

## **EAA Chapter 540**

**March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2010**

### **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, Gregg Swartley, Merv King, Moe Stoltzfus, Luray Weachter, Alex Surra, Roy Mellott, Kent Fadley,
- Visitors: Andrew Brayman (RV-7) 717-682-4909, [abrayman27@gmail.com](mailto:abrayman27@gmail.com), 1028 Bentley Ridge Blvd. Lancaster 17602.
  - Needs hangar
- 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 HELP AT THE FLY-IN.
  - Admission is Free.
  - Restaurant on field 856-825-3200. (will be open)
  - We could get a group tour for \$75.
  - Group may use rental car to drive down:
    - Hertz Rental Lancaster
      - Car- \$61.99/24 hrs unlimited miles
      - Van- 92.99/24 hrs for 150 miles, each additional mile is .25 cents
      - We will get 10% discount for our EAA membership
- June 11<sup>th</sup>, 2011-EAA 540 fly-in breakfast at Smoketown airport.
- April Chalk Talk: Sam Fisher, airline pilot
- 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 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.

#### *OLD BUSINESS:*

- Smoketown Fly-in Status: June 11<sup>th</sup>, 2011.
- March Chalk Talk: None.
- A new Four Place Club:
  - Moe and Gregg presented the status of this club which is just beginning.
  - They had Dutchland do a pre buy inspection and found one cylinder cracked and another scored badly. They are now considering another aircraft.
- A Nominating Committee was formed. The members are M. King, K. Fritz, and J. Henderson.
  - Tim Jones submitted his resignation as Newsletter Editor.
  - Alex Surra accepted nomination as Newsletter Editor, and Secretary.

#### *FLY-IN BUSINESS:*

- Band Canopy: Kerry has someone willing to provide a frame:
  - Merv has frame for this in Hangar 12
  - Merv and Alex will put canopy frame together and find a way to get parachute to fit frame
  - Merv King will inventory dry goods
  - To Fly-in on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday in June next year at Smoketown.

#### *NEW BUSINESS:*

- 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.
  
- Flying trip to Millville Army Airfield Museum on April 16<sup>th</sup>
  - WHO: Will be flying?
    - C172Jack, Shirl, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_.
    - C150: Gregg Sollenberger, \_& son\_\_\_\_\_.
    - M120: Gary Leinberger, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_.
    - PA32, John, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_.
    - Tim Jones Renting, & wife
    - WHO ELSE WANTS TO GO?
    - Chapter buys gas for those who helped at the Fly-in.
  
- The New 4 Place Club:
  - Update: Moe found a Cherokee 180 that has not been flown in several years. Engine has some internal rust and would need to be rebuilt and the exterior of the plane needs paint. Airplane is able to obtain ferry permit. Potential members needed, as approximately 10 members will be necessary for this club to be able to obtain, repair, and maintain this airplane.
  
- 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 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. Jack is working on this.

*Chapter 549 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
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- 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.