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GREAT NEWS inside!

TENTATIVE CALENDAR OF EVENTS – 2016

Planning and setting of dates are typically done by your board of directors at the beginning of the year and sometimes change. Unless noted, meetings are held at the chapter hangar at Rostraver Airport. Hangar is C1

MAY 13th Board of Directors meeting; open to all members

MAY 20th General Meeting will be at LATROBE AIRPORT - see attached

May 21/22nd AIRSHOW! see inside for details - *FREE ADMISSION* for EAA Ch45 members

June 10th Board of Directors meeting; all welcome to attend

June 17th General Meeting

Monday night workshop / build nights are EVERY Monday night through Spring, Summer and Fall, unless otherwise noted.

check out the meeting web site for updates

http://imapilot55.wix.com/ch45



Chapter 45 Newsletter

Experimental Aircraft Association

MAY 2016

Next General Meeting, MAY 20th AT *LATROBE AIRPORT*

Pictures from April's Meeting



Richard Seman doing a show and tell report on his adventures in electric model flight. Richard built and flies a beautiful Emeraude, but when the building bug hit again, he decided to spend it on quicker projects like these. He is enjoying his new hobby and the camaraderie it brings.

At right, a small but very interested crowd was on hand to listen to Richard and Andy.

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THE LATROBE - WESTMORELAND COUNTY AIRSHOW COMES EARLY THIS YEAR !!!

Read on to see how you can get into the show for FREE

For the past several years we have helped a company sell their wares at the airshow. We are asked to do this again and this is our main method for generating income for the chapter. This eliminates the need for other ways, such as a raffle, raising dues, etc.

So we need your help. The show is on for two days; we need help both days, & if enough people show up, it is not necessary to work the whole day or even both days.

But you will get to see most of the airshow. Bring a friend to help and they get in free also.

1) Please contact one of the following people to let them know you are interested in helping.

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- 2) Show up on Saturday or Sunday as you have agreed
- 3) Help out and enjoy the day! You can bring a lunch or purchase food on the field. It is unknown at this time if you will get a free airshow T-shirt out of the effort but we are trying.

But first, we have a meeting at the *Latrobe Airport Museum, KLBE*. Read on...



We need to meet the Booth Guy at Latrobe to help set up his booths for the air show on Friday, May 20th, so....

Paul Jencka has contacted the KLBE Alr Museum at the airport and we are to get a chance that evening to go through the facility. It is not large but has some history and memorabilia of the airport and early attempts at establishing air line operations in Western Pennsylvania.

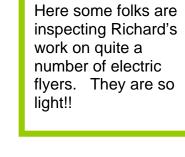
Their web site is here http://ox5.org/klbe-museum/

Meeting there between 7:15 and 7:30PM, Friday May 20th

The air museum is located on the airport's East ramp, which is along Route 981, across from Kennametal's building, just south of Route 30 near the old rotating beacon. There is also parking in the open area by the gate and a short walk over to the museum.

We still have to coordinate with the Booth Guy on a time to meet so if you want to chip in and help set up, check the EAA Meeting Alert website and it will be posted there or contact one us. http://imapilot55.wix.com/ch45

And now on to the pictures from the last meeting...





Below, Richard is explaining how he came to have a fairly fancy transmitter unit, and how it works.

The performance and fun of this sport seems to be endless and also seems to appeal to everyone.





Next up was Andy Stern who always brings interesting paraphernalia to show. He loves to restore antique brass tools and devices, and brought in two items of interest. One is the Astrolab shown at right, used to navigate by star sighting.





Here Andy explains the methodology behind the Astrolab, and the need for accurate time keeping to make it work. So he also brought a beautiful timepiece in a wooden box that he also restored. The clock is on a gymbal that allows movement in all directions while maintaining level, yet the mechanism can also be locked down so that it can be transported without harming the delicate workings of the clock.



All the pictures were provided by member John Mateka who graciously gives them to your editor. By the way, if you are not sure who John is, here is a recent picture taken when he was representing Chapter 45 in Las Vegas (hehe),

so when you see John, stop and say hello.

