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President's Desk

Al Nodorft

I haven't done much flying this spring as I am still in the process of repairing and painting the cowling on my Cherokee 6. The repair work is done and the painting is beginning. Everything I have read and watched on painting says to practice on something else first. I don't have the patience for that and am getting my education on my cowling. Certainly it is a skill that takes some practice to get the feel for it. Hope it doesn't take me too long!

The fly-in season has begun with Sun-n-Fun. I don't know all the events in the area, but one that I do want to attend is the RC [Radio Control airplane] fly-in at the [Triple Tree Aerodrome](#). It starts Saturday, May 13th and runs through the following week to May 20th. I went a couple of years ago and what RC folks can do is absolutely amazing. Some of the planes are big enough that when they are flying you almost think they are full size. If you have never been there you should consider it.

Just a reminder to all that we will not have a meeting in May as we are planning a Young Eagles event instead. Thank you to those who have already volunteered and if you still want to, please call Nandi Shetty 706-414-1340.

WHY I WANT TO BE A PILOT

When I grow up I want to be a pilot because it's a fun job and easy to do. That's why there are so many pilots flying around these days.

Pilots don't need much school. They just have to learn to read numbers so they can read their instruments.

I guess they should be able to read a road map, too.

Pilots should be brave to they won't get scared it it's foggy and they can't see, or if a wing or motor falls off.

Pilots have to have good eyes to see through the clouds, and they can't be afraid of thunder or lightning because they are much closer to them than we are.

The salary pilots make is another thing I like. They make more money than they know what to do with. This is because most people think that flying a plane is dangerous, except pilots don't because they know how easy it is.

I hope I don't get airsick because I get carsick and if I get airsick, I couldn't be a pilot and then I would have to go to work.

— Purported to have been written by a fifth grade student at Jefferson School, Beaufort, SC. It was first published in the South Carolina Aviation News.

Fly Safe!

Al



May 29



May 14

Minutes of the Meeting of EAA Chapter 172 Members for 11:30 AM, April 15, 2017
Fish Fry Fly-in at the Pea Patch Aerodrome

The weather was warm under a partly cloudy sky, with the temperature in the mid-80s. Five planes flew in. Before the



Ron Haley and Dennis Allen preparing the meal.

meeting, 38 members, their families, and visitors enjoyed socializing and camaraderie in the comfortable and newly refurbished clubhouse. They looked forward to the delicious meal of fried fish, french fries, and fried onion rings prepared by our masterful chefs Steve Thompson, Dennis Allen, Ron Haley, and Gary Harden. Also club members brought in numerous side dishes and desserts. At 12:00 noon member Charles Lewis gave the invocation and everyone enjoyed the sumptuous fish fry feast. Members welcomed returning member Billy Couch who flew his Cessna 185 to the fish fry. Club president Al



Some of the planes that flew in.

Nodorft also welcomed visitors Ray and Salira Ward. Al thanked Ronna Hiltz and Jim Maher for installing the new curtains and room-darkening blinds on the meeting room windows. He also thanked those who came out to the Pea Patch on March 25th to spruce up the clubhouse and toss away useless items.

President Nodorft asked for a motion approving the minutes covering the March 11, 2017, drone presentation at Augusta Aviation, Daniel Field airport in Augusta. Steve Thompson moved and Joe Britt seconded the motion. The members approved the minutes unanimously.



Shirley Harden said that our next social eat-out for EAA 172 would be on April 27, 2017. It will be at the Village Deli, 2803 Wrightsboro Rd., Augusta, Georgia.

Al also reminded everyone about the Young Eagles rally which will be held on Saturday, May 6, at Daniel Field in Augusta. Young Eagles Coordinator Nandi Shetty will be handling the details.

Al Nodorft asked who went to Sun'n Fun. Four members raised their hands. Joe Britt talked some about what he did and saw there.

After the meal those present enjoyed a video of an interview of member Joe Miles, who was a veteran of the Korean War and passed away July 13, 2015. In the interview, among other things, Joe talked about his days in the army air corps including his training and different locations he went to.

BOARD MEETING: The officers conversed via e-mail during the month. They decided on a Young Eagles Rally on May 6, 2017, at Daniel Field in Augusta, Georgia starting at 9:00 AM. Young Eagles Coordinator Nandi Shetty will be handling this. Board members also decided that we would be having a barbecue meal at 11:30 am on June 10 at the Pea Patch. Also, secretary John Magnan and treasurer Don Bush welcomed new member Christopher Pirmann from Davisboro, Georgia.

