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2008 CALANDER

July 18, 19, & 20	Oshkosh Work Party Week end
July 21 – 24	EAA's B-17 at the Chapter House
July 28 – Aug 3	AirVenture – Oshkosh, Wisconsin
July 30	Steak & Corn at AirVenture
August 14	Board Meeting – Chapter House 7:00 PM
August 17	EAA/Duck Picnic
September 11	Board Meeting – Chapter House – 7:00 PM
September 25	Chapter Meeting – Chapter House – 7:00 PM
October 9	Board Meeting – Chapter House – 7:00 PM
October 30	Chapter Meeting – Chapter House – 7:00 PM
November 13	Board Meeting – Chapter House – 7:00 PM
December 6	Christmas Party

“BREAKFAST AT THE CLUB HOUSE” Saturday mornings from 7:30 to 9:00. Come and have some Pancakes and Eggs with the group. Tom and Michelle do a good job behind that grill. Also they have Vic and Sam to fill in. The group puts out a “mighty fine breakfast”.

Don't forget no regular meetings in July and August. There will be work nights on the Thursdays (except during AirVenture) and on the 2nd Saturday of the month. Next regular meeting will be on September 25th.

ITEMS OF INTEREST:

OSHKOSH AIRVENTURE :

WORK PARTY - The Oshkosh work party is July 18, 19, & 20 at Oshkosh, Wisconsin. If you would like to go up for some work & fun time is running short contact Sam for information and to get on the list.

We will be camping in a group at Oshkosh up from Paul's Woods. If you are in the area stop in and see us.

ALSO: Our Steak and Corn night is Wednesday July 30, 2008. We will have Steak and Corn, if you are able to help by bring a dish of something it would be accepted and would help with the food. We will have the plates, plastic ware, and Kool Aid -- if you want other drinks it is BYOB. I will need you to let me know before July 28th if you are coming. There will be a sign up sheet at the campsite or if you know before July 16th you can e-mail me at: momduck29@aol.com . We do need to know so we know how many Steaks to buy. There will be a small charge to cover the steaks and corn. Hope you can make it.

JULY 21, 22, 23 & 24 - EAA'S B - 17

HELP - HELP

The B-17 will be at the Chapter House on those dates to give rides. Bill will need Volunteers to help with it. Please if you able to help with it let Sam or Bill Van Patten know. Some of us will be up at Oshkosh working and will not be here to help so we need more of you to sign up to help.

Re: Advertising and public relations for the B-17 event.

We are planning on "finger food" for the news media on Monday July 21. Nothing big...just being nice, like we did with the Ford..but our "worker bees" will be up at Oshkosh...shucks!...oh well!.

The 99's have offered to help us anyway we want them too.

We will have the usual drinks, coffee, cokes, etc.

We'll have the "tent" set up from the Elkhart Lions Club. This will give us 24 x 12 protection plus the Ducks fly...so that is covered.

We need to have the manpower to assemble the flys on Saturday July 19.

Maybe we can set up our tables and chairs for the Lions on that Saturday also. We can use ground crew.

The Lions Club will be having a luncheon at the hangar next door on Wednesday July 23 at noon. They will want to tour the B-17 (if available) as there are many veterans in the org. The electric is on in the hangar, but no water or restroom. They can walk over to our place if they need to use the restroom.

How many "worker bees" will I have?

Any questions, get back with me.

Bill VanPatten

EAA/DUCK'S PICNIC

Don't forget August 17, 2008 for the annual Picnic. This year is our 20th year of having the Picnic so "our Kids have gotten their heads together and want to make it special. Scott has some special acts coming and for the first time ALL 3 of our Boys and their families are going to be home for it. Everyone's invited – Come, bring a dish to pass, your lawn chairs and enjoy the afternoon with us. The festivities start at noon with food being served around 1:00 PM. Help us celebrate our 20 years of picnics!!

FOR FREE: Got an e-mail from George Watts with these items he would like to give to someone who could use them:

Here is a description of the projectors I told you about Thursday. I would like to give them to someone who could use them.

1. A 200 watt 2 1/4 x 2 1/4 Slide Projector with adapters to hold 35 mm slides, manual operation.
2. A 500 watt 35 mm Side Projector with 68 trays (storage for 68 times 40 = 2,820 slides).

Maybe the Vortex can find a taker. Thank you.

An item from Ernie Culp:

While taxiing at London's Gatwick Airport, the crew of a US Air flight departing for Ft. Lauderdale mad a wrong turn and came nose to nose with a United 727. An irate female ATC ground controller lashed out at the US Air crew, screaming: "US Air 2771, where the hell are you going? I told you to turn right onto Charlie taxiway! You turned right on Delta! Stop right there. I know it's difficult for you to tell the difference between C and D, but get it right!"

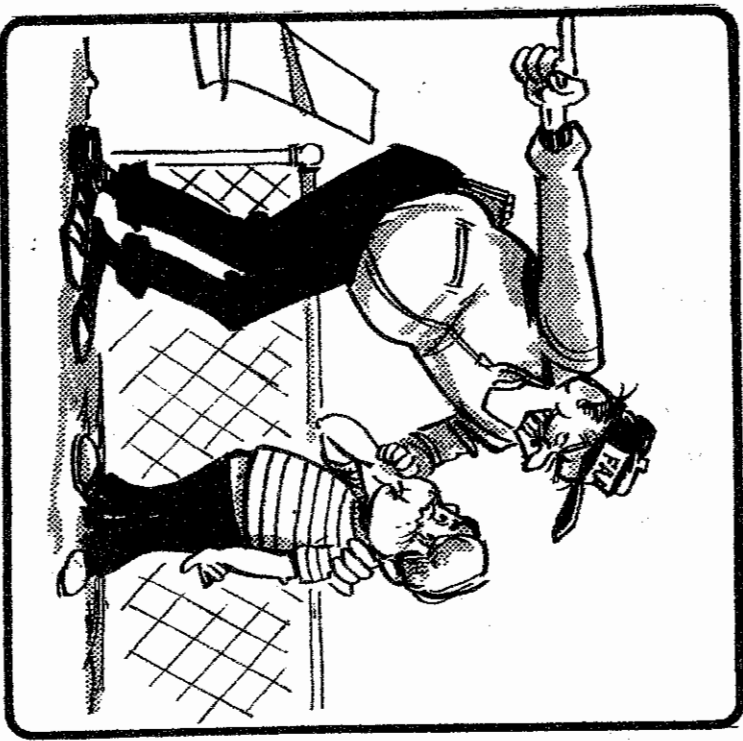
Continuing her rage to the embarrassed crew, she was now shouting hysterically: "God! Now you've screwed everything up! It'll take forever to sort this out! You stay right there and don't move till I tell you to! You can expect progressive taxi instructions in about half an hour and I want you to go exactly where I tell you, when I tell you, and how I tell you! You got that, US Air 2771?"

"Yes, ma'am," the humbled crew responded.

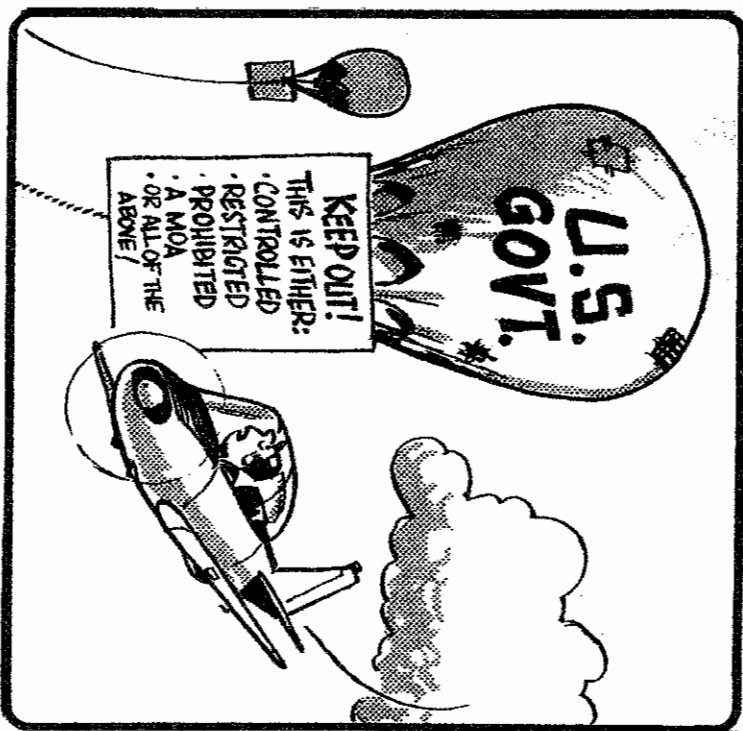
Naturally, the ground control communications frequency fell terribly silent after the verbal bashing of US Air 2771. Nobody wanted to chance engaging the irate ground controller in her current state of mind. Tension in every cockpit out around Gatwick was definitely running high.

Just then an unknown pilot broke the silence and keyed his microphone, asking : "Wasn't I married to you once?"

Aviation Terms printed from "Pop Week" by Bob Stevens



AIRFRAME—An FAA inspector sending his kid out to ask a student pilot for an airplane ride.



AIRSPACE RESERVATION—Any geographical location set aside by the U.S. Government for the exclusive occupancy of airspace.

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MEETINGS

Board Meetings: 2nd Thursday of each month
7:00 at the Chaperhouse

Building Meetings: Thursdays
7:00 at the Chapterhouse

Regular Meetings: Last Thursday of the month
7:00 at the Chapter house or
Other planned events

No regular meetings in November or December.

GUESTS AND NEW MEMBERS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME

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