## **EAA Chapter 302**





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### Newsletter

# "VIRTUAL" MEETING NOTICE MAY 9TH, 2020, 10:00 AM

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### **IMC/VMC MEETING**



Choose your own date



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A VIRTUAL MEETING

### THIS MONTH'S PROGRAM

**Battery Contactors** 

RV-10 vs Cirrus SR22 350

Hints for Homebuilders TIG Brazing

# MOTHER'S DAY MAY 10TH

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### **APRIL 11TH, 2020 MEETING MINUTES**

**Call to Order:** President Joe Waltz called our first ever WebEx virtual meeting to order at 10 AM. Approximately 46 were checked in.

**Pledge of Allegiance:** Lady Gaga's Super Bowl 50 performance of the National Anthem opened the meeting.

**Members / New Members - Visitors Present:** Surely there is an award for EAA 302's member John Chaplin who joined our WebEx meeting from England! New Members: Welcome Dr. Richard Keiger from the Kingwood area. He has acquired an ultralight and is interested to learn to fly it.

**Safety Minute:** Miles reminds us of the importance of a good preflight that includes accessing the fitness of equipment and pilot. Consider briefing passengers that you will use sterile cockpit procedures during critical phases of flight. Always use your checklist and fly your plan.

**Treasurer's Report:** Beginning balance for March 1, 2020: \$4,540.50

+ \$200 cash. Ending balance for March 31, 2020: \$4,901.29 + \$200 cash. Significant items of Income / expense for March include \$275 membership dues income / \$50 rent expense. Bill Donahoe also reported Crime Stoppers has returned EAA 302's \$3080 donation made to the Alan Johnson Crime Stoppers case some time ago. As previously agreed, any returned money would be used to start EAA 302's 'Alan Johnson Scholarship Fund' account for use in future scholarships opportunities.

**Scholarship Update:** While the big show of AirVenture is still officially on, EAA has canceled its series of youth summer camps for 2020. Also, our EAA Chapter 302 Board of Directors has decided not to act or fund our opportunity for the Ray Scholarship 50/50 for 2020 because of Coronavirus and lack of viable candidates.

**Google Earth Pro Flight Simulation:** Joe Waltz demonstrated how to use Google Earth Flight Simulator. It's free, but requires download of Google Earth Pro. PC or Mac users can find the flight simulator from the Tools - Enter Flight Simulator tabs found on Google Earth. You'll need to get checked out on some simple keyboard commands if you don't have a comparable joystick. Joe, thanks for the introductory flight. Enjoy!

**Projects:** Bill Cooper / RV-10 = Moved to hangar B-9, shop area is set up and making progress. He says come see him.

<u>Dave MacDonald</u> / RV-10 = Dave couldn't unmute WebEx so Rich Jankowski keyed the mic to gave a good update. 1st flight was great, gave some attention to oil cooler and cowling seal, EGT and CHT indicating and fuel flow system issues to work. Great electronic work. Rich says the plane flew flawlessly. Canopy seal needs work. Congratulations and well done Davel

**Joe Waltz** / RV-10 = Airplane is at the paint shop.

### **APRIL 11 MINUTES CONTINUED**

<u>Miles Demster</u> / RV-14A = Miles started with the self-deprecating "I've not been a good builder" confession. Hurricane Harvey flooding in his garage dampened his early experience, but he's at it now! His shop is organized, working rudder and horizontal stab assembly. Drilling, dimpling, riveting and priming.

**Don Guice** / RV-7A = Making tremendous progress according to Rich Jankowski. Fiberglass work in progress, wings will be installed soon.

Hints for Homebuilders: EAA Homebuilding Program Specialist Joe Norris discusses standard installation tips and maintenance suggestions to keep your tailwheel in topnotch condition.

<u>Aviation History</u>: 10 April 1972: Lieutenant-Colonel W. Roy Windover, Royal Canadian Air Force, a pilot assigned to the North American Air Defense Command (NORAD), set a *Fédération Aéronautique Internationale* (FAI) World Record for Altitude when he flew a 1941 Interstate Cadet S-1A, N37239, to an altitude of 9,388 meters (30,801 feet) <sup>1</sup> over Pikes Peak, a 14,115 foot (4,320 meter) mountain in the Front Range of the Rocky Mountains, near Colorado Springs, Colorado.

#### News / Reports:

- --Check our Events Calendar. Thanks Keith Pache for keeping us updated.
- --VMC/IMC Club, likely to meet virtually on the second Thursday, 7-8:30pm.
- --EAA National has said they would wait until mid May for a decision on the status of AirVenture 2020 in light of the Coronavirus.

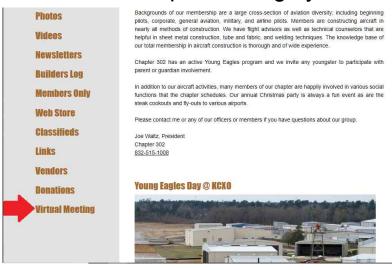
### Adjourn:

- --Standby for news of how we will do the May meeting.
- --After the meeting FlyOut to K06R, Grawunder Field, Bellville, Texas for dinner.

Note: Your secretary publishes the facts. Later I found the FlyOut is 'fake news'. Joe and Keith briefed TRW threat, narrow runway shortened by construction plus strong crosswinds...then a long walk to restaurant! Who would go in the middle of all this? Definitely a spoof and I took the bait.

# SATURDAY MAY 9TH MEETING A "Virtual" Webex Meeting

Yes, we will have a meeting this Saturday. Luckily, we have a professional webmaster, Darryl Foster, to help us keep in touch. There are a couple of things you need to know:



# MEETING SITE OPEN AT 9:00 MEETING STARTS AT 10:00 Cameras will be on this time



- 1. You should go to our web page EAA302.org. Darryl has added a new page called Virtual Meeting. Click on that. It will take you to two things you will be interested in:
- a. An explanation of how the meeting will work and things you should know. If you like, you can click on the YouTube link and learn more
- b. Above that, you can click on the live link ("Join") to be taken to the meeting. Or, you will also receive the link when you get this copy of the Newsletter.

We will be doing "Projects", so send your pictures to Miles and be ready to step up to the microphone.

### **BREWER'S PIETENPOL MAKES 1ST FLIGHT**

Photos by Mike Wood



Blazing down the Runway



Not much forward visibility on final



He tried to keep it a secret, but word got out that this was the big day.

After lots of fits and starts, EAA302 member Don Brewer launched his Pietenpol Sky Scout on a first flight Saturday, April 25<sup>th</sup>. He built the plane from scratch, using mostly wood and fabric. Its painted in a style fitting the 1920's and is powered by a Ford Model B engine putting out around 70 horsepower. It has been modified to have dual ignition with a distributor and a magneto.

Having a car engine means it is liquid-cooled, and your eyes are immediately drawn to the polished brass radiator sitting above the engine. That motor used to belong to our Charter Member Allen Johnson, who watched over that flight with great interest.

### Congratulations, Don!



Don demonstrates the periscope he has to use to see the cork float gas gauge on top of the wing

### **EVENTS COMMITTEE UPDATE**

Keith Pache 713-412-7010, pilotpache@aol.com

- 1) IMC/VMC Club Meeting (Online comfort of your home). Please join our IMC/VMC guest instructor Doug Stewart. Doug is making himself available for a virtual meeting to EAA/IMC Club groups around the country during May. It is featuring a ten-minute video clip of an ILS approach into KAVP from the East Coast IFR Experience. This segment highlights the use of onboard instruments to maintain situational awareness. After the presentation, Doug will be open for discussion IMC Club style. Details in our May Newsletter to register!!
- 2) 10:00-11:00am Sat. May 9th Chapter Meeting (Online comfort of your home). Click on the Virtual Meeting link at the bottom left of our website https://www.eaa302.org/
- 3) Events Calendar: Here's a partial list of upcoming events. You'll find many more (with working hyperlinks) by clicking on our website Flying Events tab: http://www.eaa302.org/

| Date    | Description   | Location   | CXO Dist. | Website  | Contact   |
|---------|---|--|-----------|--|---|
| 5/5/20  | 7:00-8:30pm EAA Webinar:<br>Flight Testing 101  | The comfort of your own home                         | 0 nm      | http://pages.eaa.org/WBN<br>2020-05-<br>05FlightTesting101 LP-<br>Registration.html                          | None  |
| 5/6/20  | 7:00-8:30pm EAA Webinar: Is<br>it Legal to Install?   | The comfort of your own home                         | 0 nm      | http://pages.eaa.org/WBN<br>2020-05-<br>06lsitLegaltoInstall LP-<br>Registration.html                        | None  |
| 5/6/20  | 7:00pm FAA Safety Webinar:<br>Proper Communication in<br>Aviation and It's Critical Role<br>in Furthering Safety. | The comfort of your own home                         | 0 nm      | https://www.faasafety.gov/<br>SPANS/event_details.aspx?<br>eid=100163  | Aeronautical<br>Proficiency Training<br>314-787-7454<br>john@teipen.com |
| 5/7/20  | 7:00-8:30pm EAA Webinar:<br>Critical RV Flying Skills   | The comfort of your own home                         | 0 nm      | http://pages.eaa.org/WBN<br>2020-05-<br>07CriticalRVFlyingSkills_L<br>P-Registration.html                    | None  |
| 5/8/20  | 11:45am-1:15pm (est.) Fight to<br>the Finish Flyover  | Look up over Downtown area                           | ?? Nm     | https://www.cnn.com/202<br>0/05/03/us/houston-ve-<br>day-ww2-planes-flyover-                                 | None  |
| 5/12/20 | 7:00-8:30pm ATC and You:<br>Don't Let That Cloud Mislead<br>You   | The comfort of your own home                         | 0 nm      | http://pages.eaa.org/WBN<br>2020-05-<br>12ATCandYouDontLetThatC<br>loudMisleadYou LP-<br>Registration.html   | None  |
| 5/12/20 | 7:00pm FAA Safety Webinar:<br>Weather planning tips to get<br>ready for summertime flying                         | The comfort of your own home                         | 0 nm      | https://www.faasafety.gov/<br>SPANS/event_details.aspx?<br>eid=99832   | Terry Lee Carbonell<br>239-633-0077<br>GoDusty@hotmail.con              |
| 5/13/20 | 5:30pm FAA Safety Webinar:<br>Aviation Weather Hazards -<br>Vital Information for Pilots                          | The comfort of your own home                         | 0 nm      | https://www.faasafety.gov/<br>SPANS/event_details.aspx?<br>eid=100112  | Delia Colvin<br>661-333-9881<br>customerservice@fly-<br>rite.com        |
| 5/13/20 | 7:00-8:30pm EAA Webinar:<br>Operation at Towered Airports   | The comfort of your own home                         | 0 nm      | http://pages.eaa.org/WBN<br>2020-05-<br>13OperationatToweredAir<br>ports_LP-Registration.html                | None  |
| 5/19/20 | 9:00am FAA Safety Seminar:<br>Mastering ForeFlight for IFR  | T31<br>Aero Country Airport<br>Mc Kinney, Texas, USA | 184 nm    | https://www.faasafety.gov/<br>SPANS/event details.aspx?<br>eid=99609&caller=/SPANS/<br>events/EventList.aspx | Gary Dale Reeves<br>657-230-7230<br>garyr@pilotsafety.org               |

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The response has been so positively overwhelming that at this time, all chapter slots have been filled. However, there is still ample opportunity for you to join another chapter's meeting. You can participate at a date and time of your choice. Just click the link below and register for available time and day that works for you.

https://www.communityaviation.com/events/meeting/imc/national-meetings

Doug Stewart is the "National Certificated Flight Instructor of the Year for 2004". An eleven-time Master Certified Flight Instructor, Gold Seal Instructor, and Designated Pilot Examiner, he is based at the Columbia County Airport (1B1) in Hudson, NY.

We are confident in saying we will have our June meeting live. Stay tuned for the early announcement of the plan and topic.

In the meantime, fly safe and keep the dirty side down.... Tommy Fankhauser, Chapter 302 IMC/VMC Coordinator, CXO



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### THE "SWINDLE" LIVES ON

Also Known As the "50-50"



A virtual meeting can't stop the famous "Swindle"! You can still participate. Before the meeting, go to EAA302.org. You will see a button labeled "Donations". It will be only \$5 increments, and your investment will be given a number. At meeting's end, a number (or 2) will be drawn and you will get your winnings at the next in-person meeting.

There will also be a drawing for your picture on the website.

Be aware—PayPal has been giving false "donation canceled" messages.

### THE TOOL CRIB GROWS AGAIN

Now that the Pietenpol is done, Don Brewer has donated a very nice hydraulic engine lift to the EAA 302 tool crib. It will live in the Jim Smith hangar and be available for checkout. Thanks very much, Don!







We Don't Gamble, We Need A Sure Thing AirVenture 2020 is officially canceled

Sorry to say, Friday morning, May 1<sup>st</sup>, we received an email from Oshkosh saying that Airventure 2020 has been cancelled. Look forward to July, 2021.



### **CLASSIFIED ADS**

Ads are free to any EAA member. They will run for 6 months, or until you pull them out of classified. Text or Email to dirvine1945@gmail.com

**FOR SALE:** Like New, FARO Headsets, 4-FARO G2 PNR \$125.00 each, 2-FARO G2 ANR \$250.00 each. Call Tom Davenport 713-504-5536

Wanted: Cessna 150 or Cherokee 150/160. Contact: Mike McKenney 802-380-2310 2/20



**FOR SALE:** One complete set-up for your plane consisting of a Garmin AERA 560, one GDL 39 (ADS-B in and weather receiver) complete with a yoke clamp and a tablet holder with accessories. The tablet holder has 4 each 12V fans, still to be hooked up, to be suited to your plane. Make me an offer. Peter Lammers. Cell: 1-979-221-4442



Looking for Aircraft Insurance? We have a certified Insurance salesperson right here in EAA 302. Joni Schultz (Wife of Dan Schultz) is a member of 302, attends "Donuts at 10", and flies a helicopter as a hobby. They also have a magnificent polished aluminum T-6 on the "Hill". When you come up for renewal, it wouldn't hurt to let her give you a quote.

12/19

1000+ Hour Pilot looking to form or join an "RV Partnership or Flying Club" based at CXO. I have 500 hours in an RV6, have owned 5 planes, some in partnership. EAA and AOPA member and currently a member of Aero Club of Houston flying a Grumman Tiger. I have RV buy/build/repair/maintenance experience, Partnership/Club experience and a T-Hangar in "The Flats". Please text me if interested. Pete Sand 832-545-4878

**For Sale:** AIRGIZMOS IPAD MINI Panel Dock, \$30 OBO. NEW External Cabin Steps for the RV-6A, 7A, and 9A, Powder coated. \$80 OBO. Garmin 296 with extra antennas and mounts. \$150 OBO. Garmin/Apollo SL 60 WAAS GPS/ COM + Rack + Indicator \$900 OBO. Contact: Bill Donahoe 936-443-6846 wbdonahoe@hotmail.com

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We now meet in Galaxy FBO's building on the South Side of the Conroe-North Houston Airport. Use the South Entrance, 1<sup>st</sup> floor. Meetings start at 10:00 AM.

You cannot access the FBO by the old Airport Parkway. You need to use Loop 336 and turn at Hawthorne Drive. This road has an Airport Entrance sign which mentions Galaxy FBO and the Black Walnut Restaurant. This is just southeast of the Roller Skating Rink.

See you there.

