

EAA Chapter 407 Monthly Meeting 04/22/2017

22 April 2017 / McCarly Field Terminal - aka Blackfoot FBO

Meeting held immediately after monthly fly-in breakfast.

ATTENDEES: As listed on attached attendance sheet.

Reading of Minutes, these minutes approved by Natalie.

The chapter voted Earl Preston Most Valuable Member (MVM) for our

2016 visit from the Ford trimotor. Earl went conspicuously above and beyond the call of duty in making that event a success.

Action Item = Earl requests that everyone go do touch and gos at the Rockford Airstrip.

Natalie also was presented with a 'Thank You' plaque along with several others, for her efforts on the Trimotor. Among those who received plaques was Leslie Mielke, a reporter for the 'Morning News,' Aero Mark, and Bob Hoff's family. These plaques were given to Natalie by the Ford Trimotor Folk, to distribute.

Natalie announced that we have cancelled Young Eagles Flight at Gooding for this year. Dale contacted the school and they didn't seem very excited. It's a lot of effort, maybe every other year would be better.

Dale will do something at Blackfoot Pride Days, and will do other mini Young Eagle Flights.

We will do a June breakfast.

We'll do a breakfast in May, Memorial Day Weekend.

We are looking at having a presentation after breakfast each month. **We would like your feedback.**

If you are ok with not doing the meetings let Natalie know.

July falls on Oshkosh and Blue Angels. Maybe we'll do Breakfast in Idaho Falls? After some discussion, it was decided that would be too much confusion during the Blue Angels. We will do a booth to promote the chapter.

The ACE Academy, a state-run aviation program held in Boise for young people is coming up.

EAA 407 offers tuition to local teenagers, do we have anybody interested?

Helicopter issue, Natalie reminds us that this program offers insurance for helicopter transport in medical emergencies. Natalie's husband's helicopter ride during his recent episode at a cost

in excess of \$50,000. If at least ten of us join as chapter 407 members, we get a discount. The question was asked, "What happens if your emergency is outside this area?" It may be that this entire region is covered.

Action item = Natalie will get information and promote this more heavily.

We need someone to help with computer related work. Newsletters, etc. Hire a teen? CAP Cadet? Could someone a youngster get class credit for doing this work for us?

Action item = Natalie will approach Kenn Condon and see if any of his cadets could do this.

Pete Stewart gave a presentation on hydraulics. Austin Moses had a problem with a leak under his right wing which turned out to be a brake problem. He and Pete did all the research necessary to ensure that the repairs were correct and proper.

The presentation included:

What does the FAA require before you can work on an aircraft?

Certificated aircraft vs homebuilt.

What is maintenance and what is mechanical work?

Specifics on brakes. Drum vs disk. Pete brought samples.

Wear on pads and why would there have been a puddle under his plane?

Adjournment:

Meeting adjourned at 11:00 to regather at the new CAP/EAA hanger for a tour with CAP's Capt. Ken Condon.

CAP:

Remarks from Capt. Kenn Condon:

A hands-on plane has been donated.

\$4k has been donated, but not received as yet.

The lease is done on the hanger.

Ken discussed which aircraft will be available for Blackfoot Pride Days.

The A-10 Thunderbolts are confirmed. The MH60 Seahawk helicopters are tentative.

Army Ground vehicles will include a self-propelled howitzer, an M-109.