

# EAA CHAPTER 67

## WINTER IS ON THE WAY

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CHAPTER 67 OFFICERS  
Brian Crull—President  
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Allan Grabeman—Secretary  
Jeff Hammer—Treasurer  
Rob Morris—Young Eagles  
George Spelman—News Letter

EAA Chapter 67 normally meets the first Monday of each month at 7:30 PM at the Noblesville Airport (Pitch-in dinner 6:30).



### OCTOBER CHAPTER MEETING

George did the burgers for the pitch in with excellent side dishes from many of the members. Yum, yum!

Alan Grabeman, secretary, called the meeting to order in president Brian Crull's absence. Vice-president Nick Boland who didn't think he was going to make it kept the minutes.

Guests at this meeting included: Sandy Kesler, Joe Ferraro III, Alexander Yovanovich, and Erin.

Treasurer's Report: Jeff Hammer reported we spent about \$350 on our "fun day" which included food and other things. We have a balance of \$7402.64.

YE director Rob Morris reported that this coming Saturday we have an event at Sheridan about 1:00 PM. There are 11 coming for sure and maybe 15-20 if we are lucky. Metro will be shut down Wednesday - Sunday. There have likely been more than 150 YE's flown this calendar year. This should give us credit for 1 to 1 1/2 campers.

Ercoupe: we are looking for a place to work on it. We may pass the hat to buy it with two other chapters likely to help out.

A thank you note was received from Walter Cooper's family. It included a check for \$1000. It was suggested that it be used for a YE scholarship with his name on it.

Nick Boland gave a brief presentation of the \$120 ADS-B device. He also talked about the Beech Aero Club gathering in Dubuque, Iowa.

Allen volunteered to bring chili to the next meeting pitch in.

The family/fun day received positive remarks. We may rotate the host with a few other chapters like Kokomo/Glenndale). The last Saturday in September is the most likely date. A special thank you to Sunny Moon for providing the music.

Brad Beaver has \$25 polo shirts with the Chapter 67 logo on them. He promises Beaver Air will not appear on the back after they have been washed.

Next month our speaker will be Dennis Schell.

We discussed inviting Dr. Habig back to speak with our Chapter again. There is interest in sleep apnea and the medial variance process.

Mark Eberly highly recommended the B-17 ride at Oshkosh.

Brad Beaver was our guest speaker with lots of information about the past 20 years and his time as a member of the Hamilton County Council and the role it has played with local airports.

Nick

# HANGAR FLYING



Several of the Chapter 67 members were invited to fly in to the Last Resort airport owned by the Wilson Family. The ladies served a fantastic breakfast.



Sometimes an annual inspection can get a bit difficult when the bungee cords need replaced... as Brian found out..



Brian and I attended the Chapter 1121 meeting when we heard Jon Schmidtke and his wife were cooking Brats and celebrating October Fest. Brian decided to arrive in style with the company CJ. The 1121 folks were highly impressed. Brian gave one of the member's youngster a Y.E. ride as he repositioned the jet over to Metro.



# EAA EVENTS OF INTEREST TO CHAPTER

**Dec 7, Chapter Meeting:** Our annual Christmas dinner will be in the Stearman Hangar. RSVP

**Jan 4, 2015 Chapter Meeting:** 6:00PM dinner at McAlister's Deli - Meeting 7:30 at I80

**Feb 1, 2014 Chapter Meeting:** 6:00PM dinner at McAlister's Deli - Meeting 7:30 at I80

**March 7, Chapter Meeting:** 6:00PM dinner at McAlister's Deli - Meeting 7:30 at I80

**April 4, Chapter Meeting:** 6:30PM pitch in dinner at I80 - Meeting 7:30 at I80

**May 2, Chapter Meeting:** 6:30PM pitch in dinner at I80 - Meeting 7:30 at I180

## PRESIDENT'S CORNER

The weather this fall has been fantastic. It has made for some great days for flying. I unfortunately spent most of the last month doing the annual inspection on my plane. What should only take a few days turned into weeks but it is finally done and ready to enjoy some of the few good days left this fall. I hope those of you that have a plane were able to get up and enjoy the sights.

I missed the October chapter meeting but I hear we had a good meeting and a very informative talk from Brad Beaver. The November meeting will be the last meeting for the year. The December meeting is replaced with our Chapter Christmas dinner. Please make plans to attend this always fun gathering that we now hold in the Stearman Hangar. The date for the dinner will be Monday December 7.

The Chapter needs to come up with a plan to make the Ercoupe kids plane come together. One of the main things we need to find is a place where we can work on the plane. Chapter 1121 had a place that we could use but that has now fallen thru. The amount of work needed really is not that much and with the skill and time of our chapter and from some of the other local Chapters, we should be able to get it ready to use for next years events. Mark Polliack is the one that secured the plane and has been doing some work to get a nose gear in place, This will make it much easier for us to move the plane. Please let me know if you have any idea on a place we can work on it this winter. We also need members who would like to help get the plane ready for the kids. We will be talking more about it at the next meeting so we can move this project forward.

My wish list for the Chapter next year is to have more programs at our meetings. Does anyone want to take the lead in trying to find guest speakers? Do you have a topic you want to talk about to the Chapter? We need to come up with ways to make the meetings more interesting and fun. George and I regularly attend the Chapter 1121 meetings. They are a Chapter that is growing very quickly. The first time I attended one of their meetings they were holding their meetings in the Indy Jet conference rooms with just a hand full of people in attendance. They now have their own meeting place and regularly now have over 40 people. One big difference in their meetings is that many of their member's wife's also come to the meetings. This is something I would like to see our Chapter see happen too. It would be great to see our meetings become more of a family event.

I look forward to seeing everyone at the November 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting. The pitch-in dinner will once again be Chili. I will make regular chili and Allan will once again be making his chicken chili. Plan to bring a side dish that goes with chili or a dessert to share.

Brian

## Safety Corner:

# WINTER IS ALMOST HERE

Wintertime can be difficult for those of us who love fly general aviation aircraft but if we do a bit of preparation it can be safe and fun. The following are some helpful ideas from some experienced mechanics and pilots.

1. Check the logs and be sure everything is up-to-date (ADs & manufacturers' recommendations).
2. Clean and vacuum the interior of summer debris and finger prints. Check the baggage compartment for emergency tool kit, chocks, tie down ropes, fire extinguisher, first aid kit and a good snow brush.
3. Check the engine pre-heater to insure it is operating properly. A warm engine sure does start easier.
4. Wash and wax the whole airplane. It is so much easier to remove frost and snow from a slick waxed wing. Inspect and lube all fittings and tighten screws as you clean the exterior.
5. Install any necessary engine winterization kits.
6. Pull the prop through several blades before starting, after insuring the ignition is OFF.
7. Prime per the POH and start. Be sure not to "frost the plugs" and burn up the starter.
8. Watch for ice and snow on the ramps and taxiways. Are the wings going to clear the snow piles?

Enjoy the quick climb and clear skies.

### *Taxi Discipline*

Featuring Wally Moran

**Bob:**

"Let's talk a little bit about the discipline of taxiing on centerline, and always having the proper crosswind controls in as we go out from our taxi spot to the end of the runway."

**Wally:**



"You bet. It costs the airport a lot of money to paint those yellow lines on the ramps and on the taxiways, and they put them there to help us, Bob.

If we stay on the yellow line we should be assured of maximum wingtip clearance. And obviously that's an important factor as we're taxiing in tight areas.

Crosswind controls - it's a discipline thing. If we do it every day it will become a habit that is easy to do for us. If we only do it on a day when it's really windy we're probably going to make a mistake, and instead of helping the situation we're going to aggravate the situation. I often see that with pilots."



## **BUY / SELL / TRADE (DON'S CORNER):**

All chapter members are invited to list items they would like to offer for sale or trade to other members. Please forward via e-mail to Brian Crull and they will be placed in the next month's news letter.

**FLT. TRAINING:** Sheridan—Nick Boland CFII, [nick@flighttrainingcenters.com](mailto:nick@flighttrainingcenters.com) 317/877-6425  
Noblesville—Larry Jacobi, CFII, MEI, Glass—(317) 508-0571-  
[Larryjacobi@sbcglobal.net](mailto:Larryjacobi@sbcglobal.net)



**FOR SALE: 1959 Cessna 150, TT2750, 630**  
SMOH—complete rebuild 2009, excellent condition.  
Contact Allan Grabeman 765/623-1176

**We are going to order Polo Shirts ASAP with the Chapter 67 logo. If you want one please contact Allan Grabeman.**

## **EMBROIDERED HATS & SHIRT**

**\$15.00 EA.**

