
TAILWINDS

February Meeting Recap



February brought the first monthly chapter meeting in our new location at the Georgetown Airport Terminal. The meeting was held on the morning of February 13. We were happy to see such a great number of members attend at the new venue.

**Deene Ogden
discusses aircraft
wiring with chapter
members**

The monthly program featured presentations by the three Chapter 187 Technical Advisors. Deene Ogden gave a detailed presentation on aircraft wiring, including the proper techniques to use when wiring your aircraft and how to avoid common wiring mistakes made by homebuilders and professionals alike. Deene also covered how to choose the proper wire, how

to achieve clean and orderly routing of wiring bundles, and how to avoid direct shortest path haywiring.

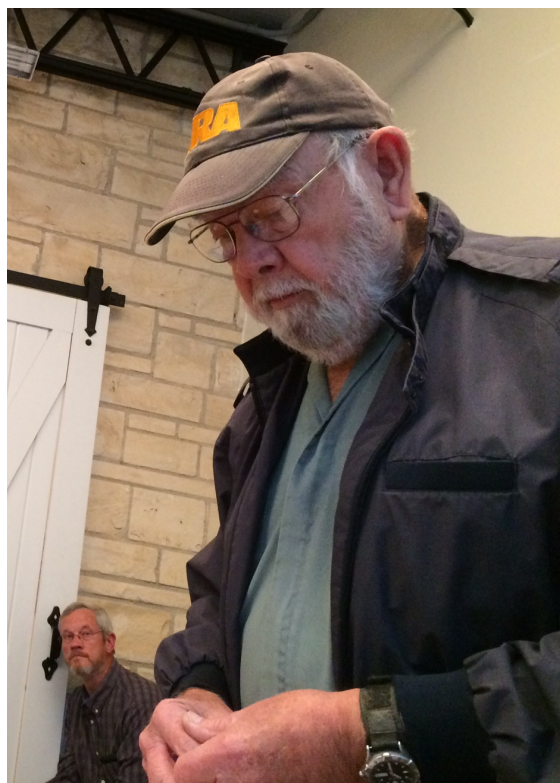
Next, Seth Hancock discussed many aspects of precision and production machining. Seth discussed specific techniques for machining including how to drill square and other non-round holes.

Finally, William Bennett described how to select the proper coaxial cable for avionics including Nav/Com radios and transponders. William also demonstrated how to prepare and install BNC connectors.

Chapter members also enjoyed donuts and drinks curtesy of FiDot Fomichev. Thanks FiDot!



William Bennett explains coaxial cables for avionics.



Seth Hancock describes metal machining.

March Chapter Meeting

The March chapter meeting will be on Saturday, March 12, at 10:00 AM in the terminal building of the Georgetown Municipal Airport. EAA member, Larry James, M.D. is scheduled to present "Aviation Medical," touching on the Pilot's Bill of Rights 2, third class medicals, and transition from Private to Light Sports. Bring any medical questions you have to our Chapter meeting including

special issuance cases. Larry is an experienced pilot and volunteers his time at Commemorative Air Force restoring old war birds. Many Chapter 187 members know him as their AME.

The address for the terminal building is 500 Terminal Drive, Georgetown, TX 78628.

First Flight!!

A huge congratulations goes out to chapter members Dick and Tish Gossen for the first flight of their RV-12. The flight took place at the Georgetown Municipal Airport. We hope to get all the details of the flight at the March meeting.



N218DG on the day of the first flight.



Deene Ogden and Dick Gossen discuss the flight.



A crowd of supporters gathered to help celebrate the flight!

Taylor Fly-Out

A group of local pilots organized a fly-out to Taylor on February 27. About thirty local aviation enthusiasts met for lunch. A few of the attendees are pictured below. Thanks to Jack Fleetwood for the great pictures.





Upcoming Events

Rockdale Tiger Flight: Help us Build an RV-6!

Rockdale Tiger Flight is a group organized by several EAA 187 members in Rockdale, TX.

The group is focused on teaching mid- and high-schoolers airplane building skills. Our current projects are an RV-6 and a Zenith CH-601. We get together **every Saturday at 10 AM**, and focus on building those airplanes. We also offer **weekly Young Eagles rides** to kids, subject to weather and aircraft availability.

This weekly event is free to participants, and we are looking for help! Both kids and adults are welcome!

For more information, log on to rockdaletigerflight.org.



EAA SportAir Workshop

The EAA SportAir Workshop series is returning to Texas on March 12-13, 2016, with a stop in Dallas. Four workshops will be offered: Composite Construction, Fabric Covering, Sheet Metal Basics, and Electrical Systems and Avionics. I have heard great things about these workshops. To register, visit <http://www.eaa.org/en/eea/aviation-education-and-resources/eea-sportair-workshops>.

Texas STOL Round Up

The third annual Texas STOL Roundup will be held on April 22-24, 2016 at the Llano airport. I watched the STOL competition at Oshkosh and it was very impressive. Since everything is bigger and better in Texas, I'm sure this event will not disappoint! For more information, visit the event website at <http://www.texasstolroundup.org>.

A Word from the President . . .

Hello Chapter Members and Aviation Friends,

As Jack Pelton, EAA Chairman and the new CEO announced in the EAA Chapter Video magazine in our February Meeting, we will go through Youth training for the three areas. This is for the protection of the youth who are involved in EAA's Youth programs and also the EAA members who volunteer their time and energy.

The three areas are

1. Young Eagles Flights and Activities,
2. Youth Education Programs including Aircraft building projects and
3. Youth Activities at AirVenture Oshkosh.

Since the Youth Protection Policy was introduced this year, they made some changes to make it a bit more user friendly. This is the quote from Jack Pelton's message.

- Removing what many thought was an overly burdensome **photography policy**. There are now simple guidelines to work with parents when taking photos.
- No requirement to provide a **Social Security Number** when completing the background check (it is optional).
- Simplified requirements for **ground volunteers** at Young Eagles rallies, to require only two-deep leadership that has completed the training and background checks.



- Elimination of the **staff-to-youth ratio** for Young Eagles rallies.
- Clarification on topics such as supervision in an aircraft, individual Young Eagles flights, and record keeping.

My husband, Rob and I have worked in the Boy Scouts of America as scout leaders and the merit badge counselors for many years and know that a large portion of BSA funds is used to cover child abuse-related law suits. Volunteering in the youth activities is a great opportunity and we would like to keep the volunteers safe along with the youth we are taking care of and also be compliant so that the EAA Insurance can cover the events.

Those who are willing to help the youth in those three categories mentioned above, please review the [brief guidance sheet](#) regarding the Youth Protection Policy and Young Eagles Activities. For the latest updates, go to www.EAA.org/youthprotection. The April Meeting is designated to be all about the Young Eagles program, its policy, EAA insurance coverage, information for the pilots, organizers and the parents of youth. Bring all the questions to the meeting and we hope more and more members will volunteer in the future Young Eagles Rallies our chapter sponsors. Enjoy the beautiful weather and be careful when flying!

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EAA Chapter 187 President