

Minutes of EAA Chapter 407

A meeting of Chapter 407 of the Experimental Aircraft Association was held at the Blackfoot Airport, McCarley Field terminal, Black foot, Idaho on 16 Jan., 2016 at 6 p. m.

Persons present: Gregg Cobia-EAA Vice President and Idaho Aviation Association District 5 rep, Dale Cresap-Young Eagles, Mike Hart-Idaho Aviation Association (IAA) District 6 rep, Nola Orr-EAA Secretary, Leigh Orr, Frank Prickett, Bill Smith, and Jim Wolper.

Educational Topics:

- Gregg opened the meeting with a presentation on electronics communications and their value to our various organizations. We discussed a series of issues concerning aircraft safety from a web page called boldmethod.com. This included things like the 'Most common cause of fires in aircraft engines,' and other issues and what to do about it.
- Mike played a video that allows you to view flight as the Blue Angels perceive it.

The chapter web page is at www.407.eaachapter.org. Gregg wants to make it easier to communicate electronically, he will establish links between our chapter web page, our Facebook page, the City's airport page (under City of Blackfoot.org > Departments > Airport). There will be links making it easier for one to hop from address to address. Gregg talked about adding a mechanism that would allow us to have 'classified' listings.

The evening's program was, "IAA, and how our EAA and IAA chapters in SE Idaho can share information and work together". Greg Cobia and Mike Hart lead the discussion.

Mike Hart talked about benefits of IAA involvement.

- IAA is a lobbying organization. They present and promote flight issues to our Idaho State government.
- They have money available for scholarships.
- Mike will issue a statement clarifying thee issues at a later date.
- The IAA members will recognize the officers and bylaws of the local EAA chapter.
- Mike presented information on various projects IAA is doing statewide.
 1. They have a shed at the airport in Salmon used to store the bikes used by pilots who land there. A bucket for donations has been supporting it. IAA donated \$3,000 for the shed.
 2. IAA gave \$10,000 to the Idaho Aviation Foundation for the rebuild of Big Creek Lodge, see rebuildbigcreek.org. We might pick a day this spring and a group fly up there and help.

Old Business:

- The name tags. Maybe we could put a spot on the FaceBook page where you could order them, if there's any interest. In the meantime, if you want one, contact Leigh Orr 241-5767.
- We will peruse bikes and bike racks in the spring.
- Reviewed the notes from yesterday's weekly Airport Staff Meeting.
- Had an update on the Civil Air Patrol's current status.

New business:

- Saturday the 23rd is an EAA Breakfast at the airport terminal
- Feb 6th is an EAA Breakfast at the Homestead restaurant.
- At an IAA meeting in Nampa last Saturday, it was revealed that there are discussions of shutting the Burley airport down.
- May 20th and 21st is the Idaho Falls Aviation Expo.
- Civil Air Patrol meets in the terminal twice a month.
- There has been a change in Student Pilot Certificates being dictated by TSA. Information available at FAA.gov or see Jim Wolper or Mike Marquette.

Adjourned: with questions on who to pay dues to. The meeting was adjourned at 7:22.