

The FlyPaper

March 2019

The Official Newsletter for EAA Chapter 477, Charleston, South Carolina



Words From the President

The ides of March are upon us. this month seems to be going by fast and the weather has been anything but flyable.

I flew to KPGD, Punta Gorda FL on Feb 14th and got IFR stranded there for 2 weeks 3.5 hrs away so near yet so far... not a bad thing I have a home there, however it was mostly IFR my whole time there. So not many breakfast flights or social flight to visit friends during my stay.

The trutrack auto pilot is a big time and worksaver in the cockpit. It went on when I got up 1000 feet and back off when I got down to 1000 feet for the trip of 396 NM. Is there any one in our chapter that is an CFI II its time to get my IFR done.

Jeff has a crowd of kids to fly at the April meeting and then again in May. There will be no meeting but a YE Rally on April 13th. We want to do a YE rally at Allendale in May. I can carry over 2 in my airplane and as soon as we know the date for the May event it will be sent out.

Jeff gave me a tour of his airplane project its pretty darn nice and some of the things he did were very creative, soundproofing for one. If I ever get my own hangar, I'll start doing some good things to mine.

Most of the chapter staff is in Florida the last week of February. Glen is on the East coast, Ron and I are on the gulf. Lee is going to attend an EAA meeting In Georgia to learn better ways for our chapter.

Hey Be safe out there!



Doug St Pierre
President EAA 477



Upcoming Events

EAA477 Chapter meeting

March 9th meeting:

No scheduled Young Eagle flights.
Meeting will start at 10:00, with announcements, business and guest speaker, Todd Givens. Brunch will be served with the meeting.

South Carolina Breakfast Club:

Please use the following link to access the latest in scheduling:

<http://southcarolinabreakfastclub.com/2019-schedule>

Young Eagles Coordinator

Jeff Grigg

Young Eagles Co-Coordinator

There is not much to report this month. The weather was not good at all for flying Young Eagles as the February meeting. The winds were very strong and the air rough. We did actually fly two youngsters, but stopped at that point. Those that came down for the program will return at a later date.

We will have a small group that we will attempt to fly at the March meeting before the chapter meeting gets underway.

Don't forget our chapter rally to be held on the second Saturday of the month, April 13th. There will be no formal meeting on that day due to the large number of candidates we think we will fly. Doug is working on having a lunch catered in for all of the chapter support staff and supporting members. More on that in the next weeks. Might have an update at our March meeting.

In May our desire is to have a Young Eagles event at the Allendale County airport, KAQX. There are still a lot of questions that are still left to work out for this event to take place, but it is something we would like to do. So, stay tuned to keep abreast of developments, including using our website, eaa477.org

March Chapter Meeting Report

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Minutes taken:

by Glen Phelps for Diana

There were 25 students that showed up for the Young Eagles flights. Only two were flown as the winds were high and the air rough as low as we fly the course. Therefore, they were only two flown. By the time that the meeting was about ready to kick off, all of them had left.

A breakfast casserole was served with hot cornbread and coffee. This is a good way to get things started. The chef was complimented on the dish served, and it must have been good, as there was very little left over. There was a total of 14 attendees present.

The first topic was an FAA circular regarding operations at non-towered airfields. Standard patterns, reporting points, and the like. This presented an opportunity for others to share experiences regarding conflicts that they had experienced. Suffice it to say, even though we “dinged” others on their ability to follow the “rules”, we need to be reminded that we too can make some very simple errors in exercising good judgment around non-towered fields.

The second and last topic was regarding the proposed Young Eagles rally that is contemplated in May at the Allendale County airport. Although it is not “set in stone”, it is expected to take place on the second Saturday of May, which is of course our meeting date.

If it does take place on the regularly scheduled meeting date, we proposed a couple of alternatives for how it would be handled.

One would be to have a non-business discussion for members that can not, or desire not to take the drive to Allendale for the rally. A reminder is that it is only a 20 minute drive from Walterboro to Allendale.

All were reminded that the folks at Allendale will be providing lunch for all that come to help out, both pilots and supporting members.

Upcoming Aviation Events

Ron Malec

FAAST Blast - FAA Safety Briefing News Updates

As a subscriber to the FAA Safety Team Newsletter I will periodically provide updates on information that I believe will be beneficial to all members.

No information to pass along this month.

Airshow and Fly-in Schedule

- 03 Mar – SC Breakfast Club – Mt Pleasant Regional Airport (KLRO), Mt. Pleasant, SC
- 02-07 Apr – Sun-n-Fun – Lakeland Linder Regional Airport (KLAL), Lakeland, FL (<https://www.flysnf.org/>)
- 12-13 Apr – Festival d’Avion – Moore County Airport(KSOP), Pinehurst, NC (<https://www.festivaldavion.com/>)
- 13 Apr – Cheraw Fly-in - [Cheraw Municipal Airport/Lynch Bellinger Field](#) (KCQW), Cheraw, SC
- 14 Apr – SC Breakfast Club - [Cheraw Municipal Airport/Lynch Bellinger Field](#) (KCQW), Cheraw, SC
- 27 – 28 April, MCAS Beaufort Airshow – MCAS Beaufort (KNBC), SC (<http://www.beaufortairshow.com/index.shtml>)

Treasurer's Report

Glen Phelps

There was a total \$50.00 received for the month. Of that, \$25 was received for dues and \$25 was received in cash from the “Tip jar”. \$25 was credited to the checking account and \$25 was credited to the petty cash account.

There was a disbursement from petty cash in the amount of \$32.42 for items for the breakfast.

The financial summary is as follows:

Beginning balance = \$3,055.67
Ending balance = \$3,080.67
Increase or (decrease) = \$25.00

Petty Cash
Beginning balance = \$14.53
Ending balance = \$7.11
Increase or (decrease) = (\$7.42)

There are now a total of 26 members in good standing with our chapter.

There are just a few that have not yet renewed their dues. If you have not yet done so, here is the way you can get caught up!

You can mail them to my local mailbox, Glen Phelps 4348 Cloudmont Dr Hollywood, SC 29449 Make checks payable to EAA 477. I will see that you get a receipt either email, mailed, or at the next meeting. Just let me know how you would like it to be handled.

And of course, you can pay by check or cash at the next meeting.