

# FLYPAPER



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

## The President's Corner

We had an absolutely outstanding presentation for our June meeting with Ed Hensel's story about getting his newly acquired Long-EZ back from the far northwest. For those not present, just his ability to redo the panel as quickly as he did at an in route stopover says we have talent in one of our members. Please read the report later in this newsletter.

I spend a pretty good amount of time serving as the President of our Chapter. This responsibility includes receiving some very interesting phone calls, letters and emails. One such phone call was a WWII vet that called and wishes to "will" to the Chapter, articles of aviation interest. I'll share more on this and other "encounters" at the July meeting.

Brett Grooms had the opportunity to make a flight for "[Pilots N Paws](#)" in June, and I rode along to keep him company. It would be interesting for Brett to share more on the "[Pilots N Paws](#)" organization at one of our future meetings. Not only was it great to get out and go flying, but we also helped save "Ernie" from certain death. Read about "Ernie's Big Adventure" on page 3.

In the near future you will be contacted by Ed Hensel, our Chapter Membership Chairman, regarding Membership issues. This is important in order to keep our membership on track and ensure continued Chapter growth. Please respond to him with the information he needs from you.

## Now for my Cozy Update:



When I promised pictures of my Cozy construction progress, this really is not what I had in mind! I am an advocate of "there is no such thing as an accident; all are avoidable incidents". At our July meeting I will share very briefly on what happened. Having pretty much completed the "kitchen project", I now have the time to get a lot more done on the Cozy, but it will be a little slower for several weeks due to my safety lapse.

-Glen Phelps, President

## Upcoming Events

**July 8<sup>th</sup>** - EAA Chapter 477 Meeting, 6:30 CAFB Aero Club

**July 10<sup>th</sup>** - EAA172 Cold Cuts Fly-In, Pea Patch Aerodrome, Blythe, GA

**July 24** – MidCoast Regional Airport's 9<sup>th</sup> Quarterly Fly-In, Fort Stewart GA

**July 11** - South Carolina Breakfast Club at Salisbury NC ([KRUQ](#))

**July 25** - South Carolina Breakfast Club at Anderson Regional ([KAND](#))

## June Chapter 477 Meeting

**Date:** June 10, 2010

**Location:** Charleston AFB Aero Club

Even though quite a few members were out of town or otherwise indisposed, we still had a respectable turnout - 12 members & guests. Our illustrious president, Glen Phelps brought delicious pizza from Costco (great deal, by the way) and after a little socializing he opened the meeting with a short summary of the recent Wings-n-Wheels event in Walterboro. It was a lot of work, but also a lot of fun, and after expenses we raised \$1,000.00, to be divided equally between the Veterans Victory House and the M.U.S.C. Children's Hospital fund.

We also discussed our commitment to host the SC Breakfast club in August up at Berkeley County (which might have a closed runway at that time).

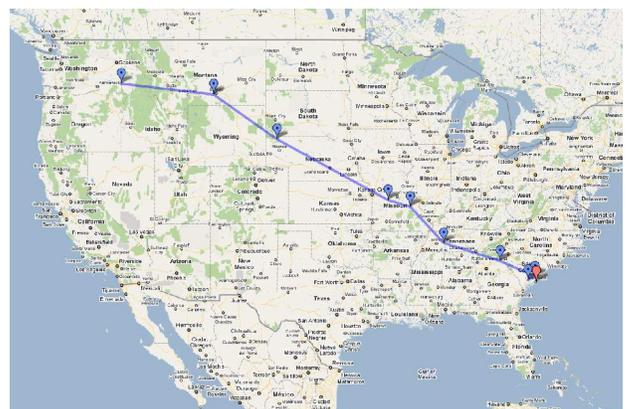
Next we talked about upcoming meeting ideas. At the July meeting Nick Ugolini will demonstrate his vegetable oil powered Mercedes then discuss recent developments in diesel aircraft engines. There is no "regular" meeting in August so we can focus on the SCBC. In September we will meet up at Jim Wilson's private airstrip (Crosswinds) up at Cross, SC. Jim graciously agreed to host our chapter and demonstrate some aspects of antique aircraft maintenance & repair. We'll meet on a Saturday (Sept. 11 or 18) at 10:00, then have a cookout after the demo.



The guest speaker was our own Membership Chair, Ed Hensel, who gave a fascinating presentation on shopping for a Long-EZ, buying one, and his (sometimes harrowing) experiences flying it from Washington State to SC. There isn't space to go into all the details, but needless to say, being a low time pilot with no prior experience in the Long-EZ, he had quite an adventure bringing it back to his "home base".



Some of the more interesting "surprises" included a fuel leak, radio failure, engine failure, 40 kt crosswind and completely gutting his instrument panel & replacing it with a glass cockpit - EFIS & new radio. Welcome home Ed. Thanks for sharing your adventure with us.



*-- Kevin Thorp, Vice President*

## Our Next Meetings of Chapter 477

### July 8th - 6:30 pm CAFB Aero Club

Nick Ugolini will demonstrate his diesel Mercedes (converted to run vegetable oil) in the parking lot. Then we'll go inside and he'll follow up with a presentation on new developments in diesel aircraft engines.

As usual, Glen will bring hot pizza from Cosco. Sounds like a great evening!

### August Meeting

Instead of our usual August meeting we'll be hosting the **SC Breakfast Club** up at Moncks Corner on **Sunday morning, August 22**. In addition to cooking a great breakfast we'll videotape the landings for the "breakfast show" and have a cash raffle (that's always a crowd-pleaser.) We're not sure if the Moncks Corner Airport will be closed due to resurfacing. The SCBC might be canceled or moved to another airport. Please check [www.eaa477.org](http://www.eaa477.org) for the latest updates.

## Ernie's Big Adventure

As we all know, pilots in general are very charitable and giving people. Brett Grooms continues to help reinforce this reputation by participating in a recent [Pilots N Paws](#) rescue. Flying a dachshund from Myrtle Beach SC to Savannah GA. Brett forwarded an E-Mail from Terry at Southern Comfort Animal Rescue, Inc. that details some of Ernie's adventure, and we have included some of the text and images for you to enjoy.

"As you all know, Ernie has touched so many people over the last week. I wanted to share his story, told through our photos!

Ernie started out at the Onslow County Animal Control in Jacksonville, NC. As a senior, he didn't stand much of a chance, until rescuers up and down the eastern seaboard pulled together to save this wonderful little fella.

He was reportedly terrified in the kennel at the

animal control – as evidenced by his "mugshot" which showed dilated worried eyes. But through emails and some serious overtime by Charity who organized a transport, Ernie's "break" began!



Enter Tiffeny, shown below with her own loveable Max, who willingly went to the animal control on Saturday and pulled Ernie. "He ran to me when Linda let him out of the kennel," she said. With a buddy to escort him out the door, Ernie quickly settled into Tiffeny's car and began his sojourn to Georgia!



Ernie's next stop was in Wilmington, where Tiffeny passed Ernie off to Donna (wish we had a photo of you dear - but thank you nonetheless!). Donna said Ernie rode comfortably and politely as she delivered him to Linda and Tom near Myrtle Beach, SC.

There Ernie overnights at Tom & Linda's "Weinerville Resort & Spa!" Tom said after some welcoming treats and the obligatory introductory sniffing from his own six doxies, Ernie fit right in! Tom & Linda realized Ernie is housebroken, pleasant, congenial and just an ideal little soul to have met!

Monday morning Tom & Linda graciously took Ernie to their vet for a rabies shot, which made him legal for his next unexpected adventure: FLYING!

Pilot Brett met Tom & Linda in Loris, SC and loaded little Ernie in his Cessna 172 for the next leg of his trip! Brett took some photos of what Ernie likely saw as he took his first known flight! Once again, he settled in and showed how well-mannered a dog he is and enjoyed the flight to Savannah!



There, my daughter Shannon met Brett to take possession of Ernie until I could arrive Monday night. In the few short hours at Shannon's house, we learned a few things about Ernie:

- He will sit up patiently and beg for treats
- He likes cantelope!
- He loves laps
- He is capable of winning every heart he encounters...

Just as I was about to load up Ernie to drive back to Middle Georgia, Shannon and my grandson Mason

asked if Ernie could stay "a while"....So, under the guise of being fostered, Ernie is kicked back in Savannah for a bit, joined by a 6 lb personality-packed doxie named Gepetto and Shannon's older Aussie mix Jessie! So cheers to Ernie - the little polite, loveable dachshund who motivated so many people and captured hearts all along the way!

Thank you EVERYONE!

Terry

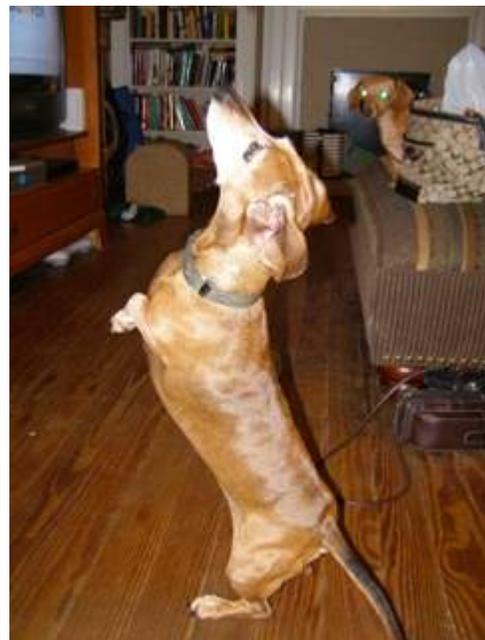
Southern Comfort Animal Rescue, Inc.”

*-Greg Horne, Editor*

## Treasurer's Report

June 2010 Beginning Balance	\$1194.21
Monthly Receipts	\$708.12
Monthly Expenses	\$633.38
Petty Cash	\$30.00
End of June 2010 Bank Balance	\$1268.95

*--Rich Hassell, Treasurer*



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## Membership Application

*You must be a current EAA Member to join Chapter 477*

Name \_\_\_\_\_ EAA # \_\_\_\_\_ Exp.Date \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone; Cell \_\_\_\_\_ Home \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Send you meeting notices, newsletters, etc. via your e-mail? Yes [  ] No [  ]

Today's Date \_\_\_\_\_ Adult Membership [  ] Student Membership [  ]

Annual dues: Adults \$25.00 (if paid by Dec. 31 only \$20.00). Students \$12.

New members after Dec 31 pay dues pro-rated at \$2.00/month adults, \$1.00/month students.

Make checks payable to **"EAA Carolina Lowcountry Ch. 477"**

EAA 477 membership dues paid; Cash [  ] Check [  ] Amount \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Date Paid \_\_\_\_\_

Pilot Ratings (if applicable ) \_\_\_\_\_ Types \_\_\_\_\_

Total Hrs. PIC \_\_\_\_\_ Experimental \_\_\_\_\_ Last Flight Review \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_ Hrs. since last \_\_\_\_\_

Aircraft you have owned or own now \_\_\_\_\_

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Aircraft you have built or building now \_\_\_\_\_

Aircraft you would seriously consider building/restoring \_\_\_\_\_

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Skills you would be willing to share/help other members in their homebuilt project \_\_\_\_\_

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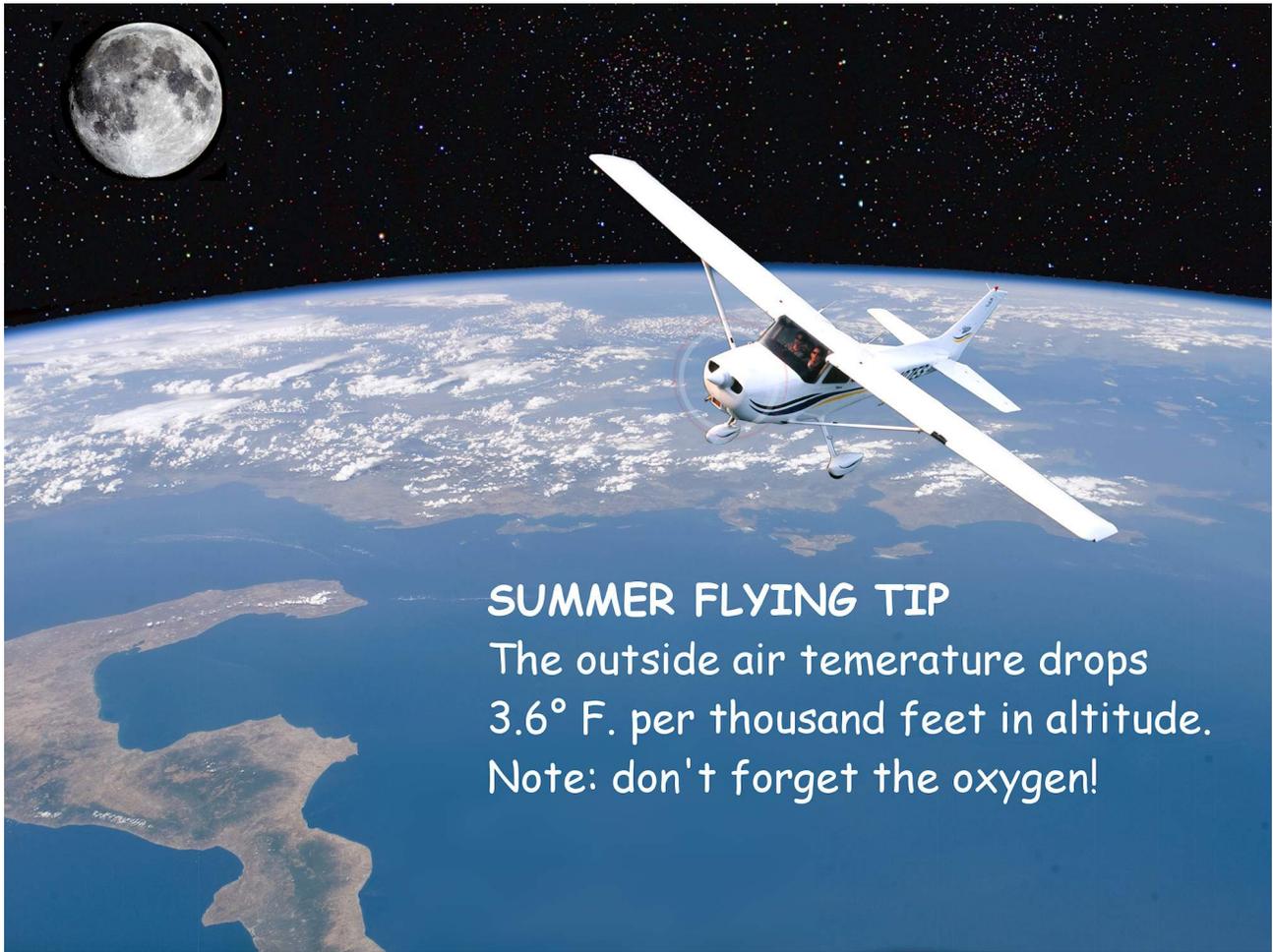
Other skills/talents that can help our chapter \_\_\_\_\_

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Comments/suggestions, including membership in other EAA Chapters \_\_\_\_\_

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*Thanks, and welcome to Chapter 477!*



## SUMMER FLYING TIP

The outside air temperature drops  
3.6° F. per thousand feet in altitude.  
Note: don't forget the oxygen!

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## *You're Welcome to Join or Visit EAA477!*

*If you're not already a member of EAA Chapter 477 we'd love  
to have you join us!*

*Fill out the application included in this newsletter, or just drop  
in on one of our meetings & see what we're all about.*

*For more info go to [eaa477.org](http://eaa477.org)*

