



EAA Chapter 595 October 10th , 2015

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Minutes / Meeting of EAA Chapter 595 Rio Grande Valley

October Announcements

Anniversaries

Birthdays

Geneda Schwanke
October 6th

Carol Heiser
October 26th

Don Schwanke
October 26th

November Announcements

Anniversaries

Birthdays

Larry Wheelock
November 20th

Shirley Gifford
November 26th

Events

Sun Valley Aviation
October 17th 9:00am
Coffee & Donuts
FAA Seminar by Gary Stamper

President Don Schwanke called the meeting to order at 10:40 a.m. at Gulf Aviation meeting room. There were 11 people present: 8 members and 3 guests.

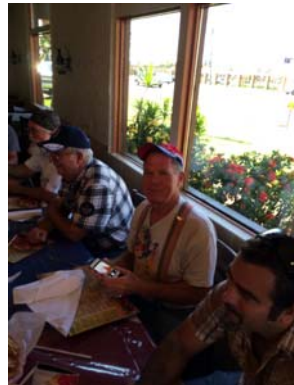
The members were:

Don Schwanke	Byron Engle	Gerry Close
Phil Bowers	John Peacock	Merle Jenkens
Shirlene Jenkens	Ted Miller, Jr.	

The guests were:

Charlie Scanlon	Elizabeth Robertson (<i>soon to be a member</i>)
Jerry Garcia	

Because there were only 8 members present, quorum was not met and no official business could be discussed.



John Peacock gave a discussion about his Mustang 2 engine problems and his remedy; he switched from a Lycoming 0-290 to an 0-320. Seems the 0-290 fried a piston and he had to put it down in a cornfield (no damage to the plane, though). He's been flying all summer, breaking in the new (overhauled) Lycoming engine. He had quite a few photos on his tablet and showed everyone the plane. Nice Mustang 2, John. Too bad you don't have it down here to fly all winter; that's what the 'Valley's known for; great flying weather (most of the time, anyway).



There was quite a lot of discussion about the new unleaded aviation fuel being tested. Swift already has an auto fuel available in certain areas and they are getting close to certification, as is the 2 that Shell is

working on. GAMI in Oklahoma is close to certification, too. Not much is being heard about when the testing will be done and these fuels will be available to the flying public, but it should be within the next year, or so.

Ted Miller, Jr. and Don Schwanke gave a short dissertation on the miracle of electronics from the Dynon Corporation and the newest addition to the Skyviews they've installed in their RV's.

Don also had some examples of the newest addition to his RV; he brought a couple of inspection panels to add to the undersides of each of his wings. They are laser cut and are VERY accurately done; just drill a few rivet holes and rivet them in. They are really nice, but somewhat expensive, Don says.



Byron Engle had the new oil filter adapter and 2 1/2 inch spacer to go on the back of his Lycoming O-320 after overhauling it. The engine came off a 1957 Piper Apache twin engine and will need converting to a fixed pitch propeller from a constant-speed prop, along with the overhaul. Once done, it should haul his Turner Super T-40A around at a fairly rapid rate.



There was even more discussion about ADSB-OUT and what the manufacturers are doing about trying to get the price down to a tolerable level. Still waiting for more price reductions before most will comply with this. We still have time, so

everyone will play "wait 'n see". Besides, even after 2020, pilots can still fly pretty much where they want to go; they just need to stay away from class A, B and C airspace. IFR won't be allowed without ADSB-out, as well. It's still not clear what the Piper Cubs, Aeroncas, Taylorcrafts, and other light planes with no electrical systems will do, but the FAA, in its infinite wisdom will have the last say (as they always do). We will just have to wait until they come out with the final order in 2020. Still a lot up in the air about all this. Ted Miller really is amazed at how many airplanes are in the air at any given time and place. His Skyview still has him amazed at what it can do. There is a pretty large learning curve to this, but he says that once you've tried it, you won't want to go back to the old "steam gauges".



President Don adjourned the meeting at 12:05 p.m. and everyone left to Los Asados Restaurant for a GREAT lunch. The next meeting will be November 14 at KEBG (Edinburg International Airport) at 10:30 a.m. See you there!

Submitted by Byron Engle, Secretary/Treasurer, Chapter 595 Rio Grande Valley