

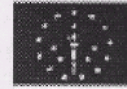
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MINUTES OF April 2, 2007 MEETING

Jon Ogle called the meeting to order at 7:30PM.

PANCAKE BREAKFAST: Jon Ogle reported that Lynn Taylor has volunteered to chair the Pancake Breakfast scheduled for June 16, 2007

WRIGHT PATTERSON MUSEUM TOUR: Jon Ogle reported that only six participants visited the Museum on March 10. Given the light turnout Jon will not suggest that this trip be scheduled in the future.

TOWER TOUR: Jon also reported that the proposed tower tour at the Indianapolis Airport is not coming together because of scheduling problems.

BUY, SELL OR TRADE: Don Roberts has a 1990 Geo Tracker for sale for \$2,500. Don also has some 4130 tubing scrap for sale. Proceeds will be donated to the chapter.

Rick Hixson will be selling his membership in the Flying Engineers Club this summer. Membership includes a 1/15 share in a nicely restored 1970 C-150 Aerobat. Dues are \$35 per month. Flying costs \$45 per hour wet. There is no cheaper flying, and in a nice airplane. Potential new members must be approved by the club.

BUILDER'S REPORTS: Walt Fritz reported that he is moving his RV-3 to the airport. He is preparing to mount the wings on the fuselage. Don Roberts reported that the workmanship is fantastic.

BUILDERS' TOUR: Several members expressed interest in a builders' tour this spring. Jon will follow up.

FLYING STORIES: Don Roberts relayed one additional story from Mike Johns, the WWII flying veteran and our guest speaker from March. On one mission over Poland Mr. John's B-17 flew low over what appeared to be a prison camp. The crew noted quite a few prisoners outside of what appeared to be a factory. On their return trip the crew flew low over the camp again. This time they did not see any of the prisoners, but noticed a lot of smoke. When flying through the smoke the entire crew was sickened by the smell of burning flesh.

Maurice Hobson noted that he recently gave a speech on his tour as a sailor on the USS Idaho during WWII. The Idaho was hit by a kamikaze in the last large naval battle with the Japanese in the war. Maury noted that the Idaho's gunners were able to shoot down two of the three kamikaze aircraft. However one got through. Maury noted that his battle station was thirty feet from the point of impact. Maury witnessed the attack.

Maury had previously not spoken about his involvement in WWII, but now feels it an appropriate time to do so. Jon Ogle suggested that the club invite Maury to make his presentation for our club.

YOUNG EAGLES: Jon Ogle and the writer reported on an open letter to the Indiana Young Eagles coordinators by Claudia Gibson of the Lilly Aviation Club. Claudia is trying to coordinate a Young Eagles event in connection with the Mount Comfort Airshow. She is trying to obtain a commitment from Harrison Ford, as national Young Eagles coordinator, to attend the event. Rick Hixson expressed concern with the logistics of staging a Young Eagles event, including airplane flights over the air show weekend. Rick also questioned whether the Mount Comfort Air show was attempting to leverage EAA's relationship to Harrison Ford, as Mr. Ford would be a major draw for the show.

Jon Mynderse, also a member of the Lilly Aviation Club, assured the members that the focus of the event would be to interest students in flying. He noted that everyone realizes that it would be a non-flying event.

Brad Beaver suggested that Allan Beaver opens his hangar to the public during the show. Mr. Beaver has several vintage military aircraft on display. Brad suggested that a Young Eagles event could focus on the museum tour. Others suggested that the forum could be used to solicit invitations to students for future flights. Jon Mynderse will follow up with the Lilly Aviation Club.

MAJOR ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS: Jon reported that EAA national is requesting nominations from its chapters for members for Major Achievement Awards. Jon suggested that the chapter nominate Dale Gustafson. Dale has been involved with Chapter 67 for a number of years. He is also current Chapter President of Chapter 1311, and sits on an advisory board for EAA national. The members supported the nomination.

WANTED: NEWSLETTER EDITOR, CHAPTER SECRETARY, YOUNG EAGLES COORDINATOR: Rick Hixson, this writer, will be transferring with his employer, (Chase) to Salt Lake City, UT in May. Next meeting will be my last. I have enjoyed being a part of this chapter and the friendships and acquaintances that I've made over the years. I have already contacted Chapter 25 in Salt Lake City, UT.

GUEST SPEAKER: Jon Ogle reported on several articles in the current Kitplanes magazine. He reported on one article Baffled by Baffles. Jon then built a simple manometer to help calibrate an airspeed indicator based on another current article. The writer has attached a copy of the first page of the article to this newsletter.

Submitted by R. M. Hixson