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EAA9 Members See and Soar in Marion



"The view from a Grob sailplane is spectacular," says EAA9 Newsletter Editor Bob Mullins. "Everyone should experience it at least once." EAA9 members gathered at Marion Municipal Airport in May to tour Marske Aviation and fly as guests of the Central Ohio Soaring Association (COSA).



EAA member Clare Lutton gets ready for a flight in COSA's Grob sailplane.

EAA9 Vice President Ken Barrow helped with arrangements for both visits. COSA is one of the oldest sailplane clubs in the country. It has a full stable of sailplanes. "Special thanks to COSA President Jim Behrends for the excellent hospitality given to our members," says EAA9 President Al Harding.

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COSA member Paul Wolf (left) and Ken Barrow help Dick Wetherald strap in a 233.

Marske Perfects Flying Wings



Jim Marske explains the production facility to EAA9 members who traveled to Marion, OH, in May. The unique flying characteristics of a "flying wing" sailplane calls for special engineering. With CG critical, Marske designed a sliding 10 lb weight in a tube that can move forward and backward depending on pilot weight.



Jim Marske (left) and "Matt" show the in's and out's of their "Genesis" sailplane to EAA9 member Hal Thorley. The original Genesis had a removable canopy. The new version will have a canopy that will rise and lower. Matt reports the flying characteristics deteriorate dramatically if the canopy separates. Marske produces both fiberglass and carbon fiber aircraft. Another innovation is a double hook tow arrangement. The aircraft generally cruises about 60 mph and stalls at about 38 mph, according to Matt.

Next Meeting – June 12, National Young Eagle Day, Gate E, Don Scott. Membership Dessert and Ice Cream Social Potluck! following YE flights (after 2 p.m.).



"Matt" – a trained concert pianist – gave an impromptu "concert" to EAA9 members who toured the Marske facilities.

EAA9 Helps Youth Aviation Day

One hundred forty-six enthusiastic young people and parents attended the 16th Young Aviation Adventure, May 1st at Don Scott. This twice-yearly event held each spring and fall continues to draw consistently



Columbus Police Officer Steve Hungler shares information about Columbus' police helicopter.

larger crowds as the program is expanded and improved. EAA9 volunteers included Alan Harding, Rick Hunt and others. The four hour Youth Aviation Adventure Day includes eight stations where YAA volunteers give presentations on several aviation topics that include such areas as: aerodynamics, careers in aviation, flight instruments, aircraft power plants, and other areas of general interest. Presentations are kept interactive and fast-paced to maintain young people's interest. "The volunteer pilots who teach this material are the secret to our success," says Steve Wathen,

Assistant YAA Director. "Their enthusiasm for aviation is contagious and makes this program more meaningful for the kids. Participation and support from our EAA Chapter 9 volunteers has been terrific." An addition to the Spring program was a 9th station sponsored by the Columbus Police Department. The police made a dramatic entry at the beginning of the program in a turbine powered police helicopter. They also taught attendees about rotary wing aircraft as well as the role of a helicopter in police work. A snack break was added to the program to provide a light lunch – provided by Al and the Barnstormer – and some free time for kids to look at static displays. The Fall program will be September 25th at Don Scott. For information about the program, check the YAA Website at www.osuairport.org/aviation/youth or call Steve Wathen at 614-876-9762.



New this year was a snack break provided by the Barnstormer!



Youth Aviation Day had 9 "stations" covering a wide range of topics for the youth that attended.



Check Our Website

Be sure to check our Website at www.eaa9.org. We would like to hear your comments which you can send to President Harding at al@thentshop.com. Thanks to Craig Schneider for his work on this site.

Member Notes...



Welcome to Bill Lint as a new EAA9 member. He heads Columbus Northwest Flyers located on Don Scott Field. Bill poses with his remarkably restored Stinson.



Welcome also to Eric Brunner, an A&P and AI who is second shift supervisor at OSU Aircraft Maintenance. He is a private pilot with an instrument rating and may consider a partner on a restoration project. He likes short wing Pipers. Eric is also a motorcycle enthusiast.

Congratulations to Tom Siler who has joined Newcome Electronic Systems as a network design consultant.

Don't Forget to Renew Your EAA and EAA9 Membership! EAA9 dues are \$20 Send to Ted Kellogg: 487 Longfellow Ave, Worthington, OH 43085



Ramp Check

Young Eagle Flight Rally schedule. We fly the second Saturday every other month from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at OSU Airport (weather permitting, of course). As of Apr. 12, 2004, 1,036,313 YE's have been flown. The next date for 2004 is August 14.

June 12 – National Young Eagles Day - and General Membership Meeting - Dessert Potluck and Ice Cream Social (after 2 p.m.); Gate E, Don Scott.

June 13 – EAA Chapter 1194 7th Annual Fly-In and Drive-In Breakfast and Lunch; Port Meadville Airport (GKJ), PA.

June 17 – AOPA "Town Meeting"; Columbus Marriott Northwest, 5607 Blazer Parkway, 7:30 p.m.

July 7-11 – EAA Ford Tri-Motor Visit to OSU Airport!

Aug 26-30 – B-17 "Aluminum Overcast" Visit to OSU Airport (unlikely because of extensive damage in an accident at Van Nuys Airport).

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Membership Meeting...
Dessert and Ice Cream Social Potluck Following
National Young Eagle Day
June 12, 2004
10 a.m. - 2 p.m.
(Meeting after Young Eagles Flights.)



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