



CHAPTER 1093
Experimental Aircraft Association

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The EAA Chapter of Modern Explorers

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NEXT MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Thursday, April 7

6 pm social hr,

7pm meeting

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Upcoming events

- April 7th -Regular membership meeting. (7pm)
- April 9th -Young Eagles flights (9-12am)
- April 16th - 9am fly out to Harrison
- April 23rd, 9am Club house clean up
- 2011 pancake breakfast dates:
 - May 7th
 - June 25th
 - September 10th
- June 13-18-Aviation Camp

Glidern



If you're like me you've probably wondered what's the story is behind the orange glider fuselage

in the chapter hangar. I sat down with Dave Schmelzer and he filled me in on the short history of gliding at Barstow. This glider, a Schweizer 1-26E joins two other gliders on the field. About four years ago Jack Hallett and Jim Dobben brought a two place Grob 103 to the field. That was soon followed with a Piper Pawnee tow plane which they also own together. Soon Dave Schmelzer caught the soaring bug and brought his own Grob 102 glider to the field. Dave says a glider rating will cost about \$1600 for the training & rentals. He also said it was the most fun of all the flight training he's had. Ionia airport is a good location for finding the instruction needed.

This particular 1-26E was for sale by the Sandhill Soaring club of the Detroit area. It looked like a great deal and Dave & Jack purchased the glider with the hope that it would introduce other pilots to the thrill of soaring at Barstow. The glider was flying until recently, but needed some updating. A

new communications radio, seatbelts and miscellaneous small items are being replaced. The glider will be offered as an LLC partnership when completed. Here are some details:

- 5 shares at \$1000 each are offered (only two are still available!)
- A tow to 2500' is about \$25
- May share a hanger with the other gliders if possible, reducing hangar costs.

If all of this works out well, there is another identical glider for sale that could be added to the "fleet" as another LLC.

Here's a brief of the Schweizer SGS 1-26E: The Schweizer 1-26 is a very popular American glider built from 1954 to 1979. Its docile flight characteristics make it ideal for solo students transitioning from the 2-33, while its agility and low stall speed allow it to circle tightly in the core of thermals. Many IGC pilots have earned their Silver



Badge in the ship, and cross-country flights of over 100 miles have also been logged. Its low landing speed and effective dive brakes make it very safe for off-field landings.

Cessna 150 Donation Update

The Cessna 150 airframe has been sold! Thanks to everyone involved, this has become a great donation to the Chapter's finances. We still own the engine which is undergoing assembly and recertification.

Midland Aviation Camp

June 13 - 18, 2011

After reading the article by Dot Hornsby on former Midland Aviation Camp participant and student leader, Noelle Palmer, I am reminded what an effect our chapter-sponsored Aviation Camp can have on young people. Thank you to everyone who has ever volunteered to help in whatever capacity, from staff and student volunteers to speakers, pilots and classroom assistants. To those of you who have not been involved in the past, please take a moment to contact me by phone (989-631-4530 or 989-859-9268) or e-mail (LLangrill@chartermi.net) and let me know you will help this year. Thank you.

Linda Langrill

Young Eagles

Hi All

Just received from Oshkosh are our chapter's YE credits for 2010. We have a credit of \$555.00, representing 111 Young Eagles flown by 1093 pilots last year. These credits can be used toward Air Academy camps in Oshkosh, If you know of a young person interested please have them contact myself or a board member.

Thanks,

Mike Woodley

Cell 586-944-7101

Thanks to pilots Linda Langrill and Mike Woodley for flying the four Young Eagles in February.

Chapter fly outs'

It sure doesn't look like it now, but spring weather is soon to arrive! And with that better weather it was thought that a couple of local group fly-outs would be a lot of fun. It's not something that the Chapter has sanctioned for quite a while. The first trip planned is an April 16th flight to Clare County airport, with the real destination being the restaurant on the field for lunch. A 9 am departure is planned.

From the Flight Surgeon

Someone (me) misplaced the last month's Flight Surgeon's tips. So here's a double dose (bad pun intended!) of advice. John.

February

It is February and we are now in the prime flu season. We are seeing the classic flu symptoms this year which include fever and chills, body aches and upper respiratory symptoms. People frequently "self-treat" these symptoms with over the counter (OTC) medications. Most of us know that many of these medications can cause drowsiness. But it is often forgotten that the effects of many OTC drugs can last 12-24 hours depending on type. Read the labels including the fine print! It is always best to wait till all the symptoms are gone and you have been off the OTC's for at least 24 hours before flying. Still not too late to get a flu shot if you have not done so already. Fly safe!

March

Can you believe it? Spring is just around the corner. Even though there is still snow on the ground my Ear, Nose and Throat Flight Surgeon buddies tell me the tree pollen counts are already rising! Most of us have at least mild allergy problems so if you use antihistamines remember that CFR (FAR) 91.17 does not allow "any drug that affects the persons 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. Call or write through www.OK2FLY.com and we will be happy to guide you through the wide array of available medications. Fly safe!

Gregory Pinnell, MD

Senior AME/Flight Surgeon USAFR

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2011 EAA Air Academy Dates Announced

EAA Young Eagles Camp - Ages 12 and 13
Session 1: June 13-17; Session 2: July 12-16

EAA Basic Air Academy - Ages 14 and 15
Session 1: June 19-24; Session 2: June 26 -
July 1; Session 3: July 5-10

EAA Advanced Air Academy - Ages 16, 17,
and 18
Session 1: July 19 -27; Session 2: July 29 -
August 6

For more information, visit the EAA Air
Academy website.

Miscellaneous Just In:

The Chapter has received notice of some
upcoming *SportAir* workshops being hosted
in Detroit, April 9-10. The topics include:

- Fundamentals of aircraft
construction
- Fabric covering
- Composite construction
- Sheet metal basics
- Elect. Systems, wiring avionics
- "What's involved in kit building"

For details see: www.sportair.com

If you're interested in volunteering for a pre-
Airventure 2011 work party, our chapter
president; Dave has the available forms.
Sound like work and a good time to me!

Classifieds

Please submit your ads by the 24th of each
month. You can reach me at:
jcsorg@att.net or 941-7704

If you have anything you would like
included in the next newsletter, please get it
to me by the 25 of the month to ensure it
will be included. Please note, my new e-mail
address is: jcsorg@att.net

Reoccurring chapter events

- First Thursday of each month is the
regular membership meeting at 7 pm.
Social hour starts at 6 pm.
- Second Saturday of each month is
Young Eagles flights. 9 am -12 am.

About our chapter

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

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