## **Presidents' Message**

Greetings to all,

With another month is behind us we continue to move forward with new ideas and plans.

We should soon have the bids back on materials for the air system for the new addition and Mike Short now has a rough draft on the partition wall separating the machine shop from the meeting room.

Plans are in the works for the flying club with emphasis first on gliders, then as we continue perhaps we can add in Light sport powered. It is true we are focusing efforts to help the youth get a jump start on flying, it is equally true this program also welcomes adults who may want to learn more about soaring. The next organizational meeting will be on Thursday night March 8<sup>th</sup> at 6 p.m. Come check it out!!

The Northwest Aviation Conference in Puyallup take place Feb.24, 25, which offers up a wide variety of aviation topics and seminars. One in particular that relates directly to EAA 292, Allan Snowie will give a presentation on a recent trip his group took to France along with a few of our Nieuport 11 aircraft to celebrate the Canadian involvement in WW 1. Should be an interesting presentation to learn our Nieuports became international travelers.

Dave Ullman is looking for more volunteers to help out with the 2018 Fly-in event, in particular he needs help organizing the silent auction. If you would like to help with this fundraising event please contact Dave. Dave also has other areas where help is needed as well. So give him a call.

Jeanie Wildman and Mike Short will kick off the VMC flying club this month, their first meeting will be held at the EAA Chapter on Tuesday March 6<sup>th</sup> at 7 PM. This will be a regular monthly meeting for all who wish to participate. A description of this program is attached.

Jeff Burns will be our next Guest Speaker, who will talk about Prop balancing and why we need to pay attention to that.

Mike Kelly will officiate the March meeting as I will be at WAAAM working on the upcoming Oshkosh trip for the WW 2 gliders.

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**Meeting Minutes** 

Executive Board Meeting Saturday, February 10, 2018

In Attendance: Al Cleveland, President; Mike Kelly, Vice President; Bill McLagan, Treasurer; Curt Anderson, Secretary; Bob Schwarzler, Trustee; Debbie Origer, Youth Aviation; Mike Short, David Ullman, Mike Ryer,, John Coyier. Meeting was called to order at 10:00

| Treasurer's Report - | Beginning Balance | \$35,653.38                           |
|----------------------|-------------------|---------------------------------------|
|                      | Minus expenses    | \$3,934.16                            |
|                      | Plus income       | <b>\$12,190.62</b>                    |
|                      | Ending Balance    | <u>\$43,909.84</u>                    |
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## Fund Balances:

| General Fund \$19,651.85   | Aircraft Builder's Fund\$5,992.16 |
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| Education Fund \$13,242.43 | B17 Fund\$3,773.40                |
| Simulator fund \$1,250.00  | Hangar Expansion \$-16,289.55     |

Secretary's Report - On the roster 172; Lifetime Members 22; Paid for 2018 70; 80 unpaid. Note: many members paid at the meeting. Many still need to pay Fiscal Budget: Al passed around a proposed budget for 2018 for discussion. The committee is still missing some budgets.

David suggested that each committee have their proposed budget for the year in to the budget committee no laser than January 15 so that the budget could be ready by the February meeting.

Hangar - All is looking at various pipe for routing air to the hangar. the aluminum/PEX is very expensive for the fittings. Black pipe is the current best option.

Youth Aviation - Debbie thanked Mike Short and Vincent Homer for reviewing the candidates for the Oshkosh scholarship. The field trip to the NW Aviation Expo has been cancelled as a chapter event. It will proceed as privately funded trip. The trip will include a stop at the Boeing museum.

Mike Ryer handed out a tri-fold brochure on the Youth Aviation produced by Vergil Royer, a chapter member from Salem.

Mike asked the board to review the brochure so that he could make changes David moved that Mike take the comments and move toward and print 250 copies. Seconded by Mike Kelly. After discussion it passed unanimously.

Allan Snowie purchased four of the Nieuports that were produced by members of 292 and had been flying them around Bellingham, WA. He recently had them in France for an exhibition. He will be presenting a slide show on the Nieuports at the NW Aviation Expo.

The Pazmany needs a new home for a few months. It was donated to the club to be rebuilt.

Fly-In - David had a meeting last week. We are scheduling the STOL event for two hours. He needs committee chairs for forums and fundraising. Contact David if you can help on these. If no one steps forward, these parts of the Fly-In will not happen. David has tried to use the EAA's "Chapter Blast" to send out announcements to local EAA members. The STOL Expo is part of the Fly-In and Rod Kerr is also looking for volunteers for that part of our event.

Long Term Planning - Mike Kelly passed around a summary sheet from the planning meeting. There are many blanks next to items on who might be responsible for these activities. Mike will present his findings at the March general meeting. All has been approached by the Memorial Day event to use our facilities at a backup and

the use of our chairs and lectern.

The Red Hatters would like to use the facilities on July 10th - There will by no charge.

Mike Short talked about EAA's VMC club. This will be an informal coffee group regarding VFR pilots on the <u>first Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m.</u>

Storage Unit - Al looked at the options for storage units (shipping containers). Prices varied from about \$3000-\$5000. Kimber (CERT) has not gotten back to him on having a unit provided by FEMA.

Meeting adjourned at 9:35.

**General Membership Meeting** 

Approximately 110 in attendance

Welcome to guests.

The meeting was called to order at 10:00

Treasurer's Report: \$43,909.84 See above for details.

Secretary's Report: 172 on the roster. About 80 still need to pay for 2018.

Youth Aviation: Debbie talked about the Teen Aviation weekend for the NW Aviation

Expo later this month. This is not a 292 sponsored event.

Fly-in: David is looking for help

Hangar Addition: Volunteers will be needed to install the air lines. Emails will be sent out.

Henson Bartle started off the memorial service for Bill Osborn

Honor Guard with the presentation of the Colors.

Henry Bartle gave history of Bill Osborn's life.

Friends of Bill gave their memories of him.

**Break** 

Program: Marici & Robin Reid, accompanied by Joe Mollihan from the Portland FSDO presented **Safe Operations at 7S5 - Gliders and Powered Aircraft**.

Meeting was adjourned at 12:10.

Post meeting note: Mike Short's hotdog lunch netted \$144.34 from 56 lunches, three sodas and donations of \$8. With encouragement, Mike might repeat this opportunity in the future.



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Editor's note: We had a great turnout at the February meeting. I stopped counting at 110 attending the meeting. Here are some photos taken by Mike Kelley...





Newsletter of EAA 292

Non-instrument rated pilots who want to improve their proficiency now have an excellent new resource through EAA's VMC Club.

The VMC Club is modeled after the popular IMC Club concept which provides organized "hangar flying" focused on building proficiency in instrument flying. The VMC Club will do the same, but for pilots who are not instrument rated and fly primarily under visual flight rules and under VMC.

The VMC Club offers monthly meetings in which pilots can network and share knowledge and experience. The meetings use real-world scenarios to engage members, and allow a free exchange of information that improves awareness and skills. The intent is to create a community of pilots willing to share information, provide recognition, foster communications, promote safety, and build proficiency. All EAA members are automatically eligible to take part in VMC and IMC Club programs in their local chapters. VMC Club is supported by Jeppesen.

## Independence Glider Club Independence Wing Nuts

We are forming a glider club at the Independence Airport, and we want you to join! We have a strong emphasis on the youth, but both the young and the young at heart may join. We are a non-profit with all of the donations going to our youth division know as "Kilroy's Cadets". A meeting will be held on Thursday March 8<sup>th</sup>, 2018 at the EAA hangar on the Independence Airport starting at 6 pm.



## Youth Activities Program (YAP)-Debbie Origer, Director

Three months and counting for Young Eagles Rally...Teen Weekend goes to North West Aerospace Conference...Teen Build 90% done and 90% to with engine selected...AirVenture Scholarship competition in the works...Now the rest of the story...

Outreach - The Sport Aviation after school class at Talmadge Middle School went to watch a weather balloon launch. Fourteen middle schoolers, two aides and two EAA 292 members took the folks to watch the launch. Ted Vaughn, NOAA and NWS, hosted the event and explained all the launch and data recording steps from inflating the balloon with hydrogen to watching the telemetry as the balloon climbed out to the gang. The balloon climbed at 1000 feet per minute and began its ninety minute flight about ten feet in diameter. When it reached burst altitude, about 100 to 120,000 feet, the balloon had expanded to over thirty feet in diameter. Once the balloon pops, the sonde returns to earth via parachute. About 25% of the sondes are recovered, refurbished and used again. This was the fourth class in the eight class series. Navigation is next on the agenda.

**Young Eagles Rally** –The countdown has started for the June Rally. Make sure you are ready to join Judy Yerian for the festivities. The work will really come together starting in April when the Yerians return from the warmth of Arizona!





**Teen Aviation Weekend (TAW) –** The February TAW was a trip to the North West Aerospace Conference with a detour to the Boeing Museum. The troupe of five teen builders, four parents and three mentors made the three day trip and had a great time. The teen builders were exposed to many different aspects of the aviation and aerospace world and had a chance to talk with professionals helping them decide where to aim their education.



The next TAW will be in October, 2018, one month after our fall Young Eagle Rally. Mike Ryer will coordinate the invitations and recruit presenters for the two day experience. It is currently scheduled for October 20 and 21, 2018. There will be more on this later.

**Teen Build** – An engine has been selected for the Zenith and it is the 100 HP AeroMomentum derivative Suzuki gearbox engine. The builders are rapidly running out of big things to build on the airplane. They are getting into the 90% done and 90% to go phase of the build. The last wing is nearly complete and two teams are building the slats and flaperons.







To help distinguish the teen builders from the rest of the airplane folks on the airport, or elsewhere for that matter, it was decided to design a logo and have it printed on sweatshirts. Rod Kerr, of STOL fame, helped the teen builders go through the process of selecting colors, text and artwork for the shirts. Ryer took notes as the teen builders and Kerr worked out the details. Look for them to be on hand in March or April.



Youth Scholarships, Grants and Aid – The scholarship process for Air Venture is nearly complete. The selection process is underway and the winner will be announced at the March Chapter Meeting. The YAP also is working to develop a "learn to fly through solo" grant in either a glider or power plane. Research is being done to determine what 10 hours of dual will cost and how we will go about funding the grant. Once this is fully developed, the YAP will let you know how to apply for and compete toward this exciting grant. Our big challenge right now is we need an administrator for this program. If helping young people reach their dreams is in your wheelhouse, let us know because we could use your help.

**Finally**...After reading about all the neat things going on in early 2018, if you are interested in participating in the YAP, contact Debbie Origer, Director of Youth Activities Program, at <a href="mailto:origer3123@comcast.net">origer3123@comcast.net</a> or attend the committee meeting on the evening of the third Tuesday of each month.