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“60 YEARS OF SPORT AVIATION” TO CELEBRATE CHAPTERS’ 60TH BIRTHDAY

Plans are underway for our 60th Birthday Party on June 16. The Committee of Carol Swanger, Randy Spurr, Pat Collins, Lauren Rosenthal, Art Thieme, and Bob Nelligan-Barrett, Chair, met for the first time to rough out a plan for the day. Here’s what developed.

The title of the event is “60 Years of Sport Aviation” and the theme is to offer aircraft and activities that “show the fun in building, restoring, and flying airplanes for their recreational and educational value.”

Nothing is firm yet but we discussed the possibility of a fly-in breakfast to start the day (in discussion with the Board now), a Builders Workshop where members with current projects bring them in for demonstration and hands-on experience, Speakers hourly throughout the day, food, a Classic Car Cruise-In, and kids activities. **We will need lots of volunteers for this one day activity to start our summer flying season. Let’s give the community a warm welcome to Spring.** Contact Bob NB.

If Chapter numbers tell a tale, we are the first EAA Chapter founded in New York State. Happy Birthday to us!

PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

by Randy Spurr

I am so looking forward to the coming months! Hopefully we will have some great weather for several upcoming events.

I hope some of you may be going to **EAA Sun ‘n Fun** (on my bucket list someday!). Frank and I will be attending a 2-day **EAA Leadership Seminar** in Oshkosh the week after. Hopefully we can learn more about our new roles. April 25th **CPR class at the SAC!** A little further out we are preparing for our first **Young Eagle Flight** for the year on June 2nd, and our **60 Years of Sport Aviation** birthday celebration on June 16th! We really need your help to make these events a success.

I hope we can make our **60 birthday celebration** one to remember! Do you have any connections that might bring interesting aircraft to the event? Can you bring your aircraft or project if you have one? Do you have an idea on how you can promote the event? Contact Bob.

Two of our members will participate in **The Air Race Classic!** Frances Englund and Samantha Horne will race in this all-women cross-country airplane race on June 19 through

Mission: EAA Chapter 44 is a tax-exempt 501(c)(3) organization of aircraft builders and aviation enthusiasts in Western New York dedicated to promoting aviation and encouraging participation in aviation-related activities. These include designing, building and restoring aircraft, education, advocacy and youth outreach programs. We promote flying with high standards of safety in an environment that supports freedom, family and personal fulfillment, and have fun doing it.

FAA SAFETY TEAM HOLDS FIRST SEMINAR AT THE SAC

For the first time EAA Chapter 44 welcomed FAA Safety Team member Scottie Burge (below left, blue shirt) to the SAC for a presentation on Emergency Procedure Training. After his short talk, Jim Martin led a discussion with the group on emergencies they had experienced and how they resolved them. **Thanks Scottie. We hope to have the FAAST here again.**



MIKE CLAYTON REVEALS MORE KODAK SECRETS

(not really)

Our resident nuclear engineer told us more tales of the declassified history of Kodak in Space during the 1950's and 1960's and on until... well he couldn't say.



As always, its fascinating to hear the behind the scenes skinny on projects happening in our own backyard. **Thanks Mike. We look forward to more secrets... I mean ...HISTORY. ;-)**

June 22nd. Help for a stop in Penn Yan is needed for a variety of duties, can you help? Register to volunteer at <airraceclassic.org> if you can.

So, as you can see we have some exciting times ahead of us! I hope to have some news soon on some possible fly-ins this summer, would anyone be interested in flying to The Vintage Aircraft Fly-in at Great Valley NY on June 29th through July 1st? See me.

CHAPTER OFFERS FREE AIRPLANES RIDES FOR KIDS THIS SUMMER

Young Eagle Coordinator Elise Isler has announced the dates for this seasons' Young Eagle rallies. They will be: **June 2, July 14, August 11, September 15**, times TBA as we get closer. Ground Crew and Pilots contact Elise if you can help with any of these events.



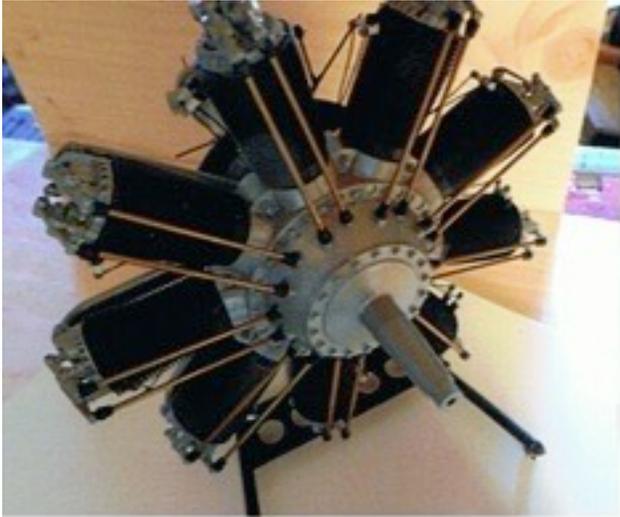
The Rallies will be held at the Sport Aviation Center, 44 Eisenhower Dr. at the Brockport Airport/Ledgedale Airpark. For more information and registration, contact Elise at <flyyoungeagles44@gmail.com> or go to <EAA44.org> for more information.

OLD GOAT'S GAMBIT

by Art Thieme

I heard, unofficially, that the hangar project is four to five years off. WHAT? The Board needs to share its opinion/decision with the chapter members reasonably soon.

Jeff Paris did it again. After delivering my ship model he confessed that he had more time to fill. I showed him all my kits and suggested that he could build any that he wanted. He picked a rotary engine kit. It is completed and he suggested that it would be a good display at the chapter. Done. He then picked up 2 airplane kits and is working on them.



Boeing and the White House have reached a \$3.9 billion deal for two replacement Air Force One 747's. Aviation Week, March 12. Gold toilet seats? Japan is considering buying F-35 fighters at \$100 million each. That is a lot of rice.

The FAA reports that the number of drone users registered has passed the one million mark. I think that radio controlled model aircraft are in this same number.

The secret word is; PERIMETER, followed by CIRCUMFERENCE.

Old Goat, Out.

TAYLOR

by Darrin Kenney

N95938 is a 1946 Taylorcraft BC-12D Executive. It was one of few at the time called Executive and according to the logbooks, from 1947-1949 the plane flew the Governor of Indiana and other State officials from Indianapolis to Chicago. A pretty "cozy" flight for two people by today's standards, but to think there was a time it was a "corporate aircraft."

The plane was completely restored from 2000-2002, and the 65 HP continental was replaced with an 85 HP, and another 6 gallon auxiliary fuel cell was added to the right wing for 24 gallons total. Cruise is about 104 mph on 4.8 gallons per hour.

When Trina and I went to look at it and after a test flight, I was contemplating whether to make an offer or not while Trina talked with the owner couple. I then found out she bought the airplane, or as she calls it, "Taylor."

A funny side note, the original logbooks have beautiful penmanship. I showed my 12 year old son and he had a hard time reading it because they don't teach cursive anymore. My 20 year old daughter has nice penmanship and loved it.

When we did the pre-purchase inspection with Jeff Boshart, Jeff himself did it. When reviewing the logbooks he paused and got teary eyed as he gently touched the page and said, "Dad." His father worked on the plane in Ohio in the late 50's early 60's. Intriguing how history can become a personal reality sometimes.

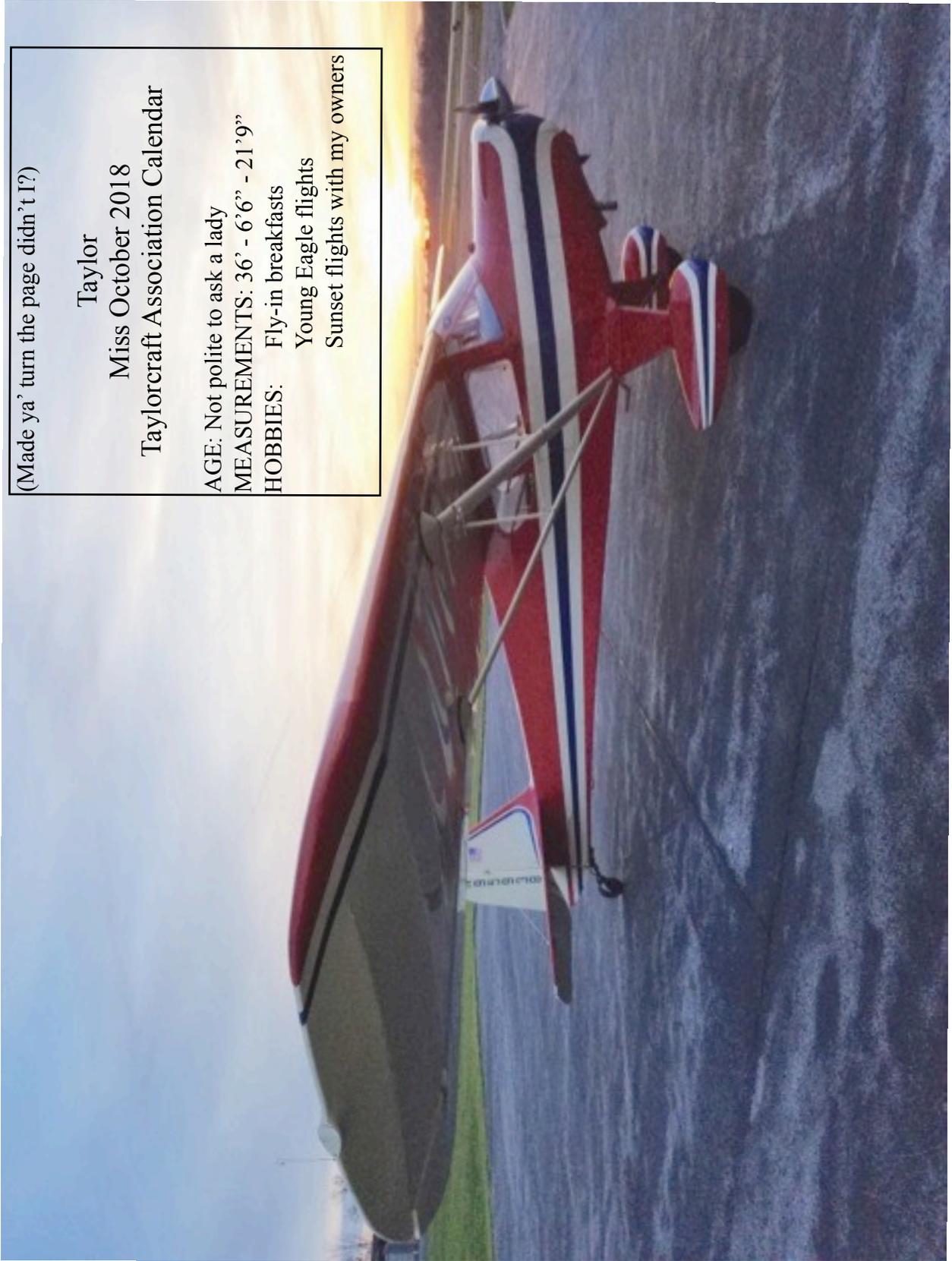
Adult Content Warning Centerfold ahead

Do not turn the page if you can't handle naked beauty in all its forms. You have been warned!

(Made ya' turn the page didn't I?)

Taylor
Miss October 2018
Taylorcraft Association Calendar

AGE: Not polite to ask a lady
MEASUREMENTS: 36' - 6'6" - 21'9"
HOBBIES: Fly-in breakfasts
Young Eagle flights
Sunset flights with my owners



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**EAA Chapter 44
Board of Directors' Meeting
13 March 2018**

Board Members/Officers Present: Grossmann, Clayton, Arganbright, Horne,
Englund and Peters

Board Members/Officers Absent: Spurr, Isler, Hazen, Isaac **Other Members Present:**
Nelligan-Barrett

Reports:

President (Randy Spurr) No report

Vice-President (Frank Grossmann)

In Randy's absence, Frank introduced the meeting agenda and provided an update re the upcoming chapter and local aviation events. Frances Englund will provide an entrée of chicken divan and rice for the March General Meeting. As speaker arrangements for the March meeting had not been finalized, Mike Clayton agreed to be "Plan B" and will speak about another part of Kodak's declassified space program. Jeff Peters will provide the April meal and Bob Nelligan-Barrett will do the honors in May. Potential future speakers were also discussed. Scottie Burge from the FAA will conduct a FFAST Team seminar on emergency procedures at the SAC on March 29th at 7:00 pm.

Frank reviewed the plans for the CPR course that he has been arranging for the Chapter. The free 4 hour course will be held at the SAC at 6:00 pm on Wednesday, April 25th. He will brief the membership at the March meeting and distribute a sign-up sheet.

For background information and potential future fund-raising discussions, the group reviewed the history of the Chapter's Oshkosh Airlift Program that was phased out a few years ago.

Treasurer (Gail Isaac)

The February financial reports that were previously e-mailed to the Board were read and approved as per the motion of Mike Clayton seconded by Frances Englund, and passed unanimously. The group had an extended discussion about the need for specific financial data and a Chapter Budget. Mike will work with Gail Isaac to develop a budget for 2018 with the 2017 actuals as the base line budget numbers for comparison purposes.

Secretary (Jeff Peters)

The February BOD minutes, as corrected, were previously approved per an e-mail vote.

Building Committee (Kevin Arganbright)

Kevin reported that the construction of the heat run into the men's room was completed on Saturday. Similar runs will be put into the women's and handicap rest rooms in the near future. Kevin agreed to develop a prioritized Capital Projects list for Board review.

As per the Building Use policy, the Board reviewed two requests to utilize the SAC for a non-chapter related event. Frances proposed the approval of Steve North's request to use the SAC for Boy Scout qualification training for the Aviation Merit Badge, seconded by Samantha and approved unanimously. A Board member will be assigned to be present at the SAC during the event as soon as the event date has been approved. Kevin proposed the approval of Frances' request to use the SAC for her 99's organization meeting on June 2nd or 3rd. The motion was seconded by Mike Clayton and approved with one abstention. As Frances is a Board member, the group agreed to review the building Use policy as it relates to the number of board members required at a non-chapter event.

Business:Squeek Helper's Corbin Baby Ace

Bob and Frank updated the board re the Chapter's opportunity to potentially obtain Squeek Helper's Oshkosh award winning Corbin Baby Ace. As the next step the process is for a number of knowledgeable Chapter members to inspect the aircraft on site, Frank Grossmann volunteered to fly the group out to Ohio on Saturday, April 14th. Bob and Vet Thomas, and maybe one or two others will join Frank on the trip.

3rd Annual Chapter 44 June Event

Following in the tradition of the successful Ford Tri-Motor Airplane visit to the SAC. In 2016 and the 2017 celebration for the 50th anniversary of the Ledgesdale Airpark (Brockport Airport), Bob Nelligan-Barrett outlined his vision and plans for the Chapter's 3rd Annual June Event to "kick-off" the 2018 aviation season. The proposed theme is 60 Years of Sport Aviation and all types of sport/general aviation aircraft and aviation related organizations, clubs, companies, museums and EAA chapters in Western/Central New York will be invited to participate. The Board voted to hold the event on Saturday, June 16th. Jack Pelton, CEO of EAA National, was invited to participate but is unable to come due to a schedule conflict. Hopefully, EAA will send a representative. Bob is in the process of forming a committee to Coordinate and is looking for volunteers.

Air Race Classic for Women

Frances Englund briefed the board re the Air Race Classic that she and Samanrtha Horne will participate in as a team in June. The Air Race Classic is an annual all-women cross-country airplane race that dates back to 1929. The race starts in Sweetwater, TX on Tuesday, June 19th, and it ends up in Fryeberg, ME, on Friday, June 22nd. The next to the last stop is Penn Yan, NY. The Finger Lakes 99s along with Seneca Flight Operations are Chairing the Penn Yan stop of the Race and volunteers from our Chapter to assist in timing the participating teams would be appreciated. The group congratulated both Frances and Samantha for undertaking this exciting challenge and wished them safe, smooth and fast flying.



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REGIONAL CALENDAR

Look to Upstate NY's Aviation List at <upstatelist.org> for regional fly-in breakfasts and other events.

EAA 44 Young Eagle Rallies

June 2, July 14, August 11, September 15

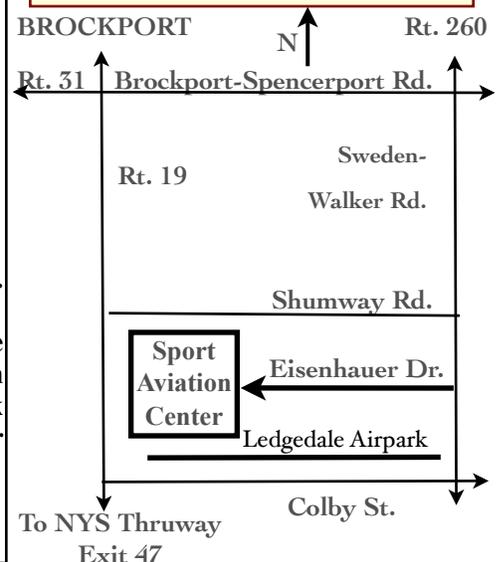
May 10 AOPA ASI Presentation "Collision Course; Avoiding Airborne Traffic" with Mark Grady, 7 PM

June 2 Curtiss Museum Bus Trip to the Mid-Atlantic Air Museum's WW II Weekend, Reading Regional Airport/Carl Spaatz Field (RDG), Reading, PA. For more info go to <glenncumrtissmuseum.org>.

June 20-22 Air Race Classic stop in Penn Yan. Volunteers needed to support the stop. Contact Frances Englund 585-890-0487

July 13-15 Geneseo Airshow at the National Warplane Museum. <nationalwarplanemuseum.com>.

July 18-21 Flying Aces Nationals at the National Warplane Museum Geneseo (see article in February newsletter.)



EAA 44 Calendar



NEXT GENERAL MEETING April 17, Speaker TBA

Jeff Peters will be providing a ham entree for dinner.

Please bring a side dish or dessert to complement our meal. Thank you.

April 25 CPR @ the SAC

May 8 Board Meeting

May 10 AOPA ASI Seminar

**“Collision Course:
Avoiding Airborne Traffic”**

May 12 SAC Work Day

May 13 Mothers Day

May 15 General Meeting

June 2 Young Eagle Rally

June 9 SAC Work Day

June 12 Board Meeting

**June 16 “60 Years of Sport
Aviation”- EAA Chapter 44’s
60th Birthday Party**

All activities take place at the Sport Aviation Center, & are free & open to the public unless otherwise noted.

Sport Aviation Center
44 Eisenhower Dr. 14420
Brockport Airport/
Ledgedale Airpark (7G0)
43° 10' 56" N 77° 55' 1" W

Board Meetings

2nd Tuesday of the month, 7 PM

General Meetings-

3rd Tuesday of the month
\$5 Dinner 6:30, Meeting 7:30

SAC Saturday Work Days

2nd Saturday, 10 AM

History Committee

Every Saturday 10 AM

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