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Minutes from the June Meeting

Solo Flight

Wayne Evans now has RED EAGLE done and flying. Ben flew this beautiful FlightStar and pronounced it "an absolute joy to fly". Wayne has it hangared with Erick Baron next to Kim and Mike at Cartersville airport. Come by and see this masterpiece. You will be impressed.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS:

(for more up to date and late developing events go to the forum at
<http://www.georgiasportflyers.com/cgi-bin/yabb/YaBB.pl>)

June Meeting

There will be no June meeting because of the Air Rally.

Etowah Bend Gliderport

GEORGIA SPORT FLYERS AIR RALLEY

June 12, 2004 (if rain on the 12th the Rally will be held on the 13th)

Etowah Bend Gliderport



Calender continued

CHATTANOOGA SPORT FLYERS ANNUAL ULTRALIGHT AIR RALLY & CLUB CHALLENGE

September 10-12, at Marion County Airport, Jasper, Tennessee. INFORMATION; T.L. Primm (706)657-2318. e-mail: primmees@quixnet.net

The driving directions to Etowah Bend Gliderport:

Driving from downtown Atlanta take: Hwy I-75 North exit 290 "Cartersvilles Exit" make left, follow to US 41, turn right on HWY 411, then follow signs to Rome. After 10 miles will cross Etowah River. Make U-turn after bridge then Etowah Bend clubhouse road will be at the FIRST GATE on the right after driving back over the bridge.

Before Ultralights #11

One of our club members asked that I give a little of my post war history and how I got into a peaceful mode. To be honest I didn't! I would rejoin the troops today if I could. May God bless those boys and girls overseas fighting for us now.

I applied for college at Emory University and the University of Georgia and was accepted at both. My dad went to Emory and so did I, but probably would have had more fun at Georgia.

I finished pre-med in three years, Emory Medical school in four years, and finally a Residency in O.B-Gyn at Crawford Long (a part of Emory) in four years.

The story of my divorce is too painful to relate, but God gave me an upscale replacement. Many of you have met Frances.

After 10 years of private practice in Valdosta, almost killing myself, I accepted a position with the Kaiser Permanente Health Plan in Sacramento. It was awful having to decide on week-ends whether to go to San Francisco, Napa Valley, Lake Tahoe, Las Vegas, Palm Springs or the Monterey area!

Since retirement we have lived at Naples, Florida, Reynolds Plantation and Peachtree City. Each one has been a different county of Heaven. A few of each of my crews have kept in loose contact, letters, e-mails, reunions, etc.

I told you I didn't keep good records on anything. I have no idea of my flying hours and as I said before, "who cares?" Hope this has been of some interest to you. Anyone with a different memory or opinion? who cares? Tell it to your Chaplain! Are my flying hours over? NOT

Doc

P.S. I know you'll be happy to know there is only one more article, and some pictures.

(I enjoyed the series and look forward to the pictures. ed.)



Richard Johnston beats Jetcar at Etowah Bend

View from the cockpit through a beginners eyes

This article was initiated by Richard McIntosh who, unfortunately, is called away from flying by family duties. We hope to see him back soon. Brian Sumpter has eagerly stepped up to fill his “Beginner” shoes.

Impressions From a “NEWBIE”

**By
Brian Sumpter**

Hello, my name is Brian Sumpter and I am a “Newbie”. Everyone reply “Hello, Brian”. So what constitutes a newbie as related to aviation? Let me reply with three things that definitely will give you away:

- ⊙ First of all is the way you dress, you have on the t-shirt with your favorite plane plastered on front or the shirt from the last air show you attended. Aviator sunglasses, a dead giveaway. Also it is still a little too warm for the leather “Bomber” jacket but you wear it any way.
- ⊙ Secondly, the things you talk about. You can’t tell about your first discovery ride or in my case my first glider ride over Lake Tahoe in Reno, Nevada enough. By the way for those of you that haven’t heard that story before, let me tell you about that day...BLAH,BLAH,BLAH.

See NEWBIE

NEWBIE continued

© The third thing is your excitement over the little things. For example consider this conversation between the Newbie and Mr. Really Experienced Pilot (I'll refer to him as "REP").

Newbie: Hey guess what I did during my lesson today, the instructor said I did a really good job!

REP: No, what. (Subconscious)-OH, BOY, here we go again.

Newbie: I taxied up and down the taxi way, FIVE times today, the last time I almost got up to take off speed, if it weren't for the slight off runway excursion.

REP: That's great. (Subconscious)-Man, I wish my cell phone would ring, I even wish my wife would call about now.

During the next couple of issues of the newsletter I will try to impart the thoughts, feelings and the intrepitations of the new guy, alias the "Newbie". Hopefully this will help the REP have a little more patience with us. Remember we were all there at one time, so when I tell you for the "umpteenth" time about my last flying lesson and point out the fact that I have four and a half hours flight time accumulated. Please! Be kind. "Newbies" have feelings too.

Call Signs

Erick Baron is "Red".

(Does anyone find it funny that Red Eagle and Red Baron are hangared together?)

Would you like to Learn to fly Ultralights or Trikes? Here are instructors you can call:

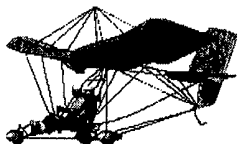
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See inside for details and Directions