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Steve Eberhart's RV7-A—Painting Under Way





I visited Steve Eberhart in his hangar today; Steve has been busy masking off his plane to put another fancy stripe along the side. Most of the construction of his plane is finished, except for the cockpit area, and the final assembly. Steve is trying real hard to get his plane flying by spring. He'll only be a year late, since his original "fly-by" date was February 22, 2008.



Bill Hilakos' Sportsman





Bill Hilakos has had his Glastar Sportsman finished and flying for some time now. He stopped by Skylane Airport a couple of weeks ago, and I snapped these photos.



Another Government grab at your liberties

All men...are endowed...with cer-

tain unalienable rights...Life, Lib-

erty, and the Pursuit of Happiness.

To secure these rights, Govern-

consent of the governed.

ments are instituted among men,

deriving their just powers from the

...Thomas Jefferson

The unelected rulemakers at the Transportation Security Administration have issued a proposal that—if allowed to become effective—could end up reducing your liberty to fly your plane where, when, and how you want. The proposed rule, which came out on October 30, would require operators of aircraft weighing 12,500 lbs.

or more under *Part 91 rules* (you and I operate our aircraft under Part 91 rules) to submit to a security director, who would scrutinize each flight before take off. This means some TSA licensed rent-a-cop would have to give his OK before the pilot and passengers could enter their aircraft.

Don't think this doesn't affect you if you don't fly that heavy an aircraft. As Jeb Burnside states in *AvWeb* on November 4: "Even if you don't operate an aircraft weighing more than 12,500 pounds,

this proposal likely will impact you. That's because the TSA also proposes to require airports served by large aircraft to adopt security programs. This could mean any facility capable of handling a large turboprop or Cessna Citation II must formally participate in a TSA security program. Good luck getting to your hangar at Podunk Regional [or your aircraft on the parking ramp at Tri-State Aero] for a pre-dawn departure."

It sounds to me like Jeb is saying if you fly to Evansville Regional, park your two-place homebuilt on the ramp where these

large aircraft are likely to be parked, you'll have to submit to an inspection to make sure you're not carrying any guns or knives before you can begin your taxi for departure. Do you think this sounds too extreme to ever be a reality? It's not. Federal regulations have to be enforced with no exceptions for anyone. They have

to be enforced, not because they make sense, but because they are federal regulations.

It's important to remember that what happened on September 11, 2001 was not caused by any American. It was caused by hate-filled foreigners who came into this country intent on destroying it. The fault for allowing that to happen lies totally with the U.S. Government intelligence agencies who should have seen this coming, and stopped it before it happened.

Now every American who travels by airline must continually pay the price for that failure by those government agencies. And if this rule is adopted, we who fly in our private planes will have to pay that price as well.

To comment on this proposed rule, go to www.regulations.gov, and use the docket number TSA-2008-0021. Tell them what Thomas Jefferson said. The comment period ends on December 29, 2008

—Pete Wiggin

EAA World of Flight 2009 Calendar

With a fun and successful EAA AirVenture Oshkosh 2008 behind us, we turn to the many events to be held this fall and in the up-coming year. So much to look forward to and plan for that you will need a calendar—probably two! We just happen to have you covered with this year's calendar featuring some of the world's finest aviation photography, showcasing the broad spectrum of general aviation aircraft.

The **EAA** *World of Flight* TM **2009** wall calendar is now available. This dramatic calendar is full of beautiful air-to-air photography in its unique 14"x 16" size. Some of the aircraft pictured in this remarkable calendar are the Cirrus SR20, North American P51-D Mustang, the Pitts S2S, the Boeing

Stearman PT-17, deHavilland DH82 Tiger Moth, the Stinson SMI-B Detroiter, and Van's Aircraft RV-7. Many other aircraft are also pictured in this striking collection. Even if you do not want to use it



as a calendar, it will be a very eye-catching piece of artwork adding that extra aviation class to your home, office or hangar.

Ok, I'll admit—I copied the preceding words from an advertising flyer received by Larry from EAA Headquarters. But at a recent Chapter board meeting we decided to offer these calendars for sale through the Chapter. We can offer these to you for \$12.00—just a little cheaper than you can get them through the EAA store.

If you would like to buy one or more, send an email to <u>calendars@eaa21.org</u> with your name, and the number of calendars you would like to buy. We'll try to have them available at the

December Pizza Party meeting, and for sure at the January meeting. Please note this offer is only available to members whose Chapter dues are paid up and current.

RSVP for our December Pizza Party meeting

At a recent Chapter board meeting, one of the things we talked about was our traditional Pizza Party meeting at Kipplee's Party House. We'll do that again this year. The date will be December 10th. Last year we overestimated how many members would attend, and so bought more pizza than we needed, and spent more money than we needed for the party room. So this year we have established an email address to help you let us know how many will attend. If you plan to attend our December meeting at Kipplee's Party House, please send an email to rsvp@eaa21.org, and let us know your name, and how many in your party plan to attend. Please do this before the next Chapter meeting on November 12. If you don't have email, give Larry a call at 401-7566, or let us know at the next Chapter meeting.

Message from EAA Chapter 21 President

After I traveled abroad in the Mediterranean Sea last month it is good to be back home with all of you. This month's meeting we will be electing new officers for your chapter. This is an every two year event. If you are asked to consider a position, please say yes, or, that you will think about it.

Our regular membership meeting will be held on November 12th at 7PM at Skylane airport. At this meeting, the board will present its recommendation for officers and the floor will be opened for additional nominations. The duties of each office will be discussed if questions are asked. An election ballot will be given to each member in good standing. We will formally install new officers at the next month's annual Christmas party. You will not want to miss the meeting on the 12th.

Pictures taken by Don Taylor at the Young Eagle flights event earlier this year are ready to be picked up on the back table at Skylane. Don says they are free. Thank you Don for your excellent photo work.

Looking forward to seeing everyone at the meeting on the 12th at Skylane, 7 PM.

Larry Helming (Guests and cameras are always welcomed.)

Note: There was a Chapter 21 board meeting on November 5. A large part of the discussions had to do with Chapter elections, and who would succeed the four elected officers for 2009. Several names were floated as a possibility for new officers. Since, as of this writing, the names we discussed haven't been contacted, I'm not going to name them. Hopefully, at our Chapter meeting on Wednesday, we will have a complete slate of officers to present to you.

Here's what I can tell you. John Rudolph will continue as Young Eagles Chairman. Steve Eberhart will continue as Webmaster. Steve will also become our Program Chairman. Larry Helming will become Publicity Chairman. Pete Wiggin will continue as Newsletter Editor. That only leaves President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer to be filled.

Pete Wiggin



Chapter 21 Monthly Treasurer's Report October-08					
October 1, 2008	Beginning Balance	9	\$2,361.72		
Rec	eipts				
	Interest	\$0.10			
	Total	\$0.10			
Dish	oursements				
	Newsletter Printing	\$16.00			
	Postage Stamps	\$42.00			
	Rent Oct Nov Dec	\$30.00			
	Total	\$88.00			
October 31, 2008	Ending Balance	5	\$2,273.82		
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Bill Gowin, Treasurer					
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Upcoming Chapter 21 Events

EAA21 Chapter Meeting: Wednesday November 12, 7:00 PM, Skylane Airport

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Nov 15, 2008	EAA Chapter 190 Fly-in Breakfast	Brownsboro, AL, USA	236 miles
Nov 15, 2008	EAA Chapter 563 Pancake Breakfast	Peoria, IL	217 miles
Nov 22, 2008	EAA Chapter 1326 Fly-In Breakfast	Shelbyville, TN, USA	186 miles
Dec 6, 2008	EAA Chapter 563 Pancake Breakfast	Peoria, IL	217 miles
Dec 6-7, 2008	16 Hour PPC Repairman Inspection Course	Plymouth, IN, USA	238 miles
Dec 10, 2008	EAA Chapter 21 Pizza Party	Kipplee's Party House	
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