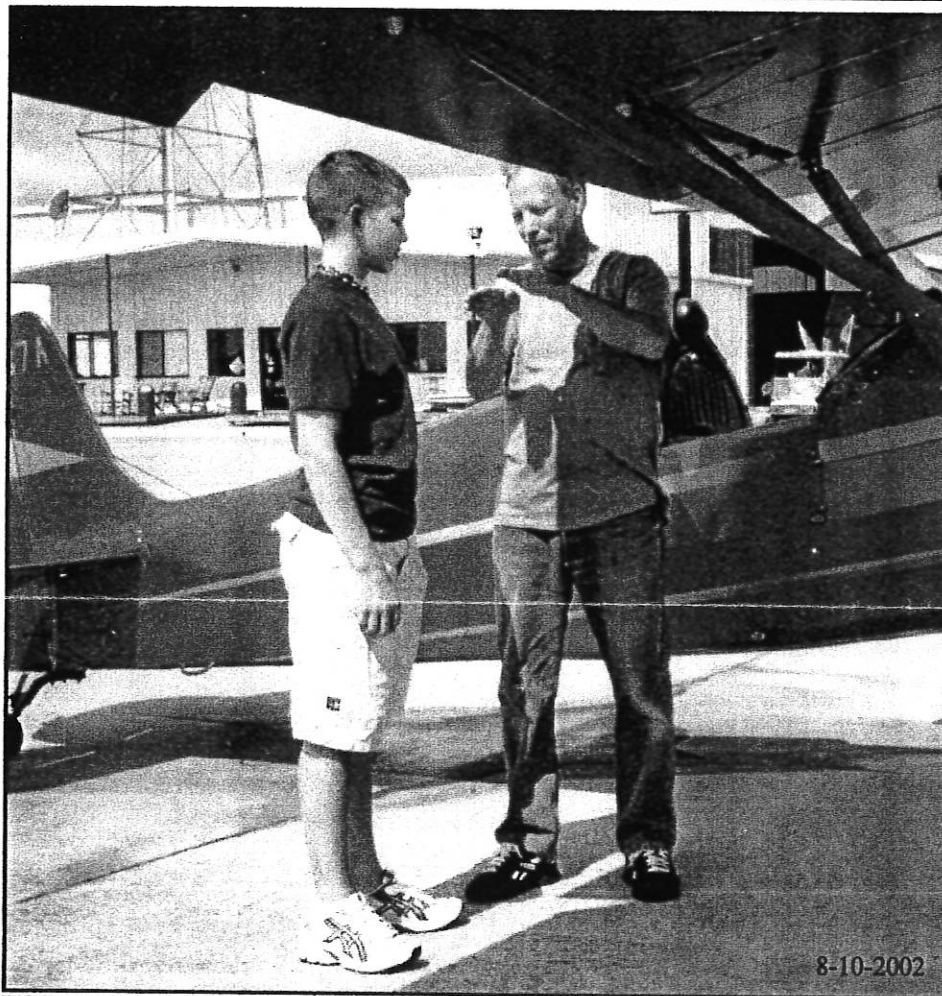


Experimental Aircraft Assoc. Chapter 302 ~ Conroe, TX



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Mike Purinton shares his knowledge and love of aviation with a Young Eagle.



September 14th **Meeting:**

We are privileged to have an F-14 Tomcat pilot, just back from 6 months with the USS John F. Kennedy, flying in Afghanistan!

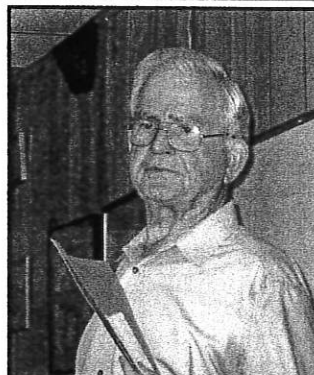
USN Lt. Brian Riley will bring us up to date on some of the unclassified details of his time in the Middle East. He is also Don Brewer's son-in-law.

Fly-out to Brenham for lunch after the meeting,
(or Carl's at Weiser if the restaurant at Brenham isn't open yet).



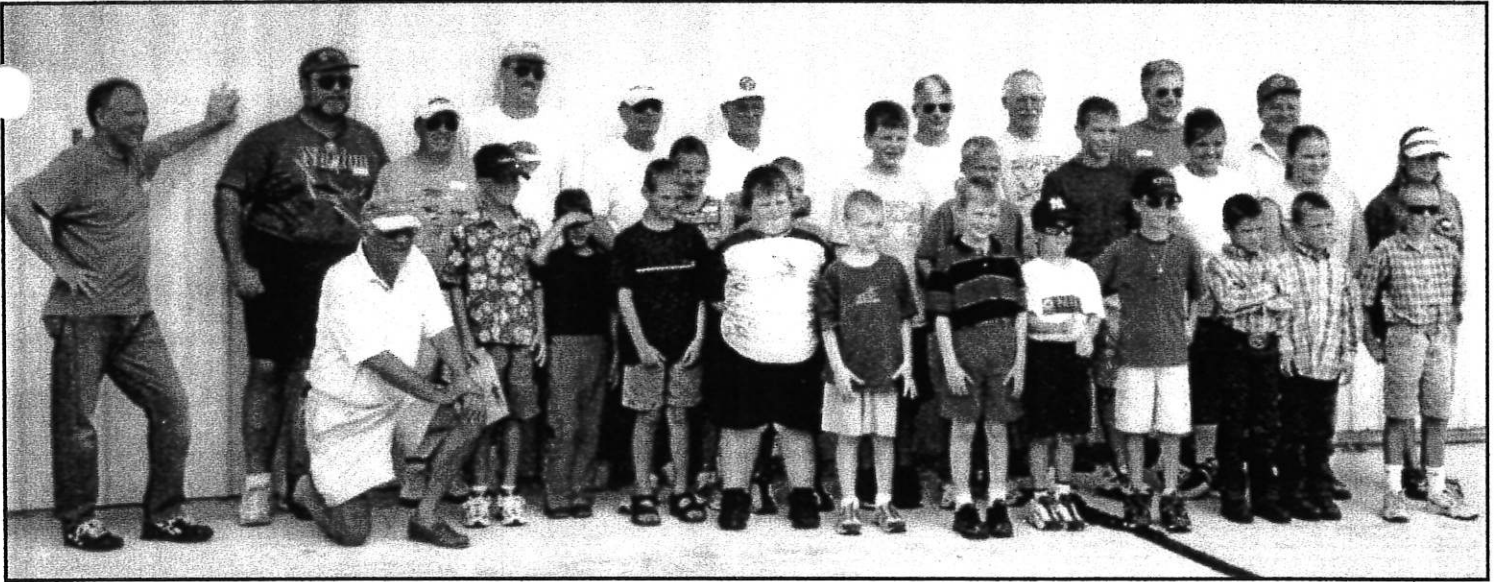
Don Brewer (L.) receives his 1st Flight plaque for his GN-1 Aircamper, flown in June 2002.

D.B. Waller (R.), August's speaker, shares his experience as a WWII Fighter Pilot with us.



(R/P out Don Brewer suggested agendas for board and regular meetings)

Young Eagles Day, 8-10-2002... Another Success!



Saturday August 10th after our monthly meeting, Chapter 302 made 18 youngsters (and many parents) happy by introducing the young people to the joy of general aviation with a free flight. Perry McConnell (L.) and Mike Purintan (R.) have smiling passengers. Thanks to all the ground crew (8) and pilots (11) that made this possible. Thanks for sharing the dream of flight!

Continued: ***EAA 302 STYLE*** By Stan Peterson

ourselves, we decided to go to a machine shop.

As luck would have it we spotted a small sign just south of the airport at 2201 Airport Road. In the back of the warehouse behind a maze of big machines and some heavy duty-looking tools and equipment we found Frank D. Sofou. After Frank admonished us for being in his shop, he asked if that darn sign (Machine Shop) was still out there? Things weren't looking too good for us at this point, but we told him what we wanted and that we needed it for an airplane that we were building. His demeanor lightened up a bit, and he became instantly interested in our project. He helped us with the block; he drilled and fitted the bushing perfectly. Later we would return with a request to test our cables, necos, and turnbuckle

assemblies. He refused any payment and said that he was just interested in helping with our project!

Back to the hanger, with some technical advice from Don Brewer and Ivan Whimp and the loan of a drill from Dennis McCright, we had the holes drilled and properly aligned, with the exact "press to fit" fitting of the bushings. John Cox had searched through some of his father's old tools and came up with a rather rare "bolt cutter type" neco press, which made the flying and landing wires look like a professional job when completed.

It's a pleasure to be a member of such an excellent organization, where technical help, physical assistance, the loan of a tool are freely given, and camaraderie abounds! *Stan*

NEWS FLASH



Larry Perryman's RV-9a was inspected 9-7-02 and is signed off! With a 150 mile radius from the Groesbeck VOR. Subaru engine, Quinti hub, warp drive blades automatic adj. 3 blade prop. Congrats!

Al Doyle won the EAA leather jacket! Let's see it!