



CHAPTER 1093
Experimental Aircraft Association

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The EAA Chapter of Modern Explorers
Experimental Aircraft Association
Chapter 1093 Midland, MI



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The EAA biplane was conceived of by a Team of Allison engineers led by EAA member Jim D. Stewart. Using the Gere Sport of the 1930s as their starting point, this follow up design was had some qualities needing improvement so the team eventually developed a completely new design that became the EAA Biplane.



Note from the chapter president:

Here is to warmer weather!
Thank you from the Airport Operations Dept. Janine and I want to thank everyone, once again, for the tremendous support and help you have been to us in operating Barstow Airport. When we first came, the one question we were asked the most was, "How can we help?" When we were still figuring out how to get the job done, you helped us by volunteering to fix torn up sod, mow, and roll areas, and by spending many hours helping us clean up snow, etc. Your encouragement, acceptance, and support have meant a tremendous amount to us. There have been many challenges and some big discouragements for us in this job. However, the support and encouragement you have given us has made it worthwhile.

We also appreciate your advice, concerns, and suggestions. We want to know if there are problems because we want to do the best job we can. So please do not be afraid to be honest with us.

JT

Biplane event



Dave Schmelzer would like to invite chapter members to a biplane fly-in he is hosting on Saturday, April 24, 9-12 am. The event will be held at the "Ghetto hangar" just north of the chapter building and is open to everyone. *

*Not a 1093 chapter sanctioned event.

Upcoming events:

- April 8- Chapter meeting 6:30-8:00pm
- April 10- Young Eagles 9am-12 noon
- April 17- pre-breakfast clean up 9-noon
- April 24- Biplane fly-in*

- May 1- Pancake breakfast 7-11 am

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New Member Kyle Nothstine

Welcome to new chapter member Kyle Nothstine of Midland. Kyle has his private pilot's license. He is an information analyst at Central Michigan University. Kyle is married to Brandy, has a daughter, Dakota, age 10, and he and his wife are expecting a new addition to the family in April. Welcome, Kyle!

March meeting presentation



Craig Beins of the Saginaw Sherriff department entertained and informed March chapter meeting attendees. With a wide-ranging career starting with the 82nd Airborne in the 1960's to his

retirement from Delta College's law enforcement program in 2001, Mr. Beins had many interesting and humorous experiences to share. Most of the aviation stories he shared were about flying for the Saginaw Sheriff office in support of drug interdiction. Craig's other business is a defensive driving school he founded and operates. He has trained a wide variety of individuals from Secret Service, Dow executives, or anyone that wants to feel more comfortable in the driver's seat. In all, he gave a great presentation!

Future meeting presentations

Walt Charter has done a great job of finding interesting presenters for the chapter meetings. Tentatively he has scheduled a Civil Air Patrol speaker in April and a MDOT speaker in May.

Safety corner with Ron Schultz

"There are aircraft flying around your airport that do NOT have a radio. You must be observant and do not rely completely on the radio to "see "other traffic. Also, let's be responsible on the ramp, RE; your prop wash. My cub has been blown almost into the chain link fence."

Ron has a couple of good points here. It is a matter of being diligent and flying (or taxiing) courteously.

Fly in invitation

The chapter received a letter from Rebecca Duggan of Sugar Springs. As the chairperson, she is promoting the airport (OMI1) at Sugar Springs. She welcomes us to fly in anytime, and there is always transportation to the restaurant or golf course. Sugar Springs is having an open house on June 26. (of course, after you finish your pancakes at Barstow!) So if you were looking for a different nearby destination, keep OMI1 in mind, they'd appreciate the support. You can contact Rebecca at 586-415-7269 or rebdpilot@wideopenwest.com

From the Flight Surgeon



Although you would not think so from the weather, the springtime allergy season is around the corner and most of us suffer at least occasional problems. If you use antihistamines, remember that CFR (FAR) 91.17 does not allow "any drug that affects the person's faculties in any way contrary to safety." A smart choice would be to use non-sedating medications such as Allegra, Clarinex or Claritin. Nasal spray steroids are effective also and allowed by the FAA. Nasal decongestants like Afrin are effective but should be only used in certain situations. Confused? Call or write through www.OK2FLY.com and we will be happy to guide you through the array of available medications. Fly safe!

Gregory Pinnell, MD
Senior AME/Flight Surgeon USAFR

Classifieds?

Several members have mentioned that it would be nice to include a classified section in the newsletter. So starting in April classifieds will be a new column. Please submit your ads to me before the 20th of each month. You can reach me at johnsorg@charter.net or 835-7796.

Reoccurring chapter events

- First Thursday of each month is the regular membership meeting at 7pm.
- Second Saturday of each month is Young Eagles flights starting at 9am.

About our chapter

The **Midland Chapter 1093** of the EAA was organized in 1995 and presently has approximately 80 members. As a chapter, we support homebuilding, aviation in general and, place a special emphasis on aviation education.

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I hope you found this newsletter to your liking! As always, I am open to suggestions.

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