



THE FALCONS MARCH 2012

FOR THE APRIL MEETING

- The April meeting will be at Dave McNeill's hangar PP5 at FFZ at 7:00 PM on Tues. 4/24/12. Someone will be posted at the security gate off Falcon Drive next to the former Roost Restaurant from 6:15 until 7:00 PM
- The pre-meeting food (served at 6:30) will be Pizza & soda for a \$5 donation.
- The program this month will feature the Vans RV series of aircraft on display. There will also be a short safety briefing.
- Reminder: Renew your commitment to your Chapter by paying your 2012 dues (still only \$20). See Mike Cycon at the meeting.
- We still need a Vice President. Please contact any officer/director if you can take an active role in the Chapter management. Your help is needed!

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CALENDAR

Date	Event
Tues. 4/24/12 @ 7:00 PM	Chapter Meeting (Hangar PP5 at FFZ)
Tues. 5/8/12 @ 6:30 PM	Board Meeting (IHOP)
Tues. 5/22/12 @ 7:00 PM	Chapter Meeting (CAF)
Every Thursday @ 8:00 AM	Coffee at Hangar JJ6

EAA Chapter 228 Falcons Membership Meeting Minutes

March 27, 2012

The March meeting of the Falcons was held at the Commemorative Air Force hangar, Falcon Field, Mesa, Arizona.

Pizza, chips and soda were available for \$5.00 prior to the meeting. Thanks go again to Dave McNeill for picking up the pizza.

Acting president McNeill called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

Secretary's report:

Approved by a membership vote.

Treasurer's report:

We have \$1633.82 in the treasury as of the end of February.

Attendance:

There were 32 members and guests in attendance.

Old business:

A vote to accept the changes in our by-laws required for 501-C, were approved by a vote of the membership.

New business:

There was no new business.

Young Eagles:

Andy Elliott requested volunteers for the next YE event on April 14, 2012. Be at Tango One at 0730 AM to help with the event.

Safety:

Flight Advisor, Mike Andresen presented an overview of the goals and role of the EAA flight advisor. Mike encouraged those that are in the process of building an experimental aircraft to contact him for help in the final flight phase of their projects.

Program:

Chapter member Steve Martin gave a program titled, Flying GA aircraft in the England. Steve related personal experiences in flying in the UK

with an FAA pilot's license, UK airspace rules, flying experiences and costs associated with flying in the UK. We all came away with a greater appreciation for the freedom we have to fly in this country.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:50 PM

Respectfully submitted

John Vick

Secretary

Mentors Needed

Our Chapter is planning a Teen Flight program similar to the highly successful program led by Scott McDaniels from Vans Aircraft in Oregon.

This will be a two phase program. In phase 1, a dozen or so high school kids will build a RV-12 aircraft. In phase 2, those kids who want to fly will be given free lessons toward their Sport Pilots License.

For Phase 1, we need at least 12 members who have either built a sheet metal aircraft, are A&P licensed or are motivated and skilled, to mentor these kids on Saturdays. We envision working one-on-one during the first month, one mentor for two students the second month and so on until we reach one mentor for every four students. At that point, each mentor would only have to devote one Saturday each month until the project is completed.

The students for the project (high school juniors and seniors) will be supplied by East Valley Institute of Technology (EVIT) and we hope to start in the fall of this year. The build location is not finalized. Although it is preferred to be at FFZ, EVIT has facilities at Gateway Airport and we may be using their facilities.

For Phase 2 we will create a second 501(c)(3) corporation, not connected to the EAA, to own and operate this aircraft. We will need at least four CFI's to volunteer their time to train those students who want to earn a Light Sport Pilots License. The students will only have to pay for operating costs and probably a shared portion of the fixed costs.

This is an ambitious project and can only happen if our members are willing to help and we can get the financial donations needed. In researching this project, we have frequently heard that financing the project was the easiest part. I hope that holds true for us. Please help to make this project a success.


NEWSLETTER WANT ADS

If you have anything aviation related you would like to sell, buy, or trade, or aviation service to offer, submit the necessary information 2 weeks before the monthly meeting (Please submit via e-mail to; jtimm@amug.org) and it will be placed in the WANT ADDS listing in the monthly newsletter. If you want a picture included in your adv., send it as a JPEG attachment to your request. Also, when you have an adv. placed, please advise when you want it modified or removed. Otherwise, it will run for 3 months as submitted then it will be removed.

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