

CORBEN COURIER

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Memory Making Machine Rob Tweed

Did you ever have one of those special days that you just knew would forever serve as a source for inspiration? One of those true “there is good in this world” type of days? Thursday, June 21, 2012 has been duly logged into Robert’s memory bank as one of those days.

First, let’s get a visual. We have stunning panoramic views in most every direction with a beautifully manicured grass runway surrounded by buildings filled with a wonderful blend of nostalgic and eclectic treasures. Sound familiar? Yes, this can only be Tom Kretschman’s Sugar Ridge Airport. Add to this visual treat a beautiful clear sky, aircraft take-offs and landings and lots of smiling faces and you’ll have to agree this is one of those special memory maker kind of days.

It gets better. I was already feeling pretty awestruck from the bombardment of all of the aforementioned stimuli but it wasn’t until I had the pleasure of taking this picture of our 2012 Hoot and Betty Gibson Memorial Scholarship recipients that our evening together went from a really fun time to an inspirational memory. Just look at these fabulous kids, Remington Viney and Cory Kramschuster.

Through those sparkling eyes and beautiful smiles I see and feel the tremendous generosity of our Chapter 93 membership. Young Eagle pilots, B-17 tour stop volunteers, meeting speakers, board members, newsletter editors, technical advisors, flight advisors, Explorer Post coordinators and volunteers to staff our handicapped tram service for Oshkosh visitors from years past



come to mind.

This small summary cannot begin to capture the many ways our members enrich people's lives through our love of aviation. This is who we are and this is what we do. This is Chapter 93. Heartfelt appreciation goes out to the late Hoot and Betty Gibson and their family for having the incredible vision to make the scholarship program possible. And thank you, everyone, for creating these wonderful memories for years to come.

July Meeting Details Rob Tweed

Our next membership meeting is scheduled for Thursday, July 19th at 7:00. We will meet at our Blackhawk Airfield clubhouse. The grill will be fired up so feel free to bring something to barbeque before the meeting. Earl Martin, our featured speaker, has some interesting videos to share with us. See you there!

Thank you Tom! Rob Tweed

Many thanks, to Tom Kretschman, for hosting our June meeting. We sincerely appreciate your wonderful generosity and support of Chapter 93. Congratulations on your new beacon acquisition. Most impressive! Those pulled pork sandwiches are also impressive in their own right. Very tasty! Thank you, Tom, for our fabulous evening together.

Aviation Explorer Post 93 Jim Lins

There were no meetings in June. Some of the Explorers attended the chapter meeting at the Sugar Ridge Airfield on June 21st to witness the awarding of Hoot and Betty Gibson Memorial Scholarships to fellow Explorers Remington Viney and Cory Kramschuster. Also, some of them took Young Eagle Flights.

Some Explorers will be volunteering to help with the B-17 ground tours on July 13th, 14th, and 15th and a group will be going to AirVenture on Monday, July 23rd.

An Aviation Explorer promotion day will be scheduled for some time in September or October to get new Post 93 Explorer members.

Chatting With Chapters Don Ripp

EAA Chapter 1389- Middleton, Wisconsin

Hello Chapter members this month we visit with EAA Chapter 1389 of Middleton, WI. Based at Morey Airport, (C29). I spent “phone time” with Chapter President Scott Compton during this interview and he extends his personal “invite” to all to attend the Annual “Fly-In/Drive-In” Breakfast at Morey Airport on Sunday the 15th of July starting at 7:30 a.m. (from past visits this is one popular area fly-in and a must attend, the food is good and many aircraft attend this event)

Scott did also mention that if you want to get firsthand experience into the pancake breakfast cooking arena that help is always welcome. (Scott can be reached at 203-5287 or “d_scott_c@yahoo.com” if interested! BUT HEY DO NOT FORGET ABOUT THE B-17 detail first for that day!)

Chapter meetings are held normally the 1st Wednesday of the month at Morey’s at 6:30 p.m. All events are posted on the website with the next event being Young Eagle flights on Saturday the 14th and Fly-In on Sunday the 15th. When asked about Chapter membership numbers Scott said that membership is around 56 active members. The chapter sponsors Air Academy youth to EAA Air Venture each summer and is sending 3 youngsters to the 2012 event this year. Other recent chapter sponsorships was to host a “Grass Roots EAA Tour” for Madison area pilots to attend and talk with EAA representatives and find out “first hand” what is new at “headquarters” and the state of light general aviation. Also look for the chapter to host Young Eagle events for Big Brothers and Big Sisters of Dane County in the future.

Scott as Chapter President for 3 years now has been involved with EAA since his first Air Venture “2008” with his father and looks forward finishing up his Pilot training in the future with thoughts of building an airplane someday. He invites any and all Chapter 93 members to attend a 1389 meeting or event anytime.

“Thank you Scott for your time with me and talking to Chapter 93!”

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Sweet corn roast Harold Benisch

A SPECIAL INVITE TO ALL CHAPTER MEMBERS AND FAMILIES

The sweet corn roast that I have been planning is official. I have just received permission from the MATHAIRE owners that I can hold it there, so make your plans now. It will be held on Labor Day weekend, with the main corn roast on Saturday afternoon September 1st. But come for the weekend if you like. Camping is available, but no hookups. FLY IN - DRIVE IN -OR COME ANYWAY YOU CAN, BUT PLEASE COME. I'm hoping to make this the biggest and best yet. A flyer will be in the august newsletter with directions and other information. MATRHAIRE is 5 miles southwest of Columbus with a 2800 foot north south grass runway on hwy. 73.

HOPE YOU CAN MAKE IT

Chapter Meeting Earl Martin

06/21/2012

Our June Chapter Meeting was held at Sugar Ridge Airport. Thank you, Tom for allowing us to use your facilities for our meeting and doing Young Eagles at your Airport. Rob T. awarded some certificates to some new Corben Cadets from a recent Cadet Event. The "Hoot & Betty Gibson Scholarships" were awarded to this year's scholarship recipients during the meeting. Don Ripp, Joe Moreth and Frank Smidler gave seven first-time Young Eagle rides before the sun said no more. A big thank you goes to Don, Joe, Frank, Jim Lins and the other volunteers that helped me make this event happen. The next Chapter meeting will be at Blackhawk Airport in Cottage Grove.



EAA Corben Chapter 93 Corben Cadets June 3, 2011 Skot Weidemann

We had 4 Corben Cadets, three signed up previous to the gathering on June 3 at Morey's. Scott Nolinske, Jim Lins, Alan Deal, Bernie Works (Bernie is a regular member of Middleton Chapter 1389 whom I recruited. I had previously promised him a ride so I took this as an opportunity to get him a ride.)

Alan Deal showed up to see what was happening and got to ride along as a "walk in". Bob Ward flew in a Piper

retractable with Bernie Works & Jim Lins on the first leg out to Juneau (UNU). On the way back he has Bernie & Alan Deal. Bob said he had a deer standing by the runway on his departure from Juneau, with no movement towards the runway.

Jim Sainsbury flew in his Cessna 150 with Scott Nolinske both ways.

Skot Weidemann in his Luscombe 8A flew to Juneau with Alan Deal to and with Jim Lins from Juneau back to Morey's (C29).

We had the surprise of having a deer bound across the taxiway after arrival at Juneau. Joe Moreth has volunteered previous to the event but I couldn't promise him any riders, so he went on his own from Dane County Airport in a Skyhawk and met us at Juneau with his own rider. Larry Landucci had previously



volunteered with his Zenith CH 801 four place kit built, but I couldn't promise riders for him either, so he took the time to do maintenance at his hangar.

Dick Hartwig & his wife met us at Juneau via automobile. Also, Harold Benisch & wife were at the breakfast on their own.

We had two additional volunteers I would like to mention however I did not get their names. They were at Morey's standing by to volunteer to drive passengers to Juneau in case of an overflow of riders. One of them was a professional pilot and even offered to give some dual instruction on the way out.

In order to plan for another Corben Cadets outing, we need chapter members who are interested in rides in order to recruit pilots to fly them. To put your name on a list, send it to me at SWeidemann@aol.com so I know who is up for a ride. So far I have Harold Benisch signed up but we need more.

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