



EAA602 Log Book

Adirondack Chapter Newsletter

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HOMEBUILDERS



From The Presidents Desk

by *Tim Cowper*



Upcoming Events

Despite the threat of thunderstorms we still had a good turnout of aircraft at Jacks. Even the NY State Police helicopter showed up! What was really nice to see was the turnout of 602 members there to help park planes, control the crowds, and keep the runway safe and under control. Thanks to everyone who participated and assisted in this event.

At our last meeting at FulCo we awarded our annual John E. Milczarek Memorial Scholarship. Ruth was there and presented the award to Robert Sobkowich of Amsterdam. Robert is well deserving of this important and meaningful award, and he will be pursuing a career in Aeronautical Engineering at RPI this Fall.

August is our traditional Young Eagles month and this year is no exception. Our Annual YE's Day will take place on Saturday August 9, 2008 at Fulton County Airport from 9AM to 2PM. We need pilots, planes, kid-walkers, flight-line safety, presenter's, in short, we need as many members there as possible. Please get there early!

The following Saturday, August 16, we are having our 1st Annual Johnson's Fly-in Pig Roast, at Roger and Chris Johnson's beautiful grass strip in Perth (NY50), from 12:00PM to 5:00PM. This should be a fun day, especially if you actually fly in to the event in a flying machine. The way my luck has been going with the Zodiac, my guess is that I will be driving in. Regardless whether you fly or drive in, we'll still need people to park planes and maintain safety, so come early.

The August meeting will be on the 25th and we'll be discussing our last scheduled event of the season, the 2008 Murphy's Old Time Taildragger Fly-in.

Tim

Aug 9 EAA 602 & UL 90 Young Eagles Day, NY06 Fulton County Airport

Aug 16 - Johnson's Pig Roast 12-5. NY50 Perth

Aug 16 - EAA1070 Pancake Breakfast 7-11 K23 Cooperstown

Sept 6 - Old Time Taildragger Fly-in, ONY7 Murphy's

From Our VP's Desk

by *Tony Rizzio*



It's been lonely around here, It seems half the club went to Oshkosh.

I think Tim ,Bob Walsh, and I were the only ones left here. I didn't have much to work on. Someone needs to start a new project. After all with all the talent in this club there isn't much building going on. We do have quite a few events coming up in the next month or so, but we have to keep things interesting. I wonder if we could talk someone into a presentation on the champ he is rebuilding.

I would like to thank Pat Morris for the great job he has been doing on the web site he has a great sense of humor, if you haven't seen it please do. See all of you at the Young Eagles Day this Saturday at Fulco.

Tony



Airventure 2008

A beginner's perspective!

by Darryl White

After joining 602 after going to Murphy's fly-in during September 2006 I have been having a ball and very busy getting to know a bunch of great people, learning at our monthly meetings, building the Hawk, and flying and soloing in the Hawk. Since the Hawk is flying I definitely wanted to make it to Oshkosh this year. Doug and Judy were going so I thought it would be great to have them there to show us the ropes. My wife and 2 kids and I packed and loaded up the car with enough camping stuff and bikes to fill a DC-3 and we headed out.

When we got there we were overwhelmed with the friendliness of the EAA volunteers and the other campers. The love of flying that we all shared seems to bring out the best in people. We camped next to Judy and Doug and settled in for a week of aviation fun including a Young Eagles dinner with Harrison Ford giving out the awards! Everything was great but here were the highlights from my beginner perspective:

Seeing and hearing the control tower land 6 planes safely and efficiently on a runway and the adjacent taxiway simultaneously! Where else in the world can you see that!

Seeing a warbird area with 10 P-51 mustangs and over 25 T-6's lined up was impressive. It was great to see that one of the T-6's was Mark Murphy's "Sweet Diane". There were lots of people around that were very friendly and willing to talk about their airplanes. Lots of T-6's were there for the 70th



anniversary of this famous warbird. We also got to see Jack Roush of Roush racing fame with his P-51 "Gentleman Jim". Seeing him Bud



Anderson "Old Crow" up close just chatting with regular folks showed me the camaraderie of the aviation community.

I was hoping to see a C-47/DC-3 since my dad hopped a lot of rides in them during WW II in the pacific. Well at one time during the week we counted 7 of them there! Duggy the yellow



"Smile in the Sky" was my daughters favorite. We also took the ride in the 1929 Ford Tri-motor which was thrilling as well as a lap around the airport in the Bell 47 Helicopter similar to the medivac helicopters made famous by the MASH TV show.

The airshows were spectacular with unique aircraft such as the rocket racer, F-22 Raptor with it's vectored thrust, and the V-22 Osprey tilt rotor transport. My favorite was Gene Soucy and his wing walking partner Teresa Stokes as their show brought back the great barnstorming days.

Formations of warbirds and legacy flights of former military aircraft with current inventory F-18's and F-22's was a very moving daily event over the skies of Oshkosh. We also found time to visit the Ercoupe area (I counted over 30 of them Tony!) and the ultralight area which felt like the early days of aviation reborn with Quicksilvers, Trikes and other light sport aircraft flying on a nice grass strip.

We finished off the week with a visit to the museum and the seaplane base on lake Winnebago and hearing a talk by Bob Hoover about his flying escapades. We spent a week but there is so much to see that we could have spent a month. *Oh well there is always next year!*

Notes From Your Editor

by Doug Sterling



Well another year at Oshkosh has passed. I'm sorry about being late with the newsletter, but first things first (and Oshkosh is ALWAYS first).

Judy and I had a ball this year. We went with Darryl and family - what a great family of aircraft enthusiasts. I don't know of any family that loves flying things more than they do. Darryl, of course, was wild about the show, but the great part is that his wife Kelly and the kids seemed just as enthralled with the fly-in. I think they saw most everything they wanted to see as you can read in Darryl's article. I love to see that kind of family participation in the sport. Aaron, Darryl's son, is hoping to solo on his 16th birthday in a couple of months (what a great ambition). Weather he does or not, he will most certainly be taking his private pilot check ride on his 17th birthday next year. It's great to see a member of the younger crowd with the desire and ambition to begin flying.

As for Judy and me, we think we saw everything we wanted to (yea - we wish). I always spend the ride home thinking of the things I missed. O-well as has been said before "*There is always next year*". You would think after going to Oshkosh for 11 years I would be able to do it all (yea - we wish).

On to the hear & now. The Young Eagles Day at Fulco is this Saturday and we hope that the weather cooperates. We'll have our regulars flying, our ground crew walking and of course Larry giving his regular briefings to a group of dazzled young folks. This is the greatest fun you can have in the flying sport, hooking young people on flying. This is the future of the sport. Hope to see you all on Saturday.

Fly Safe, Doug



Richfield Springs Rendezvous

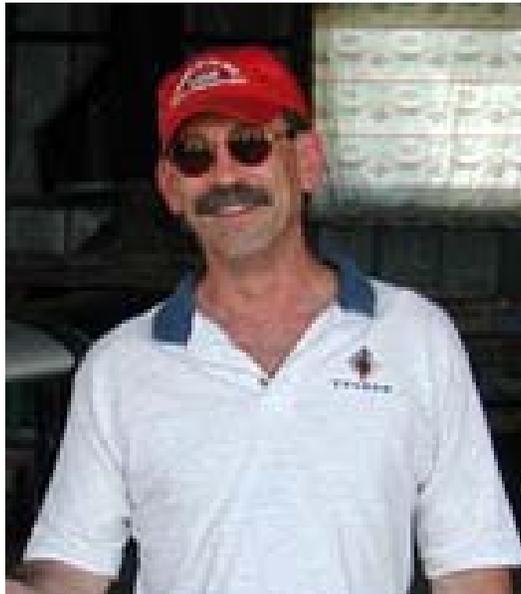
I want to extend a special thanks to Norm Downing and Gary Collins for inviting EAA 602 to the spaghetti dinner put on by the Case family of Langley road in Richfield Springs. I would also like to thank the Case family for their generous hospitality and support of general aviation. To all those 602 members who couldn't attend, you missed a great outing.

I departed Edinburg airport at 3:30 PM on a hazy but very comfortable Sunday afternoon. The winds were light and right down 24 so my take off run was short and I was soon steadily climbing to 2500 ft. so I could cruise in some cooler air. I was headed for Sharon Springs to meet Gary Collins and Ken to follow them out to the Case farm and airstrip for their annual spaghetti dinner. I arrived over Sharon at 4:00 just as they were taking off with Gary in the lead with passenger Chris Brown followed by Ken in his Pober Pixie. I stayed at 2000 feet flying a zigzag pattern so as not to pass Gary and Chris in the Challenger who were adding new meaning to the term treetop flying.

In less than 30 minutes we were over Richfield Springs searching for Case's when we spotted a Champ on final and all lined up behind him to land. There were already a half dozen airplanes on the ground including a really nice RANS Airail and a Gypsy Moth biplane.

Across the road from the airstrip is the Case homestead where they had two large canopy's set up for serving and eating areas. As more aircraft arrived we lined up along with Aeronca Pete and his wife who had driven down for spaghetti, meatballs, hot and sweet sausage, home

made rolls, home made sauce, salad and drinks. The line moved quickly and everyone dug in with the main course wanting to get to the main attraction "THE PIES". Mrs. Case is a pie maker extraordinaire. For your choosing there was apple, blueberry, strawberry rhubarb, banana cream, key lime, chocolate and others that I couldn't identify, and they were all cleaned up by the hungry visitors. As I was standing in line trying to decide which pie to choose, I spotted Bob Walsh who had also driven in for the festivities.



By the time dinner had finished there were 15 airplanes on the ground along with 4 powered parachutes and of course Gyro George. We all wandered back to the airstrip where Gyro George put on a short demonstration, followed by the four powered parachutes. Gary introduced me to Glenn Gilfoil who had earlier flown over in his super cub on floats. Glenn it turns out has had a fair amount of experience flying on skis and he gave me some really excellent pointers on ski flying. He also invited me to go ski flying

with him and some other 1070 members this winter.

It was now about 7:00 PM and the lengthening shadows told all of us pilots it was time to get airborne and headed home. I was off first followed by Ken and then Gary and Chris. Ken headed for route 20 to follow it back to Sharon while Chris and Gary went tree hopping again and I headed northeast back to Edinburg. It was hands off flying in the calm winds and softening light as I spotted the lake and landed



with the setting sun off my right wingtip. As I taxied up to the hanger Tony Rizzio who was just out for an evening ride in his sports car greeted me. Tony helped put my bird to bed and then we push Doug's Glastar back in the hanger before we went our separate ways. It just doesn't get any better than that!

Tim



EAA AIRVENTURE OSHKOSH 2008 FACTS AND FIGURES

I received this information from EAA.

Thought it might be interesting. Doug

Comment by EAA

President Tom Poberezny:

“The concern was that 2008 would be less than a banner year, because of questions and challenges in areas such as fuel prices and the economy, but it turned out to be an overwhelming week. Each day on the grounds was filled with outstanding activities that made every day at AirVenture a unique event in itself. This year’s “Oshkosh” was the shot of enthusiasm, inspiration, and economic boost that aviation needed.”

Attendance: Estimated 540,000 - A slight decrease from 2007 and nearly equal to 2006’s attendance.

“This year’s attendance held steady for a variety of reasons, including superb weather, the substantial number of outstanding programs, a large number of aviation innovations unveiled at Oshkosh, and the importance of EAA AirVenture to the aviation community. Initial exhibitor response indicates that the majority of exhibitors reported good to record-setting sales.”

Total aircraft: More than 10,000 aircraft arriving at Wittman Regional Airport in Oshkosh and other airports in east-central Wisconsin.

Total showplanes: 2,516. That figure includes 972 homebuilt aircraft, 822 vintage airplanes, 404 warbirds, 114 ultralights, 131 seaplanes, 40 aerobatic aircraft and 33 rotorcraft.

Commercial exhibitors: 797 (up slightly over 2007).

International visitors registered: Up nearly 25 percent, with 2,128 visitors registered from

71 nations, with Canada (492 visitors), Australia (299) and Brazil (186) the top three nations. (NOTE: This total includes only non-U.S. visitors who register at the International Visitors Tent, so the actual international contingent is undoubtedly larger.)

Total estimated campers (fly-in and drive-in camping areas): More than 37,000.

Media: 865 media representatives on-site, from five continents.

What’s ahead in 2009?

“We are already looking forward to 2009 with the expected attendance of Virgin Galactic’s White Knight Two space vehicle, a reunion of participants from Concorde’s five visits to Oshkosh over the past 25 years, and a salute to mission aviators who perform humanitarian work around the globe. Visitors in 2009 will also begin to see additional amenities and site upgrades that will make EAA AirVenture 2009 an even better experience and value as The World’s Greatest Aviation Celebration.”

EAA AirVenture 2009: July 27-August 2

Late Breaking News:
Kevin Bartholoma has soloed!
Another 602 member on his way to his pilots license!!

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Remember; ***DUES WERE DUE IN JUNE \$20***
But you can pay any time now for this year. Thanks, Doug

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Month Will Be At:***

***Fulton County
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Hanger @
7:00pm on
Mon. Aug 25th***

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