

Experimental Aircraft Association



Chapter 23



Salt Lake City, Utah

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Minutes of Last Meeting

Held on Friday 12 Oct 2007 at the Salt Lake International Airport CAP building 2nd floor
640 N. 2360 W., SLC
Program: Viewed the film "16 Right"

Next Meeting

9 Nov 2007 at 7 pm at the CAP building, 640 N. 2360 W., SLC
Program: Presentation of the APIC software, a set of packages that includes GPS based moving map, PFD, MFD, HSI and high-resolution terrain depiction and warning.

Upcoming Events

14th December meeting will be in Ron and Jon Apfelbaum's adjoining hangars at Skypark (East side of the airport). It will be a pot-luck social, and we'll try to start earlier (maybe 6 pm) since it includes a meal. This will also be our biannual election of officers.

11th January meeting is our annual Banquet at the Larry Miller campus of SLCC, in South Jordan (roughly 9500 South and the West I15 frontage road--same place as last year). Cost will be \$20 per person, and we will start at 6 pm. This will be a catered dinner like before, and we are still working on program details.

8th February meeting will be back at the CAP building, regular time, and will probably be a program about operations in and around the MOA in the west desert, by the guy at Hill who is in charge of this stuff (they have offered, just need to firm this up). They will also brief ANG helicopter ops at SL#2.

Articles

Presidents Message

This week saw the avalanche of leaves falling from our three very large maple trees. While the weather has been extremely pleasant, snow cannot be far away, and I am drawn to reflect on the prior year and all that has happened. This was the

50th anniversary of the founding of Chapter 23, and the high points must surely include our January Banquet, and the presentation by Alden Rigby, Utah's only P51 Ace. Alden was inducted into the Utah Aviation Hall of Fame the following May. The B17 visit was another high point, and Mike Howe's remarkable organizational efforts resulted in a sell-out of all the available flight seats and a great deal of souvenir stuff. Thanks to his (and his corps of volunteers) efforts, many people had the experience of a lifetime, and the Chapter earned significant funds to use on future projects. The project tours at #2 and Skypark were very interesting, and the fall BBQ included excellent food and lots of visiting. Along the way, Mike Guarino organized a number of very successful Young Eagles rallies that many of you supported as pilots and ground crew. My thanks go out to the many who serve in various Chapter leadership positions that have made these last two years interesting and rewarding for myself.

This has been a year to reflect on the service and sacrifice of those who serve in uniform, both past and present. Amidst the commotion that seems to characterize our political discourse of late, I am reminded of the words of one great military leader who put these things in perspective 45 years ago. General Douglas MacArthur gave a speech at West Point in 1962, two years before his death, in acceptance of the Thayer award. Here is a portion of his words:

"...through all this welter of change and development, your mission remains fixed, determined, inviolable: it is to win our wars.

Everything else in your professional career is but corollary to this vital dedication. All other public purposes, all other public projects, all other public needs, great or small, will find others for their accomplishment. But you are the ones who are trained to fight. Yours is the profession of arms, the will to win, the sure knowledge that in war there is no substitute for victory; that if you lose, the Nation will be destroyed; that the very obsession of your public service must be: Duty, Honor, Country.

Others will debate the controversial issues, national and international, which divide men's minds; but serene, calm, aloof, you stand as the Nation's war guardian, as its lifeguard from the raging tides of international conflict, as its gladiator in the arena of battle. For a century and a half you have defended,

guarded, and protected its hallowed traditions of liberty and freedom, of right and justice.

Let civilian voices argue the merits or demerits of our processes of government; whether our strength is being sapped by deficit financing indulged in too long, by Federal paternalism grown too mighty, by power groups grown too arrogant, by politics grown too corrupt, by crime grown too rampant, by morals grown too low, by taxes grown too high, by extremists grown too violent; whether our personal liberties are as thorough and complete as they should be. These great national problems are not for your professional participation or military solution. Your guidepost stands out like a ten-fold beacon in the night: Duty, Honor, Country.

You are the leaven which binds together the entire fabric of our national system of defense. From your ranks come the great Captains who hold the Nation's destiny in their hands the moment the war tocsin sounds. The Long Gray Line has never failed us. Were you to do so, a million ghosts in olive drab, in brown khaki, in blue and gray, would rise from their white crosses, thundering those magic words: Duty, Honor, Country."

Classifieds

Help evaluating a Lancair 360

This inherited project needs to be evaluated and might be for sale.

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Aerobatics club starting

David Erickson, of Clearfield Utah, has decided to head up an effort to start this club, but he needs our help. The first meeting will be held on Thursday November 8 at 6pm in the Ogden Airport Terminal.

If you are not already a member, you will be encouraged to join the IAC (International Aerobatics Club). Please invite anyone that you think might be interested, including pilots of Van's aircraft, etc.

David would like to see if there is interest in holding a competition in Utah during 2008.
Jay Moreland (801) 957-9663
David Erickson (801) 776-0148

Looking for trial ride in RV-9A or RV-7A

I am getting ready to build and have never flown in one. I have considered flying up to Vans and doing the tour but will not be able to get up there until December. I was wondering if a club member would be interested in taking me up for a short flight. I would be happy to pay for fuel and time. I currently have my private pilot's license with 140 hours and am working on an instrument rating.
Ryan Blackley 801-430-0850 blackley@xmission.com

Looking for WWI engines/airframes

I am helping a fellow (Jerry Yagen) www.fighterfactory.com locate WWI era engines/airframes or replicas. Hispano-Suiza, Mercedes, Hall-Scott, Liberty, OX-5, Siemens-Halske, Oberursel, Clerget, LeRhone, Gnome, other rotaries, etc. If you know of anything for sale or trade I'd appreciate any information.

I also do aircraft construction/restoration (tube-and-fabric, wood, aluminum, etc.), if I can be of service to anyone.
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