

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 Regional Airport 4207
Murvihill Road, Valparaiso IN 46383*

MONTHLY CHAPTER MEETING TUESDAY September 9th, 2014

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

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See you at the September 9th meeting. Bring a Friend.

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FIRST CLASS

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



Hope every one had a good labor day. I spent my day laboring around the house. The recent deluge was not kind to me. We had so much rain in such a short period of time that water backed up into one of my window wells and entered the basement. There is never a dull moment. Flying weather in August was not the best either, so I'm looking forward to some nice fall weather. We did finish up the scheduled young eagle flights and a nice article was printed in the NWI Times(see reprint).

On Saturday, August 23rd, a little history was made at Porter County Regional. The Heinkel jet flew for the first time in over 22 years, piloted by 'Fred' from California. As many of you know I shared the hanger with the jet for a couple of



years before venturing out to a county hanger. I didn't think I would ever see it airborne. This is the last flying aircraft of its type in the world, there were only 4 made. There is a previous article in the November 2013 newsletter. I did take some video with my camera but is not the best. When time permits, I may compile another video and post it on the web. Until then here are a couple of stills. On a last note, elections are next month. Please consider volunteering for one of the leadership positions.

A nice low fly by



The Initial Climb Out





Pilot Jim Hicks and Claire Brenneke are pictured after landing from a flight.

Times Staff

VALPARAISO | Senior and Ambassador Girl Scouts from Valparaiso, in conjunction with the EAA Young Eagles program, took to the skies this summer to experience flight in single-engine airplanes.

Young Eagles is a national program of the Experimental Aircraft Association with the goal of introducing young people to aviation.

Porter County EAA members headed by Education director Jim Hicks, acquainted the girls to the world of aviation during two workshops which gave overviews of how planes fly and navigational instruments, airport rules, private pilot requirements, and history of aviation. After completing the workshops each girl flew with a certified EAA pilot in his airplane in order to practice some of the skills they learned in class.

Additional aviation instruction for the Girl Scouts earning their Aviation Patch was provided by Donna Stevens, owner and master flight instructor at Donnair Aviation at the Porter County airport. She taught the girls about careers in aviation and organizations for women interested in flying such as the Ninety-Nines's and Women in Aviation.

Fourteen girls participated in the Aviation Patch program this summer, most of whom had never flown before.

"It was soooo cool. And I actually got to handle the controls for a few minutes," said Claire Brenneke, of Senior Girl Scout Troop 164, after completing her flight.

Here is an update to 3rd class medical reform.

From Senator Joe Donnelly

September 3, 2014

Dear Friend,

I am writing to update you on my efforts in support of general aviators. Like you, I believe that federal regulations should protect the safety of general aviators and their passengers while not being overly burdensome.

With the goal of simplifying regulations for individual aviators, S. 2103, the *General Aviation Pilot Protection Act* was introduced in the Senate on March 11, 2014. If enacted into law, this legislation would allow pilots of small aircraft in the United States to operate without medical certification or proof of health if they possess a valid driver's license and adhere to aircraft size, weight, altitude, speed, and passenger capacity restrictions.

I was proud to cosponsor the *General Aviation Pilot Protection Act* on June 5, 2014. This bill is pending before the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation. I am hopeful that it will soon reach the Senate floor for a vote.

In addition, on September 2, 2014, I joined ten colleagues in sending a bipartisan letter to Secretary of Transportation Anthony Foxx and Office of Management and Budget Director Shaun Donovan urging the Administration to carry out an expedited review of the Federal Aviation Administration's Notice of Proposed Rulemaking to modernize third-class medical requirements for small aircraft pilots, based on the lessons learned from the 2004 sport pilot rule. The letter asks that the review quickly be completed so that the proposal can be released for public comment as soon as possible and urges the Administration to prioritize and expedite this reform and others, which would lower unnecessary barriers to the general aviation community.

It is a privilege to represent you and all Hoosiers in the Senate. Your continued correspondence is welcome and helps me to better represent our state. I encourage you to write, call, or email if my office can ever be of assistance. You can also check out my Facebook page and follow me on Twitter by visiting my [website](#).

NEXT MEETING:

Tuesday September 9, 2013

EAA Chapter Room Porter County Regional Airport (VPZ)

7 PM Simple Business Meeting

See you there.....

Upcoming Local Events

September 13 (Sat)

- **Eagle Aircraft Fall Open House Noon - 4pm**
 - **Wings Aviation Inc Open House Time ?**
- (both of these events featuring lunch and guest speakers)**

September 18(Thurs) - Eagle Aircraft Instrument Ground School Starts

September 22(Monday) -Eagle Aircraft Private Pilot Ground School Starts

**September 27 (Sat) Poker Run Finale Burger Bash - Noon
Copes Hanger**

Tonight we had 13 members present and one guest

Treasurer report - A motion to approve the July Treasurer's report was made and passed.

Old Business – Dave Thomas wants to know what we should do with the Stolp V-Star. He would like to give the donator of the project a letter stating its value. Jim Hicks and Dave Thomas will review what we currently have in the way of parts. Dave will put together an inventory of everything included in the project. At the next meeting we will decide what to include in the letter to the donator of the project.

New Business – We were tentatively scheduled for our next meeting to be at Starke Co. We still have not heard back from Argus Powered Parachutes for a presentation at the next meeting. There are also conflicts with the meeting dates. We will try to plan for our next meeting to be in October at Starke.

Project Reports - Jim Hicks currently has 10 landings in his “new” Waco.

Rick Schreiber continues painting his Pietenpol.

Jim Haklin is close to first engine start on his Pietenpol.

Ed Hanson is working on wiring and the pre-heater on his KISS Cruiser

Larry Whitlow is waiting on the FAA and his DAR final inspection of his Zenith 601

Spudder! Spudder! Bang! Grunt! Pssh! Pssh! Pheew! Silence! Repeat, repeat, repeat. Maybe checking the timing??? Spudder! Spudder---You get the drill. Ok! Let's try this. Spudder! Spudder! Grunt! Pssh! Pssh! Vroom! :0):0) :0)...Yea! The sweet sound of the first engine start. :0) :0) :0)

Got some video but need to figure how to get it to You Tube then on to you guys.

Jim Haklin