

- **CHAPTER MEETING MINUTES**

EAA Chapter #478 Monthly Meeting  
Tuesday 19 January 2010

The meeting was called to order at 1910 by Jeff Test

The chapter meeting was held in our new location at the Naval Air Museum. Jeff welcomed everyone and briefed us on some format changes for the monthly meeting. We will start off with Builder's briefs first and then have the Presenters/Speakers.

The paper work has been started for CFC. Jeff discussed his reasoning for the CFC connection. "Our Chapter needs to find a permanent home. We need to be able to control our destiny and not have our hand out all the time." Jeff acknowledged that there are differing opinions on the CFC subject.

**UPCOMING EVENTS:**

- Fly out to Luray Caverns. Nice winter/early spring location. Date TBD
- Plan to rent some 15 passenger vans to visit the Udvar-Hazy aviation museum up at Dulles. Target date is 20 Feb (Saturday). Spouses welcome.

**WEB SITE PRESENTATION:**

Bernie Wunder went over the changes to the Chapter Web site. Bernie has spent a lot of time on improving the site. He touched on the following points:

- TABS at the top of the site take you through the menu. There have been a few reported cases where the TABS were not visible on some people's computers. (Has to do with the windows version you are running...) At any rate, there is an alternate menu should you not see the TABS.
- The AV8TORS link was covered in detail. Again, this is not just for pilots. Bernie explained how to post and fill out the info form. Your email is important as there is an automated response when you sign up. If you want to join, you have to subscribe. Use it as a network to exchange info. (Go to the website and explore)

**BUILDER REPORTS:**

**Sid Wood KR-2**

Sid demonstrated his carb mixture control using a VW Speedometer Cable...very interesting. (It was rumored that Sid was trying to use every available part off his VW..)

**Tom Weiss A-1**

Tom gave the A-1 report. Good show and tell on hardware fabrication and beaching gear bracket construction...lots of surprises. Tom brought mock up of wire construction jig. Many wires that have to be hand wrapped. Wheel spokes used as cable adjusters. There was much discussion concerning whether we should use solid or stranded wire. Stranded wire will require much more time and effort. There was a discussion on using 1/8 rod vice wire. Open for discussion on what we should do. Decision needs to be made.

Spoke assemblies run about \$1.50 apiece. We need a couple of hundred...well over \$500 just for cable assys... Lot's of work to do yet. Tom went over the pictures of the center section/float assembly. Help is always appreciated. Give Tom a call if you want to help.

**Jeff Test Long EZ:**

Jeff covered the details of where to get plans, support if you are interested in the Long EZ. Pictures of construction were shown along with examples of the foam/fiberglass parts. Jeff says 2 years and counting. Started, stopped, moved, started again... As Jeff says, he has built numerous parts...now it is time to start putting them together. Great pictures of baggage pods, fuel pods, etc. Lots of questions on stalls, airfoil type, canard, laminar flow wing, etc, etc.

**MISCELLANEOUS INFO:**

- You are encouraged to bring any surplus aviation parts for sale to the chapter meeting. Proceeds will go to the chapter. You must take all non-sold items home with you.
- Jim Byers wants to sell his Dragon Fly project. Give Jim a call if you want a good deal on a project.
- The 50-50 raffle was won by Bernie Wunder. Bernie says he knows just what to do with the \$2000. (...just kidding. He says he can almost pay his dues with the winnings!)