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Sailplane Saturday for EAA Members

EAA9 members will gather at Marion Municipal Airport for a day of sailplaning. Members should be at the Marion Municipal Terminal building at 12:30 p.m., May 22. Members will first meet with Jim Marske, the owner-operator of Marske Flying Wings - high performance "flying wing" sailplanes produced in the industrial center next to the airport. Following a tour of plant, members will return to the airport to work with the Central Ohio Soaring Association (COSA) which has offered orientation flights. COSA President Jim Behrends will help with the project.



MARSKÉ
FLYING WINGS

Located at 3007 Harding Highway East, Marion, OH, Marske Flying Wings produces unique sailplanes. The "Pioneer" (upper left) weighs 230 lbs., and has a gliding ratio of 35:1 or 37:1

depending on configuration. It has a sink speed of 130 or 120 fpm, and generally soars at around 80 mph. Its airfoil is NACA33012. The "Monarch G" (shown to the right) has a wingspan of 42.6 ft, an empty weight of 135 lbs (carbon) or 175lbs. (fiberglass). "The Monarch is a tailless sailplane with a swept forward, tapered wing platform and features conventional 3-axis aerodynamic control system," says Marske. "It is highly maneuverable with an excellent control response permitting flying in winds up to 20 mph. It has soared above 6,000



ft., many times on thermal currents and is capable of distance flights of 200 miles or more." The Monarch's glide ratio is 22:1 at 36 mph. Its speed range is 25 to 70 mph. Marske's sailplanes can be ordered as kits. A completed Monarch G runs \$15,800 (2003 price). For more information, check out Marske's Web site at www.continuo.com/marske. "This is a great opportunity to learn and soar!" says EAA9 President Al Harding.



Up in the Port Columbus Tower



FAA Controller and EAA9 member Tom Lusch (center) goes through duties of a tower operator. With the new Port Columbus Tower ready to open for business, the FAA permitted controllers to bring family and friends to tour the new facility. A special riser was placed in the tower to give controllers an elevated view of runways and taxiways. The tower is approximately 20 stories. The old tower will operate tandem with the new one until the "bugs" are worked out.



EAA9 President Al Harding tries his hand at approach control. The new approach/departure radar room is located just below the control tower. While radar screens were "active," there was no danger – all equipment was "off line."

Next Meeting – May 22 - Marion Municipal Airport - Marske Flying Wings and sailplaning with Central Ohio Soaring Association - 12:30 p.m. - terminal building.



With 28L 10/R reduced to 6,000 feet for resurfacing, the burden of traffic rests on 28R/10L. Here a United 757 comes over the threshold of 28R.



Looking east, controllers get a spectacular view of Port Columbus' terminal and parking garage nestled between 28L and 28R.

Members Learn About Salvation



...Salvation Aviation, that is. Members went to Delaware Municipal Airport last month to hear from Rod

Meyer, chief mechanic of Salvation Aviation. He covered aircraft maintenance and the annual inspections. "A lively question and answer period followed," says EAA9 President Al Harding.



During the EAA9 meeting in Delaware, Dick Wetherald brought members up to date about coming visits by EAA's Ford Tri-Motor and B17. Host and EAA9 Director Bob Simon displayed his Gorgeous GlaStar and provided pizza and beverages!

EAA B17 Damaged on Tour



The night before he was to head to Van Nuys, CA, to join the EAA B17 tour, EAA9 Newsletter Editor Bob Mullins received a call saying "Aluminum Overcast's" gear failed on

landing in Van Nuys with "significant damage." No one was injured. EAA's director of maintenance heads a team to California to assess the damage. "We've been overwhelmed by the outpouring of support from EAA members who have stepped forward with offers to help in many ways," says EAA President Tom Poberezny. A final decision on a timetable will be made after damage assessment. Check www.eaa.org for updates.

POPs Wanted for AirVenture

EAA's looking for "Protect Our Planes" (POP) teams to monitor flight line activities to be sure visitors abide by time-tested Oshkosh rules: no smoking except in



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.

designated area, and no food or drink within 10 ft. of planes. POP patrollers must be at least 14 (14-17 need parent/guardian) and enthusiastic. No experience necessary. Volunteers help from Monday, July 26 (the day before the convention) through Sunday, Aug. 1. If interested, send an e-mail to ProtectOurPlanes@yahoo.com - or visit Web site groups.yahoo.com/group/ProtectOurPlanes.

Member Notes...

Welcome to James Dismuke as a new EAA9 member. He is a VB computer programmer who wants to learn to fly and help with Young Eagles.



EAA9 member Bruce Butts has acquired a Wittman Tailwind fuselage for his project. He trailered it from Eastern Pennsylvania last month. Bruce says he's making great progress on the wings.

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 May 5, 2004, 1,040,445 YE's have been flown. The next date for 2004 is June 12.

May 22 (Saturday) – Membership Meeting – Marion Municipal Airport. Sailplane designer Jim Marske will host. We will also meet with the Central Ohio Soaring Association.

June 12 (Saturday) – National Young Eagles Day/Membership Meeting – Don Scott Airport – stay tuned for more details!

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

Aug 26-30 – B-17 "Aluminum Overcast" Visit to OSU Airport. (Now very doubtful, indeed.)

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'Sailplane Saturday'
Marion Municipal Airport
May 22, 2004
12:30 p.m.
(Terminal Building)**



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