



Chapter 1344

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Chapter Meeting

03-15-07 7 p.m.
McPherson Airport

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Spring is Definitely Getting Close

With the advent of spring just around the corner, for those of you that are flying, you'll need to be giving extra attention to spring-time weather and the possibilities of thunderstorms. With that in mind, and to help refresh your memories on weather related subjects, we will be having Reuben Willard as our guest speaker at the meeting this month. Reuben is a local flight instructor, so be there at the airport ready for something good at 7 p.m. on the 15th of March.

As this goes to press, we still have no firm date for getting possession of the property my wife and I have purchased, but we are looking forward to getting settled in. I can't say we're looking forward to the move, because moving is never fun. Boxes of things have begun appearing around the house as they are packed and ready to go.

Ron M. has had the annual completed on his plane and flown it since then, and says he's making progress with the new one, too.

Mike L., I'm told is also making good progress on his Tailwind.

Tom S. is progressing with his Pietenpol, too. I saw the main part of the fuselage taking shape the last time I was there. More room should help that a lot, eh, Tom?

Mike B. says the club plane has

developed a fuel leak and will be getting checked out. With the leak, he hasn't done much recent flying.

Ed J. is trying to get his plane completed and ready to fly again this spring too. Good luck, Ed.

I have finally decided to build a MiniMax V-Max and if things continue as planned I hope to purchase the kit as soon as Tom is finished with his Pietenpol.

I have received some videos from Rans in Hays, if anyone is interested in looking at them. Tracy apologized for the fact that they are older versions, but new ones are in the pipeline and as soon as they are available, she will send them to me. With the variety of tapes and DVDs that we are accumulating, maybe we should think of someone becoming the Chapter librarian to keep track of them.

See all y'all at the meeting.

Area Events

1st Saturday of every month – Ponca City Airport Pancake Breakfast (PNC)

2nd Saturday of every month – Beaumont Hotel (SN07) All-You-Can-Eat Pancake Breakfast

2nd Saturday of every month – Lufkin, TX (LFK) Fajita Fly-in 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Angelina County Airport

3rd Saturday of every month – Alva Regional (AVK) Alva, OK

4th Saturday of every month – Augusta Municipal (3AU)

4th Saturday of every month – EAA Chapter 455 Fly-in Breakfast at Enid Woodring Regional (WDG) from 8:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.

March 17, 2007 - 18th Annual Mary Kely Wild Onions'n Eggs Fly-in Tenkiller Airpark (44M)
918.457.4705 dmstephen@hughes.net

March 25, 2007 - EAA Chapter 1301 Chili Feed and Poker Run Eat at 12 noon and then start poker run from Hillsboro (M66). Open cards at Hillsboro Alfred Schroeder Field (M66) at 2 p.m.

March 31, 2007 - Draughon-Miller Central Texas Regional (TPL) Temple, TX Pancake Breakfast @ Civil Air Patrol, 8 a.m. 254.718.4910 ltcrkbrown@hotmail.rr.com

April 14, 2007 - Burnet Municipal Kate Craddock Field (BMQ) CAF Bluebonnet Airshow

May 31 – June 2, 2007 - Bartlesville, OK (BVO) 21st Annual Biplane Expo 918.622.8400
www.biplaneexpo.com cwh@hvsu.com

Overheard while en route from Loveland, Colo., to Mesa, Ariz.:

United 123: Center, we've got continuous chop at 390. Is the ride any better lower?

Center: United 123, standby. Cactus 222 how's the ride?

Cactus 222: Continuous chop at 350.

Center: United 111, no joy. We're getting reports of continuous light to moderate chop at all flight levels.

Unknown Aircraft: C'mon down big fella! The ride's nice and smooth here at flight level 085!

The following exchange took place enroute to opening day at Sun 'n' Fun last April:

Bonanza: Jacksonville Center, Bonanza Two Zero Yankee. 11,000.

Center: Bonanza Two Zero Yankee, Roger, Jacksonville altimeter 30.12.

Bonanza: Are you working a lot of traffic to Lakeland this afternoon?

Center: I'll tell you what -- if you fell out of your airplane right now, you'd never hit the ground.