

MANSFIELD AVIATION CLUB
MINUTES OF MEETING
April 4, 2009
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NOTICE: Young Eagles May 2nd from 10 am to 1pm!!!

Please let Bob Staight know if you can help...The May MAC meeting will be from 9 to 9:30 followed by Pilot and Ground Crew briefing and set up. Please come and help out!

NOTICE: Pre-Meeting breakfast at Flyboys from 8:00 to 9:00 May 2nd ... Please join us!

Opening:

- Curt Hall called the meeting to order at 9:10
- Coffee, tea, and doughnuts were available for the members' enjoyment (Thanks to Bob Staight for bringing doughnuts and Dennis Atkeson for the coffee.)
- The following members signed in:
 - Curt Hall Dennis Atkeson Bob Staight Sue Staight
 - John Walburn Will Esler Darren Hamilton Charles O'tcasek
 - John Bowen Gene Brim Gary Balliet Ron Dapper
 - Jim Gorman Tom Root Tom McFadden Jeff Gorman
 - Karen Pugh Rusty Zeigler Loren Peters Madge Peters
- Welcome new members!!!
 - Karen Pugh Rusty Zeigler Loren & Madge Peters Darren Hamilton
- Shut-ins: John Walburn talked with Curtis Fox who said his Dad was doing OK. Jim Gorman saw Rudy three weeks ago and is doing fine.

Officer Reports:

- Dennis presented the Treasurer's report for March...some highlights:
 - Five members paid dues this month and three members sent money for postage.
 - An anonymous donor paid Dale Liston's dues
 - Pat Collier (from Pennsylvania) received the minutes and sent thanks and check for two years.
 - A check was written to reimburse Bob Staight for doughnuts.
 - Bob Staight motioned, Will Esler seconded, and the members approved the Treasurer's report.
- John Bowen asked if there were any corrections or updates to the March minutes that were emailed March 11th and added to web site (mfd-aero.org). Dennis mailed out copies of the minutes to those without an email address...Thanks Dennis!
 - Dennis Atkeson motioned, Will Esler seconded, and the members approved the March minutes.
- John Walburn reported that the pre-meeting breakfast at Flyboys from 8:00 to 9:00 was a big success. Four new members and 6 other members had a great breakfast with lots of stories and getting to know the new members. Thanks for coming!

Old Business:

- Airport commission meeting:
 - Dennis Atkeson reviewed the Mansfield Aviation and Airport Commission of March 26th.
 - GPS Approaches for MFD 14-32 have been published in the Approach Plates
 - GPS Approaches for MFD 15-23 are scheduled for 2010. Col Stephens is pushing to expedite approvals for possible arrival of C-21 aircraft as they need control field operations for training.
 - FAA Tower personnel reported on a possible Radar and people move to Cleveland sometime from 2010 to 2013. The move is currently on hold; nothing set in concrete.
 - Funding for Taxiway lighting improvements are scheduled for 2010.
 - Wildlife studies complete 3/19/2009...final document to be published in June or July 2009.

- Flyboy's Restaurant: Manager Vickie reports that March operations were exceptional. They plan to keep "plugging away" and there is no threat of closing the restaurant.
- Freedom Festival: According to Mayor Culliver, at the present time nothing is solid for 2009. However, there are two council members working on plans.
- An Aviation Day at MFD is a possibility. Darren Hamilton is working up a 5-K run at the airport; possibly for July 4th or possibly later. Bill Schmidt made a motion to organize an Aviation Day event. Coordination for such an event has not been set at this time.
- Discussions for an "Attraction Point" were discussed. This has previously been described as a viewing area (like shown in One Six Right) and may include a children's play area. Next Steps: Collect ideas on what would make up a viewing area and then present the ideas to the Airport Commission. Bob Staight reported that he got a letter back from Van Nuys airport with a picture of their viewing area that includes picnic tables and benches. Lancaster Ohio has similar area.



- Construction of a new Cell Tower south of the airport has been approved and will impact IFR minimums.
- The Army Reserves will be starting construction of their maintenance and storage facility this year on the west side of the airport. Plans are for four C-21's coming in 2010.
- May 2nd Young Eagles at KMFD:
 - We will fly Young Eagles here at Mansfield on Saturday May 2nd from 10 to 1. Ages 8 to 17. Second Flyers are welcome!
 - We'll need pilots, aircraft, and ground crew ("Loaders")
 - Bob Staight recommended a quick MAC meeting followed by pilots' briefing at 9:30
 - MAC will provide hot dogs for the kids. Vickie at Flyboys will cook them and provide soft drinks & chips. Dennis will provide tickets so there will be one hot dog per Young Eagle.
 - We'll work with Mark Daugherty to set up "cones" and yellow tape to help organize the Young Eagles
 - Bob Staight has done the advertising for this event and has contacted EAA for insurance.
- July 4th Pancake Breakfast:
 - John Walburn met with Darrell (local car club) about the possibility of them joining us at the pancake breakfast but the date conflicts with already scheduled event.
 - John suggested we contact the local bicycle group
 - Notes from prior meetings:
 - Members agreed that set up for the event will be Friday night at 6:30pm
 - Serving begins at 8 am and continues through 12 noon
 - OANG will provide a C-130 on display and hopefully a large fire truck next to the Terminal building
 - Attached is the flyer being mailed out to local airports.
- Christmas dinner speaker:
 - Bob Staight reported that he received a letter from the AOPA they will let us know later in the year if they can provide a speaker for the Christmas dinner.
- Future Fund Raisers:
 - Bob Staight mentioned while in Huron recently, he heard about a Ford Tri-Motor from Michigan that gave rides. After discussing with the members, he offered to inquire if the aircraft might come to Mansfield.

New Business:

- Ron Dapper reported that he is delivering Aviation magazines to local elementary schools. If you have extra magazines, let Ron know.
- Darren Hamilton talked about the possibility of a Friday night barbecue at MFD...he'll keep us informed.

EAA Chapter 148:

- The EAA Chapter 148 bus trip to the Air Force museum March 14th was a great success!
- EAA Chapter 148 is planning a bus trip to MERFI September 12th to give any local flying enthusiasts the opportunity to attend MERFI this year.
- Next EAA chapter meeting is April 13th (Monday) at Living Word church. Supper and Education program.
- The May 10th chapter meeting will be a Fly In at Galion.

Airport Manager Report:

- Mark was unable to make the meeting but provided Dennis with the March 26th Supervisor's report:
 - Airport Operations reported by ATCT:

• January 2008	1,455	January 2009	1,016
• February 2008	1,219	February 2009	1,456
 - Runway Safety Action Team meeting held on March 4th. Jim Trumblay from the FAA advised there were no action items.
 - Survey crews from Stantec completed surveying for the design of the taxiway lighting project March 5th. Design work will follow this year, hopefully build in 2010.
 - Snow season went extremely well. Snow fall: 6 inches in November, 6.2 inches in December, 43,8 inches in January, and 7 inches in February. Total for the season was 63 inches.
 - Tree and fence damage from 66 mph winds on February 11th.
 - Employee lay-offs were effective April 13, 2009.
 - Orange Coal Cleaner has been removed!

Misc. Aviation News / Events:

- Loren mentioned the EAA pancake breakfast at Shelby June 7th
- Sun & Fun at Lakeland, Florida will be April 21st – 26th
- B17 & B24 will be in Lancaster, Ohio May 30th
- There will be an Ercoupe convention June 25th – 28th at Middletown, Ohio
- The International Flying Farmers organization is holding "Destination Dayton, Ohio" in Dayton, Ohio, July 21 through July 26.
- EAA Air Venture at Oshkosh will be July 27th – August 2nd
- MERFI at Urbana, Ohio will be September 12th – 14th

MAC 2009 Calendar:

- 05/02/2009 MAC meeting
- 05/02/2009 **Young Eagles at Mansfield Airport**
- 05/10/2009 EAA Chapter 148 Fly in / Drive in meeting at Galion Airport
- 06/06/2009 MAC meeting
- 06/07/2009 EAA Chapter 148 Fly in Pancake Breakfast at Shelby Airport
- 07/04/2009 MAC Pancake Breakfast at Mansfield Airport
- 07/12/2009 EAA Chapter 148 trip to Kelly's Island (Bus/Fly-in)?
- 08/01/2009 MAC meeting
- 08/10/2009 EAA Chapter 148 meeting at Living Word Church ("Weather to Fly")

- 09/05/2009 MAC Corn Roast / Brat Burn at the Gorman's hangar at 6pm
- 09/12/2009 EAA Chapter 148 Bus trip to MERFI, Grimes Field, Urbana, Ohio
- 10/03/2009 MAC meeting
- 10/12/2009 EAA Chapter 148 Fly in / Drive in meeting at Ashland Airport ("Pacific Aviation Museum")
- 11/07/2009 MAC meeting
- 11/08/2009 EAA Chapter 148 Bus trip to MAPS Museum, Akron Canton
- 12/04/2009 MAC Christmas dinner
- 12/05/2009 MAC meeting (perhaps)
- 12/14/2009 EAA Chapter 148 Christmas Party, Living Word Church

Potential Agenda Items for the next meeting:

- Opening:
 - Introduction of new members / guests
 - Birthdays / anniversaries
 - Report on member shut-ins
- Officer Reports:
 - President's report
 - Vice President's report
 - Treasurer's report
 - Secretary's report
- Old Business:
 - Pancake Breakfast planning
 - Newsletter
 - Follow up on speaker at our Christmas dinner
 - Future Fundraisers
 - Fly Outs
 - Review upcoming events on Calendar (see minutes)
- New Business:
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 - EAA Chapter 148
 - Mansfield Airport Operations
 - Misc. Aviation News / Events
 - Any aviation news to share?

Pancake Breakfast Flyer next page

Mansfield Aviation Club Pancake Breakfast

July 4th, 2009 from 8 to 12

Fly or Drive to Mansfield Airport

Pancakes (all you can eat), Sausage (3), OJ, Coffee

Only \$5 (\$2 under 12)
Support MAC projects

See Airplanes
National Guard C-130
Chat with Pilots



Fly: Contact Mansfield Approach

Atis 125.3 App 124.2 Twr 124.2 Gnd 121.8

Drive: Hwy 13 to 2000 Harrington Memorial

Drive, Mansfield, Ohio and watch for signs.



All Welcome!
Stop by on your way
to the Freedom Festival!