

Cockpit Clutter



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Chapter 45 Newsletter

Experimental Aircraft Association

November 2017

Pix from the annual Halloween party –



OK, Here is the Deal...

There are still 17 folks who have not paid their annual dues for 2017-2018. This is the last time this form will be published here so we are asking for you to act now.

IF you are unsure as to whether you paid yet, contact membership coordinator, Gary Kreutzer at 724-454-6786 or gwkreutzer@comcast.net

Year 2017 Membership Renewal Drive

Dues for all members ... **\$ 25.00** cash or check ... make checks payable to EAA Chapter 45.

PLEASE MAIL THIS RENEWAL OR DROP IT INTO THE MEMBERSHIP DUES BOX AT THE HANGAR.
PLEASE DO NOT HAND IT IN TO ANY OTHER MEMBER OR BOARD MEMBER.

Fill out, clip & mail this slip with dues payment to: EAA Membership Dept. / 2 Airport Road
Belle Vernon, PA 15012

Name _____ Date _____

Everyone needs to fill out their address so that we may correct errors. The post office makes us PAY double postage for correcting addresses,

Street address _____

Town, State, Zip _____ Telephone # _____

*Pilot Y ____ N ____ Spouse name _____

e-mail address _____
(PRINT CLEARLY - chickenscratch will not go through)

*National EAA # _____ * Please note: you do not need to be a pilot to be a member in good standing with our chapter, however **you MUST be a member of the EAA in Oshkosh, Wisconsin**. It is your responsibility to ensure this AND WE WILL ENFORCE THIS REQUIREMENT. Go to www.eaa.org to join.

Here is our Chapter dues renewal. This was due on August 1st and if you remember, we have shifted our dues 'year' to start in August rather than January. Please pay them soon if you have not done so already. If you are a new member in 2017 and have paid your full dues amount already, your dues are not again due until August 1st, 2018

November Meeting - Nov 17th 7:30 Chapter Hangar

First, a Show n Tell - bring in what you have been working on.

Second, John Warren will give a short explanation of the starter modification on his Aeronca Champ, which is now complete. Here is the moment of the first start, on Saturday, Nov 11th



And finally, Richard Seman will give a brief explanation of why MoGas is a better choice in airplanes than standard aviation fuel.

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Shop Tip # 78 by Jack Dernorsek

So you need more organized storage and you decide to buy some inexpensive metal shelving. For all their light tin-work on these shelves, they are fairly sturdy for light items when assembled. But I have done two modifications to not only improve their capability but also to make them more useful.

One idea is to turn one or two or more shelves upside down during assembly....What? Upside down? Yes, because this adds a rim around the perimeter that keeps things from slipping off when you are loading or unloading items from the shelf. I usually do not turn them all over because a down side of this idea is that only items that will fit neatly on the shelf will work. i.e. items are prevented from hanging over the edge. One other advantage of this idea is that the shelves turned over have a nice edge around that offers a flange to add cardboard or plywood sides to box in a particular shelf if you want to hide or protect items further.

The second idea that I do from the beginning is to add additional diagonal supports. Typically they now supply four diagonal members, one for each side and two for the back. Adding at least four more made from strips of wood add to the weight capability and also sturdy the frame work preventing future loosening of fasteners which leads to unwanted flexibility of the shelving. Have you a shop idea that you have used effectively over the years? Let me know about it – hangarb7@yahoo.com

Recent event at a Monday night Workshop...

Last Monday we helped member Fran Hicks to un-install the wings on his Piper Pacer and loaded it onto the Chapter's trailer for transport to Green County.



TENTATIVE CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Unless noted, meetings are held at the chapter hangar at Rostraver Airport. Hangar is C1

November 17th - General Membership Meeting 7:30 PM at Rostraver.

This is the last membership meeting for the year.

Tentative Board Meeting, December 8th, 7:30 PM

Next Board Meeting, January 12th, 2018
January General Meeting, January 19th, 2018

Monday night workshop / build nights are EVERY Monday night

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