

Hoiu Newsletter

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October 2005

Next Club Meeting

Date: November 19th, 2005

Place: Sky Harbor – Peoria, IL

Time:

Officers

Squadron Commander

Allan Mays

Flight Leaders

Conrad Grembowicz

Steve Hendricks

Treasurer

Richard Baner

Secretary

Tom Eichhorn

Webmaster/Newsletter Editor (not reporter)

Tom Eichhorn

Meeting Minutes

By Tom Eichhorn

October 2005

October's meeting was held at Wells Field in Deer Creek. Officers in attendance were: Allan Mays, Steve Hendricks, Conrad Grembowicz, Dick Baner and Tom Eichhorn.

The weather was windy we had a crosswind from the south 5-10 mph.

Old business:

The Lariat club was booked for our November meeting and Greg Waxler suggested we use Sky Harbor again. That being agreed upon, he called from his cell and booked it then and there.

New business:

Barb Wells passed a sheet around looking for volunteers for the annual Deer Creek Pancake and Sausage Dinner November 12. Members are encouraged to sign up if they haven't already or simply show up between 10AM-7PM. It is our way of giving back to the community of Deer Creek and they appreciate it very much.

Dick Baner gave the treasurer's report and announced Dennis Wyckoff had fixed out poor trailers tail lights and blinker. He submitted a bill and was paid.

With that the meeting was adjourned and the festivities began. Hot dogs were cooked many side dishes were brought and enjoyed by the members and their families that attended.

Remember our next meeting is November 19 at Sky Harbor. We hope to see members and their families there, as it is the last get together of the year 2005.

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News Around the Hangar

By Tom Eichhorn

Preparing for winter Steve Hendricks gave Tom Eichhorn a hand and almost his whole body as the two shored up his hangar for winter burying 6x6s, nailing them with 1/2" rebar and burying post into concrete for supports and cutting down a 20' metal door. Last year Tom's hangar wouldn't open due to the freezing.

This project as Steve put it is really not that hard, after working from 8am – 4 pm, Steve recanted that statement at the club bar-b-cue that followed.

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Club member Dennis Wyckoff is about to finalize the assembly and completion of his Rans, which he hangars at Oltman-Shuck

Club member Danny Marcy resolved the engine out that brought him down early last club meeting in September. Danny had just completed all his repairs to his plane including adding 3' to each wing. Danny had run his plane up and down the runway at Wells doing fast taxiing and crow hops for some time, when he decided the plane was ready. Upon his test flight after achieving altitude he had an engine out that forced him to land. Fortunately he made it back to Wells field with no problem. Over the next weeks he cranked in more pitch to his prop and went back to his original gas venting system. The plane runs in temperatures and because of the added pitch runs faster.

Club member Gary Weiss has been a bit sidelined. Gary was riding his motorcycle with friends when fate introduced him to the side of the road. His bike traveled off the road, when it came to rest Gary felt a little sore, but the group got the bike up and running, went to lunch and went home. That's where it became apparent he bruised or cracked some ribs.

Club member Rick Jones is airborne and putting time in on his Subaru powered Rans. Rick has been dialing it in and is talking about a possible re-drive.

Fred Mathews and Tom Kingsley Honored

By Tom Eichhorn

Fred Mathews and Tom Kingsley were present and honored at the Wednesday pilots debriefing 10/19/2005 at the Port-o-Call in Deer Creek for their long time membership, service and contribution to the Heart of Illinois Ultralights organization.

Members now for the past 18 years, Fred and Tom were bestowed lifetime membership awards and presented with plaques. Since joining the club Fred and Tom were partners in building a hangar at Wells field, they also built two Challenger airplanes, a single and a two seat. They then donated the two-seat Challenger to the club for training of future aviators. Fred had also opened his house up for club meetings in the winter months. Upon retiring from flying, they subsequently sold their single place Challenger to me, allowing yet another want-to-be to become a pilot. My training was in the two-place Challenger they had donated. Members and friends like these are invaluable and though it took some planning to get them together at one time the wait was worth it. Tom and Fred thank you for your dedication, humanity, generous contributions and most importantly laughter and friendship. Heart of Illinois Ultralights is privileged to have such members in its ranks.

Fred Mathews



Fred Mathews

Tom Kingsley



Fred and Toms gift of memories



2005 Flight Events

SEPTEMBER

- 3** **EAA Chapter 563- Fly-In Breakfast**
Mt. Hawley Airport, Peoria 0730
- 4** **Hartenbowers Hectares Fly-In Breakfast**
Lostant, IL 815-882-2573
- 5-12** **Stearman Fly-in**
Galesburg Municipal Airport
Galesburg, IL
- 10** **HOIU meeting - Dinner Meeting**
Cookout, Fly and Meeting
Wells Field - Deer Creek, IL
- 17th** **Erie Airpark - Challenger Fly-In**
Third annual Challenger Reunion (Erie Airpark Fly-In)
What started as a celebration of 20 years of a great aircraft has expanded to an overall fun gathering of flyers and friends.
All makes aircraft are encouraged to attend.
Primitive camping on the field.
Food vendors will have food all day Saturday.
Breakfast Saturday & Sunday.
Fuel will be available
- 17th** **EAA Chapter 563- Fly-In Breakfast**
located in a large hangar at the south end of the ramp at Mt. Hawley Airport
Coffee is on 0730 hours.... and breakfast starts at 0800
- 18** **EAA Chapter 1315 - Fly-in breakfast**
Taylorville Airport, Taylorville, IL
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Volunteers needed
- 19** **HOIU meeting - Dinner Meeting**
Sky Harbor – Peoria, IL

DECEMBER