

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- November 8, 2011

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

CHAPTER WEBSITE: www.eaa104.org

See you at the November 8th 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

November 2011

My Kis Cruiser made its first cross country recently. It was a short, low altitude trip thru the woods to my neighbor's pole barn for priming and painting. The wings followed a day later by trailer. I'm pleased to report



everything now has three coats of epoxy primer and looks great. The primer has to off gas for at least a week at seventy degrees so we'll have to wait a bit longer since it has been cooler here recently. The primer has been sanded and is eagerly awaiting the three coats of top coat. We will let the paint settle thru the winter then buff it and apply the graphics in the spring. Next activity will be the interior work, then off to our hangar for final assembly, radio installations, engine test runs, and inspection.

The chapter membership decided at our October 11th meeting to have a photo and pizza night for our December 13th meeting rather than the stand alone fall banquet we have had in the past. Member's families and friends are invited to attend and enjoy the evening. We also plan to have a chapter picnic next summer.

Our Vice President **Rick Schreiber** has agreed to lead a discussion on "electronics in the cockpit" for our November 8th meeting. This should be interesting since Rick has been involved with some creative solutions to his equipment as well as gleaning information from other pilots based on the field. Are the days of expensive and outdated sectionals coming to an end? Is weather available at your command cheaply? Plan to attend and share your ideas, solutions, and questions with our members. If you can bring a piece of your equipment to demonstrate that would be great. This stuff is evolving so fast you hesitate to buy anything fearing something better will be available at a lower price before you can get your new item up and running.

I will be representing EAA and chapter 104 this Saturday 11/5 from 9:00am to 11:00am at an Aviation Career Symposium at Eagle Aircraft. This event is geared towards high school age students that may be interested in learning about a career in aviation and the path to follow to get there. Several speakers employed in the aviation field will be on hand to give advice and answer questions. If you know of someone who may be interested in attending, please have them contact Eagle at 219.464.0132.

Please work, play and build safely.
Ed Hanson

EAA *World of Flight* 2012 wall calendars are now available. We can place a chapter order if enough members are interested. To see pictures of the calendar online, please go to <http://www.shopeaa.com/2012worldofflightcalendar.aspx>

Ford Motor Company is reminding EAA members of preferential pricing on the purchase or lease of Ford and Lincoln products thru the Partner Recognition Program. Check it out at www.eaa.org/ford We will also have brochures available at our November meeting.

Eagle Aircraft is pleased to extend a discount to EAA Chapter 104 members. Just show your Chapter membership card to receive your discount. Contact Joy at Eagle if you have questions.

Ed's Stuff...

Where did October go??? I turned around and it was gone. I 've been trying to get the garden and outside things done before the snow falls. Can you imagine what happened on the East coast? Sure makes flying come to a screeching halt. I know winter will eventually come here but let it start sometime in December, ok? One thing for sure—I won't be able to use all the outside distractions from keeping me from finishing the Piet, especially with heat on in the pole barn. No excuses...:0)

From the president's page—looks like Ed's plane is coming along fine. Next year might be flyin time. Maybe, maybe, maybe....huh??????

Been down to see Al. He's doing ok, trying to get his machines ready for whatever comes his way. Al hopes to come to the next meeting. One thing Al told me—I need to transition to a high-wing LSA before getting the Piet in the air. The Mystique is the wrong training plane for what I will be flying.

Ok! OK! that's the segway into what Eagle Aircraft has to offer us EAAers. They are offering discounts to our members. Soooooooo go talk to them and see if they have the training that you are looking for.

Bumped into Paul Huang at Wiseway today 11-2. He's getting around and hopes to come to the November meeting.

Charlie O. got some of my garlic plants. Still have more left—good for keeping Dracula away :0)—good for cooking also.

Also, say hello to our newest members at our next meeting —Bruce White and Jon Polomchak. Let's find out where their interests lie in aviation. They may be the next builders of flying machines.

At the next meeting—let me know if you are not getting this newsletter, either by snail-mail or the e-mail version. Don't know if there is a problem if no-one complains.

Also—bring suggestions, questions, answers, complaints, jokes, whatever to the meeting. The chapter is for you, is for me, is you, is me and also the person that doesn't even know who we are. Let's find them and invite them.....

See you at the meeting,

Jim H NL Ed.

Jim H Piet Builder

Jim H Grower of Garlic

All of the Above :0)