

Chapter Newsletter

October 2008



Executive Committee

September

The meeting was called to order by President Robert Vaughn. It was mentioned about printing the bylaw book with the name change. No other old business.

A certificate presentation was given to Bill Shultz for his exemplary work as editor of our newsletter by Vice President David Pierce and President Robert Vaughn. Bill has generously offered to help the next editor in this transition.



William Shultz

Meeting Discussions

Bill Schultz, Al Dunlap, Mike Cannon and Paul Adrian discussed their experience obtaining insurance for their homebuilt aircraft.

Al Dunlap got his medical back, and he is ready to take his first flight in his homebuilt Long-EZ.

For those members who were not able to attend Oshkosh this year, there is a great video about the spirit of the event. Link is below:

www.ge.com

LIPCOMING

Membership drive: please see Bill Howard about your annual dues for the Chapter Membership.

September Meeting

Globe Swift, "The Miracle Plane"

At our September, 27, 2008 meeting we had a wonderful presentation by Mike Whitt and his great restoration on his Globe Swift. After a video presentation at Sunair, Mike provided several chapter members with short demonstration flights around the field. Shown below are some of the photos of our members having a great time in the Swift.



Members: Robert Vaughn, Al Dunlap, and Ed Cihoski, were given the opportunity to fly in Mike's Globe Swift.



President Robert Vaughn



HERE I GO!

Al was the first take flight in Mikes' Globe Swift.

EAA Member Al Dunlap



AND I WAS NEXT!

EAA Member Ed Cihoski



Dr. Michael Whitt and his Globe Swift!

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

LOVE'S LANDING FLY-IN

PLACE LOVE'S LANDING

Nov 1ST

HERB CLARKS FLY-IN

HOBBY HILL AT WEIRSDALE

Nov 22ND

Florida Flying Gators Fly-in

October 25, 2008

Go after our meeting!!

EAA CHAPTER 534

EAA/CAP BUILDING OCTOBER 25TH

LEESBURG INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT

9AM

Speaker Dave Pierce – Dave's Military experience in the P-3

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Speaker George Erickson-

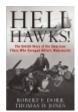
"Flying Down Under – Sky-lanes Over Australia"

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MUST READ

Neat P-47 link

http://video.google.com/videoplay?docid=4368250464023128830&pr=googsl



EAA Chapter 534 member *Mike Cannon* flew the P-47 and has given a few of his experiences to the authors of this book.

Hell Hawks! The Untold Story of the American Fliers Who Savaged Hitler's Wehrmacht

How P-47s became the tank busters of World War II

By Robert F. Dorr and Thomas D. Jones

"Hell Hawks! is the story of the band of young American fighter pilots, and their gritty, close-quarters fight against Hitler's vaunted military. The "Hell Hawks" were the men and machines of the 365th Fighter Group. Beginning just prior to D-Day, June 6, 1944, the groups young pilots (most were barely twenty years old and fresh from flight training in the United States) flew in close support of Eisenhower's ground forces as they advanced across France and into Germany. They flew the rugged, heavily armed P-47 Thunderbolt, aka the Jug. Living in tents amid the cold mud of their front-line airfields, the 365ths daily routine had much in common with that the G.I.s they supported. Their war only stopped with the Nazi surrender on May 8, 1945. During their year in combat, the Hell Hawks paid a heavy price to win the victory. Sixty-nine pilots and airmen died in the fight across the continent. The Groups 1,241 combat missions -- the daily confrontation of sudden, violent death -- forged bonds between these men that remain strong sixty years later. This book will tell their story, the story of the Hell Hawks."

The National Air and Space Museum Web site

"Action-packed" is such a cliché phrase, but anything less would do this unit history of the United States Army Air Force 365th Fighter Group little justice." - http://ww2db.com/read.php?read_id=109

