

EAA Ultralight 110 Round Robin

February 18, 2006

From the meeting:

John Gould: We have 16 members of our group who are also members of Wings Of History. That's really great! And we can show more support. WOH has been very supportive of us. Thanks for giving back.

Jack Sunzeri: The Hornet is ready for its engine and parachute. The factory is sending the engine, and a crew to install it. Then, they're sending another person to test-fly it. The airplane will live at South County and will probably share a hangar with **Rich Grialou's** Sonex.

Bob Meuse: People who are planning to go to Oshkosh may consider joining Bob and the **Flight of Eagles**, a package deal that includes round-trip transportation, lodging, and access to everything on the field for \$1250 per person. Here's the website: www.flight-of-eagles.com. You'll see a red box with a photo of airplanes flying over your head. Click on "try clicking here" inside the box. Oshkosh goes from July 22 – 30.

Jim Shaw: His Falcon is ready for its BRS parachute. He's planning to fly it to the Wings Of History Open House in May.

Lou Janis: Lou and Blade flew together (in separate airplanes) recently, and Blade introduced Lou to a new valley south of Hollister in early morning haze. To see what Blade saw, cut-and-paste each of these links into your browser – two magnificent photos:

http://www.lsd25.net/~bdoyle/pub/tim/100_0953.jpg

http://www.lsd25.net/~bdoyle/pub/tim/100_0948.jpg

Two great reasons to strap on an airplane, right away.

Stephen Mann: He and his son did a flash assembly of N90139D, an MX Sprint Light Sport, single-seater. It's in Corning, where the dealer is test-flying and flying-off the initial hours. Stephen treated us to a video of a test flight – a camera was strapped to one of the tubes going down to the nosewheel, looking straight forward. What a fun flight! Steep turns, touch-and-goes, and a rather unconventional landing minimizing taxi time back to the barn. Thanks Stephen!

Steven Winegarden: His Challenger II is progressing well. It's being built in Florida.

Reeves Chalmers: Reeves was a visitor for the day. He has a German motorglider in need of a new engine. Come back again, Reeves.

Jim Doherty: The Odyssey's fuel-feed problem was due to a faulty fuel pump. **Mark Beirele** is going to test-fly it on Sunday, the 19th.

Julie __?: A new person. Julie, you didn't sign in. Hope you enjoyed this bunch and will come back next time.

Ron Gurney: Ron was visiting. He has an airplane for sale – an Air Command International Gyroplane with engine, and a second engine, a Rotax 532 with less than one hour run-time. He's asking \$10,000 for the whole package. Ron can be reached at 925/447-5547.

Ryan Kimber: Ryan's latest project, a new baby boy, is taking almost all of his free time at the moment. His Hawk and RV-7 are receiving very little attention.

George Nicholson: Recently helped to build two wing-tip fuel tanks.

RD Gomez: RD's wife thinks he shouldn't fly. Well, we will see about that soon.

George Watson: The Genesis is ready for mounting of his favorite item ;) the BRS parachute.

John Feemster: Noted that with the first run at weight-and-balance, and a very light single pilot and nearly empty tanks, the CG goes aft of its envelope. Maybe we should put a big soft tailwheel on the Genesis?

Vaughn McIlrath: (Me.) I noted that I'd received an e-mail from **Don Lindsay**, letting me know that he would not be able to make the meeting, because he had to make room for parts that will soon arrive. He sent this picture – When I asked what he's building, he replied that it's a Van's RV-9A, quick-build kit, and that the fuselage will be coming soon! Wow!!! What a way to start your aircraft-building career!!! Here's an RV-9A, complete ---
Go Don!



Sunday, the 19th: Hollister Airport:

Lou Janis and Blade Doyle went flying. **George Nicholson, John Feemster, George Watson, John Gould,** and I (**Vaughn**) put a few finishing touches on the Genesis, and took her out for her **maiden taxi!!!** Wow, can she taxi! Here's proof:



And, we were all treated to the pleasure of **Tim Floyd** taking his elegant Legal Eagle out for a run around the pattern. Thanks Tim!



Vaughn McIlrath, Feb. 21, 2006