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The 1st Breakfast will be on the **first Saturday**, the 2nd of July, my 50th wedding anniversary, and I won't be here, at the **Chapter 563 Hangar**. Serving pancakes and sausage from 8:00 to 9:00. Come early and help set up.

The 2nd Breakfast will be on the **third Saturday**, the 16th of July. Don't miss it.

The Membership Meeting

this month will be on the **second Thursday**, July the 7th, at 7:00 in the EAA Hangar at Mount Hawley Airport.

You are all invited to be speakers at this meeting. A Chapter Round Table Discussion will be held to better understand the needs and wants of the Chapter members so your Board of Directors can plan the future of the Chapter.

Come on time so someone can let you in the drive-through gate if you do not have a gate card.

The Directors Meeting

will be held on the **third Thursday**, July 21, at the Chapter Hangar. All members are invited to attend if you wish.

The Presidents Column

The board of directors needs your help The problem is how to identify the activities and programs you prefer. To pick your brains, we are holding a round table discussion at the next general meeting. I sincerely hope you will attend. All suggestions are welcome but the more specific the better. If another chapter is doing something that you like, suggest that we do the same.

We have several affinity groups within the club and we can probably find others who share your interest. Tell us what you want to do. If we have enough people we'll give it

a shot as long as it fits within the charter and doesn't over extend the club.

Also, Gerry Peacock is going to rebuild an aircraft engine in our hanger and is willing to let members look over his shoulder. If you are interested in watching the process send me an e-mail at bonfoeys@sbcglobal.net and I'll keep you informed about the times and dates by return e-mail messages.

See you at the roundtable!!

Secretaries Report

MEETING MINUTES - JUNE 9, 2005

President Steve Bonfoey called the meeting to order at 7 pm in the Chapter Hangar. Minutes of the May meeting were approved as printed in the Beacon. The financial report was not available to be read.

President Steve spent a little time commenting on the fly out to Independence, Kansas. He also mentioned the Chapter member round table discussions Jerry Pilon is setting up and the need to work closer with EAA Headquarters. The idea of a donated construction project and the upcoming Chapter picnic were also discussed. Steve then introduced the speaker for the evening Adama Allmond.

Adama told how he and his wife graduated from Kansas State and how they both became flight instructors. He then launched into the benefits of filing VFR flight plans and some of the problems associated with teaching the new technology (glass panels) being installed in the newer airplanes.

He mentioned several things that some of us hadn't thought of since flight training. The rest of the presentation turned into a "ask the instructor" session and our questions resulted in a good discussion of today's problems .

The meeting was concluded with refreshments and more conversation.

Respectfully Submitted, M. Caudill,
Substitute Secretary

The Board of Directors Meeting Minutes for June 16. 05

President Steve Bonfoey called the meeting to order at 7 pm in the chapter hangar. Present were Directors Bonfoey, Caudill, Engel and Hounshell, plus one guest. Minutes of the April board meeting were approved, and although the treasurer was absent, finances were reviewed. It was agreed that income looks okay, but cash donations are below expectation. Also, we need a better way to quickly compare monthly data to the budget figures.

Old Business. It was decided to take no action on the Osprey project unless we hear from the decedent's family.

Standing Committee actions follow:

Membership – no report, but it was felt that we need to pay more attention to guests. The secretary will assure a supply of application forms at the hangar.

Program – The July meeting, featuring member input was covered at some length. We decided to have a special invitational flier and extra refreshments as added draw. The August meeting will probably be a Thursday evening picnic. We will investigate having a tethered balloon there.

Properties & Safety – The first meeting of those interested in the BD-5 Build project will be after the hangar breakfast on June 18. One of the first actions of this group will be to examine various scenarios for completion and select one to propose to the membership.

Publications and Public Relations – no reports.

Special Events – Bill Hounshell reports that Oshkosh wants a chapter vote on hosting a B-17 visit, so we plan to do that at the next meeting. Morrie offered to help Bill locate reference materials from the last visit. For our December Holiday Luncheon, Sam Sisk will check first at Wildlife Prairie Park.

Youth Outreach – Morrie has a contact for a group of kids to fly, tentatively in August.

New Business. Steve will appoint three members to the nominating committee for next year's directors. Their names will appear in the July Beacon.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted, Bill Engel, Secretary

EAA 563 BD-5 BUILD PROJECT

The first meeting of those interested in participating in the BD-5 Build Project was held in the hangar Saturday morning, June 18, 2005, after the regular chapter breakfast. Five chapter members were present to discuss how to proceed. Naturally, other members are urged to join in as they see fit.

It was generally agreed that, since the plane will be made not flyable, many construction shortcuts can be used to reduce expenditure of time and funds. A quick look at the plans revealed that most of the required tools are already available, and Bill Engel has agreed to loan a special table that could be useful for construction of the fuselage.

It is possible that some expenditures may be required for tools or parts, but it was pointed out that the kit contains some general useage parts that won't be needed, and these could be sold to offset those costs. Bill will look through the inventory and list them.

Various potential uses of the finished product were reviewed, including for Chapter publicity through parades, mall and show appearances, or outright sale to a retail business for their decor, but the consensus was that such a decision could be postponed for a while.

A Project Coordinator will guide the construction so the finished product has the potential to be both good looking and technically reasonable. Our consensus was to set some times when the team can get together to work and learn; plus, if an individual requests it, assign tasks that he can tackle whenever he has the time.

We felt that setting a timetable for completion would not be practical, but several construction scenarios will be posed, each having different complexity and manhours. We hope to discuss these in some detail when we next meet - after the breakfast on July 2.

By Bill E, Coordinator pro-tem.

Calendar of Events 2005

	<u>Breakfasts</u>	<u>Membership Meetings</u>	<u>Directors Meetings</u>
January	1 and 15	13	
February	5 and 19	10	17
March	5 and 19	10	17
April	2 and 16	14	21
May	7 and 21	12	19
June	4 and 18	9	16
July	2 and 16	14	21
August	6 and 20	11	18
September	3 and 17	8	15
October	1 and 15	13	20
November	5 and 19	10	17
December	3 and 17	8	15

Speakers/Presentations/Activities:

January - Alan Lurie (GPS)	May –Jim and Kurt Hannemann	September -
February -Niel Pobanz	June –Adama Allmond	October -
March –Project Visit	July - Chapter Round Table	November
April - Gerry Peacock	August –Chapter Picnic	December -

Flying: 3MY Fly Outs every month.
Oshkosh
See the Fly-In Events on page 4.

Fly-in Events for 2005

June 25 Jack Hollands' International Fly-in
 June 25-26 Quad City Air Show

July 3 Hartenbowers Fly-in Breakfast
 July 17 Taylorville Fly-in Breakfast
 July 25-31 EAA Airventure

Warbird Adventures flights in Aurora, IL - July 25-September 11. You can read more about it at www.warbirdadventures.com. If you have any questions call 585-243-4676 or email at elizoc@frontiernet.net. July

August 5-7 Prairie Air Show at Peoria
 August 21 Taylorville Fly-in Breakfast

September 16-18 Springfield Air Rendexvous
 September 18 Taylorville Fly-in Breakfast

October 16 Taylorville Fly-in Breakfast

Future Oshkosh Dates:

July 25 - 31, 2006
 July 24 - 30, 2007
 July 29 - August 4, 2008
 July 27 - August 2, 2009
 July 26 - August 1, 2010
 July 25 - 31, 2011
 July 23 - 29, 2012

Business is Good at Cessna

This was reported in the Cessna newsletter, May 19, 2005:

The following are orders and deliveries per model as of May 18:

Orders		Deliveries
14	172R	0
148	172S	12
5	182	30
10	T182	14
1	206	3
7	T206	8

185 Month to Date 67

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