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This months meeting was called to order by President, Dick Ervin. There were no new members to report and there were no visitors, this probably due to the artic-like weather conditions.

Our program this meeting was given by Joe Ferraro, and a good program it was. Joe brought us two films for our viewing pleasure. The first film, "Beginning of Aviation", depicted the history of aviation and man's want (need) to fly. This was an interesting and educational film, which was well enjoyed by all. The second and last film that Joe had for us was entitled, "Wings". This film was a brief review of radio-controlled model aircraft, an excellent film. "Wings" not only depicted the joys of radio-controlled model aircraft but also some of the disappointments suffered in crashes.

Many of our present day experimental aircraft designers utilize model aircraft to test new ideas and new aircraft designs.

TREASURERS REPORT

Treasurer, Don Barnhart, gave a short financial report for 1981. The following are the figures for 1981 and as you can see the chapter spent a lot of money in 1981, more on that later, here's the figures:

Balance Forwarded (1980) \$1,336.32 Income - 1981 3,907.58 Expenses - 1981 4,933.36 Ending Balance - 1981 310.54*

Don gave us some reasons for the spending deficit for 1981 and also come ideas to help the chapter recover financially. Our largest expenditure this year was the drilling and plumbing of the well, so we now have operational restroom facilities. The chapters second largest investment was the Taylorcraft project, which is coming along beautifully. Remember you can still purchase T-Craft shares and be a shareholder in this chapter project! See Don Barnhart.

Don has some good ideas for raising funds which include: stamp donations for mailing the newsletter (that now costs \$20-\$25 per mailing), T-Craft share sales and increasing hanger rental fees. Sounds like Don has some good ideas and has done some homework. If anyone has any ideas - bring them

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up at the next chapter meeting, they will be appreciated. Thanks for a fine report Don.

RESTROOM

Thanks to Phil Brown for the donation of a medicine cabinet for the restroom. If anyone else has a donation, bring it to the meeting it will be put to good use. Remember it's your restroom - you can make it what you wanti

A & P PROGRAM

Dick Ervin is canvassing the members to see how many might be interested in an A & P program. If you're interested, see Dick for the particulars.

P.A.T. I CRASHES

As most of you know by now the Piper Advanced Technology I Aircraft crashed a few months ago killing all on board. Among the dead was the aircraft's designer and builder, George Mead.

The National Transportation Safety Board's preliminary investigation revealed that the engine separated from the aircraft due to structural cracks in the motor mount. As a sideline to this Dick Soots tells us that racing aircraft usually have their engine straped to the aircraft frame to prevent loss of an engine in flight. Loss of the powerplant of an aircraft in flight changes the center of gravity drastically rendering the plane uncontrollable! Dick says that occasionally during an aircraft race a plane will land with the engine dangling from the firewall by just a cable.

I hope that this unfortunate accident doesn't turn major aircraft manufacturers away from exploring the advantages and possibilities of canard configured aircraft.

BUY-SELL-TRADE

Need malfunctioning or otherwise unusable Altimeter and Rate of Climb gauges - Phil Brown Phone 283-1436

For Sale: Stewart Warner Gauges - New, never used. \$15 one mechanical temperature gauge (oil or water), \$15 one voltmeter gauge - Jerry Bunner Phone 352-0393

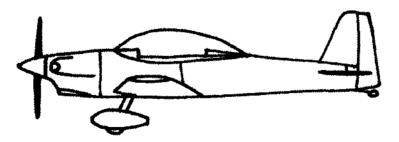
FEBRUARY MEETING

For the February meeting, Don Roberts will present a program on Eddie Stenson, designer and builder of the Stenson Voyager aircraft. Should be an interesting meeting so be sure and be in attendance on Monday, February 1, 7:30 p.m. at the hanger.

Well that's about all I have this month and I hope you all enjoyed reading the newsletter. Don't forget that if you've anything that you'd like to see in the newsletter, whether it be an article or just some pieces of information you would like to share with others, let me know. We will get it in print! See ye all at the meeting.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jerry Bunner



Bushby Mustang II