

EAA CHAPTER 104 NEWSLETTER

EAA CHAPTER 104 MONTHLY MEETING

Friendship & Flying – “For The Fun of It”

*Meetings are conducted in the EAA Chapter Room – Porter County Municipal Airport 4207
Murvihill Road, Valparaiso IN 46383*

MONTHLY CHAPTER MEETING TUESDAY- August 9, 2011

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

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See you at the September 13th meeting. Bring a Friend.

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EAA CHAPTER 104 MISSION STATEMENT

Foster, promote, and engage in aviation education.

Promote, encourage and facilitate membership
in the Experimental Aircraft Association.

Support and promote the mission, vision, goals
and objectives of the EAA

President's Page

Ed Hanson

September 2011

I have been enjoying the filling and sanding portion of my composite project during the hot summer days. I am not good at body work and I am learning about it as I go along with help from our build night support group. Lying on a creeper under the airplane attempting to sand overhead with glasses, a paper respirator, and goggles on just was not working out. Then I had a thought. I had purchased a Hobby Air fresh air unit to use the spray painting portion of the project. Would that work for the sanding as well? The answer is yes! I put on the face mask and painters hood, fired up the compressor and enjoyed cool fresh air and dust free face. I liked it so much I used it for my entire machine sanding on the rest of the plane. This unit was a good investment and my eyes and lungs certainly appreciated the reduction of dust presented to them. Now if I could only master body work. If not, I may take up bee keeping.



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Remember, we will be hosting the Ford Tri-Motor October 3, 4 and 5th. Efforts are now underway to find sponsors and advertise the event. We will be towing Jim Haklin's "Popcorn Special Pietenpol in the Valparaiso Popcorn Fest Parade on Saturday September 10th displaying our two "Fly the Ford" banners and handing out flyers to get the word out. We appreciate any advertising you can help with.

The FAA presentation on Sport Pilot/LSA will take place at our September 13th meeting which will be open to the public as a FFAST program. If you know of someone who may enjoy this program please encourage them to attend. Maybe offer to pick them up so they feel more comfortable.

It looks like our missing tables at the chapter room have reappeared.

Please work, play and build safely.
Ed Hanson

**EAA Chapter 104
Porter County Municipal Airport
Valparaiso, IN**

Minutes of Monthly Meeting, August 9, 2011

The meeting was called to order and The Pledge of Allegiance was led by President Ed Hanson.

We welcomed two guests this evening: David Boast and Mike Harris. Mike lives in Oklahoma but has been working in Valparaiso for a few months.

BUSINESS MEETING:

The minutes from the June meeting were approved by the members.

Old Business:

None.

New Business:

Charles O'Bringer is touching up and repainting our logo sign on the front of the building. Thanks Charles!

Treasurers Report:

Rick Ray gave the Treasurer's Report.

President's Report:

Food Booth: What worked, what didn't? New location worked well for the bombers. We could have used a fourth tent for more shade during the busiest times. Need another table for food prep/storage area. Need to remember to set up tent legs at least one foot outside of the fence line to get the rain watershed we need. We were too close to the fence this year.

I am passing around thank you letters for the members to sign for donations to the food booth.

We suffered from a lack of shift volunteers this year and the heat was brutal. We must address this if we wish to continue. We may have to shorten our hours so we can get by with one shift as we had very few early customers all week. We may have to bring in another group to help. Very few volunteers from each group showed up for the set up. Perhaps we need to do this later in the evening so those who work can help. After requesting help for teardown all week, we did have an army show up so tear down went good, we even started a little early since we didn't have any customers. A big thank you to all those who did help out with the booth.

Thanks to Louie for steam cleaning our grill after the food booth and for the use of his trailer.

We have a few of the new Wicks Aircraft supply catalogs to hand out. I talked to Scott Wick at OSH and thanked him for sending us catalogs each year.

Members are reminded to be thinking about what we wish to do about our fall banquet. Have it at a regular meeting night or a separate date. Also if we want to continue to give awards, we will need to find someone to replace Al Boushea who has been doing this for a long time.

We are missing some tables from the chapter room. Please return them if you have them.

Young Eagles Report:

Rick is looking at having another Rally in the fall.

Members are encouraged to fly Young Eagles on their own when possible. We have the supplies you need.

Webmaster's Report:

During the July we had 731 visits, as usual to the pictures and Newsletter.

Builder's Night and Project status:

Thanks to John Hack for hosting a build night. We had a good turnout. Ed's Kis Cruiser is scheduled to start painting at the end of the month. Jim "Show-and-Tell" Haklin brought in his throttle quadrant.

Builders, please invite us over to see your projects.

Newsletter Editor Report

Mr. Haklin went over the quiz questions from the last Newsletter. Again this month no one got all the answers correct so the prizes will all roll over to next month.

We Care:

Everyone appears to be doing well!

Two Month Look Ahead:

INDY Air Race August 13th KTYQ Indy Executive
EAA Chapter 1328 Fly in Cruise in North Vernon, IN August 13th.
PCPA Steak Fry August 13th.
The LaPorte Airport is having their Pancake Breakfast on August 14.
Ford Tri-Motor Tour Stop here October 3, 4&5th.

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Review list of newspapers that we should consider for advertising.

We received two banners to display. We need to select locations. We could rotate locations for more coverage.

We received two hundred flyers to add sponsor information and distribute

Member's homework is to find a Ford Tri-Motor connection to our community and share with us for help in promotion.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:00PM.

Respectively submitted,

Pam Ray

Chapter Secretary

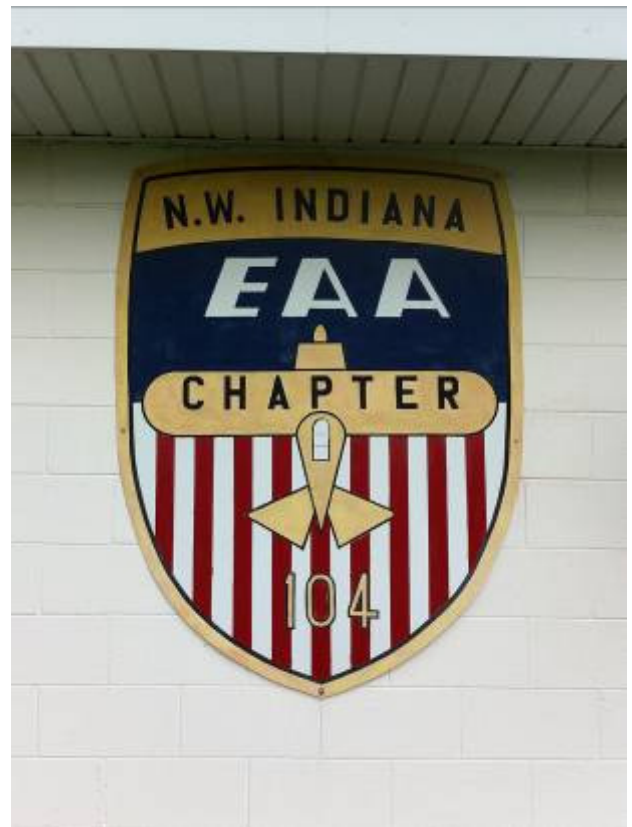
Thanks to member Charles O'Bringer for touching up our Chapter logo sign which had faded in the sunlight over the years.

Charles also called to say it's been a long time since we informed our readers of the progress being made by members on their projects. So, we kindly ask our builders and restorers to advise us what they have completed on their projects and what they are currently working on. A few pictures would be great too. Please email your information to either of the following:

Ed Hanson hansoncp@netnitco.net

Jim Haklin jhaklin@gmail.com

We will provide project updates in future newsletters.



Eagle Aircraft has the following announcements:

-Sport/Pvt. Pilot Ground School will begin **September 12th**, Classes will meet Monday and Wednesday evenings for 8 weeks from 6-8pm.

-IFR Ground School will follow, and will also meet Monday and Wednesday evenings for 8 weeks from 6-8pm.

-Open House, **Saturday Oct. 8th** (details to follow)

-Companion Co-Pilot Course, **Saturday Oct. 22nd** (details to follow)

NL Ed,

Gonna be short to get this out today. Did you like the pix of Cone-Head Ed?? :0)

We need walkers for handouts and people to carry the Chapter and Tri-motor banners in the Popcorn parade on Saturday September 10th. We'll e-mail the time and place where we will be setting up in the parade. If you haven't already let me or Ed know—call or e-mail me or Ed your intentions....ok???

This will be a great way to present our chapter and also to let the public know that the Tri-motor is coming in October. The walk isn't a fast pace and really—I don't want to pull the Piet on its gear very fast anyway. So!!!! Let's get behind the chapter and make this a great event. Let's let people know that there is an EAA chapter at the airport and they are invited to participate at whatever level they are comfortable with.

Ed,

Jim H.