

Meeting On 05/18/2013 @ 10am

May 2013

Editors Corner

Jim Lobue

I'm still looking for member written and submitted articles for *your* newsletter. Please email me with articles, suggestions, and/or comments. Thanks.



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President's Report

Keith Spreuer

President's Message May 2013

Greetings Chapter 96 members. Several activities are on-going at the chapter. We held YE Flights on April 27th at Compton Airport and we have Eagle Flights (for all ages) at Compton on May 18th. That is also International Learn to Fly Day. These will be one on one flights with the pilots spending time to answer each participants question and to share their love of flying with them. We selected Demetrius Ingram to be our candidate for the Oshkosh Air Academy this Summer, I am so impressed with him! He has earned his private and is headed to the University of North Dakota in the Fall to study Aviation. We rarely see kids that have success written all over them the way he does. I'm very pleased to support his dreams in this way. Many thanks to Ariel Hazi for his help in getting the hangar WiFi up and working. For just a couple hundred dollars he was able to connect a router to pick up the airport signal. He is also going to set up a computer in our lounge to connect to the Internet. This will open up a resource for weather checking, flight planing, checking technical data, or finding a source for supplies. And this costs us nothing beyond the equipment we bought. We can even download EAA videos for meeting presentations and for the Homebuilder hints on video. Your phones and lap tops can connect also. So far there is no password, just connect and go. We have several speakers lined up this month and for several months in the future. This month on the 18th we have Patricia Lewis-Hansen of Multiplaz coming to introduce us to the Multiplaz system of welding. In June we are planning a FAAST Safety Standown. This is an in depth safety program that has gotten good reviews in the community. In July we have Darby Lajoye set up to talk about airport security with an emphasis on how this applies to GA and Compton.

We have been promising a PayPal link on the website for donations and membership renewal. That is now ready to be implemented. Come on out for the meeting, presentation, BBQ, and Learn to Fly Day on the 18th....see you there!

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Hangar Report

Keith Spreuer

Hangar Report May 2013 Fantastic news in the hangar! The Ike Aerospace project has been sold to cover the years past rent that was due. That brought in almost \$3300 to cover our short fall. That along with income from the RC Expo has us in pretty good financial shape. On the other side of that coin, that space will be vacated in a couple weeks. Robert is moving out his Aeronca and the Long EZ space behind him is vacating too. The other Long EZ behind me is expecting to be complete in a few months so we have a continuing vigil to promote new tenants. I have people putting flyers at all the local airports and I'm visiting EAA Chapter 7 this Thursday to spread the word. Things do seem to be picking up lately so I'm optimistic that we can fill the spaces. We really need to do some house cleaning. So there will be a group effort after the BOD meeting on June 1st so we can haul some of the accumulated junk off to the dump. I could use half a dozen volunteers in work clothes that day. Thanks I appreciate your support.

Program for May Meeting

Rhon Williams

I have confirmed that Patricia Lewis-Hansen of Multiplaz will present at our May 18 meeting. They will give a briefing, demonstrate their product and allow our folks to practice, so bring some metal samples to be welded or cut.

I said we typically used 4130 steel tubing and 6061 aluminum, but they would be open to other possibilities.

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EAA Webinars

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EAA Webinars are free to all aviation enthusiasts, but pre-registration is recommended since space is limited to the first 1,000 registrants.

May 15 - 7 p.m. CDT

Making the Transition to Glass Panel

Presenter: Kirk Kleinholz

May 22 - 7 p.m. CDT

Rotax 912 Fuels and Carburetion

Presenter: Dean Vogel

May 29 - 7 p.m. CDT

Demystifying Weight and Balance

Presenter: Fred Keip

June 5 - 8 p.m. CDT

Help! My Engine is Making Metal!

FAA AMT & Wings Credit
Presenter: Mike Busch

June 12 - 7 p.m. CDT

MedXPress: Safely Negotiating the FAA Online Medica

Presenter: Dr. Greg Pinnell

June 19 - 7 p.m. CDT

Weight, Balance, Engines, and the Reality Check

Presenter: Jeremy Monnett

June 26 - 7 p.m. CDT
Flying the U-2 Dragonlady
Presenter: Pat Halloran

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Progress on the Piet!

Carl Lekven

I tried to make some sense of the turnbuckle specifications in FAR43-13, to no avail, and tried to find someone who could interpret the spec for me, again to no avail. So I installed the drag/anti-drag turnbuckles and cables as best I could. Jack Massie looked at my installation and said, "you've got too many turns showing". He then hauled out our club copy of FAR43 - 13 - 1C, which has been updated and is now perfectly clear, even has pictures!

So I removed the old cables, and replaced those that were too short. We have a Tensiometer, so cable tension is not a problem for us to measure. I was counting on pulling up the cables considerably with the turnbuckles, so I left the ends with plenty of room for tightening.

With Rhon Williams' help, I found that we could pull the cable in the Nicopress sleeve almost to approximately 30 pounds, so I did not need all the turns I had made allowance for, which explains how I ended up with too many turns outside the barrels.

Since the tension in the cable(s) can be set so close to that required, we tried setting the tunbuckle ends with 2-3 turns showing, each end. Then pulled the cable end through the Nicopress sleeve until we were near the desired tension. Only a fractional turn of the barrel was necessary for the final adjustment, one half-turn producing about 5 pounds of tension.

So now the wings on my Pietenpol are very close to being ready for covering. The PolyTak adhesive is ready, as is the fabric, and all the other stuff, like brushes, solvent, etc., and we could cover a wing at the next meeting, except for the fact that my son is coming from Maui this coming weekend and we may not make the next meeting!

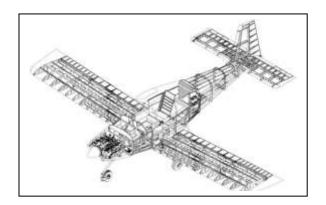
It's been a long time coming, but things are beginning to fall into place!

Carl Lekven

Treasurer's Report

Merrill Eastcott

The month of April started with a balance of \$14,483.59 and ended with a balance of \$14,574.01, showing a slight positive cash flow of about \$90. In addition to the usual hangar rent and utilities, our semi-annual hangar property tax of \$924.84 was paid. Announced at the membership meeting on April 20, hangar rents will increase on June 1, 2013 to the following amounts per month: large space, \$400; small space, \$300; half space, \$150.



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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Mayl 18th - Compton Woodley Airport

Eagle Flights (for all ages)

International Learn to Fly Day

EAA Chapter 96 Meeting and BBQ

1017 Alondra Blvd Compton, CA 90220

