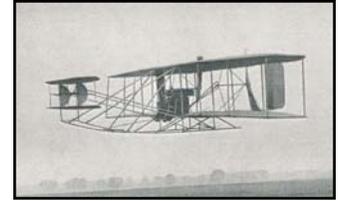


TAIL-DRAGGER And "Nose-Dragger" too!



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Hangar Hangouts, Formal & Informal

Chapter 277 is fairly active socially with monthly breakfast get-togethers at some local restaurants or at the Midwest hangar in Marion. The Marion breakfasts are expertly catered thanks to Charley Rodriguez and his Rotor and Wing crew. They some times include activities such as poker runs, plane washes, swap meets, and a lineup of different aircraft belonging to chapter members and guests that fly in. These events are usually well attended, often without the best weather.



What may not be commonly known is that several other meetings of our local aviation community take place every week in different locations. One is a gathering for lunch on Tuesdays at the Western Sizzlin in Marion when the doors open at 11:00 am. Another is a brown bag lunch hosted each Thursday by Steve Schlager at his t-hangar starting at 11:00 am to about 1:00 pm (until cold weather sets in). These "Informal" gatherings always involve some lively discussion on many topics but mostly, they center on aviation, news, aircraft types, projects, and some problem solving for those who are building or repairing aircraft.

After lunch at Steve's last Thursday Mark, Rex, and I gave Vic a hand installing a new prop on his Waix. Often a member needs a little help with his project and these hangouts are how the word is spread. Check the Coming Events section on page 3 for dates of the "Formal" hangouts and keep in mind the Tuesday and Thursday lunches.



Pat McGuire



16th Annual **Little Egypt Fly-in & Veterans Reunion**

In conjunction with the Mt. Vernon Fall Festival

Mt. Vernon Outland Airport (MVN)

Route 15 East, Mt. Vernon, Illinois

Saturday October 20, 2012, 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Activities include:

Free Young Eagle Rides (ages 8 - 17)

Static/U.S. Military Displays

WACO Bi-Plane Rides

Antique Military Vehicles

Free Helicopter Rides for Veterans - Courtesy of Kash Helicopter Services

Free Admission/Parking ---Fun for the Entire Family---Good Food



USAF C-130 "Hercules"



CAF B-25 "Show Me"



ARMY CH-47 "Chinook"

Tour the Jefferson County Hall of Honor and Museum!



For Event Information Call (618) 242-7016
or visit: www.mtvernonairport.com



MT. VERNON ILLINOIS

BOARD MEETING MINUTES**October 1, 2012**

Purpose: To handle business items, leaving more time at Chapter meetings.

Members Present: Bob Amunrud, Clarke Deacon, Janet Hartwig, Ron Farver, Charley Rodriguez, Steve Schlager, Marshall White. The meeting was held in the conference room at Midwest Aviation, Marion.

- The meeting was held at Midwest Aviation, Marion, and called to order by President Schlager at 7:05 PM.
- The Treasurer reported a balance of \$3341.28.
- Calendar: October 6 – breakfast at Mt. Vernon
October 8 – membership meeting. Mark Sprigg, instructor, "The Gyroplane"
October 13 – Coffee & donuts at Hurst. Fly-in at Olney.
October 20 – breakfast & poker run. Last breakfast at MWA for the season.
October 21 – fly-in at Painton MO
- Discussion: plans for Christmas dinner.
- 2013 dues are due!!
- Only 4 have signed up for Poker Run, so far. \$15 per person.
- Meeting adjourned at 8 PM

Membership Meeting, Monday, September 10, 2012

Weather: Perfect

- The meeting was held at the SIU Avtech classroom at Carbondale airport. The meeting was called to order by the president at 7:05 PM. Two guests were introduced.
- Sam Hoskins reported on his Tandem Wing Fly-in; three of those present were former winners of awards at Oshkosh. A short video of the proceedings accompanied the talk.
- Clarke Deacon introduced two more "Hints For Homebuilders": "Safety Wiring" and "Cotter Key Placement".
- Vick Vicari gave his views on the LSA Convention at MVN. More aircraft are being fitted with glass panels.
- A report on the John Johnson Memorial was given by President Schlager.
- The program was on B-29 "Fifi" by Charlie Rodriguez.

Bob Amunrud, Secretary

REFRESHMENTS

October: Pat McGuire & Marshall White
November: Bob Amunrud & Ron Farver



Mon, October 8, 2012 [7:00 PM]—Membership Meeting, Room 145 Av-Tech, Southern Illinois Airport.

Sat, October 13, 2012 [8:30 AM]—Coffee & donuts at Hurst.

Sat, October 20, 2012 [8:30 AM]—Breakfast 7 poker run. Last breakfast at MWA for the season.

Sun, October 21, 2012—Fly-In at Painton, MO.

Mon, November 5, 2012 [7:00 PM]—Board meeting, Midwest Aviation, Marion Airport.

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Newsletter Editor—Pat McGuire

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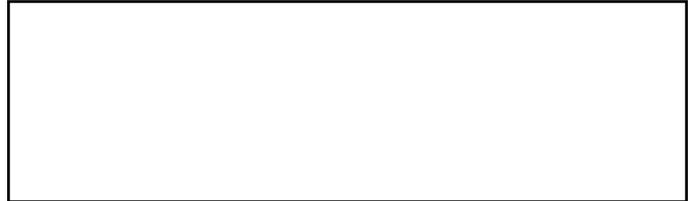
All of the above—Plus:
Membership—Marshall White
Young Eagles Cord.—Charley Rodriguez
Member-at-large—John Williams
Past President—Charley Rodriguez

2013 Chapter Dues will be accepted at our membership meeting Monday night. They are \$20.00 for the year and entitle you to a monthly copy of our newsletter and a choice of either a beige or grey chapter cap.

MEETING PROGRAM

Mark Sprigg of Magniflight in Cape Girardeau will give a presentation on the Magni-16 Gyro.

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President's Column

What a great surprise to see Mike Naegele's photos in this month's issue of Sport Aviation (page 106)!!!

One of our own chapter members got a whole page in the magazine, and prominently displayed in the background was the Chapter 277 banner.

And he didn't even tell us it was coming!

Way to go, Mike!

Today (Thursday, Oct 4) we had fifteen people show up at my hangar to share food, flying and stories on a beautiful fall day. Yes, Mike was there, too, in his usual unassuming way.

To me, this is what flying is all about. People who love to fly, or to just be involved with aviation in their own particular way, where everybody is equal, and it makes no difference what you fly, or even if you fly.

These are my kind of people. There's room for more at my hangar. You're always welcome.

Steve Schlager, President