



EAA Chapter 595 July 2013

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Minutes / Meeting of EAA Chapter 595 Rio Grande Valley

President Don Schwanke began the meeting at 2:10 p.m., noticing that there was not a quorum at this meeting. Those attending were: Don Schwanke, Byron Engle, Glen Weid, Robert Carter, Merle & Shirlene Jenkins and Beverly Klebert. Because of the lack of quorum, no business was discussed, but much of the world's problems were solved, instead.

In chapter news, Jerry Gifford sold his Kitfox and Don and the new owner, Terry Tanner folded the wings and put it on the trailer for the trip up to the Dallas area. Jerry is planning to fly his new plane down here from Kansas this fall. Good luck, Jerry.

After much enlightening discussion, everyone adjourned to the next room where Don's computer is and watched July's Chapter Video Magazine, sent by EAA Headquarters. It started with Jeff Skiles' presentation on Young Eagles, telling/showing what the latest is and what EAA is doing for the chapters around the world. He and "Sully" Sullenberger are the co-chairpersons of the Young Eagles program now.

The next part of the program dealt with Fern Villanueva, a Canadian pilot extraordinaire and legend in his own time. He got a ride in a restored T-33 at Airventure 2012 and really impressed everyone on his knowledge and handling of the airplane. Even the pilot/owners of the jets were impressed at his knowledge and abilities. They even admitted they learned a thing or 2 from Fern.

Part 3 of the program was building a steel tube fuselage (part 3), showing how to trim an fit each piece of tubing to the next. EAA has some very nice equipment in their shop.

Don also played May's video program (which, for one reason or another, wasn't shown at the May meeting), starting with Jack Pelton's dissertation of what EAA is all about and is trying to achieve in the future.

The next part of the video showed the resurrection of Paul Poberezny's P-64 (the only one flying, now) and the 1st run-up of the engine after 20 years, with Paul at the controls. Very interesting and emotional for Paul.

The meeting disbanded after Poberezny's run-up of the P-64 with Don deciding where and when the meet-n-eat will be at Chili's in Weslaco, July 21 at 1:30 p.m.

As usual, the August meeting will be skipped, so the September meeting will be September 8 (the 2nd Sunday, avoiding the Labor Day turmoil, as in years past) at Don Schwanke's house in La Feria.

Respectfully submitted by Byron Engle, treasurer, Young Eagles coordinator, temporary secretary/newsletter editor (somebody PLEASE volunteer!!!!), cook & bottle washer of:

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