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PREZ SEZ

Sid Brown

WOW! We couldn't have asked for any better weather than we had for Boshears Skyfest this year. Clear sky, moderate temperature, and a nice breeze. The air show was as great as the weather! It was a great weekend with over 40 general aviation planes flying in over the two days, not counting the planes that were performing-aircraft.

Greg Connell did an excellent job in his beautiful Pitts 12. And Gary Ward is always amazing in his MX2. When those two are in the sky together it is double the entertainment and excitement! And then add a jet car with even more smoke, flames, noise and SPEED!

Team AeroDynamics (RVs) is always fun to watch. Ten homebuilt aircraft doing formation flying is really cool stuff. These are planes like the ones some of you fly regularly: RV 6s, 7s, 8s. And they were up there doing loops, rolls, and hammer heads all in close formation!

The Sky Soldiers were there giving rides. My son Ben and I couldn't resist and went up in the Huey. I sat in the door gunner seat. That was a blast! But I still don't know how those guys did it in Vietnam -- hanging out the side of a banking helicopter with the wind buffeting you all around and all while being shot at by someone that really doesn't want you up there. I could barely hang on to my seat and my glasses, much less fight a war! Thanks to all of our Veterans for your service!

Each day the Color Guard from the Augusta Squadron of the Civil Air Patrol presented our nation's flag at the beginning of the show. While the National Anthem was sung, a huge flag was carried down from above by a parachutist. Such a fitting tribute to our great nation, the good ole USA!

If you missed Boshears this year, well then you really missed out. It was an awesome event! Thanks to all our volunteers that made this show possible.

I look forward to seeing you Saturday. We will be having hamburgers and hot dogs so bring the sides accordingly. See y'all on Saturday May 10th at 12:30!

Keep 'em flying!

Sid



Minutes of the Meeting for EAA Chapter 172
April 19, 2014



John Magnan
stirring the grits.

We had this meeting one week after the usual date because the Augusta, Georgia, Masters golf tournament events were held April 7 to 13. The temperature was cold, in the lower 50s, and it was raining. Before the meeting eleven members, their families, and guests enjoyed the delicious eggs, bacon, sausages, biscuits and grits masterfully prepared by chef Sid Brown assisted by a couple members. Because of the rain no planes flew in. At 9:11 AM club president Sid Brown gave the invocation and everyone ate. The short business meeting started around 9:46 AM. Sid



Members enjoying breakfast.

thanked those who came out in the cold and rain to the breakfast. Members also expressed thanks to Frances Weiss who had set out the materials so that the clubhouse and tables could be decorated with Easter and Spring décor.

Old Business: Joe Britt moved to accept the minutes for the March 8th meeting. Ron Haley seconded the motion and the club members approved the motion unanimously. Ron Haley remarked that at the recent Sun ‘n Fun fly-in (April 1 – 6) there was a great light show on Saturday evening.

New Business: Our next event will be the Boshears SkyFest April 26 & 27 at Daniel Field. President Brown said that besides other “goody bag” items, there will be free food for those pilots/passengers flying in.



President Brown remarked that we should contact our representatives in the U.S. Congress regarding the [legislation](#) about obtaining a pilot certificate for VFR flight using only an automobile driver’s license, not a third-class medical. House and Senate [legislation](#) would exempt pilots who make noncommercial VFR flights in aircraft weighing up to 6,000 pounds with no more than six seats from the third-class medical certification process. Pilots would be allowed to carry up to five passengers, fly at altitudes below 14,000 feet MSL, and fly no faster than 250 knots.

The April club social eat-out will be at 6:30 PM on April 24th at Prime Steakhouse, 316 Richland Ave. W, Aiken, South Carolina.

Charlie Connell moved to adjourn the meeting. Richard Fender seconded the motion. The membership approved the motion unanimously and the meeting adjourned at 10:09 AM.

Boshears SkyFest 2014

Airshow and Fly-in

April 26 – 27

The weather was perfect Saturday and Sunday, sunny in the upper 70s to low 80s. Perhaps it did get a bit warm Sunday afternoon. According to visiting pilots, the winds aloft were somewhat higher than expected, but still low enough so that they didn't give any problems. Our club members handled the Flightline -- parking of aircraft for the fly-in, the EAA 172 Information Tent, the History Tent, and the People Movers carrying visitors around the airfield. There were more than 41 GA (General Aviation) planes that flew in. There were many visiting restored vintage, military and other large aircraft. Club members Greg Connell and Gary Ward gave spectacular aerobatic performances on both days.

EAA 172 appreciates all those who volunteered to help with our activities at Boshears.

Below are those who helped out:

INFORMATION TENT / AIRPLANE GREETING

Ben Brown, Bethany Brown, Cathy Brown, Sid Brown, Sheila Connell, Shirley Harden, Cami Nodorft, Carmen & Mikayla Nodorft, Dev & Jay Shetty, Nandi Shetty

HISTORY TENT

Bruce Cameron, Richard Fender, Jean Hildebrant, Joe Miles, Al Patton, Tom Patton

PEOPLE MOVERS

Ely DeGroot, Tom DeGroot, Noah Goff, Linda Harycki, Ron Harycki, John Magnan, Allen Nodorft, Carmen & Michael Nodorft, Amber Nothdurft, Shane Nothdurft, Machell Wheeler, Ross Wheeler