

## **EAA Chapter 540**

**April 5, 2011**

### **MEETING MINUTES**

**7:30 PM AT SMOKETOWN AIRPORT**

**FIRST TUESDAY OF THE MONTH**

Club Website: <http://www.eaa540.org>

**EXCEPT: AUGUST WHEN WE HAVE A HANGAR PARTY,**

**JANUARY WHEN WE HAVE NO MEETING &**

**February when we have Winterfest and you send in your reservations.**

- Attendance: Jack & Shirley Henderson, Moe Stoltzfus, Roy Mellott, Kent Fadley, David Nye, Tim Jones, Ped Abru.
- Visitors: Sam Fisher 457 Hammertown Rd. Narvon, PA 175555, 717-445-3099
- Minutes for: last month: Approved
- Treasurer's report: \$4357.39

#### *Mark Your Calendars for:*

- Members are asked to propose activities they would like.
- APRIL 16, 2011- EAA 540 FLYING TRIP TO MILLVILLE ARMY AIR FIELD MUSEUM. EAA 540 WILL BE BUYING GAS FOR THOSE WHO HELPED AT THE 2010 FLY-IN.
  - Admission is Free.
  - Restaurant on field 856-825-3200. (will be open)
  - We plan to arrive at 10 AM and depart around 2 PM
- June 11<sup>th</sup>, 2011-EAA 540 fly-in breakfast at Smoketown airport.
- Aviation Safety Day is May 7<sup>th</sup> at Lancaster airport will be run by Bob Reed 505-8501 / 818-4560.
  - There will be about 300 people there
  - He has asked us to help and volunteer to run the breakfast
  - Do we want to help? If we do, we need enough volunteers to run a breakfast for 300 people. Please call Bob if you want to help.
  - Bob has also asked if we could provide some of our equipment for this event.

### *OLD BUSINESS:*

- Smoketown Fly-in Status: June 11<sup>th</sup>, 2011.
- March Chalk Talk: Moe Stoltzfus invited an old friend of his (Sam Fisher) to give us a Chalk Talk on safety. Sam is an ATP and gave us a very interesting talk. Sam and Moe started to fly at the same time, when they were a bit younger.
- A Nominating Committee was formed. The members are M. King, K. Fritz, and J. Henderson.

### *FLY-IN BUSINESS:*

- Band Canopy: A canopy frame has been donated.
  - Merv has the frame in Hangar B.
  - Merv and Alex will put the canopy frame together and find a way to get the parachute (donated by Roy) to fit frame.
- Merv King will conduct an inventory of material remaining from last year. Last years list has been sent to him.
- The Fly-in will be held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday in June this year. We voted to continue using this date for subsequent fly-ins at a previous meeting.
  - Ped Abru came to the meeting and said that he had just talked to Marlin Horst who indicated a conflict with this year's event. A call was placed to Marlin. He said that an event was scheduled for that same day, but that it is scheduled for the evening and will not conflict with our event.
  - Other flying events that same day. Our fly-in is early and should not conflict with these events:
    - New Garden air show
    - Lancaster Airport: Amish Taildraggers
- Please check the DO LIST attached to these minutes and feel free to volunteer by calling Jack at 872-5297.
- Fly-in announcements have been released to:
  - EAA, AOPA, Kitplanes, flyins.com, Chapter540.org, Flyincalendar.com, What's doing, Sunday News, Happenings, LNP, WHP 580 Talk Radio.

### *NEW BUSINESS:*

- Chalk Talk for May: John Rathmell of Sport Flying USA

- Project Build:  
Merv King wishes to begin building in our club again. He feels this is how a club will stay alive and bring in new members, and teach skills to pass along to younger members. He proposed finding some local business people that would be interested in forming a committee that would manage the work being done and help financially.
  - Possible projects:
    - Primary Glider
    - Merv's Ercoupe
    - 4 place club plane
  - We need hangar space
  - Merv and Jack are planning on a meeting with prospective donors to this project.
- Alex is starting an aviation course at his high school next fall and is creating the curriculum. He is asking for any materials or aviation related things such as broken instruments, wing ribs, navigation charts, pilot operator handbooks, or anything else you think will help students further understand and get interested in aviation. Give him a call at (717) 823-6002.
- Jack met with David Downey ( a former member of Chapter 540) 215-527-5899 on Tuesday 3/8/2011. David donated EAA magazines dating back 30 years, MIN-MAX homebuilt plans, and some parts. Dave also has some engines he is willing to donate, but that requires a trip to Harleysville.
  - The Harleysville trip is complete, and all the stuff is now located in Hangar B.
  - **We need to agree on further action.**
  - Merv came up with some shelving and the Magazine are all neatly stored in our meeting room.
- Dan Gieb is building an RV 10. He lives in the Millersville area, and is looking for some tech. advice regarding riveting. He has all the necessary tools.

- Flying trip to Millville Army Airfield Museum on April 16<sup>th</sup>
  - WHO: WILL BE FLYING?
    - C172Shirl, Scott, Roy, Jack
    - C150: \_\_\_\_\_.
    - M120: Gary Leinberger, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_.
    - PA32, John, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_.
    - C 150 Tim Jones, & wife
    - WHO ELSE WANTS TO GO?
    - Chapter buys gas for those who helped at the Fly-in.

*Chapter 540 Officers for 2011:*

- President: Jack Henderson
- Vice President: Tim Jones
- Secretary: Alex Surra
- Treasurer: Luray Weachter
- Newsletter Editor: Alex Surra
- Technical Advisor: Kerry Fritz
- Web Dude: Greg Sollenberger
- Young Eagle Coordinator: Shirley Henderson
- Picnic Coordinator: Jack and Shirley Henderson

- Dues For 2007: It was moved seconded and approved at our Dec. meeting to reduce the dues (which are due in December) from \$25 to zero. Since the By-laws do not specify a yearly rate, this motion will remain in effect until we vote to change it.