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President's Corner

Greetings Chapter 2,

Thanks to everyone who attended the January meeting and especially to Craig Bartscht for giving the main presentation. Craig gave a very interesting talk about the airline industry and what it was like to fly airliners for a career. It was enjoyed by all! We also enjoyed an episode of the EAA Chapter Video Magazine. This one features a great segment on the huge Wall of Fire that is detonated during the airshow at Oshkosh. It was very interesting to see all the behind-the-scenes preparations that are necessary!

This month we focus on our annual banquet. This is our time to celebrate the previous year's accomplishments and look forward to the coming year. We'll meet at Brotherhood Mutual on Saturday February 8, 2014 at 6 PM. We'll start off with one of our great pot-luck dinners so please bring a dish to share. We'll also recognize member achievements and have a few presentations. It will be a lot of fun so I hope everyone can join us!

I'll see you at the banquet!

Happy Flying,

Kevin

Informal Fly Out List

Chapter 2 is building an informal fly-out email list. If you would like to be notified of informal fly-outs, please send your email address to Kevin Stahl at President@eaa2.org to be included on the list.

Next Meeting:

February 8th, 6pm

Annual Banquet

Brotherhood Mutual

Please bring a dish to share and
use the north entrance.

EAA Chapter 2 Membership Renewals

It's the time of year to renew your EAA Chapter 2 membership. Yearly dues are only \$20. They can be paid in person at a Chapter function, by mail with the form included in this newsletter or online using PayPal by clicking on the "Join EAA 2" button on our website (www.eaa2.org) and selecting the "Renew" option. This online form can also be used to update your contact information should you move or change e-mail addresses. You can check your membership status online by visiting the membership status page at http://www.eaa2.org/membership_status.php. If you do not have internet access but want to check your membership status, please contact Kevin or Geoff and we'll be happy to help!

Member Submissions

We would like to have your member submissions! Please send us a short written story of a trip you've taken, a first flight of a homebuilt, a first solo, or other aviation related story. Send submissions to newsletter@eaa2.org.

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EAA 2 Online Marketplace

The Chapter 2 website has been undergone some updates and we've added a new page for displaying classified listings. Items can be listed as "For Sale" or "Wanted" but must be aviation related. The Marketplace page can be found at <http://www.eaa2.org/marketplace.php> or through the Marketplace menu item from any page of the Chapter 2 website. There is a link to submit your items on the Marketplace page. Please contact Kevin if you have any questions or issues.

AOPA Announces Regional Fly-Ins

This year, AOPA will be hosting a number of regional fly-ins around the country. Each will feature a pancake breakfast and town hall meeting with AOPA president Mark Baker. There will also be vendors, aircraft displays, safety seminars, and the chance to meet with AOPA representatives. EAA is planning to be involved with the events too. There is no charge to attend.

We are fortunate that one of these fly-ins will be held at Indianapolis Regional Airport (MQJ) on Saturday May 31, 2014. We are hoping to get a group of planes together to fly to the event. Mark your calendars for May 31st and look for more info as the event draws closer.

Chapter Member Project List

We frequently get asked what types of projects are being worked on by our chapter members. Some we know about but there may be others we're not aware of. As such, we'd like to build a list of what projects are currently under construction. If you currently have a project, we'd appreciate it if you could contact Kevin at kevin.stahl@eaa2.org or 260-637-3613 (e-mail preferred) with your name and the type of aircraft under construction or restoration. Feel free to include any other info you think would be helpful and we'll put together the list. We may make it available in the newsletter or website so other chapter members know about them too. If you'd prefer not to have your project info published, please include that request as well. We'd love to include a photo of your project on the Member's Aircraft section of the website as well. Thank you!

Nominating Committee Formed

Dear Members,

Strong chapter leadership and a very active membership have enabled Chapter 2 to be one of the great EAA chapters for a long time. It is time to thank our current leaders for their service and a job well done!

We also need to search within ourselves to ask if it is time to step up and donate time as a chapter officer. Please consider if you can serve the chapter in 2015.

A nominating committee has been formed to seek dedicated members for the officer elections in November, 2014. Chairman: Larry Zepp and members: Mark Beck and Bob Schmelz.

The positions up for election are President, Vice President, Treasurer, Secretary, and Newsletter Editor. All positions serve a two year term. Please contact me for more information on any position.

If you would like to "Give Back" to our great chapter, please contact one of us to discuss ways you can help.

Thanks for your consideration!

Fair Skies and Tailwinds,

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Member Profile – Who's Who in Chapter 2?



Name

Scott and Ann Noble

Are you a licensed pilot?

Scott – Private Pilot since 1975

When did you start flying?

Scott – With my Dad in a Piper Tri-Pacer when I was 9 years old.

What do you currently fly?

Aeronca 7BCM (L-16A Warbird) – Basically an 85hp Champ.

What is the most interesting place you've flown?

Mackinac Island, MI

What is your favorite place to fly?

Put-In-Bay or Kelly's Island in Lake Erie

How long have you been a member of Chapter 2?

Scott – Since 1993. I've served as President, Vice President, Treasurer, and Young Eagles Coordinator.

What is your interest in aviation?

Cross Country Flying

What are you building or dreaming of building?

Building a Zenith 601XL

Who introduced you to aviation?

Ann – I flew with Scott in 1986

What is your favorite airplane?

Scott – I've flown the B-17G, the Spirit of St. Louis, and the Ford Tri-Motor.

Who is your dream co-pilot?

Ann – Harrison Ford

What is your occupation?

Ann – Math Teacher at Bishop Dwenger High School.

What is your most memorable flying experience?

Ann – Flying into Meigs Field in Chicago.

What has been your most unique job?

Scott – Oil analysis at Blackstone Labs in Fort Wayne.

EAA Chapter 2 Meeting Minutes for January 10, 2014

Chapter President Kevin Stahl welcomed approximately 18 members and guests who came out on a cold evening for the monthly meeting at Ivy Tech.

Kevin mentioned that the Annual EAA2 Banquet will be Saturday February 8th at Brotherhood Mutual. It will be the usual carry-in potluck. All are welcome.

AOPA will have a regional fly-in in Indianapolis on May 31. Look for more information on the website.

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Keith and Claudia Paterson had the first flight of their Zenith project on November 26th. Congratulations go out to them for this milestone.

After the updates, Craig Bartscht, a retired airline pilot, gave us a great presentation on his experiences working for different airlines and flying different aircraft. He had many unique and interesting stories to share with the group.

Thanks to Craig for his interesting presentation.

The meeting adjourned at approximately 8:30 PM.

Minutes submitted by
Paul Simunek, Secretary, EAA Chapter 2

Homebuilt Corner

As we march into the New Year and hopefully away from winter – we are checking in on the Zenith 750 project being built at EAA Headquarters. This dedicated team has made impressive progress. They are nearing the point in a homebuilt project where the aircraft looks visually complete, but has many small but important tasks yet to do. Many builders refer to this stage as "90% done and 90% left to go!" With continued perseverance, all of those little jobs get done and the airplane is finally inspected and signed off for test flying.

Doors, Torque Tube and Wing Tips

Posted on January 23, 2014 by Charlie Becker

Just like every project, there is always a fair amount of head scratching involved. One of the advantages of a group project is you can always talk it over with another builder. Here Matt and Jerry try to determine the next step on root wing structure.



Matt has been working in the cabin area on the control stick torque tube.

The first step to fitting the motor mount was to grind off some of the steel feet to allow the motor mount to rest against the firewall.



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Here is a good hint to file away. We used a ratchet strap looped through the cockpit and around the motor mount to hold the mount in place while we adjusted it.



Note – Article courtesy of EAA Zenith Project.com

Fair Skies and Tailwinds!

Larry Zepp

2014 Dues Renewal

Please complete this form and mail to the address below with a check for \$20 to renew your dues for 2014. If you are a new member, please download a membership form from our website or contact a Chapter 2 officer or board member for more information. Dues renewals are due January 1st, 2014. You may also pay via PayPal on www.eaa2.org

Name: _____ National EAA Member #: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Home Phone: _____ Alternate Phone: _____

Email Address: _____

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