



EAA Chapter 595 September 9th, 2017

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Minutes / Meeting of EAA Chapter 595 Rio Grande Valley

September Announcements

Birthdays

Linda Peacock
September - 12

John Peacock
September - 19

Robert Carter
September - 29

Anniversaries

Jerry & Shirley Gifford
September - 18

October Announcements

Birthdays

Geneda Schwanke
October - 6

Donald Schwanke
October - 26

Carol Heiser
October - 26

Anniversaries

Events

REKLAW
Oct. 27-29th, 2017

32nd. Annual Flying M Ranch
Fly-In and Campout, and 24th
Annual Cub Migration

[Reklaw 2017](#)

EAA Chapter 595 meeting was called to order at exactly 11:00 a.m. by president Don Schwanke. There were only 9 members attending, so quorum was not met and no official business could be conducted by EAA regulations. The attending members were;

Don Schwanke	Byron Engle	Ted Miller, Jr.
Cindy Vasquez	Monte Vasquez	Robert Carter
Jared Bird	Merle Jenkins	Shirlene Jenkins

The lone guest was (& past member):
L.V. Howell

Don spoke about Swift fuel and that he's trying to get the airport "powers-that-be" to install a small tank for it (or maybe some individuals could get together & purchase one) of maybe about 300 gallons for a test run. Any experimental can use Swift (unleaded) Fuel, but only certified aircraft with an auto fuel STC could legally use it. He was thinking more about the Rotax engines; they can use 100LL, but only with a lot of problems such as, more frequent oil & filter changes, carbon buildup and the extra maintenance associated with the use of any leaded fuel, like 100LL. Certified engines (that can legally use this fuel) will also enjoy less frequent oil changes as well. Spark plugs will last longer, etc., etc., etc. The promise of an unleaded fuel for aircraft has long been in the works and talked about for at least 30 years, but until now, very little has been done until about 6-7 years ago, when the EPA & OSHA mandated it by 2018 or 2019. If it can be made to work, it should be a boon to all aircraft owners in lowered maintenance costs, if nothing else. Engines should last longer, too.

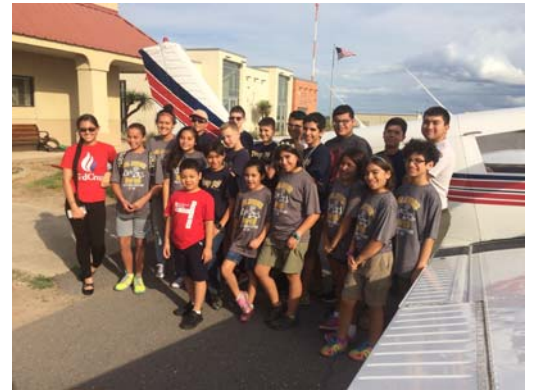
At this time, the many problems associated with the hanger leases at T65 and other problems related to new policies brought about by the airport management were discussed and several myths were dispelled as well as some new policies being discussed at the upper levels of management. Ted Miller, Jr. is on the airport board of directors at KEBG and many of his suggestions and statements were very interesting and helpful. Thank you very much for your input, Ted and also to Robert Carter for his knowledge of several problems associated with the new policies that the management are trying to enact (inflict?). There are many rumors going around and many were dispelled at this discussion/meeting. A LOT of knowledge was passed around to those who were there and several questions answered, but there are still some very unsettling things being talked about as well. Time will tell.

There were problems with a nose gear fork for the RV series aircraft discussed and the remedies for it. Problems with Van's Aircraft were discussed as well. Don mentioned an incident in Indiana (I think)

about an RV-12 taking to the active runway just in front of a landing helicopter, with the chopper pilot complaining to the offending RV pilot about his inappropriate actions. The RV pilot ran off the end of a 3500 ft. runway and because of the ensuing fire, neither the plane or the pilot survived. That accident is still under investigation.

Byron mentioned that he was able to do 19 Young Eagles last Sunday evening and has another event scheduled for next Saturday and Sunday. Chickens & feathers!

Monte & Cindy Vasquez are in retirement now and Monte is starting on a Thurston CX-4 single place VW (derivative) powered, all-metal homebuilt. He's just getting started and is building his workshop and worktable, so we may have a meeting at his place one of these days. I can hardly wait to see his project! Who knows, maybe we can talk him into giving progress reports at each meeting (& photos, maybe?). Keep up the good work, Monte! We'll be watching!



Don then called for one of the more important parts of the meeting: where will we go to eat? Shirlene mentioned Los Asados and the chapter said "YES!!!", so the meeting was adjourned at 12:14 p.m., with the membership leaving for lunch.

The next meeting of Chapter 595 will be at Edinburg International Airport Saturday, October 14. This meeting will be an important one, as we will do nominations for the chapter officers. Please don't miss this meeting and the November meeting where we will vote for the (new) officers. Sometimes those who don't show wind up being elected, so be there, or be square! See you next time!

Submitted by Byron Engle, secretary/treasurer EAA Chapter 595 Rio Grande Valley

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**32nd Annual FLYING M RANCH Fly-In & CAMPOUT
& 24th Annual SOUTH CENTRAL Cub MIGRATION
REKLAW, TEXAS - October 27 - 28 - 29, 2017**

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