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President's Corner by Vic Briley

Hello fellow flyers:

Do you ever dream of flying? I found this interesting tidbit from the Free Dream Dictionary by MSN Astrology:

Flying

The dreamer's basic ambition, drive, goals, and dreams. If the dreamer is flying like a bird, then he can accomplish his goals almost on his own. If the dreamer is flying in an airplane, or other sort of airship, he will need assistance. If the weather around him is turbulent, the path to success will be rocky and strewn with obstacles. If it is clear, the path ahead should be straightforward and easily traveled. If others are flying with him, he needs to gather the support of others in order to attain his goal.

I often dream of flying like a bird, but am constantly dodging power lines. Hmmmm. Well, no one ever said life was easy. I like a challenge. That's why I do what I do. Speaking of challenges, we are hoping that our first fly-in/camp-in is a success, and it should be, if we practice due diligence. One thing I have noticed about our chapter is, we work together very well as a team. There are no slackers in this group. We will need your help and the help of others outside of our chapter to make this event a success.

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What's Happening By Phil Curtiss

We need your input at the meeting this month. We have a lot of planning to do for the Fly-In/Camp-in. Work assignments have to be made.

Committees have been meeting and a lot of the ground work is done. But now we need you all.

Plans for the deck rail and benches will be available at the meeting along with a suggested price list. Again we need your thoughts.



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Next Meeting June 10, 2009

**At the Airport
Board at 7:00pm
Chapter at 7:30pm**

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Coming Events

Jun. 10 **Board Meeting 7:00 pm**
Regular Meeting 7:30 pm
at the Airport.

Jun 12-14 **Fly-in / Camp-in**

Jul. 8 **Board Meeting 7:00 pm**
Regular Meeting 7:30 pm
at the Airport.



Introducing the “Newbie”

By Paul Gregory, EAA Chapter 1410

I am in many respects a “newbie.” I am new to this world of homebuilding and to aviation as a whole. Unlike some of our members, I have not assembled anything more complicated than a scale model aircraft, nor am I a high-time pilot.

Despite always being interested in aircraft since I was six, it wasn't until I was thirty-four that I did anything about it. At the time I had a false alarm regarding my heart and this scare made me change some of my priorities - so I decided to learn to fly. Every week I learned to fly despite juggling the responsibilities of launching my own software services company and the arrival of my second child. This was eight years ago.

Once I earned my wings in 2001, I enthusiastically took up friends and family for rides. But my friends at the time were not aviation junkies so the thrill of solo \$100 hamburger flights began to wane and I never got over being a newbie and an outsider to general aviation. Like many other newly licensed private pilots I began to leave the hobby.

For the intervening years I let my priorities shift back and let life take me over—I continued to build my company, Intervera Data Solutions (with two business partners), and watch my daughter Sarah and younger son Jonathon grow up. My passion for aviation never died and I never stopped reading about it as my wife Mary can testify to by pointing to all the boxes of magazines and flying books as evidence! Despite this, I stopped flying.

In 2004, I came across the International EAA website and I thought I'd join. At first I enjoyed the articles in *Sport Aviation* magazine and I began to think about the possibility of building my own aircraft.

But the stories covered people far away from home and as a newbie I remained intimidated that I could never tackle such a project alone.

A year later, a newsletter arrived in the mail from a newly formed group based in High River. From reading this newsletter, I realized that there were others in Alberta who not only considered homebuilding but also had done it! With encouragement from many, I decided to drive down from Calgary and see what this group was all about. From the first moment I walked into the meeting room in the flight services building, I realized that I had found a group of like-minded people from many different walks of life who were passionate about the same thing. I joined EAA Chapter 1410 High River that night.

Since joining the chapter, I changed and made aviation a priority again. I signed up for pilot recurrency training, got all checked out and now I fly regularly either renting or flying with chapter friends. I flew down to Oshkosh in 2006 and along with twenty other chapter members volunteered in the “Lancaster at Oshkosh” tent. I took two EAA SportAir Workshops courses at High River - Sheet Metal Basics and Electrical Systems. Last year my family hosted the Ram River Fly-Out and later we drove down with our trailer to the Arlington Northwest Fly-in. I volunteered to play an active role in the chapter.

It is 2008 now and I haven't committed to a homebuilt yet, but I am fine with this since I will know when the time is right. So, I still consider myself a newbie. But now I am among friends who are either newbies themselves or remember being one and are enthusiastically willing to help.

President's Corner - Continued

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I would like to thank Dr. Jeff Kyff for an excellent presentation on FAA medical issues last month. He was very informative and entertaining.

Our new 18' by 40' canopy is in our chapter hangar and has been inventoried. It is complete and in good condition. All we need is some canvas to make some storage bags for the tent. If you have something

that we could use, please let me know or bring a sample with you to the meeting.

This month our meeting will be dedicated solely to planning our fly-in/camp-in. I hope you can all be there, as we need all the help we can get.

Keep the blue side up!

Vic Briley



Sure Hope They're Friendly!

May Meeting Minutes

EAA Chapter 1095 Officer Meeting

7:07: meeting called to order by Pres. Vic. All Officers present, except for George M.

Minutes of last meeting approved as written. Mary Way made the motion and Don McCoy supported

Treasury report: \$2160.43 in the checking account at the present time

Old Business

Phil is planning on getting the benches built as soon as the weather warms.

Tent is purchased and ready to unpack and inventory.

June Fly-in will be discussed and final planning at our next meeting.

New Business

July meeting to be a potluck. Will finalize the "who brings what" list at the next meeting.

Wally Loney proposed changing the date and time of our next meeting for the potluck to July 15th.

Was voted on during the Members meeting and it was agreed to have a 6:00 PM meeting on July 15th at our hangar.

Bob Johnson mentioned we should consider purchasing a large coffee pot and Chaffing dishes for the Fly-in.

Future planning for guest speakers? If anyone has ideas let Vic know.

Members meeting closed at 7:23 PM

Motion to accept; Wally McCoy

Second: Mary Way

EAA Member Meeting

7:36 PM: Meeting called to order

Vic introduced our guest speaker, Jeff Kyff

Old Business:

Recruiting new members to be a focus at the Fly-in

Time to get the plaque put up and a new flag at the terminal building.

New Business:

EAA trial membership program is free for 6 mos. to anyone interested in trying us out.

New member is Joe Franzack. Welcome!

Anyone interested in attending the EAA Leadership Conference should let Vic know ASAP.

If there is interest in a Weekend work party to clean up our hangar, let Vic know and it can be arranged.

July meeting date to be the 15th at 6:00 PM at our Chapter Hangar for a pot luck.

Jeff Kyff gave a very interesting presentation regarding FAA requirements for a flight physical and a vast array of information on medical conditions affecting passing a medical exam for pilot's licensing.

Phil Curtiss won the 50/50 drawing. \$12.50, donating \$10.50 to the Chapter.

9:38: Meeting closed.

Motion to accept: Wally Loney

Second: Phil Curtiss



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