



Experimental Aircraft Association

Chapter 66 Ft. Myers, Fl. Page Field



# 66 SQUAWK SHEET

## PI C Briefing

When Was The Last Time You Checked Our Website?

<http://www.eaa66.org/>

My comments this month are regarding a number of aviation related topics.

First and foremost is Sun-N-Fun. As always, it was an excellent show this year with something for everyone. I was there two days and especially enjoyed the afternoon aerobatic shows. On Tuesday evening we attended the EAA social, with Tom Poberezny being the featured speaker. His comments were numerous and included an announcement about the new **Next Step** program for Young Eagles.

The **Next Step** is an online study course donated by Hal Shevers, president of Sporty's Pilot Shop. This course will be presented to all new Young Eagles upon completion of their first flight, and then used to guide them through the process of obtaining their pilot certificate. A logbook will be given to Young Eagles after their flight with instructions on how to proceed. This will answer the question so often asked by these young fliers, what's next?

On a different track, there is growing interest in the tool box raffle. The drawing for the winning ticket will be at the June 9th Chapter Meeting. Be sure to check out the tools and box, at the May 3rd and June 7th Pancake Breakfasts. The winner need not be present to win.

Nationally, only 30% of all EAA members actually belong to a local chapter. As part of an effort to increase membership in our chapter, we will be mailing to all national EAA members living in the Fort Myers area, with an invitations to attend our monthly breakfasts. The pool of potential new members is significant.

They say imitation is the sincerest form of flattery. The Sarasota CAP, Cirrus Aviation and EAA Chapter 180, are sponsoring a Poker Run on Saturday, May 9th. Two cards are available at Sarasota and one each at Avon Park, Charlotte County and Bartow. Poker hands are \$50. Winning hands will be played at 3:00pm at Sarasota. Reservations can be made with Cirrus Aviation at 941-360-9074. A flyer sheet is available at the EAA 66 hangar and the FMY pilot's lounge.

We have a set of instrument pilot training videos available to someone who wants to acquire an instrument rating. They are VHS tapes. They are on the table at the door. Please take them if you can put them to good use.

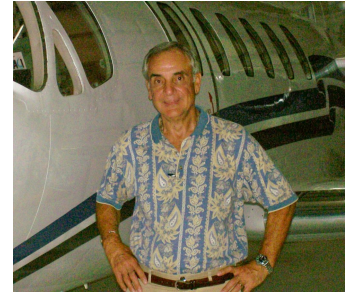
It seems that what goes around comes around. While reading one of my old Air Progress magazines from 1971, yes 38 years ago. (Don't forget I graduated from high school just after the Lincoln administration!) I came across an article on user fees, by Frank Kingston Smith. They were fighting the FAA and the administration in 1971 about user fees, just as we are battling them today. User fees, infringement of pilots rights, restrictive rules and regulations are issues being fought on a never ending basis.

With that, I shall close. See you Sunday at The Pancake Breakfast.

Len DeNardo - President

**One of the beautiful things about a single piloted aircraft is the quality of the social experience.**

MAY 2009



## NAME TAGS

**Fred's Trophies**  
3512 Palm Beach Blvd.  
332-0360  
Ask For: Theresa

Pin Type = \$6.50  
Magnet Type = \$8.50

Next Breakfast May 3rd  
Next Board Mtg. May 5th  
Next Meeting May 12th

Operation  
**"LAMB"**  
Leave **A** Magazine **B**ehind

**PGD** Breakfast 2nd Saturday  
8:30 am - 11:00 am

**APF** Breakfast 2nd Sunday  
8am - 11:00am

**AVO** Buffet Breakfast  
2nd Sunday Oct - May  
8:30 - 11:00

# EAA is About Participation: Be a Member! Be a Volunteer!

**Chapter 66 Meeting**  
Second Tuesday - Each Month  
7:30 PM

**Chapter 66 Board Meeting**  
First Tuesday - Each Month  
7:15 PM

**Chapter 66 Pancake Breakfast**  
First Sunday - Each Month

**Airplane Builders**  
Every Thursday  
7:00 PM

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## Flight Plan

**Regular Meeting**  
May 12th - 7:30pm

## Links

**Check Out These FAA Web Sites**

[http://preparetotest.com/faa/sport\\_pilot.php](http://preparetotest.com/faa/sport_pilot.php)

[http://www.faa.gov/licenses\\_certificates/aircraft\\_certification/aircraft\\_registry/](http://www.faa.gov/licenses_certificates/aircraft_certification/aircraft_registry/)

## 2009 EAA Event Dates

**EAA SportAir Workshops**  
[www.sportair.com](http://www.sportair.com)

**EAA AirVenture**  
Wittman Regional Airport, Oshkosh, WI  
July 27 - August 2, 2009  
<http://www.airventure.org/>

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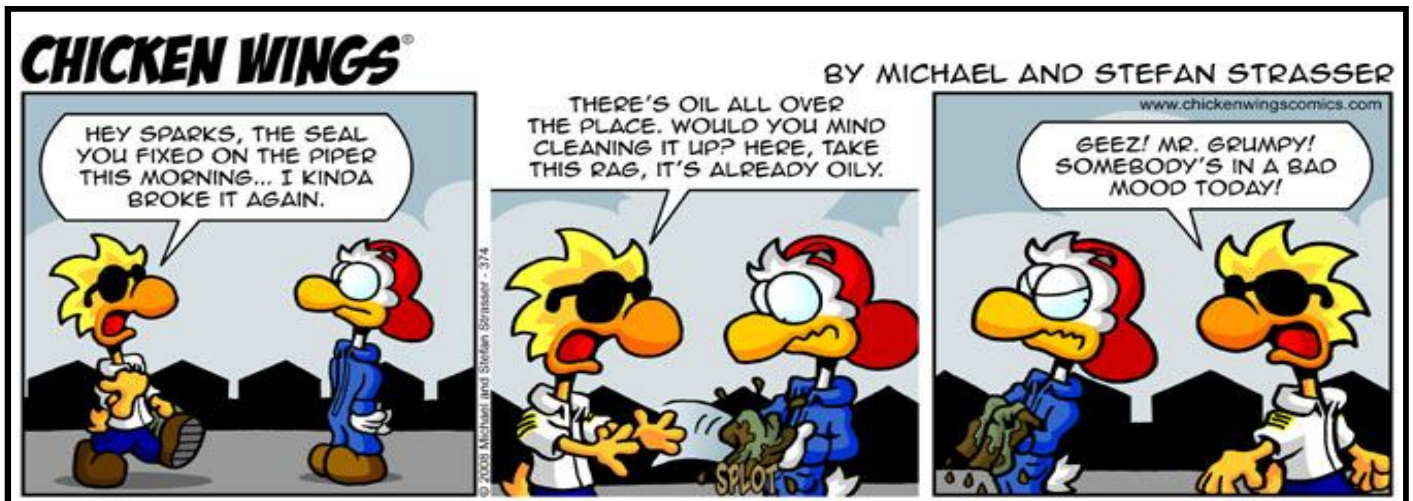
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## Prop Wash

<http://www.chickenwingscomics.com/>



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## - More Aviation Links Below -

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### *The Noon Patrol*

EAA Chapter 292

Willamette Valley, Independence, Oregon

<http://www.eaa292.org/noonpatrol.html>



1929 Ford Tri-Motor 4-AT-E  
NC9612

<http://www.ipass.net/ginkgo/N9612home.html>



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## EAA Chapter 66 Homebuilder's Corner

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Marcos Romeu's Plans Built LMA 80% Taylorcraft



**Project Started:** Started Building 1999 **Project Status:** Approx. 80% Completed.... **Major Structural Items Completed:**

Fuselage - Empennage - HAPI VW Engine/ Prop Installed - Landing Gear/Brakes - Interior and Instrument Panel

**Current Objective:** - Finish Wings (need hardware, fuel tanks installed and fabric covered)

**Next Objective:** Design and Build Spring System for Landing Gear - Complete the remaining 20% in Two More Years.