

WE NEED HELP NOW, IF WE WANT TO PRESERVE OUR FREEDOM OF FLIGHT ! ! ! ! ! ! !

Enclosed with this newsletter is a copy of the mailing from EAA Headquarters that discusses the new threat to general and sport aviation. If the proposal discussed here is allowed to pass, it could literally END flying for most of us.

If you have not seen this information before now, please take the time to read it, and take action by writing to the FAA and your Congressmen.

## March 1988

March meeting was a busy and active meeting! Lots of guests were in attendance. They included:

Tony Lewis 8085 East State Rd. 334 Zionsville, IN 46077 873-5481

Jeff Cooksey 770 Sumblest Blvd. Noblesville, IN 46060

Mike & Sharon Leasure (New members) R.R. 3 Box 184 (Welcome ! !) Cicero, IN 46034 877-4673

Charles R. "Dick" Flee 2633 Northgate Indianapolis, IN 46220 251-5951 Jeff Roberts 618 Broadway Apt. 3 Wincennes, IN 47591

Fred Jungclaus 1305 Dillman Road Martinsville, IN 46151 342-3235

David Morrow (President chapter 689) 747 West 136th St. Carmel, IN 46032

Steve VonBurg 8601 North Washington Blvd. Indianapolis, IN 46240

We are extremely happy to have so many visitors this month, and hope you can all come back again soon.

### Officers Reports

- Treasurer Two light bills were paid, which left our treasury comfortable as of the March meeting. (Note: Due to payment of items approved at the March meeting, and discussed later, the treasury is almost depleted. Those members who were kind enough to pledge extra contributions toward a project, we really appreciate your generosity, and could use the funds whenever possible. Thanks again!)
- Secretary The new 1988 roster is out! A few (minor ?) errors have been called to my attention. A correction sheet will be forthcoming. (year 2001)

President - A number of items were addressed.

- a. Let's start flying more. There are lots of nearby places of interest where we could fly for a day. Let's go as a group, and really take advantage of what's available.
- b. We wish to thank one of our members, Walter Best, for contributing additional keys for our hangar lock.
- c. Dick Ervin has been nominated for a major achievement award with EAA Headquarters. Let's wish Dick the best of luck.
- d. A State EAA Council meeting will be held at the Columbus airport on Sunday, March 20, 1988. Tom Watkins plans to attend, but all are welcome to go.
- e. Several videotapes are available from EAA Headquarters. They include:
  - The new WWII museum being planned.
  - Insurance (from our friends at AVEMCO)
  - What EAA is all about.

# Buy, Sell, Trade

- Wayne Howery Selling a 1959 Cessna 150 blown over during wind storm.

  Engine okay, Prop bent(fixable) Aircraft is complete.

  Make offer 353-1279.

  Also, 3 Cont. 85hp cylinder, 1 roll leading edge tape, gauges alt's & escort 110 radio (overhauled), gaskets, etc. 353-1279
- Wally Parks Want to buy 0-200 Cont Eng. Federal 1500 Skis (or equiv.)
  P.O. Box 671068 Chugiak, Alaska
- Don Roberts Selling 1948 Stinson 108-3, excellent condition 773-0436
- Mike Leasure Selling instruments, cable, wheelpants, switches and breakers, some spruce and ply and alum. sheet. 877-4673
- Garth Ziege Selling 1958 Sailplane \$4,700.00 O.B.O. (radio, trailer) phone 1-758-4881.

### Old Business

EAA Air Academy - Things seem to be shaping up for what appears to be for the weekend of April 30 and May 1, 1988. It looks as though the Allison Turbine School will not be available. So alternative plans are being made to have the seminars in our own hangar at Wilderness Field! We will need lots of volunteers to help during the weekend. Plan now to help out, and enjoy the weekend, too! Also, if you know of any young people (ages 14-18) that would like to attend, get them signed up. The number of students will be limited (around 40 or so).

### New Business

Since many of our programs seem to be on videotape, it was suggested that we purchase a new television so people don't have to drag in a t.v.each evening. A motion was made, second, and passed. Several members offered contributions to help defray the cost and allow us to buy a larger one. (Note: Since the meeting, a 25" television has been purchased and installed at the hangar. Also a VCR player was purchased to complete the video package.)

A suggestion was made that we could enhance the hangar facilities and better accommodate our picnics if we built a deck or concrete patio beside the hangar. Some discussion took place concerning which would be better, and more cost efficient. The idea was tabled until these questions were answered.

The Confederate Air Force approached our chapter about sponsoring a dance at MT. Comfort Airport the weekend of their show. The idea was to provide something for the pilots and crews to do to relax. Discussion took place, and it was decided that it was not likely to be practical. A decision was made to decline.

Another opportunity for our chapter's active involment came up. Two other EAA chapters want us to be the third to join in and sponsor a fly-in airshow. No flying would be scheduled, however. Airplanes would be on display on the ground only. A modest admission fee would be charged to the general public. The catch is a salty insurance premium must be paid up front. Our share would be \$483.00. We may or may not recover this investment. Discussion suggested that this would be an excellent opportunity to help familiarize more of the general public to light plane aviation. So even if we could only break even, it would be well worth it. A motion was made, second, and passed to join the venture. The date is tentatively set for June 4 & 5, 1988 at Mt. Comfort Airport.

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The final item of new business concerns our flying freedom. A new threat has come up suddenly. The enclosed information from EAA Headquarters explains it very well. Please read it carefully, and understand how this will REALLY affect all light plane flyers.

PLEASE WRITE letters to the FAA and to your Senators and Congressmen. If they see a large response to this, they may examine it more carefully, and discover how absurd it is. Some address are listed below.

Richard G. Lugar U.S. Senate Hart Building, Room 306 Second and C Streets, NE Washington, D.C. 20510 Dan Quayle U.S. Senate Hart Building, Room 524 Second and C Streets, NE Washington, D.C. 20510 Federal Aviation Administration Office of the Chief Counsel Attention: Rules Docket (AGC204) Docket Number 25531 800 Independence Ave., SW Washington, D.C. 20591

(These must be in Washington on or before March 28, 1988.) Two copies are required for the FAA. Ask your Congressmen to RESPOND to you. This makes it more likely that they will notice and remember. If you have trouble putting your thoughts into words, a number of members have lunch on Saturdays at the MCL cafeteria in Carmel (116th St. & Keystone). Stop by and get some ideas! (about noon)

Next meeting - April 4, 1988 at Wilderness Field. See you there!

Respectfully submitted. Peter, J. Murphy

Secretary