EAA Chapter 1300

Meeting Minutes for January 13, 2016

Call to Order:

* 7:32 p.m. by President Victor Vance
* Vic also provided his phone number to let people know they could call him with any last-minute additions to the agenda.
* His phone number is (702) 610-5716.

Visitors/Guests:

* Alexander Skerlich, presenting a low-cost ADS-B In/Out solution for experimental aircraft.

Presentations:

* Each of this year’s new officers and directors were presented with a “100 Grand” candy bar by President Victor Vance.
* Outgoing President Glenn Austin was presented with an Arizona Powerball ticket. (Unfortunately for him, it wasn’t the winning ticket.)

Special Program:

* The intention was to have Robert Henderson, the pilot of the Cessna 310 that was involved in a midair collision with a Piper Cherokee near Jean, NV last year speak with us about his experience. Unfortunately, however, business called him away at the last minute.
* Instead, we had a guest named Alexander Skerlich give us a presentation on a low-cost ADS-B In/Out solution for experimental aircraft. (It’s also available for certified aircraft, but at a higher price.) He assembled his system on the table in front of us in about 10 minutes. It primarily consists of a NavWorx ADS600-EXP unit, and will work with existing transponders. The data can be displayed on many existing EFIS screens, or it can be sent (via built-in WiFi) to an iPad. The price is only $1,299.00. He invited us to visit his website at <http://www.LasVegasInternet.com>.

Business Meeting:

* Moved/Seconded by Ralph Millard/Brian Prinzavalli to accept the November, 2015 meeting minutes as posted on the chapter website. Motion passed.

Old Business:

* Randy Coursolle still wants to try a new place for breakfast on Saturdays. It was decided to try the Winchell’s Pub near the corner of Eastern and Horizon Ridge this Saturday (January 16th).

Committee Reports:

* Social:
  + Kathleen Jones: 50 people attended the Christmas party in December (although she did not). In general, the food was good and plentiful and the speaker was interesting, but the PA system was awful (again).
  + Randy and Hang Coursolle hosted a wonderfully successful Pancake Breakfast on Saturday, November 14th. Many people are looking forward to the next one (hint, hint!)
  + Kathleen Jones: There is a sign-up sheet in the back of the room for anyone who wants to volunteer to bring snacks and/or desserts to the meetings. All volunteers are very much appreciated!
  + Roger Hansen asked if anyone was interested in having Mike Melville speak at next year’s Christmas party. The general opinion was positive.
* Treasurer:
  + Brian Prinzavalli: We started the month with $4,423.43. After expenses (mostly for the Christmas party), we ended the month with $3,911.62.
  + Net gain (for the entire year) was $193.44.
  + After all income and expenses, we only lost $14.00 on the Christmas party.
  + We made a total of $544.00 from the 50/50 drawings.
  + We made a total of $885.64 from Membership dues.
  + Moved/Seconded by Ralph Millard/Roger Hansen to approve the Treasurer’s report as read. Motion passed.
* Young Eagles:
  + Ralph Millard: The Tuskeegee Airmen are interested in doing another event this summer. A specific date has not been discussed yet (although it will likely be in June, as before).
  + Victor Vance: As assistant scout master for boy scout troop 903, he knows of several boys would be interested in participating in an event. It would need to be sooner than the traditional summer event though, as they finish up for the year at the end of May. A proposed date of April 9th was agreed upon. Vic will report back at the next meeting.
  + Howard Curtis is starting a free ground school as part of his Civil Air Patrol connections.
* Future Programs:
  + Robert Henderson (Cessna 310 pilot)
  + Field Trip to Chad Hesterman’s RV-7 project
  + An update on the regional drone testing program
  + Ken Hamm (the astronaut who spoke at our November meeting)
* Membership:
  + 2016 dues are due!
  + Report on Linda Frazier: She is back home from being in the hospital and is beginning a new round of chemotherapy.
  + Report on Pat DuLaney: She is experiencing complications from recent back surgery.
* Fly-Outs :
  + Randy Coursolle: Flying out to Grand Canyon West airport for sightseeing and lunch on January 23rd. Plan to arrive at 9:00 am Vegas time (10:00 am Arizona time).
  + Also proposing a fly out to Furnace Creek in February.
* Status Reports:
  + Robert and Kathleen Jones ordered their new (yellow) engine from Barrett.
  + Victor Vance is upgrading the carburetor on his 152 to match the higher horsepower engine.
  + Roger Hansen visited Al Roberts who is building a Waiex in North Las Vegas.
  + Roger also showed us why aircraft don’t use paper fuel filters.

New Business:

* Roger Hansen proposed buying several plastic stackable chairs for our events (such as BBQs) where people usually forget to bring their own. Motion seconded by Ralph Millard. Since a consensus could not be reached (where would we store them?), it was decided that we will table the motion until the next meeting.
* Beverly Wanamaker mentioned that the FAA FAAST program will be in North Las Vegas on January 28th. She thinks it might have to do with drones.

50/50 Drawing:

* Victor Vance won $39.00

Meeting Adjourned at 9:28 pm.

Respectfully submitted by Randy Holland, secretary and webmaster.