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**AUGUST 2004 NEWSLETTER**

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**EAA Chapter 701** members arrived enmass at OSHKOSH 2004. Multiple days at such a grand affair could weary the strongest traveler but members persevered and triumphantly return to 1b9 laden with brochures and data books plus visions of mods and improvements to their aircraft and systems. Too, they are beginning to plan for...next year!!!



Below (L - R): Carl Johnson, Joe Kelly, Al Meserve, Edna Meserve



**OSHKOSH 2004** *by Edna Meserve*

We departed IFR Saturday, August 24, at 11 AM. The sky cleared near Gardner and the rest of the trip was VFR. We landed in Rochester for gas, at \$3.65 a gallon, and had to pay a \$6.75 landing fee, an \$8.43 state sales tax and a \$2.24 NY motor fuel tax as well. Avoid Rochester if possible!!! Stopped in Flint Michigan to sleep and arrived in Oshkosh 11 AM Sunday morning. Trip out took 7.8 hours.

Oshkosh, as usual, was amazing. We spent 8 days there, put 100 miles on our bikes and had a marvelous time. We

had a very heavy rain one night and light rain one morning, but other than that, the weather was very nice. Not too hot, with a nice breeze most days.

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## SECRETARY'S REPORT - by Alan Pugh

The July 16, 2004 Meeting was held at the Chapter Trailer at Mansfield Airport. We decided to hold the meeting outside, on the deck, so we could observe the Cessna L-19 Bird Dog and other traffic and enjoy the "open cockpit" weather.

President Doug Mowry called the meeting to order 7:30 pm. Meeting Minutes were approved. Tony read the Treasurer's report which was accepted.

Tony also read the report of the Airport Commission Meeting. There will not be a Commission Meeting in August. Pilots are encouraged to wear badges while at the airport. There was damage to the fence near runway 22 caused by a car. An electric meter was removed and jumpered so the Commission called for an inspection of all electric meters at the airport. The Master Plan was changed and handed back by the engineering firm with more errors. This will delay the start of construction. The Rotary Carnival was a success. It is scheduled again for next year. There was a hard landing by a C-152. Lightning damaged a security camera. The Chapter Fly-In on Sept 11 is ok as scheduled. Dave asked for snow fence instead of yellow tape to mark the public access areas. There was excessive noise on a recent (late June, early July) Breakfast Fly-Out. Airport noise abatement procedures were not followed. It was suggested that runway 14 be used if the wind is light.

### OLD BUSINESS

Mike Vidal gave the Builders Breakfast Report. Will, Roland and Mike inventoried the Long-EZ parts with photos. They will be put on E-Bay. The Builders Breakfasts will resume in October. A Chapter Trip to the Collings Foundation was discussed. The B-17, B-24 and B-25 will be touring this September at Norwood, Plymouth, Nashua and North Central. We also discussed a tour of the Quonset Museum or Hornet Aircraft Carrier and the Bradley Air Museum. Hal and Doug finished the cleanup behind the trailer. The wood is gone. Al Miano is walking two miles a day but can't drive for another four weeks.

### NEW BUSINESS

Fly-In: Will Thorn is handling the awards. The porta-johns have been ordered. An ad for the fly-in has been placed in the Atlantic Flyer. The big TFR for the Democratic National Convention was mentioned. The Sport Pilot Rule may be approved very soon (It has since been approved as announced in Sport Aviation Magazine). Chapter 701 received an award at Oshkosh for having one of the top five Chapter Websites. Joe Kelly will graciously accept the award at Oshkosh and hopefully have an acceptance speech ready. The chapter has brochures, a DVD & Video from Oxford Aviation on their aircraft re-finishing business, available for members to take or view. Frank Roscoe is selling a Nordic Track exercise machine for \$100.

The meeting adjourned at 8:20

### Web Site News

Our Web Editor (**Doug Mowry**) received an **2004 Web Editor Award!** Member **Joe Kelley** was on hand at OSH to accept the award. The award plaque includes a rather large propeller that Doug uses to remind himself of future flying days when he receives his remodeled plane.

### More on TFR...

Since some politicians are travelling by bus these days, the TFR you see in the morning briefing may be moving along a line instead of being stationary. Check out the web site: <http://tfr.faa.gov> for the latest information if you are web connected or call the Flight Service Station. Remember that your airplane paint job might get scratched if you meet up with an F-18 or such... Hal Curtin

### Weed trimmer RECEIVED

Many thanks to Don Cleveland for his donation of a weed trimmer for the chapter landscaping efforts. It will make the work easier and is much appreciated by the landscaping crew.

## CHAPTER 701 INFORMATION CORNER

### Fly-In Update

It's that time again to make final preparations for the Fly-In. Saturday, September 11 is the day. The combined efforts of all make it both fun and financially successful. Thanks to all those who have stepped forward already to volunteer in the various areas. We've had a slight drop-off of active members due to a variety of family and/or health issues on the home front. Consequently, even more than in past years, we really need as many volunteers as we can get. Please be proactive and volunteer this year! Pick your area and call a Fly-In Committee member. Hal Curtin 508-543-2466 (Aircraft Parking), Dale Fox 508-429-6990 (Food Concession), Mike Vidal 508-761-8012 (Homebuilder's Display), and Doug Mowry 508-476-4058 (everything else). Volunteers are needed for the following:

- Aircraft Parking
- Food Concession
- Homebuilder's Display/aircraft Display
- Auto Parking
- Judging Registration Booth
- Young Eagles Booth
- Emcee/Event announcer

If you have back issues of aviation magazines in good condition bring them to the fly-in as we would like to offer them to interested people. Remember the joy you had reading about aviation when you first began and help to spread interest in G/A.

Thanks!

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We met Mark and Paul Ravinski as they landed their Lancair 360 from the Cup race from Dayton to Oshkosh. They finished 2nd and were quite pleased with the way their plane placed. Of course, Mark is already thinking of ways to tweak the engine to be able to do even better next year. Some things never change.

We saw Joe Kelly accept the 701 award on stage at the Theater in the Woods and gave him a big cheer. Chuck Yeager received the key to the city at the Mayor's breakfast in downtown Oshkosh. We listened to Erik Lindbergh and Burt Rutan talk about the private space flight teams vying for the \$10 million Ansari X Prize. We also heard Bruce Bohannon talk about attempting to reach an altitude of 50,000 feet and become the highest-flying piston engine pilot in U.S. history in his highly modified RV 4. Unfortunately he didn't quite make it at Oshkosh but will try again at a later date. Met lots of folks from 1B9 out there and had dinner one night with Joe Kelly and Carl Johnson.

We looked at all the new planes and avionics and AI drooled all over everything! If you go, be sure to leave your wallet home when you go through all the buildings. The temptations are almost overwhelming. EM

**Aircraft Parts for Sale**— A substantial number of parts for P-18, Sportsman 2+2 (Wag\_Areo design) are available including wings, brakes, fuel tanks etc. The list is available in the chapter trailer.

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## ***EAA 701 AUGUST***

The next regular Chapter meeting will be Friday, August 20 at the Chapter Trailer at 1B9.

We will have a business meeting and finalize Fly-In plans at 7:30 PM followed by hanger flying. See you there.



This was OSHKOSH 2004. You won't see aerobatics at the 701 Fly-In but come anyway to support the Chapter and to make a pleasant day for the town visitors as they come to support their airport.

### ***Newsletter Frequencies***

Send your news to the editor via e-mail to [newsletter@eaa701.org](mailto:newsletter@eaa701.org).

Use "classic" mail to Dale Fox, Editor 232 Underwood St. Holliston, MA 01746.

The deadline for the next issue is 10 days before the next meeting. Items received after will be included in the next issue. —

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