

EAA 908 HYLITES

Monthly Newsletter for Chapter 908, EAA
Saint Lucie County, Florida



June Meeting

James Pepler gave a presentation on his flying career in the Air Force. He flew various aircraft but the highlight was flying F-16s. He had been an instructor near the end of his career, and had a slide show on the capabilities and types of ordinance that is usually carried by Air Force aircraft.



James Pepler, in Air flight suit. Flight helmets and G-suit on table.

Mark Your Calendar:

- **July 19 - Chapter Meeting**
- **July 22 - Pancake Breakfast**
- **Every Sat. morning — coffee and donuts at club house**

July Meeting

Mike Ketchpaw has arranged for the Coast Guard to fly in with a helicopter.

Officers:

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Items of Interest from E-Board Meeting

The monies collected on the rental of the Chapter hangar have accumulated to a useable amount, and are earmarked for tools and/or equipment to be used by all Chapter members. A request for suggested purchases will be made of all members at the general meeting.

Mr. Bob quick has proposed donating a quantity of aircraft parts and tools to the Chapter. A request will be made at the general meeting for a team leader to inventory and roughly value the property.

Board will look into some sort of recognition to commemorate Robin Moorman having flown over 200 Young Eagles.

Jerry Gordon will hold a 50/50 raffle at one or more upcoming pancake breakfasts, with the proceeds to be used to purchase a Chapter gas grill.

Air/Space Annex - Richard Chapman

Over the Fourth of July week, I went to Washington, DC for an Army Viet Nam pilot reunion. One of the excursions was an evening visit to the Steven F. Udvar-Hazy Center near Washington Dulles International Airport. This facility opened just a few years ago and is in my book the World's Best Aviation Museum. We were there after hours and had the whole place to ourselves. I took dozens of pictures and tried to see everything on display, while eating the buffet dinner. But in 3 1/2 hours I was being herded out by the security guards. There are the largest to the smallest, old and almost new aircraft of every kind. Space Shuttle Enterprise, SR-71, Enola Gay B-29 were the big guys, and a Crosley Flea was one of the smallest. I want to go back again. They have moved a few items from the Smithsonian Air Space Museum on the Capital Mall, and most of the rest of the displays had been in storage at various locations. On my last day in DC, I did get to the mall and see the "old" museum, along with thousands of school kids, where the Wright Flyer is still on display.

More Flight Rules

9. The pilot is the highest form of life on earth.
10. The ideal pilot is the perfect blend of discipline and aggressiveness.
11. The medical profession is the natural enemy of the aviation profession.
12. The job of the Wing Commander is to worry incessantly that his career depends solely on the abilities of his aviators to fly their airplanes without mishap and that their only minuscule contribution to the effort is to bet their lives on it.
14. Ever notice that the only experts who decree that the age of the pilot is over are people who have never flown anything? Also, in spite of the intensity of their feelings that the pilot's day is over I know of no such expert who has volunteered to be a passenger in a non-piloted aircraft.
15. It is absolutely imperative that the pilot be unpredictable. Rebelliousness is very predictable. In the end, conforming almost all the time is the best way to be unpredictable.
16. He who demands everything that his aircraft can give him is a pilot; he that demands one iota more is a fool.

From the Editor:

I've found a bunch of stuff to fill this edition, so it's almost done. Many thanks to those that contributed. Anyone with a stories, news, trips to Key West, aircraft projects, bios of members, etc. can share it with the world through *HYLITES*, as we archive the recent issues on the web. We have not copyrighted anything in the past, but may work up something in the future. Generally, any other EAA or not-for-profit publication is free to use anything in this newsletter, just give us credit and send us a copy.

Nominations - Lee Roman

The chapter is looking for members to fill three vacancies. These are the following positions to be filled:
President – Secretary and a board member.

Anyone interested in the above or would like to recommend someone to fill these vacancies, please contact the following:

Chairman of the election committee:

Lee Roman – 772 770 5984

Paul Fischer – 772 464 0538

Jim Royal - 772 468 3524

The Board would like to thank the following

Ceiling work, Elder, Kemper, Juback

Floor wash and wax, Vadnais, Kemper, Knaggs

Taxiway repair, Ramsdell

Painting Blue of Chapterhouse, Groendyke

Need Volunteers soon to mount Hurricane Shutters on Windows and door

Richard Chapman cooking after Young Eagles Day. Supervised by Kevin Griffin and Dave Stubers



Young Eagles - 10 June



Robin Moorman about to start engine with two Young Eagles as she passes 200 YE's flown

FIFTY ONE registrations were sent to Oshkosh for entry in the Big Log Book following our 10 July (International Young Eagles Day) rally. Six aircraft flying, one aircraft for static display, six pilots flying, and a great turnout of ground volunteers. Robin Blanton flew 4 in four flights, Jerry Groendyke flew 9 in three flights, Robin Moorman flew 16 in six flights, Fred Prat flew 4 in 4 flights, Dave Subers flew 10 in four flights, and Richard Whittemore flew 8 (plus 1 adult and one other) in 4 flights. Congratulations to Robin MOORMAN who passed the 200 mission level to reach 207 YE's to date. A hearty well done to all.

We tried some new administrative twists for this Rally which will be evaluated at the next meeting. I am recommending to the Board that our next Rally be held on 4 November.

All members are encouraged to fly Young Eagles at any time of their choosing, not just during the scheduled rallies. Several of you have participated in rallies of the Vero Beach and Stuart chapters.

The Chapter YEC position will fall open following the November rally - step forward during our October elections and volunteer to fill this rewarding position.

Tom, your soon to be ex - YEC

Airport Notes & Miscellaneous

Airfield Update

Land is being cleared for a new fire station, just south of Taxiway Delta.

New security badges are now being used on the "main" ramp area. Airfield security training will be accomplished at the SEPTEMBER 20th meeting. NOTE the early start time of 7pm. This is needed to process all affected individuals. You will need a copy of your driver's license. The Chapter is planning to have a copier available, but if you bring a copy, it will speed things up. Enhanced security at the EAA will begin 1 October.

Ron Knaggs has his gyrocopter on order. It is due in August. He has been getting checked out for this category of aircraft.

Mike Ketchpaw purchased the Grumann American Traveler that was owned by a pilot in Stuart. It is parked on and outside pad, on the south side of the hangers.

Three shares are for sale in the Flying Club. The annual is due in a few weeks, during which some touch up painting will be done, and the prop reconditioned.

The Chapter could always use any tools or equipment for the shop area. Also, some aviation things. Books, tapes, computers, printers, copiers are also possible. But please, contact an officer before you drop something off to make sure it could have a use.

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