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MINUTES OF January 9, 2006 MEETING

Lynn Taylor led the pledge of allegiance at 7:30PM.

GUESTS: Ron Pollard is an ex-United Airlines mechanic. He has previously owned an interest in an aircraft and has 350 hours of total time.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Dan Daubenspeck reported that the club holds approximately \$2,000 in its checking account. Lynn Taylor asked members to fill out a member update form and include it along with \$20 for 2006 dues in envelopes provided at the head table. Many members did so.

HOLIDAY DINNER: Lynn Taylor indicated that 24 members and guests attended the holiday dinner at Lutz's Steakhouse December 9. The evening was an enjoyable one.

CALENDARS: Walt Fritz and the writer inquired about 2006 EAA calendars. No calendars have been ordered by the club. Interested members should visit the EAA website and order individually.

YOUNG EAGLES: EAA nationally reported exceeding 1,200,000 Young Eagle flights. Rick Hixson suggested that the chapter sponsor a Young Eagle event in August. Pilots interested in volunteering their time and aircraft should contact Rick Hixson by e-mail, hzarcon@AOL.com or by phone at work at (317) 321-4718 or at the next meeting.

2006 CALENDAR: Lynn Taylor and the club set the following meeting dates:

Regular Meetings: Feb. 06, March 06, April 03, May 01, June 05, July 10, Aug. 07, Sep. 11, Oct. 02, Nov. 06, Dec. 04.

Builder's Tour: Rick Hixson suggested a tour of current club members' projects. This has been tentatively set for the afternoon of Saturday, March 12. Lynn Taylor is coordinating the schedule with interested builder/members.

Pancake Breakfast: The club agreed to only one pancake breakfast on June 10. The breakfast is scheduled rain or shine. There was considerable discussion about the format. Lynn Taylor will investigate participation by local antique or hot rod car clubs. In the event of a total washout, the club may consider a second date for a pancake breakfast.

Fall Barbecue: Is tentatively scheduled for October 7. Lynn Taylor will first check the date against other large nearby fly-ins.

Christmas Dinner: The dinner is scheduled for December 8 at Lutz's. Don Roberts will confirm availability.

TRIVIA QUESTION: Dale Gustafson offered books on flying to interested members. The longest non-refueled military flight was in a P2V. There was some controversy as the longest non-refueled flight, circumnavigating the globe was in the Voyager.

PRESENTATION: Don Roberts gave a very fine presentation on the AD Skyraider. Some interesting facts:

The aircraft was designed by Ed Heineman at the Douglas Aircraft Company. It was designed to replace an earlier design of his the SB2 Helldiver. The Navy wanted an aircraft with more load carrying ability and lower maintenance.

The aircraft was almost not put into production as the Navy rescinded its order after the end of WWII.

The first prototype was flown in March 1945. Over 3,000 Skyraiders were built. These aircraft served primarily the Navy, but also Air Force and were used both in Korea and Vietnam. The Skyraider was last used in combat in 1968. Skyraider pilots claim two MIG-17 (jet) kills.

The initial engine used was the same radial found in the B-29. Later configurations produced as much as 3,000 HP. With this much power the Skyraider had tremendous load carrying capability. The AD-6 weighed 11,000 pounds empty, and could carry a 14,000 pound load.

NEXT MEETING: The next meeting is Monday, February 6, 2006 at 7:30pm.

Submitted by Richard Hixson

