

EAA CHAPTER 534

Sept 2017

Sept 30th Chapter Meeting

by Ted Luebbers

At our September 30, 2017 general membership meeting our guest speakers were a well-known aviation couple in Central Florida. They are Kathleen Hirtz MD and her husband Steve Wolf the owners of Wing Over Aerobatics LLC based right here at the Leesburg International Airport. Both are aerobatic CFIs and are husband and wife.

Kathie spoke on the subject of the intricacies of the new FAA Basic Med Program. As a physician she does Basic Med Exams.

Steve spoke about the building of several Curtis Pitts type aerobatic aircraft. It is clear that his second interest after aerobatic flying is the building of aircraft. Steve was able to give valuable information after the meeting about the repair of the chapters newly acquired Mini-Max.



Chapter project report:

John Weber – Vice President

- TM-5. New throttle and mixture cables are available and need installation. A new oil sump gasket, oil pressure gage and sending unit are on order and will also need installation. Still thinking about installation of rear seat rudder pedals. B. Air Camper. On hold currently pending Andre and Ted's return.
- BD-6 there has been no more communication from the Bede Family Foundation. It was recommended we write a letter to them thanking them for their offer but letting them know we're moving forward on other projects.
- Thatcher CX4. This is an aluminum single seat, low wing project that a member of the Villages Flyers would like to donate the Youth Program. We will meet with him in October when he returns from up North.
- Our Member Les Woolf is donating his Mini-max 1500R aircraft that got damaged in the storm at Gator Field. This is a wood and fabric plane that uses a 40hp, 2 stroke engine. The aircraft is in the EAA hanger thanks to movement by John Weber and company, airplane movers. A group of members spent some time after our meeting evaluating repairs needed by the aircraft.
- A very sturdy new griddle on wheels was donated to the Chapter by The Order of DeMoley in memory of Steve Barber. We thank them for their generosity. It will get a good test drive at the upcoming fly-in.

New Business:

John Weber – Vice President

- Fire Extinguisher servicing in the hangar has been done courtesy of Arnold Holmes. He has covered the expense for the Chapter. Thank you, Arnold.
- A discrepancy between the corporate address with the State and our address with the IRS for our 501 C (3) paperwork was found when collecting the needed materials for the bill of sale for the minimax. Robert will be contacting the state to correct this.
- One of the instructors at Sunair will be talking with our explorers and youth regarding realistic expectations on getting a pilot's license and seeing the Redbird simulator.
- Carroll Drake has his Challenger in the hangar to replace the sails on the wings. He should be done in a few days.
- Funding for the Youth Program was discussed and after agreement, a motion was made & seconded to set up an account of \$1000 for the Youth Program from Chapter monies. This would be used to cover expenses for parts and miscellaneous items needed to complete their projects, and a debit card will be issued in John Weber's name for such use as Project Manager. The motion passed by unanimous voice vote. The Treasurer is asked to work with Jodie and John on the account setup and money transfer.
- Expenses will be presented each month for the perusal of the chapter. Monies will also be used for providing lunches and drinks for the youth program at this time. Anytime a project is sold, such as the mini-max, the funds will be rolled back over into the Youth program fund. We will consider corporate fund raising at a later time.

- There is an issue of some kind with the inner panel of the North hanger door on the EAA hanger. Something is keeping the two doors on that side from bypassing without hanging up somehow, Weber sent email to Tracey Dean to let her know it's an issue. Please be careful moving those doors around.
- Per Marc Banus of the Nominations Committee the following members have agreed to continue in their positions if approved by the membership: President: Jodie Soule, Vice President: John Weber, Secretary: Steve Tilford, Treasurer: Dora Odor and Directors: all officers, Robert Vaughn, Joel Hargis and Jim Goodspeed and Paul Adrien.

The Hangar Monkeys:

By John Weber

The hangar monkeys had a productive day. Got the new oil pressure gauge and sender installed. Got the new gasket on the oil tank. Everyone is welcome to come and join the fun on Thursday mornings!



Ted is checking out the hinges on Carroll Drake's Challenger for ideas for the aircamper



Young Eagles:

October 7th and November 4th will be our last YE flights of this year. Young Eagles flights will be updated in our calendar soon for 2018. Carlos and Mateo Colmenero will be printing our certificates.

Explorer Post:

We will be doing some re-organization with the Explorers; also, congratulations to Carson Poulson on achieving Eagle Scout status.

Youth Program 10/7/17

by John Weber

We had 3 of our young people working on the mini-max today. Mateo and Mark Banus were taking gussets off the broken wing ribs. Carson, Aiden and Lenny LaBranche were working on cutting new cap strips for the repairs. We built a cutting jig for cutting the new pieces to splice in. (Frank McCutcheon and Paul Adrien were busily working on the TM-5 while we had the others working away). I think that we all had fun.

Robert and Dale were there at the beginning, many thanks to the members that were there to help.



UPCOMING Meetings

- **October 21st** – will be our Fly-In, starting with donuts and coffee at 9 am, with a Wings meeting at 10 am. We will have a hamburger/hotdog lunch after that. Jodie has provided the timing to the Mooney group.
- **November 4th** – Some discussion about attending the Deland LSA Expo. More to come on this.
- **November 4th** – Young Eagles
- **November 12th** – Tom Bowden's annual Sea-Rey Fly-In.
- **November 18th** – This will be our General Meeting to avoid a conflict with Thanksgiving. Currently there's no presentation. Any ideas out there?
- **December 3rd** – Annual Christmas party at the Adrien's. We need to verify the date with Paul.

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