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Chapter 113 Annual Picnic / Splash-in at
Whitmore Lake – Thursday July 21st 2005
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Mission Statements Chapter

“EAA Chapter 113’s major focus is on the relationships with people who have diverse aviation interests, centered around their love of flight, fellowship, learning and fun. Chapter members have a passion for flying and are willing to share it with others. Chapter 113 provides the opportunity for exchange of information as well as the interaction that leads to friendships that last a lifetime.”

Board

“The Board of Directors are to provide both advice and assistance to the chapter officers on an ongoing basis.”

President’s Podium



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The last of June was a good week for me. I finally earned my tail-wheel endorsement and on the same day received my medical renewal from the FAA. I am not sure what is more difficult, dealing with the FAA, or flying a tail-dragger. With either one it pays to be persistent.

The same week Priscilla and I were also on the Detroit River in the International Tugboat Races with twenty-three tugs participating. We were flying up the river with a 5 ft diameter propeller connected to an 800 hp diesel. Not quite the same as a 65 hp Piper Cub. This year we again placed third in our class. Check with me for details.

The rest of the summer promises to continue to be great fun with a number of EAA events including, picnics, fly-in’s, and Airventure. Please check our website, www.eaa113.org for details. Have you signed up yet for Backyard Eagles Yahoo Group website? A lot of last-minute Chapter information gets distributed over the Yahoo site. Make sure you don’t miss out. Send an email to John Maxfield, avee8r@wideopenwest.com to request access.

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At that time [1909] the chief engineer was almost always the chief test pilot as well. That had the fortunate result of eliminating poor engineering early in aviation.

Igor Sikorsky

EAA 113 Annual Picnic / Splash-in

Instead of a regular meeting on July 21st, 2005, Chapter 113's annual picnic will be Hosted by John Maurer & Susan Christensen Maurer at their Whitmore Lake home at 11609 North Shore Road, Whitmore Lake, MI. Plan to arrive 5-5:30 pm with the eating to commence between 6-6:30 pm. Bring your families! Activities include swimming (bring your own suits and towels - no skinny dipping, please), paddle boating, canoeing, rafting, and seaplane rides - weather permitting.

The Chapter will provide hot dogs, buns, condiments, plastic eating utensils and paper plates. (Ample grill space will be available if you prefer to bring your own pound of flesh.) Please bring your own chairs, beverage of choice, and a salad or dessert to pass.

Driving instructions and map are as follows:

Northbound US 23, take exit #53 - Eight Mile Road

Turn Right on Eight Mile - go less than 0.1 mile (more like a jog in the road)

Left on Main Street - go 0.6 mile

Take the first 90° Right onto Todds Lane - go 0.2 mile to the white mailboxes and guard rail; then turn left on North Shore Road - in 50 feet, turn Right into driveway - go 150 feet down the hill, it's the brownish/yellow brick house is on the Right.

See map on the next page.

*Please note: Follow written directions from Todds Lane, as the star shown on the map is not quite accurate in placement. The map is meant to be used as a visual aide to get you to the general vicinity.

If you get lost, call Randy Hebron at cell phone #734-776-9294 and he'll get you so confused you'll know exactly how Charlie felt on the MTA!!



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Calendar of Events

Saturday Morning Breakfast

Every Saturday 8:30am at the Coney Island on Lilley Rd. across the street from Mettetal airport.

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Whitmore Lake – **July 21st, 5:00 PM**

OASIS Camp Group Aviation Education Days

July 16th, August 6th and August 13th

Volunteers and alternates needed for this outstanding program at the EAA Chapter 113 Aviation Education Center. Children will learn about the basics of aerodynamics, weather, navigation and each will receive a Young Eagles ride. A sign-up sheet is located in the Chapter 113 meeting room. **For further information, contact Dave James (734) 721-4213**

2005 Fly-ins

EAA Airventure - Oshkosh, WI July 25-31, 2005

McKenzie's Annual Corn roast – Howell, MI August 27th, 2005 at 1:00 PM.

EAA 113 – YAHOO! To access our YAHOO Group Site, go to <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/EAA113/> New users click "SIGN UP." Already a member of a YAHOO Group? Click "JOIN THIS GROUP" You'll have to sign in every time to access all the features. Contact John Maxfield for further information.

SECRETARY'S *Scribbles*



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CHAPTER 113 MEETING MINUTES

Meeting Date: June 16, 2005

Meeting Time: 7:30 PM

Number of Members Present: 36

Minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting of June 4, 2005 were read.

Bill Brown announced that the Canton Rotary Club is running a fund-raiser for a clock to be installed at the entrance to Heritage Park. A monument for the entrance to Mettetal Airport is planned as a future project.

A 2005 Chapter membership roster is now available. It is to be used for Chapter business only.

Set up for the pancake breakfast is planned for Saturday morning, June 18, 2005.

President Dave thanked Lynn Stone for contributing this evening's refreshments as a fund-raiser.

Guest Speaker:

Name: Pete Waters

Subject: Interview of Bill Brown

This interview is the second in a series of interviews of members by Pete Waters.

Bill Brown is a representative of the “Greatest Generation”, having served in the US Army during World War II, in both the European and Pacific theatres. Bill was a machinist specialist and vehicle repairman. Prior to being drafted, Bill had accumulated considerable experience in machining and actually received 3 deferments due to his participation in essential war work. When he finally was drafted, the Army lost no time in putting his skills to good use.

Bill was born and raised in the State of New York. His father died in an accident when Bill was young and he was raised by his mother, grandmother and three Aunts. He was shifted from household to household depending on economic circumstances at the time, but his guardians always saw to it that he received a good education. He took machine shop and heat-treating classes in junior high in Syracuse, and automobile servicing classes in high school in the city of New York. Bill moved to the Detroit area where he stayed with another aunt and found employment with a gas station and repair garage at Oakman and West Chicago streets in Detroit. He later found employment as a machinist in a war plant, where he worked prior to being drafted.

After training, Bill was shipped to a staging area in England, then to Omaha Beach about a month after D-Day. He served in the Battle of the Bulge and remained in Europe until after VE day. He was then shipped to the Pacific theatre via the Panama Canal. He was stationed at Clark Field in Manila until VJ Day, and then was shipped through a typhoon to Japan, where he served with the US occupation forces.

After discharge from the Army, Bill returned to Detroit and got his old job back at the gas station and repair garage on West Chicago Street, and eventually bought the operation in 1965. Bill became interested in flying after the war and got into serious model building and started taking flying lessons at National Airport. After getting his pilots license, Bill flew out of Mettetal Airport in a series of planes including a Piper Colt, Tri-Pacer, Cherokee 180 and a Comanche 250. Bill later was able to purchase a beautiful Twin Comanche, which he still has today. In 1972 Bill moved his automobile repair shop business from to Detroit to Canton on Lilley Road, next to the airport.

Bill has been very active in the Canton community Rotary Club, where he has served in many capacities, including president. He is a member of two radio-controlled model airplane clubs where he has also served as president of each. He became acquainted with your interviewer, Pete Waters, in 1967 when Pete visited this country to compete in a model

airplane pylon-racing contest. Bill presently serves as assistant manager of Mettetal Airport.

Recorded by:

R.C. Wagner, Secretary

Young Eagles Update

The midyear report for our Young Eagles program is very encouraging. Already this year, our chapter has flown 149 youth. This is as many as the entire year last year! We just want to thank everyone that helps out at these events. Our program could not be this successful without the assistance from so many pilots and ground support staff. I am confident that “someone” in this chapter has lit the aviation spark for at least a couple of Young Eagles so far this year.

Could that “someone” be you?? We have three more Aviation Camps scheduled this summer. July 16th, Aug. 6th and Aug 13th. These are pretty calm days with only about 20 kids scheduled each day. We are providing mini-lessons on Aerodynamics/Preflight; Helicopter Aerodynamics; Navigation; Aviation Careers and the Young Eagle flight. We need a couple of people to step up to fill in for others who will be on vacation. Lesson plans are provided for you. If you are able to help out in any area, please let Dave or Debbie know.

CONGRATULATIONS!

Nick Forsman passed his private pilot check ride on Friday, July 1, 2005. Happy Landings Nick!



Nick and Mom – his first passenger!

Dave Buck – recently received his tail wheel endorsement in a Piper Cub!

Chris Kosen – Congratulations on the birth of Chris and Trisha's first child, Sydney Elizabeth!

Konstruktor's Korner

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Getting into summer and great building time!

Running through my projects, I have the Nieuport 17 at home, doing practice taxing on the back acreage, having installed the new com and all works great. The Avid has now been painted. Although I had some runs when I used the stencils due to seam tape edges, it sure looks much better. If I had enough paint, I would do the whole plane! Now I have started connecting the ends of all the wires at the instrument panel.

Gene Letourneau has given me a few photos of the progress of his Avid N227TG, which has the instrument panel completed and installed, all fuel and static tubes installed, avionics in and tested and the engine bolted on. Unfortunately, he is moving to North Carolina and is looking there for a hangar with a runway attached.



Evan Carew gave me some pics, and here is the man with the plane on its legs, a KIS TR-1. So, keep plugging away and get them rivets popped and such things.



Gerry Hubert is working on the upper wing and instrument panel of his Skybolt., The fuselage is stored outside and he's planning to install the wings this month.

Heard the latest from Cleve Lee who has sold the model plane business and his new job enables him to visit with other Europa builders all over the world! This has him turned back on and dusting off the parts.

Rich Hensley is back painting on the Crackerjack and has the annual on the Desire being done.

Pete

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The 2005 AL KRUGLER MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIPS were awarded to recipients Philip Haapala from Livonia and Doug Kovach from Pleasant Lake.





Okay, nudge the stick forward to lift the tailwheel. Now pedal faster, faster! Rotate....a little more right pedal!



Let's go, I'm ready!

Oh...and Airplanes!



It's the Volunteers who make it Happen!



