

EAA Chapter 406 Bremerton, WA

August 23, 2017 Meeting Minutes

18 people in attendance

Meeting began at 7:05 pm with Mike Friend presiding.

Old Business

There is continued discussion with Civil Air Patrol (CAP) regarding the commitment to use the old firehouse in partnership with EAA. Due to the number of legal approvals, it is taking longer than expected to clear this with CAP, therefore, until the chapter has the document in hand, it will refrain from further action of the Bremerton Aviation Center for Education (BACE) until paperwork is in order.

Treasurer's Report

There was no treasurer's report at this time.

New Business

Susan Shaw, Young Eagles Coordinator, spoke about the Blackberry Festival and the Young Eagle's Flight that will occur on Sept. 2. Seven pilots have agreed to participate (10 seats) and more planes are needed. Members will be asking EAA from Sequim and Chehalis to participate as well as asking members of Flights Above the Pacific Northwest (FATPNW). All participating pilots are asked to be at the Bremerton airport by 9:00 am for the safety briefing. If you cannot fly, please choose to help support the ground effort in anyway you can. Volunteers are always needed for this event.

Four attending members reported about their flight to Oshkosh. Contact Victor Norris, Anderson Manley, Joel Mapes or Mark Donahue for their detailed stories. Anderson Manley recorded his arrival to Oshkosh 2017 and it will be linked to our site for viewing.

Mike Friend reported about his participation in the Sequim BBQ . He also discussed the adventures of his friend who is currently flying what possibly is the smallest plane to fly the Atlantic crossing. He is flying the Twister G-FUUN.

Anderson Manley reported that he is working with Tim Mensonides, Bremerton Airport Manager, to create a TAF for KPWT. It will soon be available.

Break at 7:45 pm.

Speaker

Speaker for the evening was Rob Runyan who provided a presentation about "Wing-in-Ground Effect Technology". He spoke about the theory, history and current state of technology on the subject. Wing-in-ground-effect (WIGE) study has allowed man to take advantage of both span and chord dominate ground effect to create efficient ground effect vehicles. The Bixel design with flat airfoils appears to be more efficient. Potential use for recreational, commercial and rescue craft appears to be in our future.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 pm.