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The Newsletter of EAA Chapter 1310



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CHAPTER 1310 MEETINGS

Saturday January 10

We return to meeting on the 2nd Saturday of the month at 10AM

The next meeting will be Saturday January 10th. We'll meet at the airport for a short business meeting, and then go over to visit Linc Turcotte's RV-6 project.

The February meeting will feature a contest to modify the wing of a Cessna 172. X-Plane software will be used to see who can modify the

wing shape to create the most lift, or the most airspeed.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Friday January 16

Chapter Buffet Dinner Friday

Alfred's Restaurant, 100 Main Street, Broad Brook
Tickets are \$17 per person, and we are limited to 40 people.

The menu includes Green salad, Rolls and butter, Roast beef, Potato, Rice, Vegetables, Dessert, Punch, Coffee / Tea

A few tickets are still left. call Eric Dixon at 860-668-5474 or Dave Christman at 860 763-1808 (H)

Tuesday, January 13, 2009

6:00 - 9:00 PM

EAA Chapter 1454 Monthly Meeting

Speaker/Dinner **Fitchburg Municipal Airport,**

Fitchburg, MA Fitchburg Pilots Assoc. EAA

Chapter 1454. Our monthly meeting with guest speaker Bob Martens. This will also be a credited WINGS program. Dinner at 6:00, meeting at 7:00.

Bullock Hangar.

<http://www.Fitchburgpilots.org>

Contact: Charley Valera

Phone: 978-537-7772, [Send an Email](#)

UPCOMING EVENTS FOR 2009

May 23-24

Jones Beach, NY hosts the Thunderbirds.

Saturday May 30

EAA1310 Safety Seminar/Fly-In

June 27 & 28

Rhode Island National Guard has their Open House with the Blue Angels and the Snowbirds. If you haven't seen the Blues, they are not to be missed.

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July 4-5

The Blues are at Binghamton, NY. (It's not *that* far :-)

August 8 or 15

EAA1310 Corn Roast

September 12 & 13

The Westfield Air Show

The Blues are scheduled elsewhere that weekend so I don't know what type of event they're planning.

October 10th

Taildragger Fly-In

We'll also hold a spring and fall Young Eagles day.

Jack Hilditch mentioned that perhaps a visit to Brainard tower would be easier to organize, and then perhaps a visit to the new aviation school there. Jack says they're getting close to being ready for occupancy.

CHAPTER SECRETARY'S MEETING MINUTES

Minutes of the Meeting of November 12, 2008

17 Members attended. The minutes of the previous meeting were accepted.

This meeting is our Annual Meeting for State of Connecticut reporting purposes.

The Treasurer's Report was submitted after the meeting. In October our beginning Balance was \$5934. We had income of \$564 and expenses of \$364.56 for net income of \$199.44 resulting in a balance at the end of October of \$6133.46.

Announcements:

The annual Skylark Christmas dinner is scheduled for Friday December 5 th at 6:30 PM. Mike is looking for help cleaning out the hangar earlier that day. (This event has since taken place. We had a good crowd who brought plenty of great food. A warm and good time was had by all.)

The Chapter dinner will be held on Friday January 16 th at Alfred's in Broad Brook. We have the choice of the main entrée of top round roast for \$17 or sirloin for \$19. All other items on the menu remain the same. The members chose the top round roast. Attendance will be limited to 40 people to avoid the crowded conditions we had last year. Sign up with Eric or Dave. Tickets are now available.

We reviewed the October safety seminar. The event went very well with the speakers we had and the cookout.

We plan on holding Young Eagles events next year in the same style as this year in cooperation with Chapter 166 and the other area chapters.

New Business:

We have a pancake breakfast scheduled for November 15 th. We will set up on Friday morning. Dave, Carl and Jack Pelkey installed the heater in Bob Martin's hangar.

EAA calendars were ordered. Fred Goff coordinated this effort.

Elections:

The nominated candidates were elected to offices for 2009.

Paul Dowgiewicz-President
Jack Hilditch-Vice President
Fred Goff-Secretary
David Christman-Treasurer

Board of Directors elected are:

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Ed Deveau
Eric Dixon
Charlie Falke
Peter Russell

Charlie Falke has offered to take over the web site and newsletter in 2009. Susie Williams will perform event coordination tasks.

The meeting was then adjourned.

PRESIDENT'S STATE OF THE CHAPTER

Here we go starting our eight year for the Chapter. We've gone from a handful of aviation enthusiasts to about 35 members now. Our first pancake breakfasts were prepared on a small gas grill. One thing to note is that over all this time we've held the price the same.

We've made a lot of progress over the years. Some of our breakfasts have attracted over 100 people. Our corn roast has also become very popular. But our main accomplishment so far is how much we've progressed in our aviation education programs. Since we took over the Taildragger safety seminar and Fly-in about four years ago, we've expanded our programs quite a bit.

We now hold a second safety seminar in the spring, and in the past we had informational displays at the East Windsor Rotary Family Day, and at the FAA SafetyFest. Over the past two years we've developed a very successful Young Eagles program in association with Chapter 166 and several area aviation organizations.

One of the founders of the chapter, Mike Koczera has continued to support the chapter with the use of the airport for our meetings and events. We've helped the airport back by providing the television for the pilot lounge, painted the runway markings and sprayed weed killer on the pavement to help it last longer.

The past Presidents of the chapter have set a good foundation for us. Mike got the chapter going for the first few years and provided his aviation experience to teach his skills at several meetings. Eric Dixon then guided the chapter through the development years where many other organizations lose the fresh enthusiasm and fade away.

We have a good footing for the future. In the past, our web site won a chapter award at Airventure. The web site provides the timeliest information to our members. Our newsletter which provides more in-depth information to the members will now be published by Charlie Falke, who is also taking over most of the web site tasks.

We now look toward what we can accomplish in the coming year, and in subsequent years. We plan on continuing our two Young Eagles events along with Chapter 166. We will also maintain our ongoing relationship with the FAA Safety Team to hold spring and fall safety seminars. The social events won't be ignored either. We will continue to build on the breakfasts and cookouts we hold. Improved publicity may get additional visitors to help our fundraising effort.

An on going request is to have a building or restoration project for the members. The problem is that we have no place to work on it. In order to pay for the construction or rental of a building along with operation, we will need to increase our income significantly. In the past year the chapter obtained non-profit status which may be the key to us being able to obtain more substantial donations/contributions.

To accomplish this, and to continue our programs, we need the participation of our members. The chapter would dissolve without our great volunteers. We can only accomplish more with greater involvement. If we are able to develop a workshop, the chapter will be able to have activity

at the airport on most days of the year. We're still a relatively small group, so I would like to ask everyone to see if they know someone who they can recruit as another member.

EAA isn't an organization where you just send in your dues, and get a magazine in return. It's about member activity. We have the potential of a lot of achievements in the coming years. Your commitment and enthusiasm can make it happen.

[CLASSIFIEDS- FOR SALE / WANTED](#)

Sennheiser Noise Cancelling Headset.

Little used and in excellent condition. Original cost over \$800. Will sell for \$150.

Dave Gosslin, 860-467-6050.

Pitts S1C project for sale.

EAA Members- I have a Pitts project for sale, N22JE. Below is a partial list as well as a picture attached of the airframe. I no longer have the time to complete the airframe restoration and have decided to place the aircraft up for sale.

Airframe as pictured, nose bowl, Interplane Struts, Ailerons, Pushrods, Steen Aero Preformed P/W LE's for lower wings, McWhite Wires, Pitot Tube (Raven), Upper Wing, Plexiglass Belly Panel, Panel forward tin, Lower Wing Spar Blanks, Steen Aero Lab CNC Rib Jigs, New Ribs for Lower Wings, Plans, Dynafocal Mount, FAA Paperwork (Reg. and O/L's) and other misc. parts. No engine or prop. Asking price, \$6000. Plane located at Chester, KSNC.



Tim 203.650.1142

Davis DA2A homebuilt.

I thought it appropriate to offer it to chapter members here in our area as well as national For Sale listings on Barnstormers and Sport Aviation.

Advertisement: DAVIS DA2A - C90 Cont, 41hrs SMOH, 775# Empty, 125 mph Cruise. Stalls at 58 MPH 2-Place. Picture on request. \$18,500 Call Joe Gauthier at 860-604-1582. [eMail](#)

1935 Kinner Sportster

\$85,000 - Extremely Rare 1 of 2 left Flying! Featured on cover of Jan 07 Vintage Airplane, also featured Mar. Air Classic & Dec. Flight Journal. Award Winner at Blakesburg, Simsbury & Antique Airplane Club of Greater NY. If you're looking for an antique that will turn heads wherever you go this is the plane. Would consider selling a partnership in CT Contact Bob McCorkle 203-368-8396 or [eMail](#) Additional photos can be seen at [Barnstormers.com](#)



what point on the circuit board. No soldering will be done on your headset.

Paul 860-370-9990 [Paul](#)

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Any EAA member in the Southern New England area is welcome to list aviation-related merchandise for sale or wanted on this page. Send an eMail to [Chapter 1310 email](#)

WANTED

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Looking to borrow a Lightspeed 15K Headset

My microphone plug had a broken wire.

Lightspeed won't repair them, only give a small discount on a new headset. By the time I got a replacement plug, I lost track of where each wire goes back. I only need to see which wire goes to

Articles, pictures, etc. for the news letter. You can Email them to me at chfalke@cox.net or mail them to me at:

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Happy New Year