

## August Chapter Meeting

By Parker Darden

Buz Rich opened the meeting by welcoming everyone and introducing new member Rod Shack.

Jimmy Gray presented the members with information about a passport issued by the Virginia Aviation Ambassadors Program. The program is designed to encourage pilots to fly to all 64 of the public-use airports in Virginia, to visit the four aviation and transportation museums, attend one safety seminar in Virginia and attend the Virginia Regional EAA Fly-In. At each facility you can have your passport stamped. There are three award levels, Bronze, Silver, and Gold. See Jimmy to get further information and a passport so you can get started.

Jimmy also reported on the taxi way progress. The project started July 18<sup>th</sup> and is scheduled for completion about October 18<sup>th</sup>.

Buz reported that the board members approved building a picnic table for the airport. Buz also asked Jimmy to check on the feasibility of building a grass landing strip on the airport. Jimmy will check with the FAA about funding and site approval.

It was announced at the meeting that the September 17<sup>th</sup> meeting would be at Dickie Todd's residence on Currituck Airport. Dickie

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## Light Sport Aircraft and More – See the latest at the Virginia Regional EAA Fly-in

By Dee Whittington

Plans for the 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Virginia Regional EAA Fly-In scheduled for October 1-2 at PTB are nearing completion. With decent weather we should break our 630 plane record. As of late August, among others, eight manufacturers and distributors of Light Sport Aircraft are signed up as vendors. In addition to seeing the new category of Light Sport Aircraft, you will be able to attend forums covering the new Sport Pilot certificate as well as special flight instructor considerations for student taking training for this certificate. You can quickly identify the location of the three **Forum** tents by looking for **ORANGE balloons** flying above them.

Be sure to bring your Virginia Aviation Ambassador passport with you and get it stamped at one of the red Aircraft Registration Tents.

If you fly in, please, please register your aircraft at one of the Aircraft Registration **RED** tents marked with **red balloons**. If you also fill out a short survey form, you will be automatically entered into a drawing for an **Oregon Aero Headset Upgrade Kit with MicMuff for Electret Microphone (value \$117)**. Or if you drive in, fill out the survey at the Admissions Gate and you will be entered in a drawing for an **Oregon Aero SofSeat 1" Bottom, non-skid and Universal Lumbar Support (value \$154)**.

Try your luck by entering other free drawings for the following items at various areas around the airport:

§ Pacific Oil Cooler certificates good for

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

SEPTEMBER 17

CHAPTER MEETING @ FKN: NAVIGATION.

OCTOBER 1 – 2

VIRGINIA REGIONAL EAA FLY-IN @ PTB.

VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED, WE ARE IN CHARGE OF THE YOUTH TENT.

OCTOBER 8

FLY-IN @ WILLIAMSBURG (JGG), 35<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF AIRPORT

OCTOBER 15

TRI-CHAPTER FLY-IN @ FKN.

VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED, ESPECIALLY EVENT LEADERS.

OCTOBER 26 – 30

NAFI REGIONAL COLLEGIATE FLYING COMPETITION

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has been in Mississippi helping a relative recover from Hurricane Katrina and the meeting at his house has been postponed until November.

Buz reported that a new membership feed back and program survey has been drafted and will be out next month to better help the Board of Directors meet the needs of the membership. There will be two ways to fill out the survey 1. A printed copy will be provided, and 2. A survey will be posted on the website.

Karen Bradshaw, Ron Little, and Tim Riddick have volunteered to be the nominating committee for the upcoming election of officers. Buz encourages anyone willing to volunteer for an office please contact one of the nominating committee members. The nominations from the committee and nominations from the membership will be presented at the October meeting. The slate of officers will be posted in the news letter and elections will be held at the November meeting, and the new officers to take office during the December Meeting.

Dick Tokarz was the 50/50 winner. Secondary winners of tokens brought back from Oshkosh were Mike Beale won a Ford hat with a P-51 on it; Jimmy Howell won a poster with a Jaguar, and Dickey Todd with a scale replica of a Ford Model T.

The presentation was a slide show with narration by Buz and Tim Riddick on EAA Air Adventure 2005 at Oshkosh.<sup>^</sup>

a free oil cooler overhaul (two certificates)

\$ Kit Log Pro v 2.0, award winning logging software for the kit builder (two copies)

\$ Unison Industries combo of a clock and T-shirt (two sets)

\$ Causey Avionics \$100 discount coupons for any hardware or labor item (two coupons)

This year we will have over 60 vendors/exhibitors displaying their wares

Bring kids and let them participate in hands-on projects in the Youth Tent. Or watch the excitement they get by actually flying a Control Line Model Airplane with a flight instructor at their side. You'll be tempted to try your hand too!

Be sure you pick up your free copies of *Trade-a-Plane* in the familiar yellow bag as well as a copy each of *GA News* and *The Southern Aviator* in their distinctive pink bag. Everyone attending also gets a program with a field layout diagram and other items.

At 1 p.m., a crowd pleasing Air Show will begin. During this time the field will be closed by NOTAM allowing you to enjoy Charlie Kulp and his Flying Farmer act, Ron Saglimbene flying his fire engine red Siai Marchetti, Charlie Schwenker performing classic aerobatics in his Extra 300, Bill Finigan wringing out his S2C Pitts biplane and appreciate the aerial tricks of the Hanover Radio Control Group.

Come early to enjoy a classic Pancake Breakfast in the main hangar which will be served 8 a.m. to 11 a.m.. Later in the day other vendors will be offering a wide variety of food.

If you fly in this year, check the suggested approach procedures for both Ultralights and Standard Aircraft detailed with text and graphics on the Fly-In web site: [www.vaeaa.org](http://www.vaeaa.org). Monitor both AWOS and

### Meet Our Members – Dickie Todd

By Tim Riddick

Meet another of Chapter 1377's charter members, Richard "Dickie" Todd, who recalls his fond memories of aviation from as early as his dad owned the South they sold it in 1985. lled Chesapeake (CPK), G) and Franklin (FKN) as Dickie has enjoyed the essna 150's, 172's and Cessna Cardinal 177 tel. While he owned the ska twice and has also anyon, and was once an invited guest on a trip to the Grand Cayman Islands. Dickie is the first of our members to live out his dream of owning his residence at an airpark. He has settled in at the Currituck Air Park (9W7) near North Carolina's Outer Banks.

Unicom frequencies and get in line for the runway in use and at a safe spacing for landing. After landing roll out to the far end of the runway and follow the directions of the Linemen to either Showplane parking on the Ramp (until filled) or General Aviation Parking in the grass areas. Displaying a sign, SPP or GAP in your windshield will make it easier for the Linemen to determine your destination.

Volunteer to help by using the Volunteer Form on our web site. You can pick the time and area which interests you. Just click on *Volunteers* on the main web page. Dedicate a minimum of four hours and you get a free pass to the Volunteer Dinner Saturday evening as well as lunch each day if you volunteer during that time. You'll be glad you did!

No computer? Then call 804-358-4333 with your questions prior to October 1.^

### Volunteers Needed for Tri-Chapter Fly-in

Registration Supervisor + two helpers in three hour shifts

Parking Supervisor (Tim Riddick) + three helpers in three hour shifts

Aircraft judge

Chief Judge, Spot Landing Competition + five helpers

See the sign-up sheet at the next chapter meeting.



Dickie Todd Caught Eating Pancakes at Tri-Chapter Fly-in 04