

# Experimental Aircraft Association



Chapter 23



Salt Lake City, Utah

## MAY 2009 NEWSLETTER

### Minutes of Last Meeting

**Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> April** - the Chapter Meeting was a breakfast held at Bill Letcher's hanger.

### Next Meetings

**Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> May** – 9:00 am Breakfast and Chapter Meeting at Bill Letcher's hanger, located at 1983 Thunderbird Dr. #B, at Bountiful Skypark Airport. Steve Durtsche will talk about a trip to Mexico.

**Saturday, 13<sup>th</sup> June** - Chapter Meeting

### Upcoming Events

- **May 2<sup>nd</sup> – Wendover Volunteer Day**  
9:00 am cleaning pool area and work on the F-86. Free Lunch. Contact Doug Benson 801-255-0954, or Glen Olsen 801-943-2931.
- **May 29<sup>th</sup> – 31<sup>st</sup> B17 to Ogden**  
For info see [www.b17.org](http://www.b17.org)
- **June 6<sup>th</sup> – Young Eagles at Wendover**  
Come Friday night the 5<sup>th</sup> with full tanks, but refills will likely be free. Working to get free rooms too for those flying these young eagles. We start flying them around 8:30 am.
- **June 12<sup>th</sup> -14<sup>th</sup> - Thorp T-18 Gathering of Tigers**  
South Valley Regional (Formerly SLC #2)  
For info see [www.t18.net/events.htm](http://www.t18.net/events.htm)
- **June 12<sup>th</sup> - 14<sup>th</sup> - Golden West Regional Fly-In**  
For info see [www.goldenwestflyin.org](http://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/](http://www.young eagles.org/programs/airacademy/)

- **July 8<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup> - Northwest EAA Fly-In**  
For info see [www.nweaa.org](http://www.nweaa.org)
- **July 16<sup>th</sup> - 18<sup>th</sup> – Confederate Airforce B17**  
Their B17 will be in Wendover. And don't forget the Jet Blast event.
- **July 27<sup>th</sup> - August 2<sup>nd</sup> – AirVenture**  
For info see [www.airventure.org](http://www.airventure.org)
- **August 22<sup>nd</sup> & 23<sup>rd</sup> Rocky Mountain Regional Fly-In**  
For info see [www.rmrfi.org](http://www.rmrfi.org)
- **Sept 25<sup>th</sup>-26<sup>th</sup> – 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 22<sup>nd</sup> - 25<sup>th</sup> - Copperstate EAA Regional Fly-In**  
For info see [www.copperstate.org](http://www.copperstate.org)

### Articles

#### Plane Owner Charged with Using I-80 as Runway

One of our readers contributed this article by Jamie Belnap, a staff writer at the Toole Transcript.

The owner of a small airplane that was forced to make an emergency landing on I-80 in February was charged in 3<sup>rd</sup> District Court Tuesday with using the interstate as a runway to fly his plane home, rather than transporting it by truck.

Rodney Gene Hakes, 48, of Spanish Fork, originally rented his Cessna 150 to another pilot, Devin Goodwin, who set out from the Spanish Fork Airport with a friend for a little sightseeing in Tooele County. During the return flight, Goodwin realized the Cessna was low on fuel and maneuvered the plane over I-80 as a precaution.

Then the engine died, forcing Goodwin to set the plane down on the interstate.

Following the safe landing, Utah Highway Patrol Troopers helped the duo push the plane off the roadway. When Hakes arrived, he was told not to fly the plane off the interstate, according to Tooele County Deputy Attorney Gary Searle, but reportedly did so anyway.

Hakes was charged with tampering with a witness – a third degree felony – and with reckless endangerment, a class A misdemeanor.

“Reckless endangerment is when you do an act that potentially puts other people in danger,” Searle said. “He took off without any authority to take off, and he did it at night. You don’t know if there are power lines, you don’t know what the conditions of the road are, you don’t know if there is a disabled vehicle on the roadway.”

Searle said his office can’t comment on the nature of the tampering-with-a-witness charge at this time.

Hakes will appear in court next on April 14.

### **Classifieds** (usually run for 2 newsletters)

#### *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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#### *April Ads*

#### **Rotax 503 for Sale**

A Rotax 503 with 2.58 “B” Reduction Box and pull starter is for sale. Recently rebuilt by Frank May Ski-Doo, it has new crank, pistons, and bearings, but no carburetors, or exhaust system. Asking \$2,200, call Steve Smith 801-589-9054.

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