

EAA CHAPTER 319

JUNE 2007 NEWSLETTER

EAA chapter 319 meets the 2nd
Thursday of each month at the
Aerospace Center, 5060 Cirrus
Dr. Medford, Join us!

NEXT MEETING

Thursday, June 14th
7:30 PM

The Board of Directors will meet at
Aerospace Center
At 6:30 PM.

Minutes

May 10th, 2007
EAA 319 Minutes

The meeting was called to order May 10 by our president Bud Liberatore. The usual introductions were made. Guests present were Doc Kootz, Stan Kee, and Howard Benson. Our guests from Civil Air Patrol were also introduced and included Buzz Florip, Larry Kendrick and Mike Michaelson.

Doug Dunn announced that he would pick up the duties of club librarian.

The Aerocoupe cleanup has been rescheduled for June 30th to be cleaned and readied for the Central Point parade on July 4th. There was continued discussion of the purchase of the Link trainer as a possible addition to our parade caravan. Bud also suggested that we look at scheduling a Young Eagle Day shortly after the parade to accommodate the calls Paul might receive from the information being disseminated on our paper airplanes.

Richard Hendrickson reported that a group of pilots in the Ashland area are working to revive the Ashland Airport Day.

It was announced that Own Jurling has resigned as club secretary, please call Bud if you have an interest in this position

Our June meeting will feature Joe Keith as guest speaker.

June 16th is the Siskiyou Fly-In and breakfast at Montague Airport. Kay Chaffey encouraged anyone flying down to Montague with an extra seat in his or her plane to invite a member without a plane to ride along. Kay also let us know that she is going to be a guest speaker at the Golden West fly-in on June 29,30 and July 1st.

Check out the EAA319 website. There is a Teeny II for sale, details on web

After taking a short break for the usual treats provided by our Social diva's, Carole Dunn and Sherri Shusterwitz, our program focusing on the role of the Civil Air Patrol, was presented by Larry Kendrick, current commander of our local CAP squadron, with help from former commander Buzz Florip and computer guru Mike Michaelson.

June, July and August Local Events

June 14 Membership meeting - Program: Joe Keith talking about his Navy aircraft carrier experiences.

16 Siskiyou EAA fly-in/drive-in

30 Ercoupe clean up. Meet at Beagle Sky Ranch- Steve's Aircraft Hanger

July 4 Central Point parade. **We need a volunteer to organize a fly over at the parade!! Please call Joan**

6-8 Medford Balloon Rally

11-15 Arlington

12 Membership meeting (VariEze?)

August 11 Joe Kleeman's Mucky Flats Monthly Meeting fly/drive in and BBQ

FROM THE ART GALLERY

In April, the Board of Directors of EAA Chapter 319 approved spending \$1,000 to purchase the Link Trainer we have had the use of. Article VIII of our bylaws says that a simple majority of the members present at a meeting or represented by proxy shall approve any expenditure exceeding \$500. A vote will be taken at the June 14th regular meeting regarding this matter.

Proxies can be sent to **Art Lumley**, PO Box 799, Gold Hill, OR 97525 or by email to omni727@yahoo.com.

Regards, Art



Did you know that Ch. 319 owns a real airplane? It's true! It's even an experimental airplane. A nice man in California donated this complete VariEze (pronounced: Very easy) airplane to our chapter. It would not have happened if we were not a 501c3 charity so we should thank all those who made that happen. It will take some effort to get this new toy ready for parades and static displays but it will make a really neat showpiece for our chapter. Everyone is welcome to help.

Here's the fun part...we get to make it look any way we want. A wild paint scheme...you bet! Doug Dunn suggested we make it resemble Space Ship One and I think that's a great idea. The fiberglass and old paint still need some more sanding and filling before any painting happens though. Anyone wishing to help smooth and shape this unusual aircraft can call me soon at 488-8800. For our more talented members there are other things that could use some attention, like the seat cushions. Any of you know how to make seat cushions? A small electric motor hidden inside the engine compartment could slowly turn a fake propeller, any ideas on how? How about building wing cradles for transporting, or maybe some guidance in setting up a trailer? Any of you know how to weld?

Oh, more good news. The C85 motor that was on the plane has less than 200 hours since it was overhauled and it's available for sale. It hasn't been run for almost 10 years and will need some looking into. ((Steve Pankonin has the engine at Beagle now and will be inspecting it before it is ready for sale.)) The money the chapter gets from the motor should be enough for a trailer, paint, some cold drinks, and the miscellaneous parts it needs to be a functional parade vehicle. Any ideas and guidance are welcome on this project.

Blue skies, Paul Martin Young Eagle Coordinator

WHEELS UP!

Greetings Members,

June has arrived with a bang and there is a marked increase in events of all sorts. Beside family activities, there are a plethora of pancake breakfasts in the Pacific Northwest to choose from. I hope you get your wish and are free to attend ad nauseum.

I am looking forward to our next meeting. There are important items on the agenda, ones that will require your presence and your vote. Most importantly, we will be voting on the acquisition of the Link Trainer and will need a number of dedicated members to oversee its care.

Paul Martin has reported that a VariEze has been donated to our Chapter. Though for static display only, Paul has already been busy applying liberal amounts of elbow grease and removing some of its blemishes. This should be a great eye-catching display. Show up at the meeting and find out more about this asset that has come our way. I understand that the engine is to be removed and proceeds split between the donor and the Chapter.

Anyone interested in taking up a pen and becoming our Chapter Secretary? This vital position is still vacant after Owen Jurling has stepped back to concentrate on his business responsibilities. Did you know that the Secretary is a guiding member of the Board of Directors? Please let your Chapter Officers know that you are willing get involved and dedicate just a little bit of your valuable time.

Last meeting we decided to move the Ercoupe clean-up date to Saturday, June 30th, this in order to make it shine for our 4th of July Parade entry in Central Point. As of this writing, I don't know if the VariEze could be a second entry. We will need help at Beagle Field both for the clean up and to fold paper airplanes to distribute to the parade crowd. Emblazoned on the paper will be our Chapter info and information for kids about the Young Eagles program. (Great idea, Joan)!

Right on the heels of our next meeting, is an exclusive invitation from the EAA Montague Chapter 654 to our members to join them Saturday, June 16th for breakfast. Please let me know that you are going so that I can give them a prop and head count. Notice: breakfast is served at 7AM! If you've got room in your aircraft or car for another member, please let this be known. Let's have a good showing and demonstrate what great appetites we have!

Hopefully, we'll have updates from Dean Edson regarding ground/flight training and from Dennis Lewis on a flight simulator.

And finally, don't be surprised if Sherri Shusterwitz or Carole Dunn calls you. They have volunteered to "cultivate" a phone tree to remind members of the importance of our monthly meeting and to encourage you to attend. Thanks Carole and Sherri!

Respectfully, Your Prez,
Bud Liberatore

Board of Directors

Please call if you want to help out on either a one time or regular basis.

Check for latest information on our website www.eaa319.org

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