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OLD GOAT PHUGOIDS

by Art Thieme

Bob Hoover died October 25. he was 94. Most of you younger members (probably all of you) never heard of Bob Hoover. I first saw Bob at the Reading PA airshow in the 1970's. He performed his energy management show flying a shrike Commander. He came down the runway, shut down both engines, did a 180 with a roll and came back down the runway landing on one wheel and then the other, coasting to a stop up on the ramp. In addition to flying at Oshkosh I saw him as lead plane for the unlimited race at Reno in his P-51. Always wore a Panama hat. He escaped a POW camp by stealing a Me-109. Surprised he wasn't shot down by friendly fire. He flew chase-plane for Yeager. Generally recognized at the best pilot ever.

The following may not do you any good if you have to make an off-airport landing, but it could win you some bar bets. Tom Knauff, well-known glider and sailplane instructor, writes a column for SOARING magazine. In the July 2016 issue he presents the following quiz: To judge your altitude, how low do you need to fly to see cows legs? A 1500 feet, B 1200 ft, C 800 ft, and D 500 ft. (I don't remember flying over any cows around here.

Tom's answer; C 800 feet. Sheep legs can only be seen at 500 ft. These and other objects can be helpful when making off-airport landings.

NEW BOARD ELECTED, NEW OFFICERS APPOINTED, FORMER BOARD THANKED AT STEAK NIGHT MEETING

As an enticement to vote, EAA Chapter 44 held its annual Steak Night at the November Annual Meeting. 40-some members took the bait, voting while shouting "LET THEM EAT STEAK!"

Mike Kuyt chose not to run again and was replaced by Frances Englund. **Thank you Mike for your unique point-of-view as a businessman during Board deliberations and Tri-Motor Committee discussions.**

Welcome Frances Englund to the Board. Frances is a Skyhawk-owner and member of The 99's. She has been active in many chapter activities since joining and we look forward to her direct input to the Board. 30% of our Board is now female pilots with Frances joining Samantha and Gail.

All expiring-term BOD members were re-elected. The new Board of Directors met after the General meeting and appointed the following to Officer positions: Norm Isler President, Phil Hazen Vice President, Jeff Peters Secretary, Gail Isaac Treasurer, and Mike Clayton became a Board Member. **Thank you to all continuing BOD members.**

A complete list of the new Officers and Board, and their contact information, can be found on the next to the last page.

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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.

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Fences are a problem. If the plane may be too low to fly over a wire fence on an off-field landing the pilot should: A try to fly directly over the fence post, B try to fly over the midpoint between two fence posts, C Increase airspeed and fly close to the ground, then zoom up and over the fence, and D Keep 4100 in your pocket to pay the farmer for an damage to his fence.

Tom's answer: A Try to fly directly over a fence post. You cannot see wires, but the post will be visible. If you land between posts the wires will act like a cheese slicer. Hit the normally small pole, knock it over, and hopefully fly right over it.

AIR FORCE magazine, October 2016, wrote that 617,000 new airline pilots will be needed by 2035, as predicted by Boeing. The Air Force thinks it will also have a shortage. Could drones cause this problem?

I am pleased that a member is taking charge of putting up pictures to show members projects, etc. We have a beautiful building but it must recognize the achievements of the members.

Old Goat Out. Happy Holidays.

FOR SALE: Belite UltraCUB ultralight kit, never started. The UltraCUB is a derivative of the Kitfox Lite, by James Weibe of Belite Aircraft. It has the full span flaperons of the Kitfox series, and folding wings. This was one of the first models intended to use a 4 stroke ½ VW engine. It is of aluminum construction and is put together with pulled rivets. I paid \$7400 for it, including the \$400 option for lightweight lift struts. I am asking \$5500, or reasonable offer. If interested and would like more information, please email Darryl Byers at rdarrylb@gmail.com.

Note: The pictures on Page 3 from the internet is of the factory prototype, not my plane!

**HANGAR FUND CHALLENGE
ALTIMETER**

For every dollar donated to our Hangar Fund, an additional dollar will be matched by an Anonymous Donor now through December 31, 2017.

Total gifts received as of August 16th toward the \$10,000 challenge is \$3,250.



Now that our Altimeter has broken the \$3,000 threshold, our Anonymous Donor is in the process of adding his/her third \$1,000 match to the Hangar Fund. At every \$1,000 milestone our Donor will add their matching \$1,000.

Make your tax-deductible donation payable to "EAA Chapter 44" and put "Hangar Challenge" in the memo line. Mail or give your donation to Treasurer Gail Isaac, 6 Clearview Dr., Spencerport, NY 14559.

Thank you to our Anonymous Donor and thank you to YOU for your support of the Sport Aviation Center Hangar Fund.



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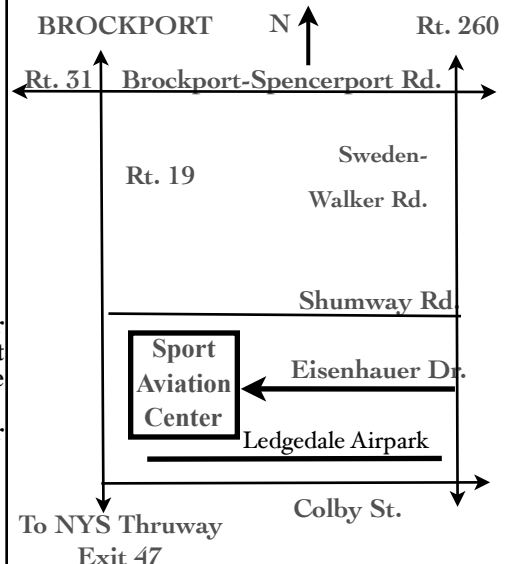
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Contact Treasurer Gail Isaac for details.

FOR SALE: Belite UltraCUB ultralight kit. If interested and would like more information, please email Darryl Byers at rdarrylb@gmail.com



EAA 44 Calendar



NEXT GENERAL MEETING

There is no general meeting or holiday activity planned for December.

Enjoy the evening with your family and friends and remember those among us who are ailing or who have ill family members. I hope Santa brings you aviation presents. Bring to show and tell at the January meeting, with dessert and a side.

Jan 10 Board Meeting
Jan 14 SAC Work Day
Jan 17 General Meeting

Feb 11 SAC Work Day
Feb 14 Board Meeting
Feb 21 General Meeting
**Feb 25 1958 First meeting of
EAA Chapter 44 (We're 58.)**

Mar 11 SAC Work Day
Mar 14 Board Meeting
Mar 21 General Meeting

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

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44 Eisenhower Dr. 14420

Brockport Airport/
Ledgesdale Airpark (7G0)

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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

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