

# EAA Chapter 302



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## Newsletter

### MEETING NOTICE

# October 14, 2017 at 10:00AM

See the last page for a map to the meeting

### IMC MEETING

Wednesday



October 11

7-8PM

Galaxy

### THIS MONTH'S PROGRAM

News from HQ

“Breezy”

Cubs to Oshkosh

Air/Oil Separators

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Tuesday, October 31st

# September 9, 2017 Meeting Minutes

**Meeting Called to Order** by Chapter President Joe Waltz. Dick Stevens led 65 members in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Fake News:** Our President, Joe Waltz, claim the recent solar eclipse was a kind of “Vortex Experience” for him. In other related news Events Chairman, Keith Pache, has advised the Board of Directors (BOD) of his intention to give EAA Chapter 302 membership a similar “Vortex Experience” by organizing a fly-out. Vortex seekers will fly out west to attend the “Burning Man 2018” event in the Black Rock Desert north of Reno, Nevada next August. Burning Man is an annual **experiment** in temporary community dedicated to radical self-expression and radical self-reliance. Sounds like EAA. See Keith for sign up and be sure to ask about the [10 Principals of Burning Man](#).

**New Members:** Welcome Kenny Snow as our newest member. He hails from Tennessee, but moved from Anchorage, Alaska twelve years ago. He lives at Estates Airpark (XS09), New Waverley, TX. and is about to finish a new hangar.

**Visitors:** Member Rich Jankowski introduced his friends Myra Bugbee and her husband Roger Hirschbein from Pembroke Pines, FL. They evacuated Florida in the face of Hurricane Irma in their recently completed RV-14A. Their RV will be in Brent’s hangar for about a week. No doubt they are thankful for Rich’s long time friendship and that they are safe with their RV.

**Minutes Approved:** August minutes approved with motions from two members ‘way back there’ in the room...couldn’t recover the names.

**This Week In Aviation:** Mike Barksdale told of a local Hurricane Harvey relief effort that was started by some of our EAA Chapter 302 membership and followed up to completion by a group named Aviators Helping South Texas operating out of Conroe-North Houston Regional Airport (KCXO). They organized donated supplies from the general aviation community and were able to coordinate with military assets to airlift nearly 300 tons of water and about 50 tons of other goods to areas of Texas affected by the hurricane, specifically Beaumont and Orange, TX. Find pictures and details at [EAA.org](#) at the News & Media tab. Search for ‘GA Pilots Aid in Hurricane Harvey Relief Efforts’.

**Treasurer’s Report:** Don Guice reported a beginning balance on 8/01/17 of \$5029.74, total month income \$862.31, total month expenses \$223.51, resulting in an ending balance of \$5668.54 on 8/31/17. Don asked the membership to approve payment of an expense for web site hosting fees of \$551.01...a two year renewal of services. Miles Demster motioned for approval, Joe Waltz seconded the motion. The membership approved the payment.

**Membership Report:** Last month Bob Humes reports 136 paid members.

**Events Chairman Report:** Kieth Pache discussed the after-meeting Fly-out to Galveston with lunch at Bryant’s Jungle Cafe. Members please check our website for future scheduled events. Planning has started for the member CXO hangar tour this fall. Watch for the date. A reminder:

**IMC/VMC Club:** Tommy Fankhauser reported meetings are the second Wednesday of each month. 18-20 have been attending meetings that include some good ‘controlled hanger flying’ discussion.

**Young Eagles:** Joe Waltz reviewed letters published in our Sept 2017 Newsletter. Katelyn Ebdon, our 2017 Young Eagle Air Academy camper, and EAA National expressed thanks for our support. The membership agreed that the BOD should consider support for one or perhaps two campers in 2018. Treasurer reports 2017 cost was: \$1500 scholarship + \$400 airfare.

**Shop Tip:** Tom Kreiner described a field expedient method for enlarging a hole using a hole saw. A broken trailer hitch lift was the focus of his story. Amazon, Harbor Freight and Habitat for Humanity’s ReStore Shop received kudos for their support. This quote of the day from President Joe at the end: “If it hadn’t happened at Oshkosh we would have cut you off much earlier!”. No Slack!

# September 9, 2017 Minutes (Continued)

**Homebuilder Hints Video:** EAA's Dick Koehler reviewed application and engineering of tension and sheer bolts, nuts and torque protocol.

**Old Business:** Without ceremony Jimmy Crawford has returned the Dodo Award - panel upgrade is complete. Vickie Croston said Chapter Polo & T-Shirts are at a halt for now, but will reorder soon with a simplified design. The goal is one big order thru our website. Previously listed orders will be transferred, but if you ordered you need to pay thru our website.

**New Business:** See Young Eagles above. Vickie Croston appealed for volunteers to staff the 'Eagle Squadron VIP Area' at '2017 Wings over Houston', Oct 21 & 22 at Ellington Field. Volunteers are asked to serve one or two full days starting 0700 hrs to end of day. All perks of VIP Area + breakfast, lunch, snacks and a couple 'late day' libations. Volunteers do have time to see the flight line. Contact Vickie for details.

**Project Reports:** *(Email Miles Demster large file pictures of your project before each meeting.)*  
Dave McDonald—RV10: finished hanging doors, door hardware, installing Plexiglas windows and windscreen.

Don Brewer—Pietenpol Sky Scout: wood construction of tail feathers complete, center wing section, 30 ribs finished, 'token aluminum' fuel tanks, powered by 1932 Model B (55 HP). Making good progress on wings. Don took lots of good natured ribbing about his passion for wood and fabric.

Don Guice—RV7A: Don 'gracefully took possession of Mo Postelweight's rotators for fuselage and wings. They will become part of the Chapter tool shed. Thanks to Mo!

Mo Postelweight—RV8: gear & wings are on and all electrical is complete, waiting for engine. All paint is complete.

Doug Malloy—Zeinith CH 750 Cruzer: After Oshkosh picked up UL350 I (118Hp) engine, floors and seats installed. Major wiring and panel complete & avionics installed.

Jay Strepman—RV9: flap position sensor, pitch servo and tail wiring, carbon fiber panel cut.

**Homebuilders Video:** Watched the Learn Build Fly story. The build airplane in the story is a Wittman Buttercup. Follow on FaceBook @ Learn Build Fly

**\$50 Drawings:** Jimmy Crawford and Gerry White.

**\$10 Drawings:** Mike Banett - wearing a name tag, Don Schults - profile picture on the website

**Adjourned** to fly to Galveston or drive to a 12:30 lunch at McKenzie's BBQ, North Frazier, Conroe.



# EVENTS COMMITTEE UPDATE

(Keith Pache 713-412-7010, pilotpache@aol.com)

1) 7:00-8:30pm Wed. October 11<sup>th</sup> EAA 302 IMC/VMC Club Meeting (scenarios & organized hangar flying).

2) 11:30am-?? Sat. October 14<sup>th</sup> After Chapter Meeting Fly-Out to Tom Davenport's place at Lake Livingston Airpark (00R) for BBQ and all the trimmings. The event of the season!! Please RSVP to Tom (713-504-5536) for planning. Additional information in the flyer.

3) 11:30am-?? Sat. November 11<sup>th</sup> After Chapter Meeting Hangar Open House – let me know if you'd like to show-off your baby!!

4) 6:00-9:00pm Saturday December 9<sup>th</sup> Christmas Party - good food, drink & FUN (Black Walnut)

5) Events Calendar: Here's a partial list of upcoming events below. You'll find many more by clicking on our website Flying Events tab (updated Thursdays): <http://www.eaa302.org/>

## EAA 302 Flying & Social Events Calendar

Please let me know of any aviation events that might be of interest to our members!! Keith Pache 713-412-7010, pilotpache@aol.com

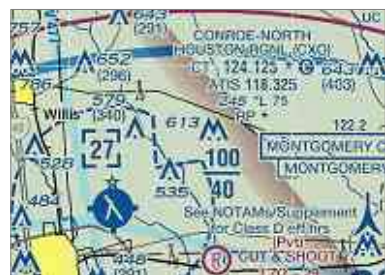
Date	Event Description		Website	Contact
10/9/17	4:30pm CXO Airport Advisory Board Meeting	Lone Star Convention & Expo Center - 9055 Airport Rd, Conroe, TX 77303	<a href="http://www.lonestarairport.org/about-us/airport-board-agenda-minutes/">http://www.lonestarairport.org/about-us/airport-board-agenda-minutes/</a>	Airport Director's office (936) 788-8311
10/11/17	7:00-8:30pm EAA 302 IMC/VMC Club Meeting	KCXO-Conroe North-Houston Regional Airport	<a href="http://www.eaa302.org/imcvmc.htm">http://www.eaa302.org/imcvmc.htm</a>	Keith Pache 713-412-7010 pilotpache@aol.com
10/13/17	11:30am-2:00pm Weekly BBQ Fly-In: come out and enjoy some free BBQ and good times with fellow aviation	KBMT-Beaumont Municipal Airport Beaumont, Texas, USA	<a href="http://www.texasrotorwingacademy.com/">http://www.texasrotorwingacademy.com/</a>	Joey Arena 409-284-1571 Cell 409-866-0084 FBO joey@txrotor.com
10/13-14/17	Fall Festival of Flight - 55th Annual Texas Fly-In: hosted by the Texas Chapter, Antique Airplane Association. Antiques, Classics, Warbirds, Replicas and Homebuilt airplanes that will be on display throughout the event. All aircraft are	KGLE-Gainesville Municipal Airport Gainesville, Texas, USA	<a href="http://www.texasantiqueairplane.com/flyin.html">http://www.texasantiqueairplane.com/flyin.html</a>	Joel Meanor joelmeanor@gmail.com
10/14/17	10:00-11:30am EAA 302 Meeting	KCXO-Conroe North-Houston Regional Airport	<a href="http://www.eaa302.org/">http://www.eaa302.org/</a>	Joe Waltz 832-515-1008 joeawaltz@yahoo.com
10/14/17	Covey Trails Fall Fly-in	X09-Covey Trails Airport Fulshear, Texas, USA	<a href="https://www.funplacestofly.com/aviation-event-details.asp?EventID=22665">https://www.funplacestofly.com/aviation-event-details.asp?EventID=22665</a>	Will Darroh 713-851-3211
10/14/17	Tyler Fly In / Drive In: featuring WW2 trainer planes, Albatross flying boat, Mig 17 and others. Military vehicles and classic cars/trucks. We already have 15 attractive static display warbirds from Korea thru	KTYR-Tyler Pounds Regional Airport	<a href="http://www.tylerhamm.org/">http://www.tylerhamm.org/</a>	Wyley Smith 802-574-4427

# NEWS BITS AND PIECES



**CHAPTER CAMPING**—Oshkosh Airventure now offers Chapter Camps. Mike Goebel has offered to head up a delegation for 302 along with other interested campers. Even if you don't camp, we can use it as a gathering place.

**AIR ACADEMY SCHOLARSHIP**—The board has made a reservation for a 1st-session 2018 Air Academy student. Bring your ideas to the meeting for finding a deserving teen. Winner will likely be chosen from submitted essays.



**Did you notice?**--The Newsletter masthead has changed. The new Sectional Charts are out, and KCXO's name has changed to "Conroe-North Houston Regional. You can check in now with "Conroe Tower" or "Conroe Ground".

## EAA 302 IS NOW A 501(C)3 TAX EXEMPT ORGANIZATION

Due to the diligent work of your Treasurer—Don Guice—302 now has 501(c)3 Status. A tax-exempt 501(c)(3) allows individuals who donate to the group to deduct those donations from their taxable income. This does not include your dues, but does cover directed or undirected donations.



**PROPERTY MANAGER CHANGE**—With the departure of Larry Perryman, Denny Irvine has become the Property Manager, with Brent Crabe assisting. 302 assets will be housed in Jim Smith's hangar and managed by Irvine/Crabe. This will be important as we set up training and use of the new TIG welding machine.

# UPCOMING FLY-OUT PLEASE RSVP!

## Put it on your "To-Do" List

LAKE LIVINGSTON AIRPARK ESTATES FLY IN  
OCTOBER 14th. 00R. Freq. 122.7.

If you are driving: 111 Taxiway, Livingston, TX

Starting around 11:15

A small local fly in, for our airpark and local pilots to feast on some great ribs. We are hoping for about 30 aircraft. We are planning Bar B Q and the trimmings. If you fly, you will taxi SOUTH OF the runway, there will be a gate that will be monitored, FOLLOW the RED POLARIS RANGER to parking. The party will be in the WHITE HANGAR across from the Orange hanger. There will be plenty of parking, in my yard, neighbors yards, drive ways and hanger

Please RVSP if you can. Would be nice for an estimated head count. Call Tom Davenport 713-504-5536

Runways are 12/30. If you land 12, don't back-taxi with traffic on final. Hold at the end.





## IMC/VMC SAFETY FORUM



Our last meeting was held on September 13, 2017 (11 attendees). If you know of a pilot that may benefit from this forum, invite them to our next meeting. Our next meeting will be 1900 - 2030 Wednesday October 11, 2017 (first floor conference room at Galaxy FBO, Conroe-North Houston Airport (KCXO)).

The upcoming meeting titled "Winter Operations" will scare the flight out of you. So, come on by and share your scariest winter flying moments or enlighten the group with a good winter flying tip that makes you a better pilot/co-pilot.

On September 13, 2017 the IMC/VMC group met and discussed the phrase Aviate, Navigate, Communicate. This phrase we often hear after one has made the proverbial error hence, triggering someone to belt it out. The discussion case for the night was about an accident that occurred right in the Houston area. In this case the pilot and passengers did not live to utter that proverbial phrase.

The lessons learned after watching the video and hearing the ATC playback of this fatal crash is one; that the PIC has the final authority, and two; ATC is theoretically on your side and there to help you. However, practically speaking the Air Traffic Controller is working to expedite the flow of air traffic into and out of airports and airspace.

The main discussion of the night's meeting "Common mistakes made by pilots" is a mere continuation of the same line of thinking that brought on discussion from the accident case. Do you catch yourself making any of these common mistakes?

1. Not getting a full brief from a briefer.
2. Rushing to complete the pre-flight (get there-itis).
3. Failing to perform a proper engine run-up.
4. Multi-tasking while taxiing
5. Failing to use a checklist
6. Special VFR or filing IFR. What do you prefer?
7. Handheld GPS device, or too many distracting technology gadgets on the flight deck to manage
8. Taxiing without the taxi diagram out
9. Improper or rushed approach briefing
10. Improper alternate airport choice. Too close to the destination airport, or not a proper alternate.
11. Canceling IFR flight plan before landing.
12. Over controlling the plane while on approach.
13. Not having a full understanding of technology in aircraft.
14. Improper position calls when flying around non-towered airports.
15. Not using clear concise communications or talking too much.

Fly Safe! Challenge yourself to be a better pilot. Learn something new. Practice skill-building in the plane and we will see you at the next IMC/VMC Safety Forum.

## A “GOOD-BYE” FROM TOMMY FANKHAUSER

Looking at my schedule in my new endeavor, I will not be able to dedicate the necessary time to coordinate the IMC/VMC Safety Forum. Yes, I'll again start contributing to social security, once more. I will be working a 19/16 day rotating schedule out of Milwaukee for Freight Runners Express. It's best I let go. Keith Pache has volunteered to take on the responsibilities moving forward for the next two meetings and has indicated interest in taking it on full time..

Michael Barnett will continue to support Keith as a technical resource and back up. Mike is a chapter member in good standing and has been a great resource and adviser to me. Mike flies a Citation X at present and is looking for the perfect J Model Mooney to purchase.

I want to thank Bob Humes for his continued support, ongoing advice, creative ideas, and relentless email distribution support. I appreciated his help editing my wordy announcements and acting as first officer of Adios Airlines (Bonanza 65V). Thanks Bob.

I appreciate the opportunity you and others gave me to organize the monthly event. I hope it's been as much fun and everyone learned as much as I have from the meeting topics over the last year and a half. I'll still be around and my phone open for calls if any support is needed from me. It's been a great couple years and hard to let go, but it's time.

I want to say “thank you” as well to the leadership team of 302 and the great guys on the Hill (and around KCXO) for taking me in to your world and taking the time to share with me your experiences, advice and great great stories of life in Aviation. It's meant a lot to me.

Last but certainly not least, please pass on at the next meeting my appreciation to the all the folks over the last year and a half who have faithfully attended the IMC meetings from the beginning. I will miss seeing you and visiting with you at the meetings.





## CLASSIFIED ADS

Ads are free to any EAA member. They will run for 6 months, or until you pull them out of classified. Text or Email to [dirvine1945@gmail.com](mailto:dirvine1945@gmail.com)

**PARTNERSHIP AVAILABLE--1947 AERONCA L-16A WARBIRD C85 • HISTORICAL AIRCRAFT--**Based at CXO • STC'd 1320# Gross, LSA compliant, Original USArmy L-bird, ADS-B exempt, 2970TT, C85-8FJ, recent Poplar Grove Airmotive major overhaul with only 140SMOH, all accessories overhauled, updated Goodyear disc brakes, new shoulder harnesses, recovered 1990 and always hangared, own a piece of history, this model saw duty in Korea and gets displayed at fly-ins, green house glass provides unrivaled visibility, external antenna provides excellent communications. Available at CXO to see and fly. Establishing partnership for 4 at \$7K/person, could be up to 5 people. Tailwheel check out available. Jeff Lehner Cell: [219-608-1463](tel:219-608-1463) Email: [jefflehner@hotmail.com](mailto:jefflehner@hotmail.com) 10/17

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• [Charles W. Chesnut](#), Owner - Humble, TX USA • Phone: 254-315-5850 . • 8/17

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2001 Challenger II 2 seater long-wing experimental N112KM. Hangared at Shepherd TX. Good running condition. 362 total hours, Rotax 503, dual carburetors, dual ignition. ten gallon tank, full gauges, Microair radio/intercom, Microair transponder, disc brakes, tundra tires, LED landing lights, wingtip strobes, electric trim (flaps & rudder), electric fuel pump, BRS (repack & rocket service due). Built by an A&P. Current annual.  
Contact Dennis Browning @ [832-677-1023](tel:832-677-1023) or [bugeyespri@gmail.com](mailto:bugeyespri@gmail.com) 6/17

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We now meet in Galaxy FBO's newly finished building on the South Side of Lonestar Regional. Use the south entrance, 1<sup>st</sup> floor. Meetings start at 10:00AM.

You cannot access the FBO by the old Airport Parkway. You need to use Loop 336 and turn at Hawthorne Drive. This is a new road with a new Airport Entrance sign which mentions Galaxy FBO and the Black Walnut Restaurant. This is just southeast of the Roller Skating Rink.

See you there.

