



# The Falcons

## August 2008

### For the September Meeting:

- The menu for the September meeting will be Sloppy Joes and the usual chips and soda for a \$5.00 donation.
- The program for the September meeting will be a discussion by Ron Rich about the new FAA guidelines for maintaining and modernizing older certified aircraft. Also, Dave Searle will show a DVD that he picked up at AirVenture on the Zenith CH-701 experimental STOL light sport airplane.
- It's time to think about nominations for next year's officers. Nominations will be made at the October meeting, and elections held at the November meeting. The new officers will take over the helm of Chapter 228 on January 1st.
- The next monthly family social get together will be at The Fireside Grill at the Holiday Inn, 12800 N. Saguaro Blvd., Fountain Hills at 8:00 AM on Saturday October 11. Please notify

### CHAPTER OFFICERS

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### Treasurer's Report

As of 7/31/08 the treasury balance was \$1694.65

### Future events:

September	2008
23 Tue. 1900 h	Chapter Meeting (CAF)
October	
14 <sup>th</sup> Tue. 1900h	Officers Meeting
28th Tue. 1900h	Chapter Meeting (CAF)

Brian Brigerman at [blb7037@cox.net](mailto:blb7037@cox.net) at least 2 days in advance so reservations can be made.

- Jon and Vicki Vic have graciously offered to host this years chapter Christmas party at their home. Tentatively, the date is set for December 6th. Further details to be announced at a later date.
- EAA MEMBERS ARE URGED TO COMMENT ON '51% RULE' PROPOSAL! The homebuilder community needs your help! The FAA has proposed changes to the Experimental Amateur Built rules that EAA believes will negatively impact the homebuilt movement. We are urging all EAA members to do two things:
  1. Comment on the FAA's proposed changes;
  2. Spread the word - tell other builders and get them to comment. The FAA's stated goal was to better control commercial activities that reduce the amateur builder's actual involvement in the project to less than the "major portion" (51%) required by the regulation (Ref: FAR 21.191(g) ). EAA is concerned that the proposed changes place significant burden on our members who are building within the letter and spirit of the regulations while doing little to address excessive commercial assistance and "pro building". Time is of the essence! Comments must be submitted by 30 September. Read more:  
[http://www.eaa.org/news/2008/2008-09-04\\_proposal.asp](http://www.eaa.org/news/2008/2008-09-04_proposal.asp) | EAA's analysis:  
<http://www.eaa.org/news/2008/analysis-abrules.pdf> |

How to comment:

[http://www.eaa.org/news/2008/2008-09-04\\_proposal2.asp](http://www.eaa.org/news/2008/2008-09-04_proposal2.asp) |

Sample Letter:

<http://www.eaa.org/news/2008/form-letter-01.pdf>

- ELT FREQUENCY MONITORING. After the first of the year. ELT frequency 121.5 MHz will no longer be actively monitored. Check the following web site for further information.  
[http://www.sarsat.noaa.gov/pha\\_seout.html](http://www.sarsat.noaa.gov/pha_seout.html)

## EAA Chapter 228 Falcons Membership Meeting Minutes Summary

August 26, 2008

The August meeting of the Falcons was held at the Commemorative Air Force hangar at Falcon Field, Mesa, Arizona. Bean burritos, chips and soda were available for \$5.00 prior to the meeting. Thanks to Mike Cycon for making the burritos. Chapter President Dave Searle called the meeting to order at 7:09 pm. There were 17 members in attendance at the meeting. The chapter welcomed Pat Treskow who is building a Zenith 701, Ken Kear (a very accomplished scale modeler) who would like someday to build wood components for experimental aircraft and Dan Wynn who wants to build an RV-10.

Tonight's Program:

Dave Searle and Don McGettigan talked about their trip to Airventure 2008 and discussed what everyone, planning to attend the EAA convention in the future, should know. Dave had a

lot of information on how to get there, what it will cost, where to stay, getting around while in Oshkosh, what and where to eat and what to bring. He also stressed planning your trip a year in advance. Don has attended the EAA convention 20 times and has always flown-in his own aircraft. He explained in detail the approach procedures for flying in to Airventure. Don also showed a Sonex DVD that he picked up while at the fly-in.

The meeting adjourned at 9:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted:

Michael Bruce

Secretary

### In the Pattern (misc. stuff)

- Mike Cycon announced that Bill Miller will be a Honorary Member of Chapter 228 for year 2009.
- Dave Searle suggested that anyone who is able should attend the Falcon Field Airport management meetings. The meetings are held at Anzio's Landing restaurant on the first Wednesday of each month at 9:00 am.
- Be sure to check out our new website at <http://eaa228.org/>. Webmaster Dan Billingsly has done an outstanding job.
- If you have questions about the Young Eagles program or would be interested in helping out at a future YE event, see Chapter 228 Young Eagles coordinator Brad Carlson.
- Have you flown Young Eagles and earned flight points? You can donate those points to the Arizona Council of EAA Chapters to help send a young

aviation enthusiast to EAA Air Academy.

- Phillips Fuels is offering a \$1.00/gal rebate on fuel for pilots flying Young Eagles. For more information on this program visit <http://www.phillips66aviation.com/YEagle.htm>
- Visit the Arizona Pilots Association website at <http://www.azpilots.org/> to learn about issues concerning flying in Arizona.
- Chapter 228 Board meetings are held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of each month (except July and December) at IHOP on the SW corner of Higley and Brown Roads. Meetings commence at 6:30 PM and all members are welcome to attend.
- If you would like to receive your monthly newsletter via e-mail, send Newsletter Editor – Scott Mulhollan a message at [cactushp@gmail.com](mailto:cactushp@gmail.com).

## Upcoming Events in Arizona

- 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of the Month: Lions Club Breakfast at Coolidge (P08)
- October 6<sup>th</sup>: Arizona Skyfest at Prescott (PRC)
- October 6/7<sup>th</sup>: Air and Auto Show at Kingman (IGM)
- October 23/26<sup>th</sup>: Coppersate Regional Fly-in at Casa Grande (CGZ)

