



June 2008

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President's Message

As I write this message on this 10th day of June with a fire roaring in my wood stove, I pause to contemplate the insanity of the global warming message we are being bombarded with on a daily basis. I'm so glad I live in an area where common sense tends to reign in the minds of our citizens. In an area dominated by agriculture, success is achieved by practical, real world solutions and not some goofy off-the-wall theories dreamed up by someone with too much formal education. If the earth is warming it's not my carbon footprint that is causing it Al Gore, it's the sun. The sun's output varies from year to year.

So what does global warming have to do with aviation in the Treasure Valley. It's that we have to keep an awareness of what is going on in policy making circles that affect aviation in our area. Our elected and appointed officials that control these policies are not always as well versed in good policies as those who are making the takeoffs and landings and using our airports on a regular basis. I believe we have people in our group that do hold the policy makers accountable and we owe them our gratitude.

At our June meeting we will be discussing final plans for the fly-in at Dick Pugh's. Dick has done some real innovative things in the construction of his Europa and I'm sure this will be a most interesting day. We will have an update on the latest plans for a hanger/meeting place. Plans are also to have DVD/video presentation as well as refreshments. Look forward to seeing all of you.--Burt

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Meeting Minutes

May 21, 2008

Meeting called to order by Secretary Dale Cruson at 7:40.

Old Business:

Jerry Waggoner moved and it was passed to have the hanger committee pursue a building sight in Ontario. The old meeting place was discussed and it was agreed to look into the possibility of using that again or the old Golf Course maintenance building. This may be a good time to see if we could build or provide a new building for the Golf Course and we could have the old one. Jerry Waggoner volunteered to help with the building committee.

New Business:

Chris Deroege asked if we could move the meeting night to another day as Wednesday is impossible for him to make. Monday, for instance would be better. It was stated that we have tried to change the night before and it seems to be hard for everyone to make the change. It was agreed to stay on the same night until we get to our new place and then look into it again.

Pete Morgan said his 172 has an owner advisory put out by Cessna. They will pay for a secondary seat stop. Compliance is mandatory for the pilot seat and recommended for the copilot seat. The pilot seat must be done within the next 400 hours or

24 months whichever occurs first. Cessna will pay for the pilot seat if done before Dec 17th 2009. Pete also brought an aerial flag and said that they would be handy to have in an emergency kit as they are easy to see and handy to carry.

Jerry Waggoner said he was over at Prineville and they invited him in for their Wednesday AM barbeque. They have one every Wednesday and Saturday morning. If you are in the area it would be great to drop in and hanger fly with them.

Our next fly-out was discussed and Dick Pugh said it will be June 21st at his place. We need to land to the north and takeoff to the south. The runway is on current charts and bring barbeque stuff. About 9:00 will be good but don't worry about being late. There is a green and white roof on his hanger.

Dale Alexander talked about the upcoming Caldwell show and shine. Aerobatic aircraft will be there and more information will be available from Curt Hawkins, the Caldwell Airport Manager. It is also in the Western Flyer magazine.

The meeting was adjourned.

Jim Holton was good enough to bring a really great DVD titled Cubs Gone Wild. We could not locate a DVD player so it could not be shown. A DVD player will be brought in the future so this will not be a problem.

Respectfully submitted Dale E. Cruson

JUNE MEETING REFRESHMENTS

Ken Simmons

FROM EAA

**Sport Aviation Archive Now Available Online!
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This week marks the official launch of the complete *EAA Sport Aviation* online archive (1953-2006), a new benefit available exclusively for EAA members. Now you have access to more than 50 years of history, knowledge and information contained in 59,000-plus pages of EAA's flagship publication! Not only will the online archive provide endless hours of entertaining and educational reading, it also provides a helpful content resource for EAA chapter newsletter editors.

HIGH HOPES FOR AIRVENTURE HATZ GATHERING

Organizers hope 40 Hatzes will attend this year's EAA AirVenture Oshkosh for the biplane's 40th anniversary of its first flight. But even if they don't reach that number, they're optimistic about setting a record for the most Hatzes to congregate in one place.

"We really don't have a number of how many Hatzes will fly to Oshkosh; that will depend on the weather," said Chuck Brownlow, of Waupaca, Wisconsin, and past president of the Hatz Biplane Association. "We're hoping to get the largest gathering ever - at least 15 or 16."

Space Tourism Story Continues to Unfold at Oshkosh

WhiteKnightTwo rollout to be celebrated at AirVenture

The blogosphere is abuzz with reports of Virgin Galactic's recently sent invitations to selected individuals for a progress report and a rollout of WhiteKnightTwo on July 28 at Mojave, California, Spaceport. These reports foreshadow a parallel media event and follow-up engagements with EAA members and visitors at EAA AirVenture Oshkosh 2008, "The World's Greatest Aviation Celebration," July 28-August 3.

"I can absolutely confirm that the Virgin Galactic event, which takes place during the opening day of AirVenture, will have ties back to Oshkosh, both real-time and throughout the week," said EAA President and AirVenture Chairman Tom Poberezny. "We've been in regular communications with our friends at Virgin Galactic and its partner organization, Scaled Composites, to coordinate."

THE FIGHT CONTINUES: GA USER FEES AND THE FAA FUNDING BILLS

Funding for the FAA will expire on June 30 unless Congress takes action to extend the agency's current budget authorization-already on a 9-month extension. The House of Representatives passed a new FAA budget bill (H.R.2881) in September 2007, but the Senate's version of the bill (S.B.1300) was stalled over general aviation user fees.

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