

Cockpit Clutter



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Chapter 45 Newsletter

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January Meeting - 19th 7:30 Chapter Hangar

Member and veteran amateur builder Steve Glaeser will present 3d printing and how you can use it for your build. He will also demo Solidworks (computer-aided design software) which is available for free to EAA members.



PASS IT FORWARD TABLE

We are trying a program used successfully by other EAA Chapters where members bring items that they no longer need and pass them on, free of charge to other members. We would like to begin with Aviation-related or workshop-related items that need a new home. An important stipulation is that **if no-one claims your donation, YOU MUST TAKE IT HOME at the end of that meeting.** For items that would have more of a group appeal, such as things for the Hangar tool box, you may want to just donate them to the Chapter. See Jake McClelland about these donations.

Like Christmas every month, you may go home with something you didn't know that you needed. At the January meeting, **BRING SOMETHING TO PASS ON!**

Some Suggestions:

Aviation Books AN hardware
Old instruments Tools

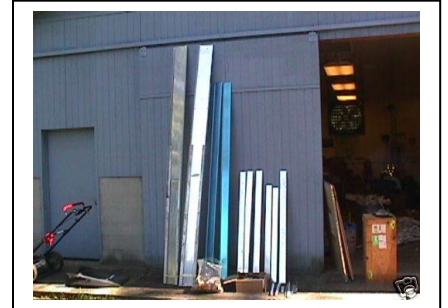


Board Meeting (all members welcome) Jan. 12th
General Membership meeting, Jan. 19th

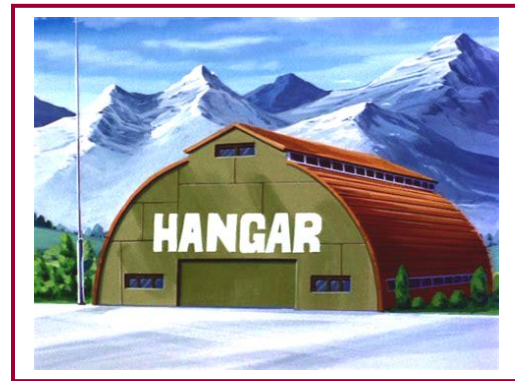
Next meeting will be a Board Meeting
on Friday, February 9th.

Tentatively, the following General Membership meeting
is on February 16th, 2018

For Sale: RV6 / RV6A complete wing kit Comes with the manual with preview plans, and a set of large plans (24 x 36 inches). The spar box weighs 195# & the other box of parts weighs 200#. All parts for the RV6 are still available from Vans Aircraft. The RV7 wing kit sells new for \$8195. It is not a prepunched kit, but someone would save thousands of dollars. \$1800
Contact Steve Roper sroper10@hotmail.com or 724-348-6334 See pictures



For Sale: 40 X 60' hangar at Rostraver Airport (FWQ). Insulated 2-story.
\$55,000 Contact Bill Post 412-882-6869



Chapter Position needing filled: *It has come time for your newsletter editor to finally move on. I will be stepping down from being the editor for Chapter 45 at the end of 2018. I have enjoyed the process of getting information out to chapter members for many years (actually, three different stints as editor adding up to 17 years, which is the same as the most famous Chapter 45 editor, John Frankiewicz, although he did it continuously for that length of time.) It is not necessary for the next editor to remain in the position for so long; I enjoyed it and really didn't want to give it up. And we have had at least five other great editors in the last 60 years (Mary Ellen, Maureen, and Gary to name a few)*

The job is not difficult and I will not only help to mentor the new person but will continue to submit articles and Shop Tips for publication in the newsletter thereafter.

Contact me, Jack at hangarb7@yahoo.com
or the chapter prez, Ken at eaachapter45@gmail.com

\$25 Chapter Dues are for the August 2017-July 2018 year. IF you are unsure as to whether you paid yet, contact membership coordinator, Gary Kreutzer at 724-454-6786 or gwkreutzer@comcast.net

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Shop Tip # 79 Goof Off

I have a bench top disc sander in my home shop and I have developed the easiest method for me of removing the adhesive backed sanding discs.

First, don't use the discs down to the point where they cut through, that makes it more difficult to get them off. Start with the heat gun and warm the pad all over but then concentrate in one small area.

With the edge of a knife, start to peel while turning the disc. The warm sandpaper should peel away easily. Then wipe with a cleaner such as Goof Off (not Goo Gone although that may work), which softens and wipes most of the adhesive residue off the disc. Finish with lacquer thinner to clean any stickiness remaining. It's time to add the new sandpaper disc and get back to work!

As a side note, I inherited a can of Goof Off from my Dad when we cleaned out his house. I have many solvents in my workshop and really didn't think I needed it. However, I found that it is particularly well-suited to removing sticky substances and although it is powerful enough to damage the substrate material, it is very useful around the shop.



Have you a shop idea or product that you have used effectively over the years? Let me know about it – hangarb7@yahoo.com



Ha ha...And now for a good laugh on your ol' editor.... I have collection of Cockpit Clutter newsletters that goes back to 1986 when I joined the chapter. I thought it would be fun to see what was going on back in January 1988...

A report with pictures on the Mighty 8th Air Force Convention by VP Len Elswick, held at the Air National Guard facility at Pittsburgh Airport, with their B-17 in attendance. Ernie Lanyi was starting his fourth term as chapter president and begged folks to offer to host a meeting to make the chapter more interesting *[gee, nothing changes, I guess]*. Secretary Fos Hartman wrote a five page 'story' concerning details of the recent board meeting.

There was a recap of a recent meeting where a person from Altoona Flight Service gave an outline of services available *[be sure to select 'touch tone' or your rotary dial will be rerouted to a flight service member ...]*. There was a monthly food recipe by member Ron Tateman for Beef Barley Soup and a long article called Chapter Chatter where editor John Frankiewicz noted some 'noteworthy' member happenings. The only one that was interesting was, "...John Warren is looking for one little piece of aircraft plywood 6" X 8" *[no thickness given]*. He needs this small piece for some final work on his Kelly Biplane." *[Gee, I guess no one ever offered any, huh John?]*

Not much interesting to report on back then so the joke is on me! By the way, can you ID the character in the picture? Jack hangarb7@yahoo.com