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

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Meeting And Program

NOTICE: Our May meeting will take place at 7:30 P.M. on the 1st of May. The meeting will be at the FBO/Main Terminal Building on the grounds at KLVK.

Calendar:

Month	Date	Speaker	Topic
March	6th	Pete Eltgroth	Aerobatics
April	3rd	Marc Zeitlin	Emergency Landing in a Cozy
May	1 st	Dave Dent	Untold story of a B52

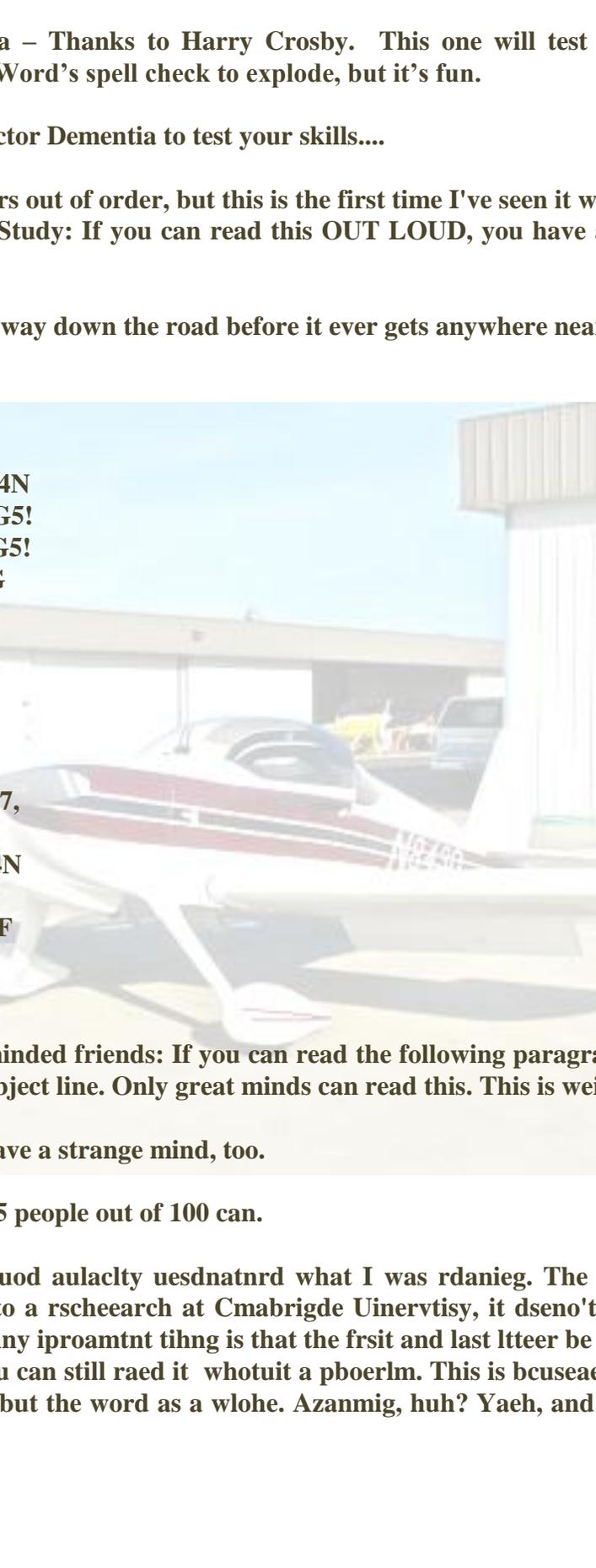
For Our May program: Dave is well known for his story telling and I have seen different folks around the airport wearing everything from high top boots to hip waders to prove it. All kidding aside, Dave has a tremendous wealth of experience that he always passes along in his monthly maintenance tips as well as being a reliable source of countless reams of information, past and present. Dave called me today and promised a military story that has never been told. Given his remarkable history and experience with a vast array of aircraft and bleeding edge companies, I'm sure this is a presentation that you won't want to miss.

Mailbag: Doctor Dementia – Thanks to Harry Crosby. This one will test your brain functions and probably cause Microsoft Word’s spell check to explode, but it’s fun.

Here's another trick of Doctor Dementia to test your skills....

I've seen this with the letters out of order, but this is the first time I've seen it with numbers. Good example of a Brain Study: If you can read this OUT LOUD, you have a strong mind. And better than that:

Alzheimer's is a long long, way down the road before it ever gets anywhere near you.



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To my 'selected' strange-minded friends: If you can read the following paragraph, forward it on to your friends with 'yes' in the subject line. Only great minds can read this. This is weird, but interesting!

If you can read this, you have a strange mind, too.

Can you read this? Only 55 people out of 100 can.

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April 2014 MINUTES: GENERAL MEETING EAA CHAPTER 663, 4/3/2014, 7:31 PM, TERMINAL BUILDING, KLVK.

Guests introduced themselves: Tristan Clark was with his Mom the youngest visitor we've had in a very llllooonnnggg time. Dave Walter was visiting from the Placerville chapter, and Mark Zeitlin, our speaker and his wife were visiting from Tehachepi.

The minutes of the March meetings were approved as printed in "The Grapevine" □

Treasurer Mark Palajac reported 77 members so far this year with \$4,699.26 in funds.

Trina Anderson our Young Eagles coordinator mentioned that the first rally of the year will be at the Patriots Jet Center, Byron Airport on Saturday 5/3. She wants to get started about 9 am to be finished about noon.

Business: Tool man Bob Farnam showed the dental camera that has been donated to the chapter. To see images a windows computer is need with some special software. Bob also requested that the others with tool lending authority keep him informed of checked out tools so when called, he's aware of the availability. There was a discussion about the condition of the chapter trailer. Jeremy Constant moved to give the board of director's authority to make improvements to the tires. (An amount of money was also authorized, but your lousy secretary forgot to make a notation □)

Newsletter: Editor Jeffry Larson gave honors of the contest winner to Barry Weber for identifying the "What Is It" as a Willy 2, a light sport biplane.

Announcements: The next board will be 4/17 at John's place. We'll meet again here on 5/1.

The barbeques this year will be Sat. 5/10, Sun. 6/8, Fri. 7/4, Sun 8/10, and Sat. 9/13.

Members Forum: John Youngblood told about his recent incident at Carefree Airport near Scottsdale, AZ. Approaching the airport John listened to the AWS that was reporting the average of the gusting winds. The winds were actually gusting from 0 to 18 knots. As a result he made a hard landing that required repairs to the landing gear. Beware, automation has its limitations.

Mailbag: It's fly in time: 4/13 Boonville Airport Spring Fly-In, 4/19 Spot Landing Contest at Oakdale Airport, 4/26 Calaveras Airport Fly-In, 5/3 Zenith Fly-In at Cloverdale Airport.

Tower controller --local pilot conference will be Wednesday 4/23 at the Terminal Building 7 pm.

Break and then Program: Chuck Ray introduced Marc Zeitlin the builder and flyer of a Cozy a distant cousin of the LongEze. Marc described in detail events leading up to the loose of his propeller over 29 Palms and subsequent emergency landing at Desert Center Airport. Lose bolts on his wood prop! Marc then explained how the use of Belleville Washers used on the prop bolts can provide a relatively maintenance free solution to providing constant tension on the bolts even with changes in wooden propellers due to changes in water content (humidity), very interesting. There is much more information found at: cozybuilders.org

Meeting adjourned for pie.

April 2014

MINUTES: BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETNG, EAA CHAPTER 663, 4/17/2014, 7:48 PM, JOHN'S PLACE.

John Goldsmith, Ralph Cloud, Bob Farnam, and Bruce Cruikshank were present.

Treasurer Mark left word that we now have 84 members and \$4,598.41 in chapter funds.

Tools: There was a discussion about the usefulness of a battery load tester.

Program: Dave Dent will tell the story of the collision of a KC-135 and a B-52 that happened while he was on active duty with the Air Force. (Spoiler alert, they both survive.). The June program will feature aviation attorney Ronnie Gipson member of both the EAA Legal Advisory Counsel and the AOPA Legal Panel.

Trailer: Your secretary investigated the cost upgrading the wheels and tires on the chapter's trailer. A local supplier of trailer parts in Oakland, Six Robbles, stated the following prices for the big parts, not including various bolts, tubing, fittings, and sales taxes: If the current axels could be used, two out of three chances, the total comes to \$1,432. New axels bring the total to \$1,792. Our current trailer is not legal! All dual axel trailers and trailers with a gross weight of 1,500 pounds must have operating brakes on at least one axel. Our trailer has old non-operating electric brakes. It was decided that the trailer should have hydraulic surge brakes, with the brake cylinder as part of the hitch. The towing vehicle needs no special equipment, but the hydraulic bake parts are a bit more expensive. This also needs someone with time and tools and space to put it all together. Oh and there is the matter of the decking, add more \$100's. After some discussion, considering the usage etc., it was decided to look for a replacement, or possibly do without. In the mean time our trailer sits as is ready for use, but be advised, according to the trailer parts guy (unverified) if one is stopped with this trailer it goes nowhere, car carrier?

Mailbag: Placerville monthly breakfasts commence Sat. 5/3, and the first Saturdays of the months following.

Golden West June 6-8. On Sunday morning 6/8 is the chapter aircraft judging contest. 3 homebuilts and an oldie, combined with a spot landing and flour bombing contest gives the top chapter a \$300 prize. Barry Weber is our coordinator.

Calaveras Air Faire is Sat. 4/26.

On Sat. 5/3, The West Coast Zenith Fly-In will be at the Cloverdale Airport. There will be a barbeque lunch, and a Young Eagles Rally.

Our first barbeque of the year will be Saturday 5/10. Our barbeque chairman Ralph Cloud is going to get the charcoal, water and beer.

Meeting adjourned for pie.

Respectfully submitted, Bruce Cruikshank, Secretary

Feedback/Questions/Suggestions

Any and all feedback is welcome. Please take a few minutes to send suggestions, tips, corrections or any other feedback to: jeffrylite@comcast.net.

Cool videos found on the internet.

[EAA 663 Spring Fitness Regime](#) – These guys are amazing, but I didn't recognize anyone.

[Repair a DC-3 in Antarctica in 42 days](#) – This was fascinating, and expensive, thanks to Bruce Cruikshank.

[The Ocean in HD and 3D](#) – If you have a great video system on your computer, you will love this.

[28 Pictures taken from exactly the right angle](#) – Bet you wish your camera was at the ready.

[Sales/Marketing bring along the Engineer.](#) As an engineer, I can safely say, we've all been there.

What is it? From last month Sponsored by:



Barry Weber was the 1st to respond with the correct answer – Willie II Sport Plane. Several others got it right as well.

Congrats to all that participated and added points towards the year end prize of the custom made 17" model from Factory Direct Models. Sponsor prizes thanks to Aircraft Spruce. Don't forget to thank them when you call and make that next order. Might be worth jotting down a note in the comments section if you order online. Missed guess's still count one point each, tallied to the end of the year with a 2 guess limit per month.

Thanks to those that called Aircraft Spruce and mentioned this contest in the newsletter as they have agreed to continue their sponsorship. Prizes are available thanks to them.

Please give them a call with your next order and tell them how much you appreciate their generous donation to our monthly newsletter. Submit your answer to the newsletter editor to be eligible for a prize to be awarded at the regular chapter meeting. **You must be present to win but points are cumulative and incorrect guesses count.**

Winning entries will be decided by the email that is received with the earliest time stamp and the correct naming of the make/model of the pictured airplane as discovered. Winners that correctly identified the winning make/model that do NOT attend the meeting will forfeit the prize to the next available submission. Winning entries will be decided by the email that is received with the earliest time stamp and the correct naming of the make/model of the pictured airplane as discovered. Winners that correctly identified the winning make/model that do NOT attend the meeting will forfeit the prize to the next available submission. Chapter Judge's decision on correct identification is final.



In flight, the heart rate increases in direct proportion to the rate of decrease in engine RPM.

What is it?

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