closer for the shot. If you don't have a tri-pod, try a monopod; zooms and tripods are a team, they go together.

Adopting a Good Technique:

A clear sharp image is the key to good record photography. You don't want small details blurred. Therefore, a fast shutter speed is a must. Learn how to compensate with aperture with different shutter speeds and to be able to adjust quickly before that bozo sticks his head between your lens and your subject. Beware of unwanted shadows; wing shadows, people shadows. As you know, ideally the sun should be behind you to about 45 degrees to the subject. The sun's rays should be at 45 degrees to give you the best contrasts; in this case (record photography) better to be behind. Avoid shadows falling across or, off the fine details of your intended subject. Shadows under switches, levers, small fittings and over gauges will spoil your well intended shot.

Finally, compose your shot so there are no distractions competing for the viewer's attention, and position it within the frame so that the important details can be seen. This often means making the detail or the whole of the subject as large as possible.



Enjoy your photography at Oshkosh.

Peter Denny

Classifieds (usually run for 2 newsletters)

June Ads

Various Items for Sale

Although I'm no longer active in the aviation scene, I still have some materials and tools that are no longer needed. They include:

* ICOM IC-A22 Handheld Transceiver

* Peltor 7004 Headset

* Jeppesen Kneeboard

* and lots of tools If you are starting a construction project, send me your email address and I'll return a full list of the rest of the stuff.

Charles Keller 801-467-3960 clkeller@utahweb.com

May Ads

Hanger Space for Rent

I have space in my hangar for one airplane or project. The hangar is heated, plumbed and has 220 power. I need \$250 a month.

Thanks, Scott Royall

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