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BABY ACE HATCHERY

by Eric Weiss & Bob Nelligan-Barrett

Recently Frank Grossman, Kevin Arganbright, Vet Thomas, and Bob NB flew to Lexington OH to inspect Founder Squeek Hepler's 1956 Baby Ace N75H (see photo above) for a possible donation. No decision has been made on that yet. I'll have a report on our trip at the May General Meeting.

But, in the meantime, I posted photos and a video on our Facebook page of our trip. Imagine my surprise when we received a post from Eric Weiss in Orlando FL saying we should paint it original red and white! How did he know that? So I wrote to him and this is what he said.



Lloyd Feary's Baby Ace N126L © E. Weiss

"Hello Bob, My name is Eric Weiss. I am the grandson of Founding member Lloyd A. Feary.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

by Randy Spurr

As I write this my commercial flight has just rotated from Appleton Airport in Wisconsin, my head full of all the outstanding information taken in at the EAA Chapter Leadership Academy! Having never been to EAA Headquarters or Oshkosh, I was in total awe of the facilities, museum and the professionalism of the staff and the program they have put together for chapter officers.

I will be the first to admit that I had no idea of the number of chapters and the variety of missions these chapters choose to embrace. Some are heavily involved in youth programs, some focused solely on building, some general aviation, some purely social, and some a combination of these components. I learned that we are pretty lucky in that we have the SAC, a gem that many chapters don't have!

I now have a better understanding of EAA's mission and their guidance potential to chapters, as Paul Poberezny put it, "The chapters are the churches of EAA". In the coming months I hope to identify EAA Chapter 44's 5-year plan with your input. We have so many great members who have worked so hard to achieve what so many chapters would be envious of. I am so excited to share some of the things I learned that other chapters are doing to attract younger members too. This is essential to the survival of Chapter 44! I think it is important to build a bridge between our awesome Young Eagles and Summer Camp programs and current member activities. How can we keep things exciting and continue to develop activities to bring younger aviation enthusiasts to the chapter? I've got some great ideas, do you?

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 to have fun doing it.

Squeek's N75H was built in my Grandfather's garage ("the Baby Ace Hatchery" Ed.) in West Webster at the same time as my Grandfather's Baby Ace N126L. Squeek lived near Bonesteel Drive in Greece, no garage, before he moved to Parma. Everett and Lloyd were known as "The Baby Ace Twins."

My first memories were in the garage or at Silloway's off Barrett Road. My second ride in an airplane at 3 years old was with Squeek.

My Grandfather Lloyd passed away June 16 1968 with Wesley Bell after the magneto failed upon takeoff in Wesley's 1946 Piper J-3 at the Kuhn Road airfield. It had rained hard the night before. It was Fathers Day and they were heading to Weedsport for a pancake breakfast.

Yes, I know that airplane and had some nice photos before they were lost. I have been looking thru some old slides, no luck yet but still looking."



N75H's cockpit

A BITTERSWEET TALE

While the search continues for our first Chapter project, an Evans Volksplane VP-1, N44CL, I've learned that it has been deregistered and it's N-number is in the process of being reassigned to a 1960 Beech Twin Baron (below.) ;-(I'm still trying to find the original N44CL.



The "new" N44CL is in Shreveport LA. I asked the owner why he wanted that number and he explained that he really wanted "N4CL" but there are some guys who own the rights to many low N-numbers and will gladly sell them for \$4500! Needless to say N44CL was available and he applied for and received that.



How many members does it take to put a screw in a heat vent? © J. Weinkauff

AVIATION MATERIALS FOR SALE

by Dan Burrell

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Articles	Quantity	Sporty's Page	Asking Price
Portable Tie Down Kit/case (never used)	1	51	\$20.00
Sears DieHard Battery Charger/Maintainer	1		\$10.00
Garmin GPSMAP 195 Handheld GPS kit			
Battery powered/instructions	1		\$20.00
Pilot's flight Log/Record (never used)	1	40	\$10.00
E6-B Flight Computer (Aluminum)	1	41	\$15.00
Husky tool bucket with tool insert set	1		\$5.00
ASA Tri Fold Kneeboard	1	16/39	\$10.00
ASA Aluminum Kneeboard	1	16/39	\$5.00
AeroShell Flight Jacket Plexicoat			
windshield cleaner	1		\$5.00
AeroShell Flight Jacket Touch & Go	1		\$5.00
Novus Plastic Clean & Shine	1-2-3	1	\$5.00
K & N Air Filter Cleaning Kit 1			\$5.00
AvvCom headset with flex boom/microphone	1		\$50.00
Telex H-960 Headset w/o microphone	1		\$20.00
"Weather Flying" by Robert Buck (2013)	1		\$5.00

WHAT ARE THEY, WHAT ARE THEY FOR, & WHAT ARE THE FUNCTIONS OF THE BUTTONS?



Answer on next page.

© V. Thomas

CHAPTER OFFERS CPR COURSE TO MEMBERS

(to keep the rest of us alive!)

VP Frank Grossman arranged for us to have a CPR course taught at the SAC by Reginald Allen, Chief of the Henrietta Ambulance. As many of our members are older, he thought it would be a good idea to offer this training to us to help us save us in an emergency. Nine members and spouses took advantage of this opportunity. Now we can breath easier knowing help is nearby.



WHAT THEY ARE by Vet Thomas

These are the control grips for Fokker DRI Triplanes, mounted on the control column.

Looking at the center one in the picture the handle on the left is the engine throttle. Levers with the red L and R are individual gun triggers. Black button with the brass ring around it in the center is the ignition "blip" switch for the rotary engine. The vertical rod behind the right handle is a gun trigger that fires both guns. Everything as per the originals, and fully functional. *(Let me add that Vet makes these! Beautiful work. Thanks for sharing. Ed.)*

Now where is that cursed Beagle!

DONATIONS RECOGNIZED

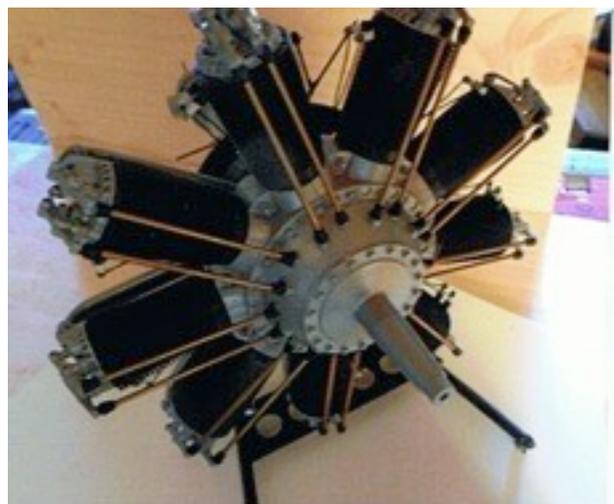
Recently the Chapter received several donations of various sorts. We graciously thank these members and friends of the Chapter for thinking of us.

While all donations will be considered for acceptance, the Board requires that all donations be approved by them first. Please don't just drop items off at the SAC.

In January Jeff Paris donated his aviation library of over 70 books, many of which we did not have yet, including a Stick and Rudder and a Jane's Encyclopedia. We also received a complete flight simulator set up from Darryl Byers. This included a tower, monitor, mouse and keyboard and a yoke, rudder pedals, joystick, and copy of X-plane 10. This will come in handy at the camp.

Recently, Christine Mazzarella donated a numbered series of books (*title escapes me now but interesting series. Ed.*) in her husbands memory.

And finally, Art Thieme donated a moving radial engine kit (below) assembled for him by Jeff Paris. This will be displayed on our model shelf.



**EAA Chapter 44
Board of Directors' Meeting
9 April 2018**

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

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

Reports:

▲ President (Randy Spurr)

Randy introduced the meeting agenda and provided an update re the upcoming chapter and local aviation events. Jeff Peters will provide a ham entrée for the April General Meeting. Bob Nelligan-Barrett will do the honors in May. As speaker arrangements for the April meeting have not been finalized, Mike Clayton who spoke about Kodak's declassified space program at the March meeting, volunteered to talk about Kodak's earlier ventures in outer space. Potential future speakers were also mentioned including Andy Moore who is the Acting Director of the Rochester Airport. Judy Stiles who is a Blanche Stuart Scott re-enactor will be our May meeting speaker.

Randy reported about his conversation with Gretchen Pennington, Ledgeale Airpark Manager, re the status of the airport operations. He agreed to contract Gretchen about the creation and placement of an appropriate Ledgeale Airpark sign at the entrance to Eisenhower Drive. He also talked about his conversation with Austin Wadsworth from the Historical Aircraft Group (HAG) re Chapter 44's potential participation in the Geneseo Airshow in July. Jeff Peters agreed to contact Todd Cameron, The HAG flight boss, about volunteer opportunity contacts. A sign-up sheet will be distributed at the General Meeting to ascertain interest in volunteering at the airshow.

As a new member of the Brockport Chamber of Commerce, the Board, on behalf of the Chapter, agreed to host a Chamber open house networking event at the SAC on Wednesday, August 15th.

Vice President (Frank Grossmann)

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 April meeting and distribute a sign-up sheet.

Frank updated the Board re the status of the computer flight simulator upgrade project and the replacement of the main room projector. A demonstration of the upgraded flight sims as well as a potential new projector will be held at the SAC on Monday, April 16th at 7:00 pm and before the General Meeting on the 17th. Kevin Arganbright proposed that the Chapter use the \$170 in "credits" that EAA National awarded EAA 44 for flying Young Eagles in 2017 towards the purchase of new larger monitors for the flight simulators that will be used for the Sport Aviation Camp and the Young Eagle Rally Program. The motion was seconded by Frances Englund and passed unanimously.

Frank led a discussion re the expansion of the Chapter's "fly-out" program to include more informal and short notice opportunities to go flying. A variety of methods were discussed to get the word out about such opportunities.



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EAA 44 is a 501(c)3 organization. Gifts of cash, securities or other property to the Chapter for the benefit of the Sport Aviation Center are welcome and fully tax deductible. Contact Treasurer Gail Isaac for details.

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

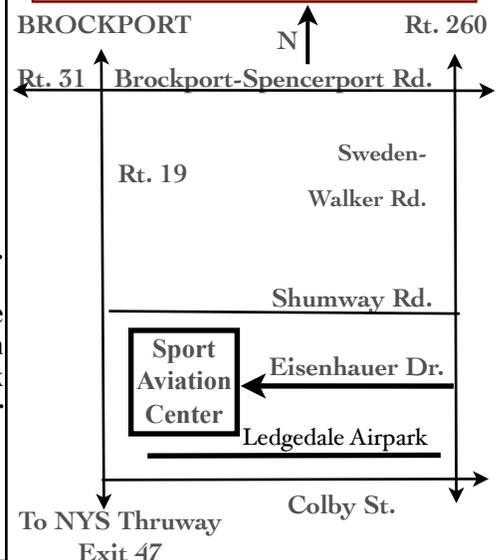
June 2 Curtiss Museum Bus Trip to the Mid-Atlantic Air Museum's WW II Weekend, Reading Regional Airport/Carl Spaatz Field (RDG), Reading, PA. For more info go to <glenncumrtissmuseum.org>.

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.)

July 23-29 AirVenture Oshkosh



EAA 44 Calendar



NEXT GENERAL MEETING

May 15

“Blanche Stuart Scott” (aka Judy Stiles), the first woman to solo an airplane will be our speaker.

Samantha Horne is brining chili and Dick Horne is brining jambalaya. Please bring a surprise side dish or dessert to pass. Thank you.

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

June 19 Annual Fly-in

General Meeting- No Speaker, Hangar Flying and Rides for the night.

July 10 Board Meeting

July 14 Young Eagle Rally

July 17 General Meeting

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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