

EAA Chapter 430 Membership Gathering Minutes

Date: November 30, 2024

- A breakfast buffet was provided by hospitality at 0930 followed by social and sign-in.
- Chapter President Ray Ballantyne called the Membership Gathering to order at 1026 in the Terminal Conference Room, Wm. R. Fairchild Intl. Airport (KCLM).
- Ray led The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag with 30 members and 5 guests attending.
- Ray led thank-you's and applause to our hospitality directors - Charlene and Kevin Tracy and our other volunteers.
- Guest(s): Zachary Ballantyne, George Steed, Bonnie Medena, Doug Medena, Emma Fox (incoming President, EAA Chapter 406, Bremerton)
- October Gathering Minutes were approved as written.
- Ray asked if members had received the recent EAA survey? Quite a few said no. Ray will work with Erik Petersen to resend.
- Building Committee - A lease agreement with Sequim Valley Airport (SVA) is currently under legal review and revision by them. We may also want our own legal review of the 12 page document.

Old Business:

- Treasury - Our financial picture reflects funds of approximately \$7500 for scholarship, \$150k for building and \$4000 for operating.
- Membership stands at 109.
- Our Holiday Party is December 21, 1700 at 7 Cedars. Sit-down dinner. Toys-for-Tots will be collecting unwrapped gift donations.
- Fly-out - Barry Halsted reported that the November flyout to Forks attracted 9 planes and 15 attendees. Look ahead for a December flyout to Arlington.
- Build and Fly - Richard Howell reported that EAA 430, working closely with Olympic Silent Flyers (OSF), managed an aviation presentation to Sequim Boys and Girls Club - a quick talk, followed by hand out of Guillow's balsa gliders and some indoor R/C flying in the gym. Pretty much fun. We're still looking forward to holding at least a couple of hands-on workshops for kids and parents in near future.

New Business:

- EAA 430 logo hats are on the way! They'll be available for \$20 each.
- Scholarship - EAA 430 has submitted our chapter application to administer a Ray Foundation Scholarship for 2025. Once our application is approved, Jazmin Stamper will apply (after January 1) to be our candidate for the flight training benefit. Scholarship Chair Dave Miller provided a brief review of the basics of how Ray Scholarships work.
 - Gunner Rogers, our 2024 Ray Scholarship recipient, has reported that he's flying a lot and is working on his instrument and commercial ratings at U. ND.

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- Rick Vaux Donation of Ultralight Aircraft - Rick is working with our EAA 430 Tech Counselors to inventory and prepare his items for sale.
- November 15th was EAA Chapter 430's 52nd anniversary.
- Our guest George Steed (EAA 406), took a moment to introduce Emma Fox. Emma is the incoming president of EAA Chapter 406, Bremerton.
- Projects
 - James Russell - Completed a condition inspection of a Zenith CH750 and got to go for a flight that demonstrated "impressive deck angle" during climb. James carefully worked up (wrote) a proper Pilot's Operating Handbook (POH) for the aircraft. He's been working on various parts for his own Cozy Mk IV and also for Erik Petersens Cozy.
 - Ray Ballantyne has been busy with rework and paint for the wingtips of his GlaStar. Ray also shared exciting news that he's acquired a Glasair Sportsman!
 - Kevin Widdowson - (Richard Howell reported) Kevin has just collected the fuselage of his new Bristell Classic from the paint shop and delivered the wings to get their paint.
- Thanks to Scott Fitzgerald for his contributions to EAA 430 as our Communications Director, as he retires from his position.
- Announcements - January Gathering on January 25, 2025. VMC/IMC Club on December 11th. If you need or would like a ride to and from the Holiday Party, please let Tracy Halsted know and we'll get it sorted for you.
- Business portion of the gathering was adjourned at 1100.
- Staying Safe Online - Erik Petersen provided a brief presentation and useful tips about how to avoid scams.
- Program - George Steed (EAA 406, Bremerton) was our speaker today. He delivered a pleasant and informative talk "Sex Life of an Exhaust Valve."
- EAA Chapter 430 - 52nd Anniversary cake and celebration.

Respectfully submitted,
Richard Howell, EAA 430 Secretary

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