



# PROPWASH



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EAA Tennessee Valley Chapter 190

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## Meeting Notice

The March meeting will be at the **Moontown Pilots Lounge Saturday the 21st after Breakfast ~10:30AM.**

## This Meeting

The March meeting we will handle normal monthly business, more discussions regarding our Big Fly-In coming this August, followed by a presentation from Rand Baldwin and a discussion on the Soaring side of aviation. Rand also plans to let us take an up close and personal look at a competition glider in front of the lounge area. If the weather is soggy, we will conduct this encounter in George's hangar.

## From The President



The spring fly-in and air show activity is really firing up with a full calendar. I was sitting around Moontown after our fly-in breakfast last month, sadly in process of missing the SNF fly-in for the first time since they started

in 1974 (perhaps it was 1975). The weather was perfect and forecasted to be that way through Monday but the L-16 was not ready to fly and the Yak is still down from October engine failure. I was miserable so I went home, told Shirley that the pain was too great, and called the Holiday Inn in Lakeland and Budget car rental. Four hours later (three flight hours) the Mooney and I were sitting at SNF just in time for the evening air show.

The flight to Lakeland was perfect. The Mooney took me to 7500 feet and we cruised with a tailwind at 158 knots. The Lake Parker Arrival was expecting a 30-minute hold, so I slowed, detoured and delayed to reduce the number of loops around the lake. One loop around and I was on my way for the landing on 9L. This was the first time since the L-16B restoration was complete that I went to SNF without a show plane. But wait.... my Mooney now qualifies as a classic so upon landing I put a Classic Parking sign in the window and I was directed to parking across the taxiway from the warbird area. I walked across to warbird registration, got my wristband, my car pass and met with the WB gang. I was invited to Bar-B-Q with the Yak gang and later the Fish Fry at the Antique and Classic group. I had time for everything except the ultra lights, mostly because they were closing down early on Monday. The Mooney took me home right after

the Monday air show. It was a Super three-day weekend.

I borrowed Tom Kahlart's Yak for the Springfield, IL Air Rendezvous Air show. We, Team Red plus 12, were invited to join with the Blue Angles, the USAF F-15, F-16 and the Heritage Flight teams and about 16 other acts. Team Red started the show and the Blues Closed. Others participating with Team Red from this area were Tom Bennett, B.J. Kennamore, and Rich Hess. We had 14 planes and performed basically the same show as the one at Jackson, TN last year with two aerobatic planes and 12 formation planes.

While I was at Springfield I talked to some Army Helicopter Pilots about having a static display at Moontown for our Summer Old Fashioned Grass Field Fly-in. They think it is very likely and directed me to the local Army Recruiter. I hope to have a Display with whatever the Army can provide along with the L-16 and L-19. I still do not have a Bi-plane commitment.

Jim Harchenko has been working on the Moontown Airport Gate and Ed Seigler is pursuing a front loader/backhoe so that we can expand our auto parking area and do some more drainage work. The goal is to have the projects complete before our Summer Fly-in. We need volunteers to replace John Vincent to help Jack Parker recruit teams for aircraft and

automobile parking and security for the fly-in. There is a great article about Moontown Airport in the May issue of AOPA pilot. It also mentions the Summer Fly-in so we really need to be ready for a great event. We need all the help we can get.



The organization is named Giving Flight. They are currently in need of mission pilots and aircraft for two upcoming flights.

May 18--3A1 to VKS Cullman to Vicksburg  
May 21- return

May 22--HSV to MEM---  
Huntsville to Memphis  
May 22—return

If you want to make the difference is some child's life get in touch with Russ at:  
[russandjoan@earthlink.net](mailto:russandjoan@earthlink.net)  
GIVINGFLITE.org

### Last Month

At our last chapter meeting we visited with Mark Bowden to look at the progress he is making with the Challenger II Ultra-light. Mark has an impressive shop just up the hill from our airport. A unique ability of Mark's particular configuration is that the aircraft is



“Soarable”. It is a two seat configuration with controls for both occupants. Rotax is the choice of power plant for Mark. Mark has sent out a few of he parts for chroming. The Challenger can also be equipped with floats or skis. It will be a beautiful bird when it gets finished. I took some great pictures of our outing to Mark's but my Micro-drive in my digital camera bit the dust. So, here are a few photos from the Challenger website

If you have any questions about Mark's project or the Challenger Ultralights, I am sure that Mark is willing to share. Mark can be reached at [mbowden@hiwaay.net](mailto:mbowden@hiwaay.net)

### From the Vice President

I wanted to start this months column with a special thanks to the folks that have been putting the hours in the air with the Young Eagles. Last meeting, we flew six Young Eagles thanks to Rick Weldon and George's Mooney! I can honestly say that it is really creating excitement among the band kids and others that come to the breakfast. During the recent Spring Concert at Meridianville School, I received a lot of attention from the kids who really only knew me as Nikki or Savannah's dad. An do you know that every kid remembers the great experience out at Moontown Airport. I was as if we had given each of them a little dose of magic and etched a permanent memory in a young mind. For that, I thank those that are supporting and participating in the Young Eagles program. I have a special thanks to Doug Wester and Jim Harchenko for jumping in to take care of the Young Eagles in the absence of Jon Moore. Jon has been receiving his undue share of travel lately. If you have the desire to support he Young Eagles program or know of opportunities to bring new Young Eagles out to the field, contact Jon Moore at [tacco@aol.com](mailto:tacco@aol.com) or by phone 256-705-5420.

### Special Request

A few months back, we had a special guest visit our EAA meeting. A gentleman named Russ with an organization that flies children to locations to receive much needed medical attention.



**Figure 1 : George Bringing Tom Kahlert's Yak home from the Springfield Air Rendevoues**



**Figure 2 HU-16B at SNF**



**Figure 3 Team Red = 12 (Not our best formation but it includes the two ship aerobatics team)**

*George*



Wil

As George said, the flying events calendar is getting HOT, HOT, HOT!! Don't forget to spread the word that our annual fly-in has moved to August.

## Meeting Minutes

The Chapter 190 meeting opened with a discussion further discussion of what is needed to make the August fly-in successful. Our late John Vincent had coordinated the entertainment in the past and there was a need to make these arrangements for the upcoming fly-in. A flyer was handed out that details our fly-in moving to the 3<sup>rd</sup> week in August. One has been included with this newsletter. The club is now in the hunt for a digital projector so that we can provide DVD quality videos for our meetings. Until now we have been borrowing projectors from local businesses if available. Wil Good is pricing the projectors and will provide information at our next meeting. We have a new Treasurer and Web editor. Jeff Spencer signed up to be treasurer and Mark Bowden will work as our web editor. After the meeting, Wayne holt volunteered to work entertainment issues for the fly-in in August. At the end of the meeting we moved to Mark Bowden's house just up from the airport. What a nice shop.

## May Meeting Event

Jon Moore is attempting to get our late John Vincent's Air Bike painted. There is a little more to do in completing the paint job. We could use a few hands that are interested in honoring John Vincent's efforts and to learn something about painting fabric.

## Calendar of Events

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| 5/13 - 5/15/2005 | Hondo, TX    | EAA Southwest Regional, "The Texas Fly-In", Hondo Airport<br>HDO Contact Information: Stan Shannon Email Address: <a href="mailto:generalinfo@swrfi.org">generalinfo@swrfi.org</a><br>Website: <a href="http://www.swrfi.org/default.htm">http://www.swrfi.org/default.htm</a> |
| 5/14 - 5/14/2005 | Wetumpka, AL | EAA Chapter 822 Spring Fly-In, Wetumpka Municipal 08A<br>Contact Information: Larry Carter (334) 277-2321 Email Address: <a href="mailto:Jlcart39@charter.net">Jlcart39@charter.net</a><br>Website: <a href="http://www.EAA822.org">http://www.EAA822.org</a>                  |



Courtesy of Wayne Holt



Courtesy of Wil Good



## Moontown Summer

### Kick-Off

May 14<sup>th</sup>, 2005

**Flour Bombing, Precision Landing, and Toilet Paper Cutting and a BBQ to follow.**

Events start around 2:30. If you plan on attending the BBQ, Bring a Dish. It should be a blast.

## Regular Events

### 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday

Lawrenceville, GA (LZU) Ch 690  
Winchester Municipal, TN (BGF) Ch 699

### 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday

Murfreesboro, TN (MBT) Ch 419  
Rome, GA (RMG) Ch 709

### 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday

Chattanooga TN, (3M3) Ch 150  
Covington, GA (9A1) Ch 1025  
Dawson, GA 9 (16J) Ch 354  
Moontown Airport (3M5) Ch 190

### 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday

Kennesaw, GA (RYY) Chap 268  
Dayton, TN (2AO) CAP  
Memphis, TN (M01)  
Russellville, AL (M22)  
Shelbyville, TN 7-11 am

# Moontown Airport's Annual Fly-in 2005

Has Moved!!!



3<sup>rd</sup> Weekend in  
~~May~~ August!!

Aug 20<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup>



More News to Follow !!

