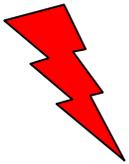




Northwest Indiana Chapter 104



January 2009 Electronic Newsletter



This is the first EAA Chapter 104 Electronic Newsletter

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(Sent as a separate attachment)

EAA CHAPTER 104 NEWSLETTER

EAA CHAPTER 104 MONTHLY MEETING

Friendship & Flying – “For The Fun of It”

Meetings held in the EAA Clubhouse – Porter County Airport-Valparaiso IN

TUESDAY- January 13, 2009

Socialize & Coffee-6:30 pm – Meeting: 7:00pm

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Please Pay Your 2009 Dues
If You Haven't Already

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EAA CHAPTER 104 MISSION STATEMENT

Foster, promote, and engage in aviation education
Promote, encourage and facilitate membership
in Experimental Aircraft Association
Support and promote the mission, vision, goals
And objectives of the EAA.

Northwest Indiana EAA Chapter 104

December 9, 2008 Meeting Minutes

President Dave Thomas called the meeting to order at 7pm.
The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Jim Haklin gave a short summary on the awards banquet. The members thanked Jim for his efforts putting together the banquet.

Bruce Bierma reported two individuals from Australia are interested in purchasing the BD-5 project. Bruce is going to introduce these prospective buyers to each other in hopes it will make a more attractive deal with them sharing the purchase amount and shipping cost, while each will end up with a good portion of an airplane. Bruce reported a contact from Argentina is interested in a set of plans only.

One of our visitors commented he was looking for a 2 place plane to fly to and from Minnesota.

President Dave Thomas presented awards from EAA headquarters consisting of a pin and certificate to the current officers, technical counselors, newsletter editor, and Young Eagle coordinator.

Dave presented our Young Eagles coordinator Dennis Funkhouser with a plaque that was overlooked at the awards banquet.

Jim Haklin also passed out some 2005 awards. It seems these were delayed in Hanna for some time.

President Thomas introduced incoming president Ed Hanson who briefly addressed the members with some insight for next year.

Visitor John Bryan presented a proposal to have the chapter sponsor a new Navy League Sea Cadet program. They would like to use the chapter room every Thursday for meetings of up to 25 members. In turn, they hope to attract youths interested in aviation. Thomas and Hanson will discuss this with the airport manager and headquarters.

Paul Huang proposed selling some EAA calendars. Thomas and Hanson will attempt to pick some up while they are attending the Chapter Leaders academy in January.

Motion made by Dennis Funkhouser to adjourn. Motion was seconded by Bruce Bierma.

Fifteen members and five guests were in attendance.

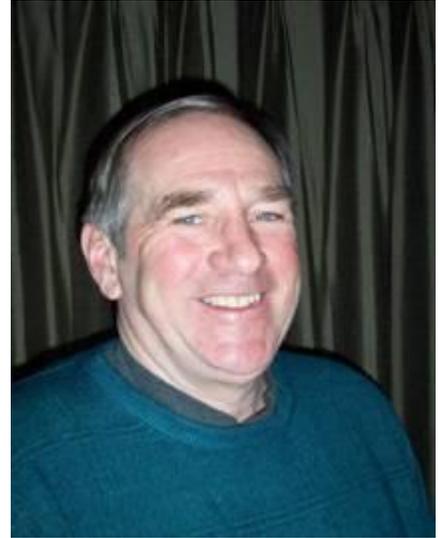
Minutes submitted by Ed Hanson

President's Page

Ed Hanson

January 2009

Happy New Year to all Chapter 104 members and friends! As most of you know by now, I am your new chapter president. I'd like to thank Dave Thomas for serving us the last two years as president and his wife Judy for tolerating the time away from family the office has demanded. Dave will continue to serve as vice president and learn to enjoy his retirement.



The New Year offers us a good time to plan our activities well in advance and properly prepare for them. Please review the preliminary chapter calendar included in this newsletter and bring your comments to the January 13th meeting. We will need to add Young Eagle Flight dates. Also, Jim Haklin is working to set up an aviation camp at Ivy Tech for sometime this summer. We hope to be able to finalize the calendar early in the year so members can plan their family activities around it.

Expect to see some enhancements to chapter life this year as we strive to provide more to our members. A few of the planned items include:

- An electronic as well as the printed newsletter.
- Group member e-mailing for reminders or chapter information.
- An expanded web site with a member's only section.
- Tutoring of members on free computer use and setting up free e-mail accounts.
- An event calendar planned in advance.
- A chapter activity planning guide for reference during future events.
- Updated contact information available to members.
- A telephone tree for last minute announcements or cancellations.
- Adding an aviation for sale section to the newsletter and web site.
- Expand and better promote build night activities. Let's see what our members are doing and motivate them.
- Possibly sponsor a bus to Oshkosh shared with other interested individuals.
- Provide help for members with medical certification questions or problems.
- A few chapter room improvements.

Oh, by the way, we are accepting new members so please talk up the chapter and bring in those new members to broaden our base of volunteers and expertise.

Please work and build safely.

Ed Hanson



In Our Shops

What our members are building and restoring.

Ray Dolph Modified Ultra Pete.

Ray just needs a sign off from the FAA and he is ready to fly!

Larry Larmon 1943 Howard

Larry has run the engine a few times and did a couple of taxi tests. He is working on a generator problem and the interior. He needs to make an outer door skin also. Larry and the build night gang have been doing some hangar improvements recently.

Bruce Bierma Stinson Bruce is working on some fairings as weather permits.

Jim Haklin Pietenpol

Jim has the airframe done and painted. He won't let us see it!

John Hack Mustang 2 John is working on the center section. He just had his first tech counselor inspection.

Ed Hanson KIS Cruiser TR4

Ed finished the wings, flaps, and ailerons this fall. He is installing an overhead console and the windshield before bonding the fuselage top in place. Ed received a new Lycoming experimental IO-360 engine in early December.

Larry Whitlow Zenith CH601

Dan Zanstra Zenair

Dan plans on starting work on a new set of wings after the holidays.

Rick Schreiber Pietenpol under construction and also has a Tri Pacer.

Rick Ray RV-6 Waiting for time to build.

Please inform us of any corrections updates or additions to the list. You can e-mail Bruce at (ragpockets@hotmail.com) ragpockets@hotmail.com, phone 219-956-3122 leave a message, or Ed Hanson e-mail (hansoncp@netnitco.net) hansoncp@netnitco.net, phone 219-988-4879.

Next month: What our members are flying.

Porter County Airport Named Airport of the Year

Kyle Kuebler Airport Manager will be attending our January 13th meeting to discuss this award and bring by a Special Surprise Gift for Chapter 104. You can read the Post-Tribune article about the airport award in the December 11th paper or online.

(<http://www.post-trib.com/news/porter/1325691,pcairport.article>)

Kyle will also discuss the aggressive airport improvements that will be taking place this year and how they may impact some of the Chapter activities. Be sure to attend and learn what projects are being planned.

Thanks to member Rick Rohzon for donating a microwave oven to the Chapter room. Rick is cleaning out his shop in hopes of filling it with an RV-12 kit this year.



Off To School

President Ed Hanson and Vice President Dave Thomas will travel to Oshkosh January 23rd thru 25th to attend EAA's Chapter Leaders Academy. They will meet with the EAA staff and other chapter leaders to discuss common interests and share ideas on membership, fund raising and programs. They will report at the February Chapter meeting.

Please remember to bring your e-mail address, home and cell phone numbers to the January meeting so we can update our contact information.

Need a good rental movie on a cold winter night? Try the 2005 movie One Six Right: The Romance of Flying. It's about general aviation operating at Van Nuys airport. 1hr. 13 minutes. Rated G.

The Hungry Pilot



Some Favorite Recipes & Places to Eat

Chicken Barley Stew

This is a hearty quick to make dish that will fill you. Modify it to fit your needs.

1 each, sliced carrot, parsnip.

¼ cup oil-based mild giardiniera. Find it by peppers and pickles in the store.

2 boneless, skinless chicken breasts, chopped.

2 cans 15 ounces each low-sodium chicken broth.

½ cup white wine.

1 can 15 ounces diced tomatoes.

1 cup quick-cook barley.

1 teaspoon dried Italian herb blend.

Fresh ground pepper to taste.

½ cup shredded Parmesan or Italian cheese blend.

1. Place carrot, parsnip and 2 tablespoons of water in a microwave safe bowl and cook on high until halfway cooked about 2 minutes. Drain, set aside.

2. Heat the giardiniera over medium high heat in a Dutch oven. Add chicken and cook until just browned. Remove most of the chicken and set aside.

3. Add broth and wine to Dutch oven and heat to a boil. Lower heat and add tomatoes, barley, herb blend, pepper, reserved chicken carrot and parsnip. Cook until chicken has cooked through.

Divide into bowls and top with cheese. Enjoy.



Some Award Banquet Photos

