



# The Experimental Flyer

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## Monthly Meetings And Upcoming Events

Meetings are held on the First Tuesday of every month at the Quonset Air Museum, Quonset State Airport, North Kingstown, RI.

**Meetings start at 7:00 PM**

**Our monthly meeting is just around the corner. Stop in and learn a thing or two.**

- August 7 - Joel Hern  
**Powered Parachutes**
- September 4 - USCG  
**Search & Rescue Presentation**
- October 2 - 1363  
**A Night at the Movies**
- October 14 - Old Buzzards  
**Member's Projects/ Special Attractions: at the QAM**
- November 6 - **Eric Hall:**  
**Son of Gee Bee Designer Bob Hall on the famous racing planes his Dad was part of**

## The President's Corner

*Frank Nowak*

By now, many of you have paged through the June issue of Sport Aviation and have probably read the very good article by Budd Davisson on plans built aircraft. Budd is president of AviPro Aircraft Ltd. and produces the Bearhawk as plans built or as a kit. This article is one of the best on detailing plans built VS kits I have seen. As you know, your Vice President, Keith Salisbury, is building one from plans and was kind enough to give the chapter a presentation on metal working at the June chapter meeting. THANKS KEITH!

Yes, plans built airplanes take more time, and they are not for everyone, but, if you want to really know your aircraft, there is no better way to do so than by building all the components yourself. I built a Long-EZ in the 1980's

and, though every ounce of the airframe (except wheels, brakes, canopy, etc.) was hand made, and took about 2500 hours to build, I came away from the experience with a complete knowledge of the aircraft and all it's systems. A major benefit from the experience was meeting the fine aviators and builders along the way, not to mention the many trips to Oshkosh!

Now, I am building a Graham Lee 7/8 scale Nieuport, and though, I am building virtually every part myself, the time to build is about 1/3 that of the EZ. Keith will probably spending about 4000 hours on his Bearhawk and I mention these time-to-build numbers to counterpoint what Budd Davisson said about how long it takes to build your own aircraft.

The idea is, yes, in many cases it can take a while, and some, like the Nieuport, are well under 1000 hours, but, what you end up with is your own airplane about which you know every rivet, nut, bolt, wire, cable, lay-up, etc.; an airplane that you can do your own condition inspection on

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### **General Aviation United Against User Fees**

EAA works hard to protect the rights of general aviation enthusiasts. Lend your voice to our efforts by becoming informed on how user fees threaten your rights as an aviation enthusiast.

## **Other Items of Interest & Communications**

**The Westerly Airport Association hereby invites EAA Chapter 1363 to attend it's**

**Wings Over Westerly celebration  
at the Westerly Airport on September  
15<sup>th</sup>(rain date the 16<sup>th</sup>).**

Bring planes; especially experimentals!

Help with the young eagles rally they hold on that day, ground school and pilots

Chapter banner and fliers next to a static display.

Or, just show up to see what it's all about.

Who else will be in attendance:

Civil Air Patrol, Karate demonstrations, K-9 police demonstration, Life Star helicopter, other aircraft, food, pony rides (weight restrictions apply)..., live animals from Dennison Pequotsepost Nature Center, and of course "much, much more!"

**EAA UL Chapter 62 Fly-in**  
**Location: Fisher Field, Middleboro, MA**  
**Saturday, August 26, 2006**  
**Rain Date Sunday, August 27**

Want to see your event or accomplishment listed here? It's simple

Email: 1363vp@bearhawk949.com with details



### **Where Am I?**

At what airport am I getting ready to land?

Email your answer to : 1363vp@bearhawk949.com

Last Months answer? Newport State (UUU)



## MEETING MINUTES July 3<sup>TH</sup>, 2007

### President's Corner

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(equivalent of a certificated aircraft annual) if you applied for a repairman certificate upon completion; a aircraft that you can be very proud of at the flyins that you are sure to attend; and a machine that may carry you and yours aloft to places far and wide for that \$100 hamburger!

If you are contemplating which way to go, plans built, or kit built, remember, you have numerous builders within your chapter who would be glad to offer guidance along the way. Not to mention all the information available through the EAA national website. Now, it's time to stop thinking about it and "Just Do It!"

And remember, please FLY SAFE!

Frank



**Share The Experience**

**Bring a Friend**

**to the**

**Next Meeting**

The July 2007 Chapter meeting was called to order at 7:18pm by Chapter Secretary Al Myette.

A quorum was present

President Frank Nowak leads the group in the " Pledge of Allegiance"

Our guest speaker tonight is Dave Rogers, an owner of a RV-4 and a builder of a RV-8. Dave gives a very interesting presentation of how he made the decision, and the process of choosing a Van's RV-8 as his project. Dave gives the group a concise but comprehensive view of the building stages of a metal aircraft. The group ( especially Noah Forden) was very enlightened.

Mid meeting break, then business portion of meeting:

Motion to accept Secretaries June meeting notes are approved by a majority of yeas.

Richard Picard reads treasurers report for month ending June 2007.

President Frank Nowak awards Richard Picard an EAA baseball cap and T-Shirt for his efforts in recruiting new Chapter members.

Bill O'Neel reports on progress of upcoming Chapter fly-in at Richmond Airport. Our "Strawberry Pancake Fly-In" scheduled for Saturday, July 14<sup>th</sup>, at Richmond, is well in hand thanks to Bill's efforts. The stage is set, the volunteers are lined up, the assignments are distributed, and the only thing left is ..of course..the weather! Great job Bill !!

I Myette reports on a very successful "Air Show" event. Lots of people came thru the booth and enjoyed the aircraft on display. Thru our efforts, we were able to sign up five new members, and sent many more home with applications. It was fun for all!

Frank Nowak announces all volunteers for Chapter events will receive a polo shirt with the Chapter logo and embroidered members name. Chapter members approve a \$350.00 cost associated with purchase. Jana will follow up and have more details at Chapter Fly in.

Chapter members also approve a \$200.00 expense to provide the "Strawberry Fly In" with T-shirts with the "Fly In" logo to be sold during the event.

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**Your Officers**

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 Frank Nowak

**Meeting Minutes**

Al Myette

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President Frank Nowak reminds everyone of the traditional Chapter meeting in Oshkosh at the "Theatre in the Woods". The meeting will be at 01700 hrs,

( 5:00pm) Tuesday, July24th; after photo opportunities and random chit-chat, the group will proceed with haste to the Brat and Beer Garden just east of the grounds.

Our Chapter meeting for January 2008 will be moved from January 1<sup>st</sup> to January 8<sup>th</sup>, to avoid New Years day conflicts.

Frank announces upcoming speaker agenda thru December 2007.

Meeting adjourned at 9:12pm

Meeting notes prepared by Secretary Al Myette

**OSA Hangar Sale**

	<p>Cessna 140 Wings and Parts</p>	<p>Bill O'Neel        Richmond, RI</p>	<p>(401) 783-4388  <a href="mailto:aimbill@aol.com">aimbill@aol.com</a></p>
<p><b>2005 Gemini 2</b> W/APCO 500sq.ft chute. Rotax 582 water cooled engine- 65 hp.        TaskEM EFI, Dual Flight Controls, strobe light, manual and electric start, 3.5 hours total flight time. Paid 15,950 asking 13,000</p> <hr/> <p><b>1998 Buckeye 503</b> air cooled w/500 sq. ft. Quantum chute, Chute has not been flown since inspection by a certified parachute rigger.        Dual EGT and SHT gauges, VSI and Altimeter, strobe light, manual start, 35 hrs. TT        Paid 11,250 asking 6,500</p>		<p>Bob Tichy        IOWA</p>	<p>641-479-2588        641-751-6587</p>