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ATTENDANCE: A total of 15 members and one guest were present. Our guest, Steve Coker, was a past member of our chapter and drops in from time to time. Steve held the position of secretary in 90/91, was president for two terms 92/93 & 94/95 and his daughter, Robin, was his sidekick and helped with the chapter logo color choices.

CALL TO ORDER: President Howard Bates called the meeting to order at 7:40 PM.

READING OF MINUTES: A motion was made by Jim Naphas, seconded by Ed Neumann and approved by the membership, to waive the reading of the April 15, 2009 minutes and accept them as published in the newsletter.

TREASURERS REPORT: Roy Hermansen reported that he recently sent a check of \$150 to Robins Nest, which reflects our annual contribution to their cause. Also, an order for some chapter T-Shirts of various sizes, including XXL, was made and they should be available during our pancake breakfast event. As for jackets, previously Roy thought each member could go to the vendor to get sized and order their individual jackets, but this has changed since the vendor will not sell to individuals. It will have to be a bulk order by the chapter, so if you want a jacket, see Roy. A motion was made by Ed Neumann, seconded by Charlie Eshleman and approved by the membership to accept the report as given.

NEWS AND CORRESPONDENCE: Howard Bates reported on a letter from EAA Oshkosh regarding new TSA security measures which will adversely affect general aviation at smaller commercial airports

TECHNICAL COUNSELORS REPORT: Whitey Lance reported that he is continuing to inspect Jerry

MEETING MINUTES

EXPERIMENTAL AIRCRAFT ASSOCIATION
MEETING MINUTES - MAY 20, 2009

LOCATION: Freefall Adventures Sky Diving
Center, at Cross Keys Airport, Williamstown, NJ.

Meddick's ongoing Steen Sky bolt and Jacob's radial engine project.

OLD BUSINESS: (1) Duffy's Hangar Wall Chart - Thanks to Tom McDowell and Tom Coyle this ongoing project is making progress. The chart has been laminated and is looking good. Next step will be to mount it onto a board and then hang it on the wall. (2) Chapter Fly-Out to Massey 5/9- Due to poor weather it appears no one ventured out. Howard Bates and Jim Naphas did go to the Harrison House meeting point for car pooling, but missed each other by a few minutes. Neither one wanted to drive alone, so both returned home. (3) Horn Point Fly-In 5/16 - Several members had intended to visit this event but poor visibility in the AM and the threat of thunderstorms resulted in no one going. (4) Atlantic City Tower Visit - Tom McDowell reported the event is scheduled for Wednesday, August 12 at 10 AM. See the most recent events calendar for details. (5) WWII Guys Talk - Bill Conway is firming up the plans for a First Saturday get together at the Millville Army Airfield Museum to hear two veterans of WWII tell about their experiences. Watch for the schedule in our calendar of events, possibly in November. This should be a good one! (6) Founders Wing at Oshkosh - Bob Cooper has already sent one each of our chapter's clothing patch, decal and lapel pin, to be included in this new display at the museum.

NEW BUSINESS: (1) Pancake Breakfast - Pres. Howard Bates reviewed all aspects of the event including the food inventory and purchasing; trailer cleaning, readiness and transportation; extra tables and chairs rental; advertising; Young Eagle set-up; kitchen and ground control volunteers; and Friday afternoon set-up. Also camping permitted per Bob McGuigan.

MISCELLANEOUS: (1) Millville Airport - Bob Cooper reported that due to economic times, the airport might be looking to change the name and link it to the Motorsports speedway? There are condo's being built for race team use and the Jet Center may possibly close. (2) Roy Hermansen reported that Free Fall has opened a new restaurant at their site. It will be open 7 to 7 and is being operated by a catering outfit. (3) An update on Terry Rush reported he has come home from the

Croizer burn center, but still has some mending to do.

PROGRAM: Sun-N-Fun Fly-In Reports - Tom McDowell and Bill Conway both gave reports on their adventures at SNF. Not only did they enjoy the SNF main grounds, but they also visited several sites in the vicinity, such as the Splash-In located at the Herman Weeks museum facility. They have a large pond for landing all kinds of sea planes and did lot's of demos and flying. Tom and Bill also visited a hang gliding facility and took a dual ride. Then they participated in a sailplane ride for about \$160. After that they visited an airfield that had a lot of Trikes. The trikes they saw were top of the line models that can cruise much faster than Tom or Bill's 65 to 70 mph. Sounds like they really had a good time!

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting adjourned at 8:40 and the program ended at 9:10 PM.

Submitted By: Bill Varnes, Chapter Secretary ✍

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

JUNE 17- ----- CROSS KEYS, NJ
EAA CHAPTER 216 MEETING - 7:30 PM
@ FREE FALL ADVENTURE MEETING ROOM
PRESIDENT HOWARD BATES- 856/728-2354
www.MK1monrol@verizon.net

JUNE 17 - 20 ----- LOCK HAVEN, PA
24TH ANNUAL SENTIMENTIAL JOURNEY TO CUB HAVEN
570/893-4200

JUNE 19-21 ----- WELLSVILLE, PA
20TH ANNUAL FATHERS DAY FLY-IN FOOTLIGHT RANCH -
www.footlightranch.com 717/432-4441

JUNE 20-21 ----- DOVER, DE
"THUNDERBIRD" SHOW - DOVER AFB

JUNE 27 - JULY 4 ----- ELMIRA, NY
INTERNATIONAL VINTAGE SOARING MEET
NATIONAL SOARING MUSEUM HARRIS HILL
- www.soaringmuseum.org 607/734-3128

JULY 11 ----- TOUGHKENAMON, PA
EAA CHAPTER 240 FAMOUS PANCAKE BREAKFAST
NEW GARDEN AIRPORT (N57) - 302/234-9596 www.eaa240.org

JULY 11-12 ----- BETHEL, PA
WINGS & WHEELS DRIVE-IN/FLY-IN SHOW
GRIMES AIRFIELD - www.goldenageair.org - 717/933-9566

JULY 12 ----- WOODBINE, NJ
EAA CHAPTER 287 - FLY-IN BREAKFAST
WOODBINE MUNICIPAL AIRPORT (1N4)
Jim Romano - President - - FlyingJR13@hotmail.com

JULY 15- ----- CROSS KEYS, NJ
EAA CHAPTER 216 MEETING - 7:30 PM
@ FREE FALL ADVENTURE MEETING ROOM
PRESIDENT HOWARD BATES- 856/728-2354
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JULY 23-25 ----- BRODHEAD, WI
EAA CHAPTER 431 HATZ-PIETENPOL FLY-IN
BRODHEAD AIRPORT (C37) - www.eaa431.org

JULY 27-AUGUST 2 ----- OSHKOSH, WI
EAA AIRVENTURE WITTMAN REGIONAL AIRPORT (OSH)
MAKE PLANS EARLY - www.AirVenture.org

JULY 31 - AUGUST 2 ----- READINGTON, NJ
QUICK CHECK BALLON FESTIVAL
SOLBERG AIRPORT (N51) - 800/468-2479

AUGUST 12 ----- ATLANTIC CITY, NJ
AIRPORT TOWER VISIT - ATTENDEE'S LIMITED - SIGN UP NOW
7:45 AM - MEET AT PETER'S DINER - WILLIAMSTOWN FOR
BREAKFAST -
9:45 AM - ARRIVE AT AC AIRPORT FOR TOWER VISIT
PRESIDENT HOWARD BATES- 856/728-2354
www.MK1monro1@verizon.net

AUGUST 19 ----- ATLANTIC CITY, NJ
THUNDER OVER THE BOARDWALK
11:00 AM TO 3:30 PM
www.atlanticcitychamber.com

AUGUST 22 - RAIN DATE 23- ----- BETHEL, PA
GOLDEN AGE FLYING CIRCUS AIR SHOW
GRIMES AIRFIELD - GOLDEN AGE AIR MUSEUM
www.goldenageair.org - - 717/933-9566

SEPTEMBER 4-7- ----- WILDWOOD, NJ
13TH ANNUAL AIRFEST - NASW MUSEUM -
WILL HOST WW-II AIRCRAFT - B-17/B-24/B-25/P-51
CAPE MAY COUNTY AIRPORT (WWD)
www.usnasw.org - - 609/886-8787

SEPTEMBER 12 ----- TOUGHKENAMON, PA
EAA CHAPTER 240 FAMOUS PANCAKE BREAKFAST
NEW GARDEN AIRPORT (N57) - 302/234-9596
www.eaa240.org

SEPTEMBER 13 ----- WOODBINE, NJ
EAA CHAPTER 287 - FLY-IN BREAKFAST
WOODBINE MUNICIPAL AIRPORT (1N4)
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SEPTEMBER 19 ----- OCEAN CITY, NJ
OCEAN CITY MUNICIPAL AIRPORT - (26N)
ANNUAL OPEN HOUSE FLY-IN - 609/399-0907

SEPTEMBER 20 ----- SIMSBURY, CT
24TH ANNUAL FLY-IN and CAR SHOW
SIMSBURY AIRPORT - 860/380-0040
www.simsburyairport.com

SEPTEMBER 27-28 ----- BETHEL, PA
13TH ANNUAL FALL ANTIQUE AEROPLANE SHOW FLY-IN
GRASS ROOTS DRIVE-IN/FLY-IN
GRIMES AIRFIELD - GOLDEN AGE MUSEUM
www.goldenageair.org - - 717/933-9566

OCTOBER 3 ----- ALLOWAY, NJ
EAA CHAPTER 216 ANNUAL FALL FESTIVAL FLY-IN
WHITEY LANCE AIRPORT (NJ02)
PRESIDENT HOWARD BATES- 856/728-2354
www.MK1monro1@verizon.net

OCTOBER 17 ----- DULLES AIRPORT
EAA CHAPTER 287 BUS TRIP TO NASM Udvar-Hazy Museum
More Detail to follow

DECEMBER 6 ----- MASSEY, MD
ANNUAL OPEN HANGAR DAY -
MASSEY AIRDROME (MD1) MASSEY AIR MUSEUM
"Hors D'oeuvres" WELCOME - 1:00 TO 4:00 PM

410/928.5270 - - www.masseyaero.org

FEBRUARY 2-4, 2010 ----- SEBRING, FL
U.S. SPORT AVIATION EXPO
SEBRING REGIONAL AIRPORT (SEF)
www.SPORT-AVIATION-EXPO.com

APRIL 13-18, 2010 ----- LAKELAND, FL
SUN-'n-FUN FLY-IN
LAKELAND LINDER REGIONAL AIRPORT (LAL)
www.SUN-N-FUN.org

JULY 26-AUGUST 1, 2010- ----- OSHKOSH, WI
EAA AIRVENTURE WITTMAN REGIONAL AIRPORT (OSH)
MAKE PLANS EARLY - www.AirVenture.org

This information is not guaranteed.

It's wise to confirm dates as some events cancel without notice.
Please send event data or updates to Bob Cooper - 856/694-4221
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Bill's Adventures

PANCAKE BREAKFAST OBSERVATIONS

By Bill Varnes 6/7/2009

Boy 'O Boy! What a great time was had by all at our **EAA Chapter 216 Pancake Breakfast in Memory of Doug MacLeod**. This event, held annually at Cross Keys airport, was for the first time named in memory of Doug. And his wife, Betty, did us the honor of attending both days. I would venture to say that this June 6th and 7th breakfast event was one of our best in recent years. We had moved the date from May to early June (as was suggested by Bob McGuigan, whose hangar we use) in hopes of having better weather. And even though it wasn't perfect, it was a whole bunch better than the high winds and/or rain we had experienced in recent years. On Saturday the ceilings were low, and that prevented flying early in the day, although as the clouds rose, there were some planes that flew in. Sunday started out with ground fog and haze, but eventually cleared up enough to permit quite a few planes to arrive. Many thanks to those attendees who flew-in or drove-in, to make our event the success that it was.

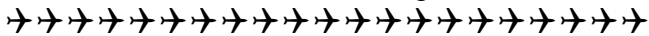
In years past we were sometimes a little short handed with volunteers in the food prep area. Working in the kitchen usually doesn't allow one to get much time to go out to 'look at the planes'. But this year we had some extra help from members Tom Coyle, Warren Estlack and Rick Wisner. This gave us an opportunity, on occasion, to go outside to see some of the planes that flew in. On Saturday there were three ultralights from the Jersey Shore UL club. They are based at either Pemberton and/or Perl Acres airports, both of which are located close to McGuire AFB. Another point of interest was seeing Ed Neumann getting a belated birthday ride in Bill Stockel's Great Lakes Bi-plane. Ed, being way over the hill now, had a really difficult time of getting his joints to work while getting into and out of the front cockpit. See the pictures☺.

On Sunday, Alan Mancus, Art Kruysman and I flew our Kolb ultralight planes to the breakfast. We departed Alloway with poor visibility, but with Alan leading the way using his GPS,

we arrived safely. Charlie Eshleman, who wasn't quite ready to leave when we did, navigated by himself and arrived safely a few minutes later. His landing though was a little wild. Just when it appeared he had a good one, his Avid Flyer plane suddenly started zigzagging. Charlie persevered though and got it back under control. Whew! There was a cute little experimental plane that flew in from Maryland. It looked like a miniature Ag-Cat. As I recall, this design began life as an ultralight with a small Rotax 277 engine and was called a 'Bob Cat'. But this fellow built the later version named the 'Super Bob Cat' which was beefed up to use the larger Rotax 503 engine. He did an outstanding job of workmanship. Hope someone got a picture of it. Art and I flew back to Alloway to get our cars and by the time we returned, found everything was all cleaned up, thanks to all the volunteers. Looking forward to next year.



Bill Varnes Going home



View from the Tail Gunner

Ed Neumann

This was one of the better spring Fly in's that I can remember. And not just because I got my Ride in Bill Stockel's Great Lakes Bi-plane. Yes Bill, I'm not as limber as I used to be either. (I did need some help getting in AND out) But it was worth it. WOW!



This year we dedicated the Fly in to Doug McLeod. Doug was a long time active member of 216 and the Exec. Board. I don't think he ever missed a meeting. His wife Betty and one of his best friends, Ken Pierce were here both Sat and Sunday



Bob Cooper, Kenny Pierce and Betty McLeod



Ira Weissman teaches the Young Eagles about how Airplanes fly during their Flight Briefing.

The traditional Friday night Grill warming was a success in spite of the rain, but it dampend the spirits of the overnight campers. I heard that the rain was "in tents" Saturday morning the ceiling was so low that only the old scud runners made it in.

The afternoon brought the Sunshine and planes from far away.



Mike Parry's beautiful Citabria



The Young Eagles Tent



Art Kruysman in his Kolb

Everyone asks about Terry Rush, the pilot of the TBM Dive Bomber that caught fire at Millville Airport. Terry was able to land the plane with the cockpit on fire and escaped by jumping off the wing. Hi wife, Leslie, gave me permission to include this letter for you. Here it is;

May 31, 2009

I thought I'd write a quick update for all of you that keep asking how Terry really is.

He is so happy to be home and out of the hospital, but the reality of his injuries and the actuality of the time it will take to heal has started to set in. This is the longest time Terry has ever been home – he is not used to sitting around or not working on some sort of project. He has always been a 'doer' and has never been one to lounge around. The worst part of all is that he is in terrible pain. The first week home was awful – like bringing your newborn home for the first time, he came home without instructions! I joked about being his nurse but the truth is I had to take on that role. He required constant care. From administering his long list of medications, to actually wrapping and medicating his wounds, it was quite terrifying for me. Every time I touched him he said it was like razor blades scratching him. He has tight fitting gloves and a pressure jacket that he needs to wear all the time. However, the success of healing his scars and stretching his skin also depends on moisturizing his wounds at least 5 times a day. That means taking these garments off and on, and each time I took them off he was in agony. This has not been fun but each day it has become a little less painful (for both of us). We have come so far – when I first had to help him he had absolutely NO humor and told me to try and do it more like his nurses. (He found absolutely No humor when I told him that they said I should begin with putting masking tape over his mouth before I started). Now, he prefers my technique and says that I'm the only one that really knows how to put all those garments on the right way!

The goal is also to get him to gain weight so he is on a high protein diet and he has gained 11 pounds. As his official food taster (making sure it is not too hot) and cooking four little meals a day for him, I too have gained weight!

He has physical therapy 5 days a week (for 2 hours) and we are seeing great progress. He is very discipline and extremely driven. I know we will see even bigger progress as the pain begins to subside and he is not as inhibited. As it turns out his physical therapist is an aviation enthusiast and is determined to get Terry back to the airport! He can't wait to see the airplanes and every day has a slew of flying questions for Terry!