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Flying Pilgrims Aero News

Next Meeting: April 20th 2016 at 7:00pm

Location - Canton-Plymouth-Mettetal Airport

EAA Chapter 113

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President Bill Slabey opened the meeting at 7:00 with 20 members + 2 guests.

Discussions

Old business:

Runway update:

Bill's looking to do the sealing and crack repair sometime before the September Giant Scale fun fly. The plan is to hire a professional crew to come in and do a proper job.

Sometime in the next month we will be looking for work party volunteers. The plan is to fill in dirt around the runway's previous repair. Look for club wide email when this will happen.

Club information cards:

The new Club information (business) cards are being worked on and will be available possibly next month. I still have some of the older cards. If anyone would like some, please contact me and I will get them to you. Here's a preview of the new card. We're looking at providing a little more space on the back for write in info. **I would like to encourage any member to email me with any information they think would be beneficial on the card.** If we omit the logo from the back of the card much more info can be included.



Various Club Insurances:

Bill reported that we are on track to have all insurance coverages renewed and paid.

Bonding of President and Treasurer

Since we have a newly elected treasurer. It was noted that the bylaws mandate that officers involved with handling club funds are to be bonded to insure the club financial funds. This bond would insure the club if the President & Treasurer misuse the money. Only the President and Treasurer can write checks from the club bank account. As of this meeting, we are tabling the matter until next month in order to give members time to form an opinion and put forth a proposal.

FAA registration of Aircraft Systems (UAS) Unmanned Aircraft Systems:

We want to encourage everyone to register with the FAA. In doing so, you maybe avoiding any unforeseen problems. The FAA mandates that owners must register their UAS online if it meets the following guidelines: Weighs more than 0.55 lbs. (250 g) and less than 55 lbs. (25 kg). See link provided at top of letter.

Donut and Coffee Person:

Need a volunteer too take on the duty of buying donuts and making coffee for the club meetings at the EAA. If no one volunteers, then there will be no coffee or donuts. Please consider volunteering. Richard Sparling is retiring from this role after this winter's meetings. Again a warm thank you from the members for providing the food and beverages at our meetings for all those years. As reminder we need a dedicated member to step up and fill the job for next year.

New business:

Guests:

2 new guests today Eric Krupp and Bob Leskinko. Eric - has never flown and is interested in getting into the hobby. Bob - was a RC boat guy and would now like to get into airplanes. As a Club we welcome you and offer any help and information you may need in getting started. A warm welcome to Bob & Eric.

Treasurer Report:

Jordan reported that about 120 members are now signed up and in good standing. We would like to remind members that the March 1st deadline date has come and gone. Therefore there is an extra \$20 late fee charge.

Summer Club Fun flies:

Don Kolehmainen and Joe Nazelli informed Bill that they would volunteer to take on the June Fun Fly, **The date is June 12th**. So far, only 1 fun fly has volunteers. People! - We need members to step up and take on the other two Club fun flies. We still need to fill in the July and August club events - Consider volunteering. The club; pays for food and provides a recommended shopping list. The "hosts" provide the following: buy the food, set up and cook and afterward the more than willing members will help with the cleanup.

Grass cutting service and upkeep:

Bill reported that the grass cutting service has been paid in advance for the season. We are using the same service for the same price this year. Field is mowed on Thursday before 10 AM weather permitting.

Spring rains saturate the grassy part of the parking lot. The parking side of the public safety fence. We would like to remind everyone that for the next month or so, depending on the weather, the Grass on the south side of the field is wet and soft. **It will not support the weight of your vehicle.** Therefore:

*******DO NOT PARK ON THE GRASS UNTILL THE AREA DRIES UP*******

ANNOUCEMENTS / REMINDERS:

Upcoming Club Sponsored Fun Flies!

**First Summer Fun Fly to be held on June 12
Sponsored by Don Kolehmainen and Joe Nazelli**

Second Fun Fly NEEDS A VOLENTEAR

**Corn Roast is confirmed !! – DATE TO BE DETERMINED
Sponsored by Glenn McIntosh, Don Kolehmainen & Joe Nazelli**

**Giant Scale set for September 16TH & 17TH
CD - Jack Kezelian**

FIELD SAFTY:

**Follow the “SEE AND AVOID” GUIDANCE set forth by the AMA.
<https://www.modelaircraft.org/files/540-d.pdf>**

Call out warnings of approaching full size aircraft.
Fly at a safe low altitude relative to oncoming full size aircraft.
Because of our location, relative to Willow Run Airport, we have a 400 Ft. height restriction.
No test development of commercial UAV's are allowed at the field.

Dan D (Sec)

If you have any items you would like to sell and list in the newsletter, feel free to email me pictures. I will be happy to list them. Anything worth mentioning for the Fun Stuff section, ongoing projects etc. are welcome as well. secretary@flyingpilgrims.com

If you're interested in getting more information or joining the club. Please feel free to contact me by phone at 734_483_8258; See us at the field or attend our monthly meeting held at Mettetal Airport. The address is **8550 Lilley Rd, Canton, MI 48187.**

Note: A high resolution copy of the newsletter can be downloaded viva the secure link provided at top of letter. All links referred to in this letter are listed at the top and should be active depending on your browser settings.

Flying Pilgrims Club Officers of 2016

President: –	Bill Slabey		
Vice President: –	Joe McCarthy	Trustees:	Steve Cecale
Secretary: –	Daniel Debens		Don Kolehmainen
Treasurer: –	Jordan Hall		Joe Nazelli
Safety Officer: –	Glenn McIntosh	Chief Flight Instructor:	Ed Hernandez
Lead Instructor: –	Ed. Hernandez	Sub Instructor:	Jim Smith
Webmaster: –	Carl Cornell		

Miscellaneous & Fun Stuff

Show and tell at the meeting:

Tom Ranta brought in his Messerschmitt ME163 Geier, German WW2 rocket plane. This is a scratch build; meaning all the individual parts are by hand manufactured from dementional aircraft plywood and lumber. Tom has plans to use a gas engine and a flat red color scheme.

The Messerschmitt ME163 Komet, designed by Alexander Lippisch, was a German rocket-powered fighter aircraft. It is the only rocket-powered fighter aircraft ever to have been operational. Its design was revolutionary, and had performance unrivaled at the time. German test pilot Heini Dittmar in early July 1944 reached 1,130 km/h (700 mph), an unofficial flight airspeed record unmatched by turbojet-powered aircraft for almost a decade. Over 300 aircraft were built, but the Komet proved ineffective as a fighter and was responsible for the destruction of only about nine Allied aircraft.

Tom's Komet - With a Wing span of over 80 inches





Upcoming Non-Club Events:

Next Week Folks!

62nd Toledo Show: R/C Model Expo!

Expo Hours

Friday, Apr 1st, 2016: 9am – 5pm

Saturday, Apr 2nd, 2016: 9am – 5pm

Sunday, Apr 3rd, 2016: 9am – 3pm

Seagate Centre, 401 Jefferson Ave, Toledo, OH 43604

Indiana Warbird Campaign:

The Greatest Radio Controlled Scale Airplane Event of the Year September 1 - 3, 2016

www.indianawarbirdcampaign.com/files/2016_Flyer.pdf