

Hangar Flyin'



June 2006

President's Message Charlotte Rhodes

I hope everyone had a safe and enjoyable Memorial Day and that you took a moment to remember, reflect and honor those who have given their all in service to their country.

I have had many members ask when we will have our first breakfast in our hanger and the answer is, as soon as we can get the plumbing worked out. Even if we use paper plates, we still have to have a way to wash the cooking and serving dishes. I am as anxious as anyone else to have our breakfasts' at home so I ask that you please be patient with us while we plan and construct our road there. The whole Board is working on one aspect or another of this project and all of us want to achieve the best we can for our Chapter. We had a short work afternoon on May 19th, which resulted in the hanger becoming very close to being completely cleaned out. A salvage load netted us another \$188 dollars and change. Different floor plans are being drawn up and as soon as we can gather all

the construction information needed for each, we can decide which way we can afford to go. There are two proposals for painting the topside of the east doors, one is white background with blue lettering and the other is blue background with white lettering saying "EAA Chapter 471". Our logo will be on the north panel the doors fold into. I will attempt to keep everyone as updated as possible on our hanger and if you should have a question or opinion, please do not hesitate to bring it to my attention. Audie Gill is working on proposals and estimates for enhancing the exteriors of the T-hangers. When this project starts, each member who has T-hanger space will be required to do time so, stay tuned. Thanks Audie, for taking on this task.

NO BREAKFAST IN JUNE

The Chapter will not have a regular breakfast during June due to National Young Eagles Day. Next breakfast will be on July 8th.

Chapter 471 To Participate In National Young Eagles Day

Attention all pilots! Have you flown a Young Eagle lately? Well on June 10th National Young Eagles Day, you will have another chance and we need your participation. 471's Young Eagle Coordinator, Chris Ulibarri, will be scheduling this year's event. Contact Chris if you plan on flying.

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For members who do not or cannot fly, feel free to come out and watch or help out in some way. We will plan on setting up in Hanger 3 on Friday evening around 5 pm.

Papa Fox Refresher Facts

Papa Fox says:
Now here is a rule that can help you or hinder you. It really depends on your experience level and your confidence. If the weather is below VFR minimums, 1000 foot ceiling or less than 3 miles visibility, and you are not in a Class B airport found in appendix D section 3 of part 91.157 and you are below 10,000 MSL, you may

request a Special VFR clearance from ATC. This applies to operations in class C or D airports or at a class E to the surface airport like Elmdale. Special VFR may only be conducted clear of the clouds when the flight visibility is at least 1 statute mile. If the *ground* visibility is not reported at you location then the *flight* visibility must be at least 1 statute mile. Flight visibility includes the visibility from the cockpit of an aircraft in takeoff position. I don't recommend doing this unless you are absolutely sure that you can stay VFR in that area. If you are going north as an example and can see the weather clearing up in that direction and you *know* for certain that the weather is in fact improving from weather reports and forecasts, that is your decision. Scud running is not a smart thing to do. If you can see it getting better, it's probably okay. If it doesn't look better in that direction, wait for the improvement. Special VFR is not approved at night, unless the person being granted the ATC clearance is instrument rated, the aircraft is instrument certified under part 61.205(d). In that case why bother with a special? File man! If you are a VFR only pilot, stay home or get a room.

Okay Guys and Gals.....fly high and remember. Safety is no accident!

Paul Fridrich
aka Papa Fox
CFI/CFII

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t-hangars look sort of ...well...unsightly. Please take a few minutes to clear the weeds around your hangar doors.

Thanks, EAA 471 Board of Directors

Calendar of Upcoming Events

June 10-----Young Eagles Day
(No June Breakfast)
July 8-----471 Breakfast
July 24-----Oshkosh AirVenture Begins
August 18-20-----Big Country Airfest



This is a photo of Manuel Queiroz as he was inbound on his return home to Gloucestershire Airport in England. (Provided by Sam Evans)

Notice to T-Hangar Tenants

With the good rain we've had lately, things really start to grow. Unfortunately, the weeds grow too. Weeds are starting to sprout up in the asphalt seams and are making the area around the



Lauren & Austin Bridwell (Gray & Teresa's kids) are preparing for take-off in their new "RV-20".



What happened to those days of flying?