

# THE HISTORY OF EAA 172

## PART VI

(04/30/17)

With more e-mails and photos received from Frank Grose, a member in the late 1960s - 1970s.

### MORE CONTACTS WITH FRANK GROSE

In Part IV of this History (page 6) we wrote that past EAA 172 member Frank Grose had contacted us. On April 4, 2017, Frank sent an e-mail about the club newsletters we had been sending him:

“Thanks for including the article about Bill Messer, and the link to his YouTube video. I don’t specifically remember Bill from my days in the Chapter, but the pictures were a great walk down memory lane. It was great to see folk like Ken Moore, Red Donner, Jack Nyland, and many others, including Al Patton and Ed Flynt. I especially liked the video of Ed flying the Scamp. I moved away a couple of months before the Scamp was finished, but went back one weekend to fly it. Ed checked me out with a quick verbal briefing on the numbers and what to expect. I made two flights in it that weekend.”

“I’ve attached a few pictures that were taken during the first weekend of work on the Scamp, plus one of me the weekend when I flew it. I believe the fellow working on the firewall was a dentist, but I can’t remember his name.”

“I have many fond memories of hours spent at the Pea Patch, associating with super guys that I greatly admired. I tried to be a sponge, and soak up all the knowledge I could from them. I was in a couple of other EAA chapters, but they where not the great chapter that was Chapter 172. I hope it still is that good.”

“Thanks for continuing to send the Pea Patch Post my way. I enjoy every one.

Frank Grose”

In early April, 2017, we replied to Frank to let him know that the dentist he mentioned was Richard Fender, who currently, in May, 2017, is still alive and doing well. We thanked him for the photos he had attached to his e-mail as well as the additional information about the old EAA 172.

Frank replied and asked if anyone knew Vasco Whatley. He wrote that Vasco was an engineer with the Savannah River Plant, and lived down in Allendale, SC. He built a Volksplane, before Frank was in the chapter, modified the VW engine, and carved his own propellers. Frank wrote “Vasco was a cool guy.” We replied that none of the older members seemed to recall Whatley.

On the next page are some of the photos that Frank sent us. Note on a couple of the photos is “SEP77” in the lower left-hand corner. This probably is the date the film was developed.



You can read some information about the Scamp airplane on the EAA 172 Website in the Newsletter Minutes section at:

At the [June 10, 1999](#), meeting, then club president Richard Gabor brought up the Scamp. From what he had heard, back in 1977 each club member had put in \$120 and the Chapter put in \$1500. The Scamp was approved for sale in [January, 2001](#) and [May, 2014](#).

## More Photos About the Scamp Sent by Former Member Frank Grose



Al Patton & Ed Flint study SCAMP plans.



Ed Flint building the rudder.



Ken Moore supervises the firewall construction.  
Member Richard Fender is doing the work.



Ken Moore, Al Patton, and Ed Flint working on the stab.



Frank Grose flies the SCAMP

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EAA 172 member Larry Garner sold his Cherokee aircraft. He has many aircraft related items for sale. Larry wrote on February 4, 2016: "Since I sold my Cherokee , been going thru what airplane stuff I've accumulated over the years and this is some of what I have. I am very open to offers, just have to start somewhere. I did research current selling prices."

Larry Garner e-mail: [garner49@comcast.net](mailto:garner49@comcast.net) SEE THE LIST AT: [Garner's Airplane Stuff](#)

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