



CHAPTER 157

EXPERIMENTAL AIRCRAFT ASSOCIATION

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Join Us

Third Tuesday of

Each month:

6:30 PM Dinner Meeting

in the

Quonset Hut

on the west side of

Benton Airpark

The Prez Sez-Lessons Learned (we hope)

At January's chapter meeting, we heard a very moving talk from one of the unluckiest and luckiest people I know, John Parks. How can he be both? He's unlucky because he's experienced 2 engine failures in helicopters. He's lucky because he lived through both incidents, the most recent one last summer with 3 of his children as passengers. In both instances, it seems that John did the best he could with the cards he was dealt. Everyone survived.

Last summer's incident ended up with the R44, John and 3 of his offspring in a shallow pond near Bella Vista. As the chopper sank, the water quickly turned totally dark. As you can imagine, John became quite emotional when relating the story, thinking about how this may have easily turned into a much more serious situation.

One thing that really hit home with me was the pre-flight that John credits with saving lives. Part of it was having one of his young daughters latch and unlatch her seat belt 3 times without help. When the time came to get out and get to the surface, she knew what to do. How many of us do this as part of our passenger briefing? We probably show them how the seat belt releases, but do we have them actually do it? Those of us who remember cars without seat belts (you know who you are) remember how early versions operated just like the ones in our planes. Those in newer cars work differently. Don't assume that your passengers know how to operate the old style. Imagine trying to teach someone how to use a rotary dial phone.

I think this issue of passenger briefings would be a good topic as part of an upcoming SSSSem. Obviously there's a thin line between scaring your passengers and preparing them for the rare possibility of an emergency situation. Do you brief your passengers on how to operate the radio and switch to 121.5 if you become incapacitated? Do you have them actually open and close the door or just show them?

Let's face it. We all have a pretty high level of confidence in our aircraft and abilities before leaving the earth. If not, we wouldn't do it. But, as we all know, accidents do happen. And it doesn't always happen to somebody else.

To borrow a line from the old TV show *Hill Street Blues*, Hey, hey hey. Let's be safe out there.

Jim Bremer

February 6, 2018
EAA Chapter Board Meeting

The Meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by Pres. Jim Bremer; Officers present; Vice Pres., Dick Wilkinson; Treasurer, Paul Gilman; Secretary, Herb Zuidema. Directors present, Barbara Crooker, Dave Kirkman, Jack Limmer and Wayne Pero.

Minutes of the last meeting: Motion by Wayne P. and Second by Dick W. that the Minutes be approved. Motion passed.

Treasurer's report: Paul G. presented the Financial Report as of this date. Motion by Dick W. and second by Wayne P. that the current month's report be accepted. Motion passed.

Old Business:

EAA Chapter 157 Young Eagles Flights. Young Eagle Flight will be March 24, 2018. If canceled because of weather, alternate date will be June 16, 2018. The day before Father's Day/Aviation Day. Since one of the Chapter's focus for this year is to spread the word to kids who wish to learn more about aviation, the CAP and SEA Cadets are two groups we can encourage to be participants in the Young Eagle Flights.

Internet Service: Pres. Jim B. reported the Internet Modem and Router is now installed at the Quonset Hut. AV-ED Second Saturday Safety Meetings and EAA Chapter Dinner Meetings we'll have the WFI capability for numerous links to aviation information via video's and educational data etc. (ask for the ID and password when you arrive)

Sewer Connection/expense/reimbursement: Pres. Jim B. reported he is still waiting for the City reimbursement for the Chapter's incurred expense.

EAA Academy Candidates: Pres. Jim B. reported a couple of possible candidates were named. Information about them and whether the deadline was extended was not known.

New Business:

Chapter Planning for 2018: Pres. Jim B. opened the discussion for planning our Chapter's focus for the new year. Several ideas were presented. One was trying to work with the Coast Guard Cadets and the CAP. Create activities and programs to spark the interest of the cadets in aviation. Build programs around which they can participate and learn about their future in aviation. Also working with the High School Career Councilors, as well, to provide opportunities through our Chapter to learn of aviation choices.

Six Months Trial EAA Membership: Pres. Jim B. presented the idea of our Chapter offering a free six months trial membership matching National EAA offer of the same. A discussion was held re: which target group would we focus on: high schools, Sea Cadets, CAP or the new emerging group called Rusty Pilots. No conclusion was reached at this time.

Chapter Dinner Meeting will be February 20, 2018 Dinner this month will be prepared by Chefs Norm Overbay and his wife. The menu for the evening will be.....*SURPRISE!*

February Dinner Meeting Program: Our Program Chairman reports: We'll view some of the great aviation videos available online, thanks to our new Internet service from Shasta Beam. If you have any requests, let Jim Bremer know at kk6mm@aol.com"

Note: *On the last page of this Newsletter you will find a sign up list for volunteering to prepare at least one (more if you choose) Chapter dinner during the year of 2018. Will you help? Thrill us with a menu from your store house of par excellence cooking. Call Dick W. (246 9131) let him know which month you can do it. Thank you.*

Motion by (Dick W.) **Steve W.** and Second by Wayne P. the Meeting be adjourned. Motion passed.

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Announcements

EAA Chapter's Flight Simulator: Our Chapter's Flight Simulator is gaining in popularity. It needs more operators and transporters. Can you help? It is now parked in the Sun Shade tie down area at Benton.

Piper Cherokee 180C For Sale: Al Olsen is offering his aircraft for sale. 530 547 7136. See attachment.

Chapter Dues: Reminder.....Chapter dues are due for this year of 2018. Are you up to date? Paul Gilman will be happy to receive them at the February Dinner Meeting. Thank you.

Benton Airpark AWOS: Check out our new AWOS: 118.675 tell. 530 225 4183

Aircraft Builders

AIRCRAFT UNDER CONSTRUCTION/RESTORATION

In recent discussions, the Board of Directors realized we don't know how many homebuilders there are in the area, or who they are. We set about creating a list of the builders we know of, to build a resource for helping one another and networking. For example, if someone has a problem with some aspect of building a particular model of RV, the list could help him find someone who has experience with that aircraft. Another purpose for the list could be to contact homebuilders who are not Chapter members to encourage them to attend meetings and join the Chapter. Another purpose for the list could be as a resource to invite homebuilders to occasionally participate as panel members for a program for a regular meeting of the whole membership, to discuss aspects of homebuilding that would be of general interest.

To make this resource successful, we need your help. **Attached is a start of a list** of homebuilders who fly out of either Benton Field or Redding Muni. **As you will see, we don't have a complete list of mail and/or phone numbers and there may be other homebuilders that should be on the list. If you know a phone number, email address or other names, please send an email to Herb Zuidema herb@eaa157. Or 530 275 5103**

AV-ED Safety Seminar, Second Saturday, each month 10 AM until Noon, at the Quonset Hut, Benton AirPark

Sponsored by EAA Chapter 157, Redding, CA.

141th Consecutive Monthly Safety Seminar, March 10, 2018

Topic: CHP will discuss how they address safety and how we can cooperate with them to assure the safety of everyone involved."

Speakers: Representatives from California Highway Patrol Northern Division Air Operations

2018

**THIRD TUESDAY DINNER VOLUNTEER CHEFS
EAA CHAPTER 157, REDDING, CALIFORNIA**

JANUARY.....Dick & Fran

FEBRUARY.....Norm & Kay Overbay

MARCH.....Ray & Julie

APRIL.....Dave, Phylis Kirkman

MAY.....

JUNE.....Nancy & Eric Marshal

JULY.....Paul & Laura Gilman

AUGUST.....

SEPTEMBER.....Wayne, Herb & Jack

OCTOBER.....

NOVEMBER.....

DECEMBER.....

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