EAA-1270 Chapter Meeting Minutes at CMX-H2, July 13, 2024

Meeting Called To Order:

> 09:02

Chapter Members & Guests Present:

- > Officers: Ed Schneiderhan , Erik Lee, Craig Kimmer, Ken Muzzy
- > Members: John Westerinen , Joe Masini, Guy Juntunen

Presidents Report:

- > Erik did some light H2-1270-HQ remodeling: We now have about twenty paper-sized (8.5"x 1") places for framed pictures for chapter aircraft, or anything else that may promote the chapter.
- > Erik also presented a newly fabricated set of "EAA 1270" chocks ready for use as ALL the others have been stolen. Erik pointed out that at least one set may hopefully appeal to women aviators with the pink motif.

Vice Presidents Report:

> Ed shared with everyone that he & his wife entered his Kitfox in the Lake Linden parade (winning 1st Place) putting it on a float. Ed put a flyer (with Erik Lee's collaboration) in an envelope along with a kids buildable Styrofoam airplane & tossed them to the public like candy from the float. Good job, Ed! See the end of this document for pictures of the handouts.

Treasurer's Report: No treasurer's Report; however, Erik Lee mentioned that we probably have \$1,379.60 in chapter bank account as reported last month. YE 2024 Flight Credits: \$215.00 Key: <u>Use-it or lose-it</u> by December 2024 (Re: Craig Kimmer) > We still need to reimburse Erik Lee for the National EAA Membership 2024 he paid for out of pocket, \$422.00...

Chapter Membership & Member Dues:

> Everyone attending today should be paid up for 2024. *Note: We should still collectively go through potential new members on Erik's new member sheet sometime.*

Old Business:

Joint effort/s between Civil Air Patrol & EAA-1270: Summer Youth Program: Thursday, July 18 (19 Rain-Day), 2024:

> Civil Air Patrol Responsibilities:

- C1) Teach SYP/MTU & tight YE coordination with EAA-1270
- C2) Rain day schedule will be the Friday following, the 19th
- C3) Still confirming planes/pilots & kids.

> EAA-1270 Responsibilities:

E1) safety ground handling for students around airplanes: Ground Boss & Remp Briefing/Ken Muzzy, Air Boss & Air Briefing/Guy Juntunen

<u>Potential Pilots for SYP/MTU event per Joe Masini & Ed Schneiderhan:</u>

- Ed Schneiderhan, Cessna 172D, N421UH (2-3 seats available)
- Doug McKenzie, Zenith CH750, N792MC (1-seat available)
- Dave Schmidt, Piper Cherokee 140, N5531F (2-3 seats available)
- Mike Roth, Cessna 152, N757EV (seats available ?)
- Club plane, Piper PA-28-140, N697YA (3-seats available)
- Adam Danielson, Beechcraft Bonanza V35B, N4486S (3-seats available ?)
- Chris Bushong, Cessna 150L, N11243, Cessna 150L, N7172N, Beech V35A (seats available ?)
- Michael Cyrus (seats available ?)
- Guy Juntunen (seats available ?)

New Business:

Workshop:

- > Ed suggests the club members join together to finish cleaning the Todd & Chris Lewis Fab-Air Workshop to make way for a new build. We also need to clean the back office & meeting area. We need to return Todd's metal brake, grinder, vice & whatever else that needs collecting for Todd. We need volunteers to put their names & dates they can work in the proverbial hat...
- > Find a chapter project for the Todd & Chris Lewis Fab-Air Workshop...
- > Craig fixed the non-airport side, entrance door key combination lock. Thanks, Craig!

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Project Possibilities:

- > Ed Schneiderhan ,Cessna 180...
- > Matt Huuki , Titan 351 Mustang...

All Member Efforts Going Forward:

- > Let us know who has their bright safety shirts so we can use them for the MTU/SUP 2024 (18/19 July 2024)...
- > We still need to update member aircraft N numbers & go through Erik's DB for chapter new member outreach...
- > Please take some nice photos of your member aircraft for our website (Re: Dave Schmidt) & new plaque wall.

Chapter's Website: (Dave Schmidt):

> No report...

Safety:

> No Report

Young Eagles:

Craig Kimmer is following up on pilots EAA accreditations for the CAP SYP flights...

Civil Air Patrol:

> No CAP aircraft here right now.

Drones:

> No Report

Airport Board Meeting:

> No updated report available on CMX site. Dennis is "working on it"...

Airport Improvement:

> No Report

Builders' Corner:

- > Nieuport 11, John Westerinen: Aircraft is as Is. John showed off his new Model-A Trunk with all newly made black smith forged hardware. Absolutely beautiful!
- > Kitfox, Ed Schneiderhan: In Lake Linden parade...
- < Ed Schneiderhan, Cessna 172D, Ed Schneiderhan: No new information...
- > Fisher 303, Ken Muzzy: No new information...

Gossip, Fun & Facts:

> Take notice of The Far Side flying comics on the last page...

Next Chapter Meeting:

> Saturday, August 10, 2024: Please Note: I will not be at our next meeting on August 10, '24. My wife & I will be taking our son Jasper out to Utah State University, where he will be studying Aerospace & Mechanical Engineering with an emphasis on physics & mathematics. I am so proud of him!

Meeting Adjourned:

> 09:44

Recorded by:

> Erik Lee (Chapter Pres.)



Interested in aviation?

Do you know someone that is?

Would you like to meet others over the moon about aviation too?

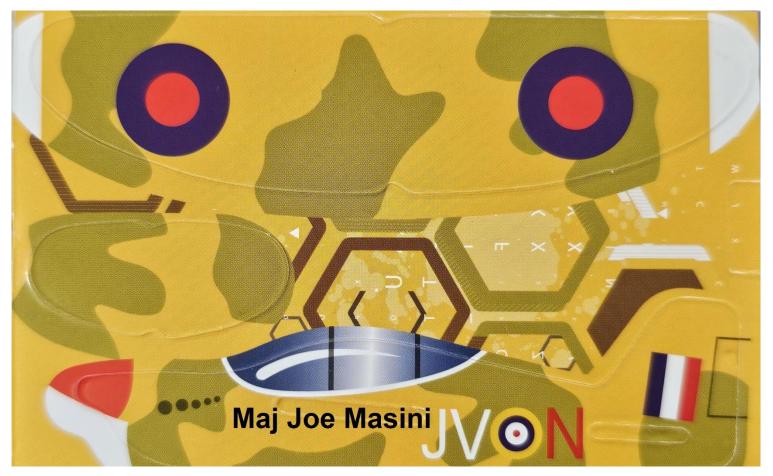
Would you like to see & maybe even help build an actual aircraft, learn to fly, & maybe even consider an aviation career?

Believe it or not, it's all right hear in Calumet, Michigan!

Then, what are you waiting for? Adults & kids very welcome!

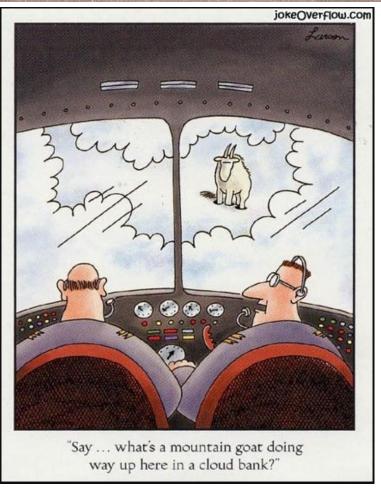
- Come join us for one of our monthly meetings, meet the pilots & see what aviation is all about:
 WHEN: Every second Saturday of each month at 9:00a...
 WHERE: At the Houghton County Airport in hanger #2: 23810 Airpark Blvd., Calumet, MI 49913

Our website is: https://www.pasty.com/~eaa1270/home



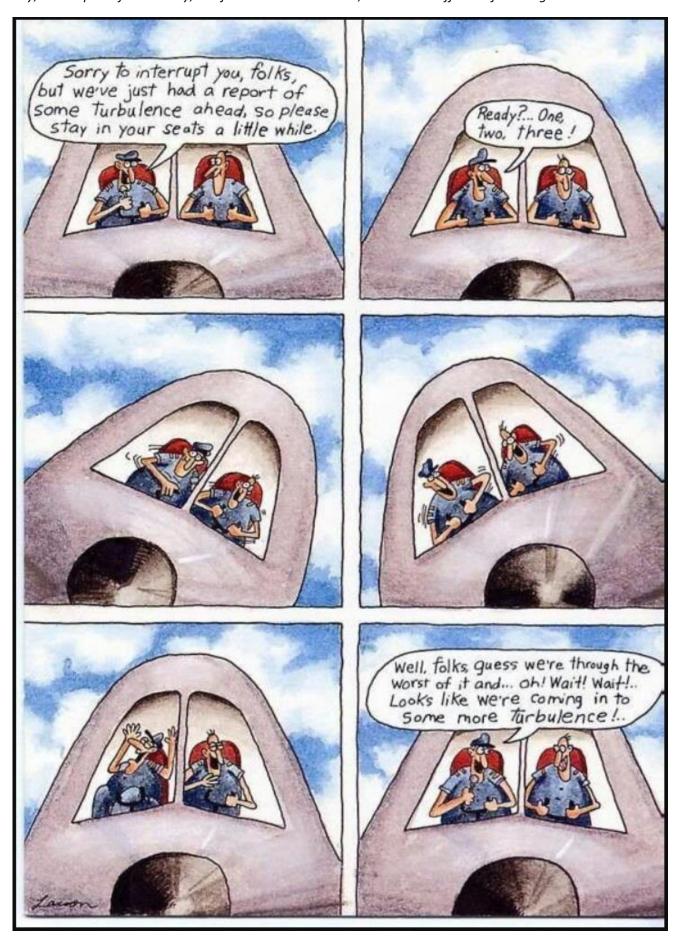
The above two items are the items that Ed & Amy Schneiderhan handed out from their AC float in the Lake Linden parade...





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Finally, in the spirit of Ken Muzzy, & a fellow Far Side admirer, I wanted to offer the following aviation comics...





For those of you that have enjoyed The Far Side comics over the years, here is what Gary Larson is doing in retirement...



THE NEW STUFF

Fresh from Larson's Lab

I don't want to mislead anyone here. This corner of the website—"New Stuff"—is not a resurrection of *The Far Side* daily cartoons. (Well, not exactly, anyway—like the proverbial tiger and its stripes, I'm pretty much stuck with my sense of humor. Aren't we all?) The thing is, I thoroughly enjoyed my career as a syndicated cartoonist, and I hope, in spirit at least, we had some laughs together. But after fifteen years of meeting deadlines, well, blah blah blah ... you know the rest. The day after I retired from syndication, it felt good not to draw on a deadline. And after moving on to other interests, drawing just wasn't on my to-do list. Things change. But then a few years ago—and returning to the subject at hand—something happened in my life, and it started with a clogged pen.

Despite my retirement, I still had intermittent connections to cartooning, including my wife's and my personal Christmas card. Once a year, I'd sit myself down to take on Santa, and every year it began with the same ritual: me cursing at, and then cleaning out, my clogged pen. (Apparently, the concept of cleaning it before putting it away each year was just too elusive for me.) As problems go, this is admittedly not exactly on the scale of global warming, but in the small world of my studio, it was cataclysmic. Okay, highly annoying.

So, a few years ago—finally fed up with my once-loyal but now reliably traitorous pen—I decided to try a digital tablet. I knew nothing about these devices but hoped it would just get me through my annual Christmas card ordeal. I got one, fired it up, and lo and behold, something totally unexpected happened: within moments, I was having fun drawing again. I was stunned at all the tools the thing offered, all the creative potential it contained. I simply had no idea how far these things had evolved. Perhaps fittingly, the first thing I drew was a caveman.

The "New Stuff" that you'll see here is the result of my journey into the world of digital art. Believe me, this has been a bit of a learning curve for me. I hail from a world of pen and ink, and suddenly I was feeling like I was sitting at the controls of a 747. (True, I don't get out much.) But as overwhelmed as I was, there was still something familiar there—a sense of adventure. That had always been at the core of what I enjoyed most when I was drawing The Far Side, that sense of exploring, reaching for something, taking some risks, sometimes hitting a home run and sometimes coming up with "Cow tools." (Let's not get into that.) But as a jazz teacher once said to me about improvisation, "You want to try and take people somewhere where they might not have been before." I think that my approach to cartooning was similar—I'm just not sure if even I knew where I was going. But I was having fun.

So here goes. I've got my coffee, I've got this cool gizmo, and I've got no deadlines. And—to borrow from Sherlock Holmes—the game is afoot.

Again, please remember, I'm just exploring, experimenting, and trying stuff. New Stuff. I have just one last thing to say before I go: thank *you*, clogged pen.

-Gary Larson