



THE FALCONS APRIL 2014

FOR THE APRIL MEETING

- The April meeting will be at the CAF Hangar at 7:00 PM on Tuesday 4/22/14. Enter through the south door. The pre-meeting food (served at 6:00) will be Pizza & soda for a \$5 donation. (Note the 6:00 serving time.)

- **It's membership renewal time.** With everything else going up in price, your Chapter dues are still only \$20 per year. See Mike Cycon to renew your commitment to Chapter 228 this month.

- For the program this month, we will have Mark Ellery speak on Airworthy AutoGas and their plans for Falcon Field. A monthly safety briefing on hot weather operations will be presented by Andy Elliott and we will also see the latest EAA Chapter video.

- **NOTE:** A reminder that the Thursday morning coffee is being held in the EAA Falcon Warbirds Hangar which is located in the old west Champlin Hangar.

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CALENDAR

DATE	EVENT
Tues. 4/22/14 @ 7:00 PM	Chapter Meeting @ 7:00 PM
Tues. 5/13/14 @ 7:00 PM	Board Meeting Warbirds Hangar
Tues. 5/27/14 @ 7:00 PM	Chapter Meeting @ 7:00 PM
Every Thursday @ 8:00 AM	Coffee at New EAA Warbirds Hangar

EAA Chapter 228 Falcons
Membership Meeting Minutes Summary
March 25, 2014

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

The meeting was opened at 7:04 PM by vice president Gary Hertzler; there were 29 members in attendance. The treasurer's report was read and accepted. As of the end of February the bank balance was \$2412.01. The secretary's report of the February meeting was accepted by a membership vote.

Announcements: There have not been any additional meetings scheduled as to threats to Falcon Field. The last public meeting was covered at our last monthly EAA meeting. An effort will be made to get our members on an E-mail list in order to keep us informed as to any future scheduled public meetings. Jim Timm discussed a possible APA survey to be conducted with valley pilots in relation to cutting down on the number of aviation accidents in the local area.

Young Eagles Report: Andy Elliott reminded every one of the Falcon Field open house on the 29th. Pilots and ground crew are in place for the event. Andy went over the layout and procedures for the Young Eagles flights.

Safety Briefing: Andy Elliott discussed his take on a recent article in the EAA magazine on experimental aircraft accidents. In reviewing various accident categories, Andy made the case that more than 80 percent of accidents can be attributed to pilot error, far more than the 50 percent as outlined in the EAA article.

Guest Speaker: Vice president Hertzler introduced our speaker, Brian Seegers. Mr. Seeger's topic was, Model Jet Engines and Aircraft. He is currently founder and Chief Scientist of Azmark Aero Systems. Brian covered his involvement and interest in all types of jet engines dating back to his first attempt at building a gas turbine engine at age ten. He explained the development of pulsejets and very small gas turbine engines that are suitable to

be used to power model aircraft.

The monthly EAA video was shown.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:55 PM

Respectfully submitted

John Vick, Secretary

PUT THURSDAY, APRIL 24 ON YOUR CALENDAR!

Thursday April 24th at 6:30 at the CAF facility there will be an airport noise meeting. Issues to be discussed will be the charging of landing fees at FFZ and also the formation of a commission that will set the fees and rates and charges for tenants at FFZ. The commission would be appointed by the city council and is to include airport neighbors affected by airport noise. Representatives from the city council will no doubt be in attendance and we need to have as many pilots present as possible to show them that, as pilots and tenants, we are interested in our airports operation and we are in opposition to imposing landing fees on us to reduce noise and we don't need a politically appointed commission to set fees for us. The present system is working very well to keep the airport in the black even while paying for all city services used.

BE THERE AND BRING A FRIEND!

The developers who were pushing the ballot initiative are now urging the city council to adopt landing fees and the citizens commission without it going to the ballot. There is a lot of political pressure to comply. We need many people communicating in person and in writing with the members of the Mesa City Council about how they love flying and how they use Falcon Field airport and how landing fees and this commission would be bad for them.

FLY TO AIRVENTURE IN STYLE

If you want to fly to the 2014 EAA AirVenture in real style this year, two seats are still available on the Grumman Albatross flying to Oshkosh again this year. It will be departing on Sunday July 27 and returning in the following Sunday. A donation for a seat on the trip is \$500. For additional information contact Dave McNeill (d1m34077@gmail.com).

NOTICE: HELP STILL NEEDED!

The team that is working with EVIT on the WAIEX project still needs two or three more members with build experience to help with the project !!! Currently David McNeill, Mike Cycon , Ron Smith and David Searle are working every Saturday with other teenagers on the project. Additional assistance is needed to provide some alternate leadership when one of the principals are required to be elsewhere on Saturdays. We need builders/craftsman/A&Ps/engineers with sheet metal and/or composite experience. If you have considered building your own aircraft, this is a chance to get additional experience to determine whether building is appropriate for you. Please contact David McNeill at d1m34077@gmail.com if you want to help and learn.

FLY IN BREAKFAST VENUES

The first Saturday of the month is the fly in breakfast at Coolidge Municipal Airport (P08) from 8:00 'till Noon.

On the second Saturday of the month, Ryan Field (RYN) has started a fly in buffet breakfast. The breakfast is available in the building between Todd's Cafe and the fuel pits. Breakfast will run from 8:00 am to noon from March thru April and restart in September and run thru November.

The latest fly in breakfast that has been announced is on the third Saturday of the month. This one, started in March, is at Falcon Field (FFZ) and is being put on by the newly formed EAA Warbirds Squadron located in what was the west Champlin Fighter Museum hangar. The breakfast is being put on by the Warbird Squadron and the Airport FireFighter's Union. Breakfast will be served from 7:00 am until 11:00 am in the Warbirds Hangar.

The third Saturday of the month there is also a fly in breakfast at Benson (E95) at Southwest Aviation. (Often there have been very special fuel prices for breakfast attendees.)

The last Saturday of the month there is a fly in breakfast at Casa Grande Municipal Airport (CGZ) that runs from 7:00 am until 10:00

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.

FOR SALE

Digital EGT/CHT. Electronics International EC-1 single channel digital EGT/CHT with all probes and cables. Unit is TSO'd for certified aircraft. Has been installed in the instrument panel but never powered or flown. Cost \$362, asking \$300 OBO. Unit can be converted to read 4 or 6 cylinders with the addition of Electronics International switch assemblies P/Ns RS-4-1S or RS-6-1S. Great unit for determining combustion quality and leaning. Contact Dave Searle at dsearle2@cox.net

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