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### TENTATIVE CALENDAR OF EVENTS - 2009

Planning and setting of dates are typically done by your board of directors at the beginning of the year and sometimes change.

October 9<sup>th</sup> - Board of Directors Meeting @ Hangar / Everyone welcome as we discuss chapter business. Friday 7:30PM

October 16<sup>th</sup> - General Hangar Meeting - Program subjects: Gary Jasper and Bill Flaherty, Van's RV Experts - subject to be announced; Friday 7:30PM

November 13<sup>th</sup> - Board of Directors Meeting @ Hangar / Everyone welcome as we discuss chapter business. Friday 7:30PM

**November 20<sup>th</sup> - Annual Fall Potluck and Hangar Picnic at Rostraver Airport. We start to cook hamburgs and hotdogs around 6:30 PM. Bring a covered dish with a main course or a desert. Spouses, guests & kids very welcome.**

**Volunteers please show up around 6:00PM if you can.**

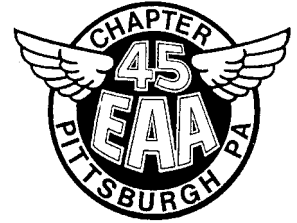
DECEMBER – **No meetings this month. UNLESS**, we need to call an emergency meeting to discuss the upcoming year's chapter insurance needs.

JANUARY 8<sup>th</sup>, 2010 –Board of Directors Meeting.

January 15<sup>th</sup>, 2010 – General Meeting at Hangar.  
Tentative: John Handis, CNC and the Personal Fabrication Revolution.

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# Cockpit Clutter



New web site address coming !

Chapter 45 Newsletter

Experimental Aircraft Association

October / Nov / Dec '09



**Just a few of the great volunteers and support that the chapter showed during the B-17 visit !!!!**

The September meeting is past and you missed a good one if you were not there. Member Andy Stern presented a detailed and entertaining program about gyrocopters, including their history, theory of operation, and an advance look at the tractor gyro he is planning to build. Member Ernie Romito spoke about and showed pictures of his fantastic house and woodworking accomplishments... Looks like airplane caliber work to me. Great job guys.

For most of the year we have had Chapter Secretary John Handis listed as presenting a program on "CNC and the Personal Fabrication Revolution". We had originally moved John's meeting to November from earlier in the year to make room for another program. Unfortunately, he isn't quite on track to be ready for the presentation, and it seemed to be a subject that might not be enjoyed by the spouses that typically cook and attend our November meeting, so we asked John if he would mind moving his meeting again to early next year, which looks like it will be in January 2010. Stay tuned...

From a message to your editor from Wayne Hartman, a friend over at Chapter 859 in Ohio... see pictures below. "Joe Maynard lives in the Columbus area. Joe and his friend Jimmy started to build a Double Eagle back in about 2002, but never finished it due to other projects. Joe welded up the frame and the tail group. They have aluminum spars and fittings for the wings...supplied by Carlson Mfg. The project is located at the DogPatch Airport, a grass strip at Jimmy's home, near Kirkersville, Ohio. It is available to see. They are asking \$3200 for everything, no engine, but welded fuselage and materials for the wings. Any other questions? Feel free to give me a call. 740-407-9178" Wayne Hartman (orvie6@yahoo.com)



## EAA CHAPTER 45's

### Annual Fall Pot Luck and Hangar Picnic

**Where: Rostraver Airport in the Chapter Hangar**

**When: Friday, November 20<sup>th</sup>, 6:30 PM**

**What are we supplying: Hamburgs, Hotdogs,  
and soft drinks & coffee**

**You are bringing: a Potluck dish (main dish,  
desert, snax, or ?**

**Cost: ZERO**

**SO, THERE WILL BE PLENTY OF GREAT FOOD and SEE SOME OLD FRIENDS.  
Everyone welcome. Bring a friend or two!**

**Volunteers, please show up around 6:00PM if possible.**

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Shop Tip # 40 **Oh, the Shark, babe, has such teeth, dear,  
And it shows them, at Home Depot....**

*Home Depot?* ... I've had difficulty with the new leadless solder when I've needed to do plumbing in my home with its old copper piping... I know it has to be clean before attempting to solder, but this has been ridiculous. A new torch might help.

Recently I needed to replace a long run of pipe in the basement when a pipe split and I didn't want to fight the possibility of leaking joints right over my work bench. So I purchased two ¾" SharkBites at Home Depot. They are instant pipe connections that literally slip on using no tools to make leak proof in-line connections. How something that slips on in literally a second or two can be completely sealed is beyond me, but they REALLY work well.

In addition, you can couple copper to pvc or pex plastic tubing. Now I keep a few ½" and ¾" couplers in my plumbing tool box. Give 'em a try.

*by Jack Dernorsek*



Note: the next scheduled newsletter  
will be sent in January 2010.



Joe Spencer's Putt-Putt at OSHKOSH '09

## Tentative Week night meetings schedule, 7:00PM to 9:30PM

October 5<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> (Monday Evenings); November 2<sup>nd</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup> & 30<sup>th</sup> (Monday Evenings);

December 7<sup>th</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup> (Monday Evenings) \*\*\*

## Chapter Hangar at Rostraver

## Chapter Project: The LEGAL EAGLE Ultralight

Goal: to have something to work on, to learn on, to play with, to talk about, to show off, to copy for your own, or just another reason to kill time at the airport...

We are building ribs. Because of money constraints, we will probably start on fuselage tubing parts before I buy spars...

\*\*\* send Jack an e-mail if you want to know the current schedule. The members that have been attending the workshops have chosen Monday evenings as best.

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**Minutes from the 08/14/2009 Chapter 45 Board Of Directors Meeting As recorded by: Jack Dernorsek**

The August 2009 EAA Chapter 45 Board of Directors Meeting (BOD) Meeting was called to order at 7:31 PM by President Clark Irwin. BOD Members and others present included, John Mateka, Gary Kreutzer, Paul Jencka, Chuck Meyers, Jack Dernorsek, Rudy Vogelsberger, Ernie Lanyi, Diana Collier, Jim Carr, Don Coester, Gary Jasper and Marty Fao. Member John Warren was also a visitor.

**[Note: You Must sign in to be recorded as attended.]**

**Old Business:**

- Clark read through the previous meeting minutes from the July Meeting.
- Monthly Meetings:
  - Aug - Ch.45 Picnic Aug 23
  - Sep-Ernie Romito-Topic TBD
  - Oct --- Gary Jasper --- Topic TBD
  - Nov -- John Handis - CNC & The Personal Fabrication Revolution
  - Dec – No meetings.
- / Andy Stern-Gyrocopter
- web site – update for move to new web address for chapter; Steve Glaeser has been making welcome changes to our web site & it looks great. Steve not present at meeting.
- Rear Admiral Harry Garhardt model collection donation. Need to provide protection and display of models. This item not fully discussed but still open. This is planned to be addressed during winter season. Jim Carr offered the help of Rob Rossi and himself to put up a 12” wide shelf above picture windows.
- B17 debrief; next year, rather than B-17... maybe we can get the Ford Trimotor for the Latrobe Airport Open House.
- Hangar Door Repair (R. Seman).
  - Potentially the door will be worked on during the picnic work party. Richard Seman and Rob Rossi not present at meeting to discuss. Panels to be delivered.
- Eric Humes donated and attached Weatherproof Registration Pocket to the rail of the trailer.
- Eric Humes made and donated 6 custom foot pads for picnic canopies that were missing or misplaced.
- Outdoor Bulletin Board that was suggested may not be needed as Jack D has started to post flyers to picture windows. Jim Carr offered to bring and donate two sheets of Homasote board for Bulletin Board (indoor) use.
- Paul Jencka had brought up that we still have not used the banner to announce to the public that we exist. It was suggested that we ask the airport where we could put the banner.

**Treasurer's Report:**

- Diana passed out the Treasurer report
- Chuck Meyers motioned to accept the report.. Don Coester seconded. Unanimous favorable vote.

**New Business:**

- Old: Treasurer Diana Collier will participate in IRS discussion at OSHKOSH during convention for the chapter's benefit.  
New: Diana reports - Turns out that the Chapter needs to be incorporated per National EAA office. Per Pennsylvania state records, we are listed as "incorporated" yet the IRS has no record of any incorporation for Chapter 45. Unsure of next steps. There are incorporation papers somewhere?
- Picnic Discussion; no port-a-potty; Jack & Marty to purchase most foods; Chuck Meyers for condiments; Clark for Ice / Beer; Ernie Lanyi for corn – 30 dozen.
- Jack D made friends with one of the riders of the B-17 who is a state policeman and who also flies helicopters for the Army National Guard. He will be willing to bring the Apache gunship out to the airport for us to look at and sit in. Needs to be a Mon-Thursday evening.

**Chapter Bylaws:**

- ByLaw Discussion : No bylaw discussion this month as news concerning necessary incorporation (above in new business) changes situation regarding bylaw changes.

Jim Carr moved to adjourn. Rudi Vogelsberger seconded. Unanimous favorable vote. Meeting adjourned @ 8:30 PM

## Obituary for Jim Barclay, owner of Mt. Pleasant Airport (borrowed respectfully from the Tribune Review)

### James M. Barclay Mt. Pleasant

James Milton Barclay, 66, of Mt. Pleasant (Bullskin Township), passed away at 10:30 a.m., Friday, Aug. 7, 2009, at his residence. Jim was born Feb. 11, 1943, in Somerset, a son of the late Milton Russell and Bette Baker Barclay.

He was married to Carol Henderson Barclay, who passed away May 14, 2007. Jim was a loving father, grandfather and brother. His life revolved around the operation of the Mt. Pleasant-Scottdale Airport, which he owned since the late 1970s, and where he served as proprietor, instructor and mechanic. He was a licensed pilot, graduated from Scottdale High School and the Embry-Riddle Aeronautic Institute in Florida. He was also affiliated with St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church in Scottdale. Jim will be sadly missed by his devoted family; his three children...brother...and seven grandchildren...

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Also respectfully borrowed from the fine newspaper, Tribune Review, I found this article from 2007, of which only the portion that talks about Mt. Pleasant Airport is reprinted:

### Small airports struggle to continue operations

By Tribune-Review Sunday, August 12, 2007

...**Hanging on...** Jim Barclay grew up along the grass runways outside Mt. Pleasant that his grandfather developed in 1946. He bought the airport from his father in 1978 and became a flight instructor and successful owner despite having cerebral palsy.

"In the 1980s, it was super-profitable," Barclay says. "Instructors were making more than steelworkers were. But we were working a lot harder, putting in long days."

Barclay, 64, says he no longer sells fuel at the airport, and post-9/11 restrictions on when, where and how pilots use their airplanes have taken a lot of the joy out of flying.

"Back in the 1950s and '60s, those were the golden years," he says. "You could get out and really enjoy yourself without worrying about getting smacked in the fingers every time you do something wrong."

Barclay's wife of 40 years, Carol, died in May, and he says he's lost his passion for the airport. Carol paid the bills, he says, and he's not sure what he wants to do with the operation now.

Barclay's friend, Kozar, 75, a licensed airplane mechanic and owner of a Cessna 150, keeps the 14 acres of runways cut and helps with maintenance of the buildings.

"I don't know what (Barclay) is going to do," Kozar says. "The one time he says he's gonna sell it, and the next time he says he doesn't know. I hope it stays an airport." ...

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Here is a teaser picture of member Richard Seman's Emeraude homebuilt. It is a teaser because Richard hopefully will be moving it into our Chapter hangar for completion soon. Picture on the left is a model he built to test the color scheme; pic on right is test fitting the windscreen recently.



**Watch here for news concerning our new website !!!**

From member John Warren, some pictures from our Chapter Picnic in August.



And member Steve Roper is at it again!!! After traveling to Wisconsin last month to pick up a “parts-worthy” Cessna 172 with the chapter trailer, he borrowed it again recently to pick up yet another C172 hulk for valuable pieces to help restore his own project plane. Note the cool, Flintstone wheels he made to move the derelict plane out of the woods at Mt. Pleasant Airport.



And one last picture from Clark Irwin who supplied all the B-17 pictures this month...

Remember:  
October meeting: Oct 16<sup>th</sup>  
  
November Potluck Indoor  
Picnic meeting:  
November 20th

