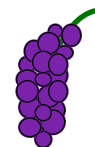


# THE GRAPEVINE



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There is a very fine line between "hobby" and "mental illness."

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## MEETING AND PROGRAM

**Our May meeting** will take place at 7:30 P.M. on the 1st of May in the Terminal Building at the Livermore Airport. The program will be a presentation by Gordy Jones on an aspect of airplane construction details (instrumentation choices).

### MINUTES: GENERAL MEETING, EAA CHAPTER 663, 4/3/2008 7:30 PM, LVK TERMINAL BUILDING.

**Chapter president** Ralph Cloud called the meeting to order.

**Six guests** introduced themselves including Allan Brown our program speaker.

**The minutes** for the March meetings were approved as printed in "The Grapevine".

**Mark Palajac** chapter treasurer reported that 73 members had paid dues. Chapter funds stands at \$5,493.52

**Business:** Young Eagles coordinator Eric Helms is planning to have 24 young people to be given rides. He needs volunteer pilots with airplanes and ground personnel to help with the event. The date is 4/26/08.

**EAA Headquarters** sent us some promotional materials including some DVDs of last years Oshkosh fly in. The directors decided to raffle off the DVDs at general meetings. Ralph passed around a coffee can selling raffle tickets for a dollar each (or 6 for \$5).

**Denise Watson** (Dan Van Dusen's wife) is planning a 4<sup>th</sup> graders field trip to LVK and would like some display aircraft. The Collings Foundation B-25, B-17 and B-24 will be there. Her contact is <[heligirl2@yahoo.com](mailto:heligirl2@yahoo.com)>

**Chapter tool report:** Bob Farnam reported on his investigation of prices for a spark plug cleaner/ tester and tube beading kit. Dave Dent donated his spark plug cleaner/ tester and mentioned that he had already donated several tube bead-ers. No one knew their whereabouts (they're probably partying with the long lost cable tensi-ometer).

**Brad Olsen** reported that the next step with the chapter web site is providing members with a link to the chapter member database. He made

an appeal for pictures of member projects; send them to the webmaster.

**Ralph** announced that the first chapter barbeque of the year will be May 17.

**Ralph** made an appeal for members to pay their dues. John Meyer reported that non-payers have been dropped from the chapter mailing list.

**Announcements:** Next board meeting will be 4/17 at Ralph's, next general meeting 5/1.

**Break and then program:** Don Smith introduced Alan Brown, aerodynamicist and chief engineer of the development of the Lockheed F-117 stealth fighter (really a bomber it turns out). Alan's spell-binding presentation on stealth technology and designing an aircraft that could fly using that knowledge of the time was finally called at 10:05. It was great listening to such an authority on the science and industry.

Meeting adjourned for pie.

**MINUTES: BOARD OFF DIRECTORS  
MEETING, EAA CHAPTER 663,  
4/17/08, 7:38 PM, RALPH'S PLACE.**

**Ralph Cloud**, John Meyer, Dick Jennings, Barry Weber, Bob Farnam, Bruce Cruikshank, Mark Palajac, and Dave Dent were present.

**Treasurer Mark** reported \$5,581 in chapter funds. 73 members have paid dues. \$28 was raised from the DVD raffle at the general meeting.

**Business:** The first chapter barbeque of the year has been moved back a day to May, 18<sup>th</sup> due to conflicts in many members' schedules.

**Denise Watson** will attend our May meeting to drum up volunteers for a 4<sup>th</sup> grade field trip she is organizing to LVK. It will be held May 27<sup>th</sup>. She is looking for planes and pilots for a static

display. The Collings Foundation B-25, B-24 and B-17 will be present.

**Tools:** It was discovered that the chapter scales have become comatose; the control box will be sent back to the manufacturer to bring it back to life. The beading tools donated to the chapter by Dave Dent have been found and are available for check-out.

**Chapter website:** Brad Olsen was not present, but work on the site is progressing (take a look). Coming soon will be access to the member database.

**Young Eagles Rally** April, 26: Eric Helms, not present, let it be known that we are lacking volunteers for the 4/26 rally. Current total: 2 airplanes w/pilots and one ground volunteer, for what may be 24 rallyees. There followed a discussion of allowing participants a break on their chapter dues for the next year. The suggestion was a \$15 reduction for pilots and a \$10 reduction for ground volunteers for participating in three rallies. Plan will be presented at the next general meeting.

There was some discussion of the "end room" hassle at the airport. There is hope that the threaten move of Bob Buckthal's hangar, which is next to an end room (and site of our chapter barbecues) has subsided.

**Ralph** announced that the next meeting will be May 1. Program will be Gordon Jones, Technical Counselor, on instrumentation and other topics.

**Around the room issues:** Dave Dent expressed a desire to become a Technical Counselor, application to follow.

8:34 meeting adjourned for pie.

Respectfully submitted,  
Bruce Cruikshank, Secretary

## "THE TIMES THEY ARE A'CHANGIN ...."

The May chapter BBQ date has been changed, same weekend ... different day.

The new date for the May EAA Chapter 663 BBQ will be at 4 pm on Sunday, May 18th. Usual place, hangar 114 on the North side of the field

See you there

Ralph Cloud  
President, EAA Chapter 663

## FLYING OUT OF THE COUNTRY?

(English proficiency dept.)

For those of you planning to fly out of the country (like to Mexico, Canada, eh, and the Islands, mon.) you will need to get this endorsement on your license.... Here is the gov. reg., and following it is how to do it on line... If you don't have this endorsement you can have problems re-entering the states and/or with entering other countries .

When you get on the FAA web site, it will say that the below rule has been extended through March, 2009.

On February 13, 2008 the U.S. Department of Transportation Federal Aviation Administration issued Information for Operators (InFO) 08008 concerning International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO) Language Proficiency Requirements. The InFO states that effective March 5, 2008, ICAO Annex 1 (Personnel Licensing) standards require that all private, commercial or ATPs as well as FEs and flight navigators operating internationally as required crew members of an airplane or helicopter have an airman certificate with an endorsement of language proficiency. In the case of persons holding a U.S. airman certificate, the language proficiency en-

dorsement will state "English Proficient". This language proficiency endorsement on the airman certificate is an ICAO standard; there is no U.S. regulatory requirement for airmen operating U.S.-registered aircraft within the U.S. as required crew members to have an English proficiency endorsement on their U.S. airman certificate. There are, however, long-standing FAA requirements for actual English proficiency pertaining to the basic eligibility for a U.S. airman certificate. The current rules in Title 14 of the Code of Federal Regulations (14 CFR) parts 61, 63 and 65 require that the applicant be able to read, write, speak and understand English.

Here's how to get it; ( took me 5 min)

1. Log into [www.faa.gov](http://www.faa.gov) <<http://www.faa.gov/>> or alternately >[https://www.faa.gov/licenses\\_certificates/airmen\\_certification/certificate\\_replacement/](https://www.faa.gov/licenses_certificates/airmen_certification/certificate_replacement/)
2. Select "Licenses and Certificates"
3. Under Airmen Online Services select "Replace an Airman Certificate (License)"
4. Select "Request a Replacement Certificate Online".
5. If you do not already have an account select "Create an Account", if you do have an account, select "Login", and follow the instructions.
6. Once you're in the website complete the following:
  - a. Select "Request Temporary Authority to Exercise Certificate Privileges"
  - b. Select "Next"
  - c. Select "Replacement Certificate" for your pilot certificate only. Note, there will be a \$2.00 charge for the "Replacement Certificate". Do not select the Temporary Authority at this

time, if you do the temporary may not include the endorsement "English Proficient".

d. Under "Reason" select "English Proficiency"

e. The remainder of the process is self explanatory. Once you have completed the above, you can Logoff.

Vance Atkinson  
EAA Tech & Flight Advisor  
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## **EXPANDED COMPLIMENTARY WI-FI**

### **ACCESS FOR CAMPERS AT EAA**

#### **AIRVENTURE OSHKOSH 2008**

EAA AVIATION CENTER, OSHKOSH, Wis. - (April 22, 2008) - EAA AirVenture Oshkosh is supplying one of most-requested items for campers at its event with an expansion of wireless Internet access this summer. EAA AirVenture, "The World's Greatest Aviation Celebration," will be held July 28-August 3 at Wittman Regional Airport in Oshkosh.

Wi-Fi access will be available in many areas of the North 40 aircraft camping area, the drive-in Camp Scholler campground, and in the vintage aircraft and ultralight camping areas. This access is provided free of charge to EAA members and their guests in those campgrounds. Signal strength may vary because of computer type and setup, weather conditions and other factors.

In addition, EAA members can log on to their e-mail through computers provided at Internet Cafes located in EAA Member Village and in Camp Scholler. A limited number of Ethernet connections are available for members at those locations as well.

"We're expanding wireless access because we know that many members EAA AirVenture," said

Tom Poberezny, EAA president and AirVenture chairman. "We're happy to respond to the requests from our members and supply this resource without charge in our camping areas. And we remind them that complete coverage of each day's events throughout the grounds will be available at the [www.airventure.org](http://www.airventure.org) website."

EAA AIRVENTURE OSHKOSH is The World's Greatest Aviation Celebration and EAA's yearly membership convention. Additional EAA AirVenture information, including advance ticket purchase, is available through the World Wide Web at [www.airventure.org](http://www.airventure.org). EAA members receive lowest prices on admission rates. For more information on EAA and its programs, call 1-800-JOIN-EAA (1-800-564-6322) or visit [www.eaa.org](http://www.eaa.org).

EDITOR'S NOTE: A site map with camper Wi-Fi access points (PDF format) (may be) available at [www.eaa.org/media/pr/2008/2008-04-22\\_wifimap](http://www.eaa.org/media/pr/2008/2008-04-22_wifimap) I've tried to get this, but web site but apparently they're not up to speed quite yet.

### **1999 SEAWIND AMPHIBIAN FOR SALE**

Seawind in mint condition. Only 58 hours on both the airframe and engine. Fully loaded and has been in a hangar from the beginning in Phoenix , Arizona ( Deer Valley Airport – DVT). Upon request, complete specs can be provided.

Even though the owner has put over \$400,000 into the aircraft, he is willing to let it go to the "best reasonable offer".

Must sell due to medical problems.

Contact: Dave Lanman

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## STOCKTON EAA FLY-IN / BBQ

Saturday, May 10th. 11am-2pm.

The Colonel Herb Ross Stockton EAA Chapter #1432 is pleased to invite you and your members to our first Chapter BBQ! Please join us on Saturday May 10th at the Stockton Metropolitan Airport. Airplane parking will be at the intersection of Taxiways Bravo and Juliet.

Vehicle access is through Gate 16.

We look forward to meeting you and your members!

Craig Vincent, Chapter Vice President

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