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Idle Chatter

Another month has flown by. Matt and I were supposed to go to Connecticut to work the Corsair show with Jerry O, but the Comanche acted up and we didn't go. Instead, we ended up flying with Jordan and Niki to the show in Janesville, Wisconsin, and having a great time. Then last weekend, Jordan and Matt FLEW in the Indy show on Sunday. As you probably know, the Saturday show was cancelled because of too much rain. They looked GREAT on their passes in the WWII warbird section of the show. Jordan's C-45 now has most of its post 1951 rebuild markings (talk to Niki about the missing SAC emblem) and it looks great with the stars and bars, the USAF on the wings, the United States Air Force on the upper fuselage, and the serial number on the tail. Come to the meeting this Saturday and you'll see it in person.

At Janesville, Jordan, Niki, their boys, Matt, and I all got a great personal tour of the F-18F Super Hornet. We met the demo team and they put us on the strake and showed us all the gadgets in the cockpit. And there are a few... Then they flew the demo and that is one incredible aircraft. For me (an ex Navy guy) they were the show, but we also saw the Viper Demo, the Snowbirds, the Thunderbirds, Skip Stewart, Melissa Pemberton, the Golden Knights Jump Team, Les Shockley's Jet Truck and some other great stuff. What a show.

As far as chapter flying, it's been slow because of the weather. If it ever stops, we might even go somewhere. As for chapter flying, think about having a 'Friends and Family' Young Eagles rally later in June. We always fly the kids from Honey Creek, but we've never had an event for our extended family and friends. I think it would be a great idea, so tell me what you think.

As for Comanche flying, after the repair I did get to have some fun. First I flew Jordan to Muncie to pick up the C-45 after some radio work, most notably the installation of weather radar. We flew up on a day that looked great, but just before we left, he turned on the radios to see all sorts of red between MIE and HUF. He thought maybe the thing was broken, but we looked inside and it showed the same. So we went to dinner and let the first line pass, then headed back to the airport. It looked like we could get back if we flew 270 and then turned south pass Crawfordsville, so we headed out. Jordan picked his way through with his new radar, but being the chicken pilot I am, I stayed further north. We joined up just before HUF and did a nice formation approach with the break to landing. Nice flights. Going to the Indy show on Friday, we did a formation takeoff with Jordan and flew with him to Mt. Comfort. Then after the Warbird arrival procedure, we did a formation approach, just after a P-51 landed, did a break for a Blackhawk to land, and then followed the B-17 in to land. Very cool, except for the exciting landing when we got in his wake...

Some of us did get over to visit with Don Bussart and he and Kako are as welcoming as ever. We'll be scheduling a fly out there in early July too. We just have to miss the rain. I also did some low approaches there one morning clearing the field for Darrel Z to land there.

Remember we have pilot lunches every Friday at Rollie's at Noonish. Everyone is welcome. And be safe out there...

The Last Meeting - Jeff Wellum (stuff in () has been added by some sob)

**EAA Chapter 83 Meeting, Saturday, May 22, 2010
Dixie Chopper FBO at Greencastle Airport (417)**

The meeting was called to order by President Bill Foraker outside in the sitting area next to the ramp. (We moved outside because the weather was so nice and nobody would go inside to meet.) This was followed by the Pledge to the flag.

Attendance:

Nick Mahurin, JP Miller, Eric Hettlinger, Cindy Hettlinger, Matt Throckmorton, John Watler, Jeff Wellum, Linda Winters, Jerry Badger, Jeff Tucker, Vern Bothwell, Pat Bothwell, JR Scott, Duane Skoog, Bill Foraker

Flying in:

John Watler and Matt Throckmorton in John's 172 from Brazil
Jerry Badger and JP in the Mooney
Jeff Wellum in the Tiger
Bill Foraker and Jeff Tucker in the Comanche
Nick Mahurin was in his Bonanza.

Member news:

Matt Throckmorton has the avionics installed and electrical power hooked up in the rocket. He needs to get the engine done!!!

John Watler flew the "expensive" 172 from Brazil.

Jerry Badger flew IFR in from HUF

Vern Bothwell turned 88 years old just 2 days earlier!! HAPPY BIRTHDAY Vern!!! He recently bought a Continental C75-12 that will be rebuilt to be installed in an Aeronca Chief.

Duane Skoog is studying for his private written. (He's a smart guy so no worries...)

Bill Foraker has been working on his jeep when not cruising around the Caribbean.

Linda Winters reports that the house that she rented last year for Oshkosh is available. She is looking for additional people to share the expense before committing to the rent.

(Eric has found an FW to buy in Tennessee, but hasn't made the purchase yet.)

President report: NA

VP report: NA

Treasurer report: John reports that we are solvent

Secretary report: NA

Young Eagle report: NA

Newsletter report: The picture site is in the process of being updated.

Upcoming events:

Bloomington fly in/ cruise in.....June 5th
Indy Air Show.....June 11th -13th
Lee Bottom Sinful Sunday fly in.....June 13th
Casey National road fly in.....June 19th
EAA Chapter 83 June meeting.....June 19th
Edgar County pancake breakfast.....June 27th
B-17 Sentimental journey is to be at HUF
Presentation by Jeff Scham, Lycoming rep, at HUFJuly 21st in Jordan's Hangar
Oshkosh!!!

Business old and new:

Donations are requested for the Ernie Winters Scholarship fund. This fund makes it possible for selected young people to attend the EAA aviation camp.

Correspondence:

There is a Letter from EAA to buy a brick in support of the refurbishment of the Brown Arch at the entry into the EAA grounds at Oshkosh.

Next meeting: Meeting is at HUF at Jordan's Hanger on June 19th.
Program/ speaker: (We'll talk about YE rally,

Thank you to the Dixie Chopper FBO for hosting our meeting.

Recent Sightings – Member News

Beth Fauber, Comanche owner and fearless passenger, got her first ride in a B-17 when Sentimental Journey was here last week. Her father, Clarence Fauber, was a B-17 pilot in WWII and flew 23 combat missions and 5 humanitarian missions. She got to ride in the front and got a taste of what it must have been like for the 'kids' who flew those aircraft into harm's way. It was a wonderful experience for her and thanks to Jordan for setting it up and providing the opportunity.

Local Notams (Upcoming Events)

Wednesday, June 16, 10 am, HUF Board Room. FAA runway safety meeting conducted by HUF ATC personnel. This is an annual meeting about airport safety. I think several of us plan to attend. We'll report back.

The following events should have hot links to our web site for more info. Just click the date for more info.

[Thursday, 6/17/2010 - Sunday, 6/20/2010](#)
Ford Tri-Motor - Muncie, IN

[Saturday, 6/19/2010](#)
Fly the National Road fly in at Casey

[Sunday, 6/27/2010](#)
Edgar County Airport, Paris, IL, PRG, breakfast.

[Sunday, 7/11/2010](#)
Whelen Field Fly-In

[Wednesday, 7/21/2010](#)
Lycoming Thunderbolt Engine Presentation by Jeff Schans

Our Next Meeting...

Our next meeting will be on Saturday, June 19, at the Vintage Wings hangar (Jordan's hangar) at Hulman Field between Williams Aviation and the Lifeline hangar. We will meet promptly at 11 and eat at Noon. If you have questions or comments, email or call SOB. Flyinsob@gmail.com or 878-0587. We won't have an official program, but we have several items to discuss.

And sorry about the pictureless newsletter again. At least it's a small file for emailing. I'll try to work out the trouble before next month or maybe we can post pictures to our web site and hot link to them to save email file size. Tell me what you think.