

**EAA Chapter 17-- Knoxville, TN****President's Comments**

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Here we are approaching the end of May meaning half of 2005 is almost over. As you can see in another part of this newsletter the results of the meeting night poll are in. The first Tuesday night of the month at 7:30pm won. We will still be having our normal meetings at DKX on that date and time. As in the past, we will occasionally have a meeting at a different location and maybe different time. Watch the newsletter and/or EAA Chapter 17 website for any change that might occur.

June 11th is the "BIG YOUNG EAGLES" day. Let's all get behind Lee by attending our June meeting and help plan the Young Eagles day on June 11, and then everyone possible show up at Sky Ranch to help that day. Maybe we'll have a large group of YE's to fly that day, making that day really with the **spirit** of the "National Young Eagles" day. We always can use anyone's help with a Young Eagles day whether it is as a pilot or ground person, etc. So let's rally that day to make it a **big success!**

One thought I would like to throw out for the membership, for comments and/or your thoughts, is to have one of our monthly meetings at Sky Ranch on a Saturday, having a cookout/picnic and inviting the Radio Control Club to join us along with all members of the Sky Ranch club. That day would also serve as our monthly meeting. We could hold a short business meeting sometime during that day.

On a different note, we have acquired a few new members including several that attended our last meeting. Help me to make them all feel welcome and part of our Chapter 17. There was a great wealth of knowledge in those new members that attended our last meeting.

Remember, this is your club!!!!!! The officers are only there to help lead and serve. Chapter 17 will be as much or as little as all of us make it. So give myself or any of the other officers any comments or suggestions you might have whether they are good or bad.

That's all I have for this month. So remember, as my flight instructor, Mr. David Hiltz, would say.....

"Remember to hold the back pressure in the turns."

Darrell Sexton

Chapter 17 Classified Ads

Loehle 5151 Engine & Instruments: Subaru EA-81 engine (1800 cc) and various instruments for sale. 280 hours on engine, recently overhauled to new specs and basic VFR instruments. Contact John Franzreb (865) 376-9924.

RV-9A: Tail, Wing and Fuselage kits including Van's RV-9 wiring kit and 2 Duckworks leading edge landing/taxi lights. The tail, flaps and ailerons are finished. Both wings have the ribs attached. Located in Verona, Kentucky that is about 30 minutes south of Cincinnati, OH. Will NOT separate these parts. \$13,500. Also available Whelen combo strobe and position lights \$700, PSS AOA Sport \$850 and an Aero Instruments Heated Pitot/static tube \$500. Contact scottspencer@fuse.net

1943 Boeing PT-17 Stearman: She's a beauty! See it at DKX or on the web: <http://www.huua.com/stearman/> Contact David Senn (865) 482-3178.

1979 Cessna 182RG: '79 Cessna 182RG for sale. 2600 hours TT and 350 SMOH. Contact Ken Carpenter (865) 693-0457.

Aeronca Champ, Engine, & Prop: One 7BCM-CONV airframe, recovered, with C-85, almost ready to fly and a Continental C-65 with prop, zero time. Located in Murfreesboro. Contact Lester Smith (615) 308-4764.

Young Eagles rally for TSD a big success!

The Young Eagles rally for the Tennessee School for the Deaf held on Thursday, April 21, 2005 was a great success, despite weather forecasts of thunderstorms for the afternoon. Approximately 60 kids were flown and ground school went well. Thanks for everyone involved, especially the interpreters and parents who came to watch their kids fly! Chapter 17 looks forward to many more successful TSD rallies!

Young Eagles Calendar:

June 11, 2005: International Young Eagle Day. An event is planned for this day, details to come soon! Rain date for Int'l Young Eagles Day: June 18, 2005.

EAA Chapter 17 Website:

Visit EAA Chapter 17's web site at <http://www.eaa17.org>

Updated weekly!

DVDs Available

Hurry! A limited number of copies of the Vans DVD "The RV Story" are available from Ed Dumas for a limited time only! Please call Ed to reserve your copy!



An 18 minute video of the YOUNG EAGLES Day in high quality DVD is now available at \$15.00 per copy.

Call 405-7896
after 8:00 PM weekdays
anytime on weekends.

Great Picture!

Mount St. Helens, which sits about 30 miles from our house as the crow flies, continues to spew ash, while it is forming a lava dome in the crater and still having minor tremors. Here, in this sunrise shot, she appears to be blowing smoke rings (and anything so benign is welcomed, given recent history.)

Picture by Brent and Jan LeBaron

What forms the "smoke rings" is the air flowing over the mountain getting pushed up higher as it goes up and over the top. The moisture content and initial temperature are just right so that the moisture condenses from a vapor to small particles at the higher altitude. When the moving air moves past the peak and comes down again, the particles evaporate back to an invisible vapor. The two "pancakes" describe that there are two layers of air for which this is happening, thus making this awesome picture possible.



Picture and description for EAA Chapter 17 courtesy of Lee Erickson

The new EAA 2005 Calendars are here! Get yours for only \$10.00 while supplies last! Reserve your calendar early by contacting Ed Dumas, EAA 17 Treasurer, soon. We also have a limited number of EAA Chapter 17 cloth patches available for \$3.00 each. Get yours now!

New EAA Chapter 17 Meeting Date

Chapter 17 recently held an election to choose a new meeting date. The options for the new meeting dates were as follows:

#1=first Monday, #2=first Tuesday, #3=second Monday, #4=second Tuesday

The results of the poll were 6 votes for option #1, 7 votes for option #2, 1 vote for option #3, and 5 votes for option #4. So, the results of the election show the membership wants meetings to be held on the first Tuesday of every month, which will make the next meeting time **June 7, 2005**. The time and location (**7:30 PM at Downtown Island Airport**) will be the same.

This is a Call for Pilots for International Young Eagles Day June 11 (Rain Date June 18)

We have over 40 Young Eagles registered and I expect that a few scout troops will also be soon responding with more. So now I had better start working on the Pilot end of the Young Eagle equation...

If you want to fly Young Eagles Please send an email to Lee Erickson at leerickson@earthlink.net

Please make the email subject: Young Eagle Pilot June 11 /18 2005 and Your Name
Please also include your EAA Number and EAA Young Eagle Pilot Number (if you have one), aircraft tail number, your full name, address and a phone number(s). This is so that we can make up pilot cards in advance to save lots of writing at the registration desk. (I have this information for Pilots who participated with the recent TSD.)
If you want to send a photograph of your plane we might use it too.

You will all need to bring (or better yet, send in advance) the following documentation of currency.

- Current Medical,
- Current Biannual from log book
- Currency, 3 landings in last 90 days from log book
- Current aircraft insurance
- Aircraft annual inspection

Please arrive at Sky Ranch before 9:00 AM with this documentation or if you scan it and email it to me at least a few days prior to the event you can arrive at 9:00 PM and we hope to get the first flying at 9:00.

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Please Deliver To:

**EAA Chapter 17
Meeting**

Tuesday, June 7, 2005 at
7:30 p.m. at Downtown
Island (DKX)
New Meeting Time/Date!

