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# EAA ULTRALIGHT CHAPTER 44

# **NEWSLETTER**





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#### MEMBERSHIP

The Northern Virginia Experimental Aircraft Association Ultralight Chapter #44 is currently holding monthly meetings the first Thursday evening of the month at 7:30PM at the Washington Gas Light Company's Springfield Operations Center at 6801 Industrial Park, Springfield, Virginia.

Chapter dues are \$5.00 plus a one time initiation fee

of \$2.50.

Chapter 44 welcomes the following sport aviation enthusiasts joining us during the month of April:

Rodrick Clarke, James Kriegel, Paul Dwyer, Jr, Ed Boynto

#### THE PRESIDENTS CORNER

This month we have tried to put together a comprehensive calander of events so that you can plan your flying activities this summer. Also, we will try to update it each month.

Please contact each sponsor before going to any event if you plan on taking an ultralight. If you are aware that ultralights are not welcome at a particular aviation activity please contact one of the chapter officers so that we can find out why and maybe do something about the situation.

As you know, Virginia has enacted certain regulations concerning ultralights. I have complied (reluctant-

ly) and so far I have recieved my:

Airman's Certificate: \$ 9.00
Aircraft Registration: \$ 5.00
Personal Property tax \$50.00
\$64.00

In return, I received:

A newsletter A Virginia Chart

A Virginia Airport Directory

A copy of "Aviation Law of Virginia", 1981--which says nothing concerning ultralights. Presumably I will be sent an updated version.

The NTSB seems to be pushing the FAA strongly for a standardized accident reporting system for Ultralights. Although I am strongly in favor of a voluntary accident reporting system, I am also familiar with the present set up for General Aviation. FAR Part 830 sets out all the rules concerning accidents and reporting. If the NTSB has its way you could be required to file (within 10 days) a three page report if your ultralight sustains damage more serious than a bent landing gear. You could not even repair it until okey by the NTSB( and that might take a while...). As of now, NTSB is empowered to investigate all fatal ultralight accident and others which the NTSB feels could test compliance with the effectiveness of PART 103.

I have recently talked to Charlie Schuck and Chuck Larson from EAA Headquarters regarding EAA's insurance affiliate. Aviation Insurance Unlimited and their recent dropping of ultralight insurance coverage. They have promised to discuss the issue at the next national board meeting. It is ironic that just as AOPA's AVEMCO insurance is becoming available that EAA should lose theirs.

Bob Chapman

# CHAPTER MEETING

Date:

Thursday 5th of May

Time:

7:30 pm

Location:

Washington Gas Light Co.

Springfield Operations Center

6801 Industrial Road

Springfield. Va.

Speaker:

Milt: Brown

National Aeronautic Association and a founder of EAA Chapter 44

Subject:

Milt will discuss the National Aeronautic Association and the establishment of national and international flight records

for ultralights.

## GUEST SPEAKER

William (Bill) Meserole, past president of Md.EAA Chapter 4 presented a very interesting and informative discussion concerning the new Aviation Center which is now under construction at Oshkosh. He also presented a new film titled "Wings on Dreams" with EAA member John Denver.

He also stated that EAA President Paul Poberezny will appear at the Sheraton National Hotel in Arlington on May 25th. His visit is in support of the Capital Campaign Fund. Lets all show up for this one!!!

# FROM THE EAA WASHINGTON STAFF

Chapter member Charlie Schuck - EAA Washington Staff has submitted the following information in order to clarify AOPA's comments given at a recent FAA safety seminar at the NASM:

"There may be some misunderstanding regarding the requirements for registering ultralights and for obtaining pilot certification as a result of recent discussion on AOPA's involvement in this activity.

AOPA has received the green light from FAA to proceed with their registration of ultralight vehicles and certifying the competency of pilots. To date they are the only ones who have applied to the FAA for participation. These services are on a fee basis and are available to anyone, There is no requirement that makes this a mandatory action. Unless FAR 103 is changed, this is an optional program. The FAA is anxious to see industry acceptance of such a voluntary program but has not made it a requirement."

# SALE, TRADE OR BARTER

Jim Kelly has a number of <u>Glider Rider</u> publications (from May 82) which he is donating to the chapter. The publications will be available to the membership for check out--on a monthly basis.

Other issues may be available so check with

Jim at our next meeting.

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# CALENDAR

Thursday 5 Ultralight Chapter 44 meets at WGL-7:30pm MAY 7 Culpepper AP, Va. KHK's UL Fly-in (919)441-60 15 Manassas AP, Va. FAA Safety Seminar 10:00am Salt. Sun. 5 pm. Includes fly-ins. Chapter 44 will have displays. You are invited to help. Sat./Sun Campbletown, Pa. (Hersy area) UL fly-in at Reigler Field AP (717)273-0411 14/15 Williamsburg, Va. EAA 156 fly-in Thurs. Chapter 44 Directors Meeting 15/21 Va. General Aviation Safety Week 21 Leesburg AP, Va. Fly-in (Safety Week wrap up) Sat/. 21/22 Central Manor AP, Lancaster, Pa. UL competions (717) 285-5978 25 EAA Headquarters visit with Paul Poberezny at Weds. Sheraton National Hotel in Arlington (703) 631-1537 Thurs. 26 Chapter 186 meeting WGL 8:00pm Hopewell AP, Va. 1st Annual Va. Wings Fly-in Sat/Mon. 28/30 (804) 541-3311 KITTZ HOWA FRIDES 2 UL Chapter 44 meeting. John Sheehan, AOPA ASF JUNE Thurs. speaker. WGL 7:30 pm Sat/Sun Winchester AP, Va. EAA 186 Fly-in (703)256-78 4/5 Sat/Sun \* Bealton, Va. (tentative) Chapter 44 and 20 F1 SEE YELLOW SURRY

12 Ocean City AP, Md. EAA 532 Fly-in Fredericksburg, Va. Shannon Antique Fly-in and air show (703) 373-4431 Sat/Sun 18/19 Fri/Sun Oshkosh, Wis. EAA National UL 83 Convention 24/26 (414) 425-4860 23/27 National Mall, Wash. D.C., Festival of American 30/July 4 Folk Life, Folklife of flight (Tentative) JULY Thursday 7 UL Chapter 44 meeting. WGL, 7:30pm 9 National Air and Space Museum, Festival of fight Sat. (Bicentenial activity) 10 Cumberland, Md. EAA 426 Fly-in Frying Pan Park (Fairfax County) Chapter 44 Sun Sat/Sun asked to provide UL static display and discussion 16.17 24 Fredericksburg, Pa. EAA 390 Fly-in (717)273-0411 Sun. -Prize to UL flown in from farthest distance Sat 30/ Aug 6 31st Annual EAA convention, Oshkosh, WI. (414) 425-4860 AUG 535 YM ANNIVERSAMY OF THE 1ST TRANSCON TINEATER UL TUES. 16 Chossine, KHK'S NAGS HEAD, NC. 919/441-412 1-5 QULLAHOMA, TENN. OLE SOUTH FLY-10 83 SEPT. 615/894-7957 THURTHOW,

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