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Readers are encouraged to submit short items for inclusion in the newsletter. Responsibility for accuracy rests entirely with the contributor.

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Send your material to: Bob Pendleton, 9929 Lakepointe Ct., Burke, Va. 22015

MEMBERSHIP

Members, Board of Directors and Executive Officers of Virginia EAA Ultralight Chapter 44 welcome the following sport aviation enthusiasts joining us during the month of January:

Peter McCormick (Humbug), Alexandria, Va. Gordon Bredvik (Kasperwing), Springfield, Va. Charlie Winfree, Reston, Va.

NEWS FROM HALES CORNERS

Charles Schuck was present at the January meeting and briefed the membership regarding the Ultralight Meeting which was held on December 14,1982 at Hales Corners.

Charlie submitted the following information which I have taken the liberty of condensing because of space constraints.

"The meeting at Hales Corners was called to discuss the present status of the Ultralight movement with regard to the FAA's statement in the Preamble to FAR 103 that industry must provide positive action to develop programs encompassing pilot certification, vehicle certification and vehicle registration or else FAA will take further regulatory action... Representatives of FAA, AOPA, various states and EAA were present.

EAA stated that they have investigated the subject and are not going to engage in any program which involves their certificating pilots or aircraft nor do they consider their setting up a registration system... EAA will continue to develope safety programs such as pilot proficiency, safety meetings, technical writings, Fly-Ins and contests under controlled environments, which will assist owners and operators to enjoy the sport in as safe a manner as is possible....

The states representatives were of mixed feelings as some states have statutes charging them with vehicle registration and pilot certification or registration, and they would like to see a common standard, preferably by FAA, so they could use it to satisfy their laws. That would leave only a tax handling process for them...

There was no concensus at the close of the

meeting..."

THANK YOU!

The first Chapter 44 Newsletter was hastily typed, assembled, xeroxed and mailed just prior to the January meeting. As a consequence, I inadvertently neglected to recognize the following Ultralight Pilots who have contributed their time, effort and good will:

Joe Mitchell, President, Brookeville Ultralight Association, EAA UL Chapter 20 joined us at our first meeting in November. Joe discussed chapter organization successes and problems. He extended, on behalf of Chapter 20s membership, their best wishes and cooperation for the future.

Charlie Schuck, EAA Area Representative became a member at our first meeting. Charlie discussed the organization of the Experimental Aircraft Association, its numerous divisions and our relationship to EAA.

Paul Nash, past president of Chapter 20 was our speaker for the month of December. Paul's discussion centered on the problems of administering and maintaining an active ultralight flying field.

GUEST SPEAKER

Mr. Michael Sacrey, Chief, Operations Branch (Office of Flight Operations, General Aviation and Commercial Division-FAA) was guest speaker at our January meeting.

Mike offered an interesting and informative discussion concerning FAR Part 103, ultralight water operations and upcoming ultralight related AC's.

After his presentation, Mike invited members to join him in a question and answer session.

The membership, Board of Directors and Executive Officers wish to thank Michael Sacrey for sharing his time and expertise with us.

Virginia Regulates Ultralights

The Virginia Aviation Commission has amended The Rules and Regulations of the Aviation Law of the State of Virginia. These changes have incorporated new rules for ultra-light aircraft and operators. The following is a general outline of the new rules.

Part IV—Section 1—Added Definitions—Ultralight aircraft, etc

Section 2—Rule 2—Now requires all Virginia ultralight pilots to be licensed by the Virginia Department of Aviation. The cost is \$9.00 for four years. Application is to be made on a form provided by the Department.

Rule 3—Requires every applicant for an ultralight airman's license to meet the medical and age requirements set forth in Rules 45 and 46 applicable to parachuting. The age requirement is set at the age of legal majority; or sixteen years of age with the notorized written consent of a parent or legal guardian.

The medical requirements are: have a valid Class I, II or III FAA medical certificate or carry a cer-

tificate of physical fitness for parachuting from a registered physician or have completed the USPA Medical Certificate.

It also requires the applicant to certify that he/she has at least five hours of flying experience as an ultralight pilot in student status.

The airman's license will have on its face the limiting language that the holder is restricted to ultralight aircraft only.

Part IV Section 3—Rule 9 requires the owner or owners of an ultralight aircraft to license that aircraft with the Virginia Department of Aviation on a form furnished by the Department. This license is valid for 12 months. The fee is \$5.00 for non-commercial aircraft. These rules went into effect on October 25, 1982.

For further information or questions regarding these new rules contact John Fuller, Virginia Department of Aviation, 4508 South Laburnum Avenue, P.O. Box 7716, Richmond, Virginia 23231 or call 804/786-3685.

the Virginia Department of Aviation publication, <u>Virginia Aviation</u>, Oct.-Dec. 1982.

1783-1983 BICENTENNIAL OF AIR AND SPACE FLIGHT

On Monday, 25th of January 1982 the Congress resolved, "that the year commencing January 1, 1983, is hereby designated the 'Bicentennial of Air and Space Flight', and the President is authorized and requested to issue a proclamation calling upon the people of the United States to observe the year with appropriate ceremonies and activities".

The Bicentennial year will be celebrated with a wide array of exhibitions, events, aerospace performances and expositions.

For additional information concerning the Bicentennial write or phone:

Air and Space Bicentennial 1575 Eye St., N.W. Washington, D.C. 20005 (202) 289-5392

SALE, TRADE OR BARTER

Dave Maitland offers the following aircraft for sale:

Vector 610 Mitchell B-10 Robertson B1-RD

Dave may be contacted at home (703)752-2924

NEW MEETING ARRANGEMENTS

Begining with our February meeting, the Washington Gas Light Company's Springfield Operations Center at 6801 Industrial Road will be the location for future Virginia EAA UL Chapter 44 meetings.

Directions: From I-395 to Edsall Road West to Industrial Road (2nd traffic light)... Continue 2 blocks, past the Woodward and Lothrop warehouse and railroad tracks; make a right to the Center (6801 Industrial Road.

Dr. Steven Osten volunteered his home for our first unofficial meetings then continued to make available his veterinary clinic for our chapter meetings.

Thank you Steve!!!!

CALENDAR OF CHAPTER ACTIVITIES

Next Chapter meeting: Thursday 3 February

Time: 7:30 pm

Speaker: Vic Powell

Director, AOPA Ultralight Divi-

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