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Newsletter**

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Secretary's Report *by Barbara Beech*

EAA Chapter 701 Meeting Notes—Friday, July 21, 2006

- The meeting was brought to order by Vice President Dale Fox at 7:30.
- The June minutes were accepted as published in the July Newsletter.
- The Treasurer's Report was accepted as read by Treasurer Joe Kelly.
- Tony Correia presented the Airport Commission Meeting Notes of July 13th
 - The Airport Open House was planned for Saturday, July 22nd.
 - The Quadrant 4 buildings are open.
 - The blimp will be able to use Quadrant 3.
 - Tie-downs for paved parking in Quadrant 4 are \$75.00.
 - Pre-design work for Quadrant 1 (near runway 14) involves paving the access road and needs approval.
 - The SRE building will not be used during the Fly-In.
 - Thanks were extended to Hal Curtin, Frank Roscoe and Jim Bennett for helping King Aviation during the school tours.
 - The NDB work has been completed.

Old Business:

Thanks to the work party members the deck has now been repaired and is in tip-top shape. Also thanks to Dave Dinneen for donating bricks for the walk in front of the trailer. A new sign has been painted for the trailer and will soon be in place. A discussion was held about the need and cost of badges for non-flying members.

New Business:

The August meeting will be on the Fly-In arrangements. A discussion was held on how best to use the profits from the Fly-In. It was agreed that the money should be used to pay for fuel for the Young Eagles flights and to help defray the expenses of the annual Holiday Party.

King Aviation will hold a cook-out on Thursday, August 17th. It will be followed by a Safety Seminar.

The meeting adjourned at 8:05.

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Secretary's Report

The scheduled speaker from Keyson Aviation was unable to attend the meeting.

Once again Will Thorn stepped up to the plate and led an informative discussion about various aviation issues. He answered questions from the members about the usage of various fuels, STC.'s, fuel octanes, etc

Will, who has a vast store of airplane knowledge and lore, also discussed turbo charged engines and the difference between airplane and automobile engines.

Our thanks to Will for helping out in such a worth- while and interesting manner.

Add to your list of interesting aviation websites:

<http://www4.passur.com/bos.html>

This site displays airplanes arriving and departing from Logan Airport and shows the airline, type of airplane and the place of departure. It can be adjusted to show the planes close to the airport and at various distances up to 90 miles away from it.

Oshkosh 2006 *by Edna and Al Meserve*

I asked Edna if she wanted to go to Oshkosh this year and she said does Ford want to sell cars, so we packed the plane and headed out for another adventure to Wisconsin. We had to leave Thursday because of a tropical storm coming up the coast that could delay us several days. As it turned out Thursday morning was less than ideal, but the weather cleared about 15 minutes after takeoff. With gas prices an issue, we decided to make the first stop at Fulton NY, where we had a nice lunch at the airport restaurant and filled the tanks at \$4.10 a gallon. We soon learned about the weather ahead of us and made Rochester an overnight stop, with a real nice Pilot's discount at the hotel. The next day we arrived, after making a pit stop in Flint, and parked the plane near the gate at the North Forty camp area.



After setting up camp I installed the Chapter 701 sign in front of the plane. One of the first things we do on Saturday and Sunday is to take the chairs and radio out next to runway and watch and listen to the traffic arriving. Once I saw nine planes on final. Oshkosh is all about people and this year was no different. We saw two former instructors from Mansfield, Pete and Mike who work for Liberty and Columbia, and, as charter members of the Ravinski race team, we welcomed the arrival of Mark & Cindy in the Air Race, and later went to the Race banquet with them. Later in the week we were fortunate to attend another banquet

for Angel Flight pilots. Every morning we had breakfast with several pilots from Nashua that we meet with each year, at the local restaurant. Of course we have to mention the celebrities we listened to, Chuck Yeager, Harrison Ford, Dick Rutan, Lauren Paine, Cliff Roberson and Bob Hoover. Oh I forgot meeting Heather and Rene Robillard, who flew from Mansfield and now keep their 180 at Norwood. I was talking with a pilot in the next row who flew his Malibu all the way from Germany for the Air Venture, which fascinated me to no end. All was not perfect with the weather, one day, riding the tram, the sky opened up and we were drenched, but every day the show went on, although one day a cloud burst started in the middle of the show which caused a thirty minute delay before starting up again. Couldn't go to Oshkosh without updating the GPS which they do without charge at the show. Oshkosh now has full size movie screen which they inflate each night to show aviation movies over near the camp store in Camp Scholler. Every night a different celebrity would introduce the movie. By the way the fuel at Oshkosh was \$3.69. After sleeping in the tent for seven days it was time to start thinking about leaving for home. After a briefing at 7 am we broke camp and loaded the plane, only to find out we weren't going to be leaving alone. Finally after waiting about 45 minutes in line we were number one for takeoff on the left side of runway with another plane slightly behind me on the right side. Now remember to stay under the incoming traffic for 5 miles and no left turns. Later turning towards home we looked down at Oshkosh with a smile and hope that sometime we will return.

Albert & Edna

King Aviation to Sponsor Safety Seminar

Thursday August 17th, KING will be hosting an FAA Safety Seminar and Cookout. The grills will be on at 5:30, with KING supplying the burgers, dogs, fixings and drinks. If you can, please bring a side dish or dessert. There will be prizes for the best salad, best appetizer and dessert. Bring the family!

The seminar will start at 7:00 PM. Jack Keenan FAA Safety coordinator, will be here to update everyone on the changes to the Safety program. Bill Grohs of William J. Grohs Aviation will be talking about insurance, what your policy really says. He will explain, in general terms, what we all need to have to be covered. Bill will also talk about renters insurance, what it covers, who needs it and why. Tom Nery, a based pilot, will introduce Pilot Geek to everyone, and talk about how and why it was developed. The seminar will count for the WINGS program. Hope to see you there.

******* FLY-IN VOLUNTEERS NEEDED! *******

The upcoming fly-in is a lot of fun...but it's also a LOT of work. The more volunteers we have, the less work for each of us.

If you have yet to volunteer, please contact Doug Mowry. If you are interested in volunteering for a specific area, you can also contact the individuals below for more details:

Kids Area and Homebuilders Area and Registration – Mike Vidal

Food – Dale Fox

Aircraft Parking – Hal Curtin

Volunteers need to be at the field by 7AM on the day of the event.

Additional help is needed for setup the night before the fly-in beginning at 5:30PM. We will need help moving planes, setting up snow fencing, and helping Tony with the speakers.

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Don't Forget the August Meeting!

The next regular Chapter meeting will be Friday, August 18th, at 7:30PM at the EAA 701 Trailer at Mansfield Airport (1B9).

The grill will be on at 6:30 to serve up some fresh, delicious hot dogs!

A representative from Keyson Airways will be present to discuss aircraft painting, restoration, etc

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