



Heart of Ohio

EAA Chapter 402
Newark-Heath, Ohio

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Photo of N1538C by Greg Hitchens

Photo by Wendy Hollinger

Chapter 402 Meeting Dates and Locations

Chapter 402 meets on the 3rd Tuesday evening of each month at 7:00 pm at the Clubhouse, unless otherwise indicated below.

- March 19, 2013:
EAA Chapter 402 Clubhouse,
520 Heath Road, Heath
- April 16, 2013:
EAA Chapter 402 Clubhouse,
520 Heath Road, Heath
- May 21, 2013:
EAA Chapter 402 Clubhouse,
520 Heath Road, Heath



Three-Eight Charlie 50th Anniversary Edition Debuts at Women in Aviation Convention

Dale and I are headed to Nashville Friday morning for the Women in Aviation International Convention, where we will debut the hot off the presses 50th Anniversary Edition of *Three-Eight Charlie*, by Jerrie Mock. We are enthusiastic to see you at the upcoming membership meeting Tuesday evening and share the excitement!

The book is beautiful, and Bookmasters, in Ashland OH, did a fabulous job. Printing archival images, like those contained in this book, is quite a challenge, and there are over 200 color photos. Additionally, they were given a tight schedule to begin with, and then had a full plant power outage in the final days before my deadline. But they persevered and the end result is just as perfect as if they'd had weeks longer.

We appreciate the support and interest we've received from the Chapter, and thank you! We know you'll be as delighted as we are when you see this new edition.

The following is from the Publisher's Statement in the book:

I first became aware of this fabulous story when Jerrie Mock's sister, Susan Reid, made a presentation on Jerrie's historic around-the-world solo flight at our local EAA (Experimental Aviation Association) meeting. Susan was raising funds to place a bronze

sculpture of Jerrie in her hometown at TheWorks® Ohio Center for History, Art & Technology (Newark, OH.) When I learned this book was out of print and difficult to acquire, I immediately volunteered to recreate and publish this new edition. My partner, Dale Ratcliff, and I flew our Cherokee 180 to meet Mrs. Mock in Florida and review her memorabilia. (Arriving by car or commercial flight to meet this historic aviator just didn't seem right!)

Jerrie's memories of her 1964 flight are still clear, and we were honored to meet and spend time with her. While newspaper articles made much of the "race" between Mrs. Mock and Joan Merriam Smith, Jerrie made clear, and documentation supports the fact, that was never the case. Jerrie's planning began months in advance of the trip and the two women only became aware of one another in the final months leading up to Jerrie's departure. She had dreamed of experiencing the world, and would have preferred to linger at each stop to see the sites and enjoy the local culture. However, constant pressure from sponsors and home for stories and a "win" made that impossible, and she pressed on to complete over 22,000 miles in 29 days.

While a great deal of Jerrie's paperwork was discarded en route to lighten her load, and film sent home never arrived (said to have

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Heart of Ohio Fly-Outs

Fly-outs are the 1st Sunday and 3rd Saturday of each month, and usually depart from Newark/Heath Airport (VTA) at 8:00 am unless otherwise indicated below. Contact Rollie Bailey, Fly-Out coordinator, for more information. (740-366-3404).

- March 16th (3rd Saturday) we will depart (VTA) at 10:30 a.m. for FREE hot dogs (I69) Clermont Co. (Sporty's)
- April 7th (1st Sunday) we will depart (VTA) at @ 10:00 a.m. for brunch at the Greater Portsmouth Regional Airport (PMH) for brunch.
- April 20th (3rd Saturday) we will depart (VTA) at 8:00 a.m. for breakfast at Denny's landing at Zanesville Municipal Airport (ZZV).



Come Fly With Chapter 402!

**Tell us about YOUR fly-out!
If you take a special trip, or
simply enjoy a great day of
flying, send us your story to
share with others!**

Dates of Note

Women in Aviation International
Conference March 14–16
Sun 'n Fun April 9–14
Airventure
(Oshkosh) July 29–August 4

Please send us Dates of Note regarding aviation events or other activities that we can share with members.

Fly-Out Report

First Sunday in March

Not a surprise this time of year, the snow squalls were spread across the state Sunday. Visibility was minimal and ceiling low. Four of us opted to have breakfast at Bob Evans. Just think, spring is just around the corner. Whoopee!

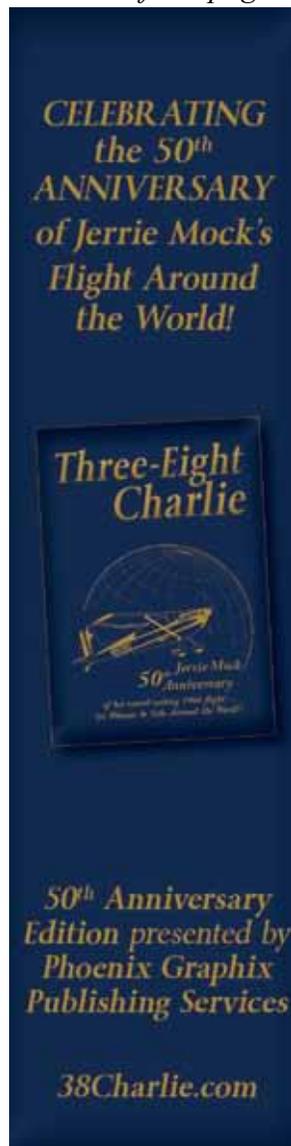
Blue skies always!
Your #402 fly-out coordinator

Rollie Bailey



Photo by Charlie Rhoads, see story on page 4

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been diverted to the CIA!), the paperwork and photos that did make it home were captivating to Dale and I. *Three-Eight Charlie* is a great story for any reader, but we knew the aviation community would be as interested in Jerrie's materials as we were, though some are faded and worn after 50 years. Many preparatory documents, awards, magazine articles, proclamations, letters of support, FAA correspondence, and more could not be included, due to space. We hope the included images will help the reader further connect to and enjoy Jerrie Mock's well-written and insightfully detailed account of her trip.

The 50th anniversary of this historic flight is the perfect time to release this new and updated edition. We are grateful to have met Jerrie Mock, the first woman to fly solo around the world, and delighted to make *Three-Eight Charlie* available again to the next generation of aviators and all those who dream big dreams.

Wendy Hollinger, Owner
Phoenix Graphix Publishing Services



Photo by Dale Ratcliff

Minutes of February 19, 2013 EAA 402 Meeting

The meeting, held in the chapter clubhouse at 520 Heath Road, Heath, Ohio, was called to order by President Bob Boyd at 7:00PM. There were thirteen members present. The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Secretary's Report: On motion by Rollie Bailey and second by Ken Hughes the minutes were accepted as printed in the February newsletter.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer Larry Arnold gave the financial report. Starting balance was \$1,601.33. Dues paid for 2013: \$102.00. Expenses paid: \$95.17. Donations to the Utility Fund: \$60.00. Ending balance: \$1,668.16. Utility reserves: \$67.76. Young Eagles Reserves: \$0.00. A motion to accept the treasurer's report was made by Tom McFadden, seconded by Rollie Bailey and passed by the members present. Larry reminded all that 2013 dues are due.

Fly-Out Report: Rollie Bailey reported that the 3rd Saturday of February fly-out of three planes went to Lancaster, OH (LHQ). The 3rd Saturday of March fly-out will be to Clermont County Airport (I69) to visit Sporty's Pilot Shop and get free hot dogs for lunch. Departure will be at 10:30AM, weather permitting.

Newsletter Editor: Wendy Hollinger apologized for getting the newsletter out late again but said she and Dale have been very busy getting the reprint of Jerrie Mock's book *Three Eight Charlie* ready to send to the printer. Wendy showed the group some examples of pages from the book and told us about the book's features. The book will have all of the text from Jerrie Mock's original book by the same name but will have an additional 200 images, many in color and will be hard-bound with a gold embossed cover. The book has gone to press at Bookmaker in Ashland, OH. More information can be found at www.38charlie.com.

Airport Board: Bill Corban reported that the tree trimming at the West End of the runway is about 1/2 complete.

Old Business:

- Carl Oblinger has been looking and pricing new grills as authorized in last month's meeting but has not made a purchase yet. He will make the purchase before the outdoor cooking season arrives.
- Kitchen faucet repair. Rollie Bailey reported that he has taken the plumbing lines off the kitchen faucet and removed sediment from them. The water is flowing freely now.
- The secretary advanced the schedule of activities for the year. The following dates have been set: International Young Eagles Day, June 8th; Chapter 402 Annual Fly-In, August 17th; Fall YE rally, September 14th; Christmas Meeting/Banquet, December 17th.
- The secretary reported on the status of the re-writing of the chapter by-laws. The new by-laws are in the process of review by the executive committee. Three additional reviewers are needed and Ken Hughes, Dale Ratcliff and Casey Granger volunteered. Over the next month the reviewers will complete their work and the document will be presented to the members at the March meeting, seeking their approval.

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Visit the EAA 402 website for more fly-out photos and dates of note. Post a comment, or send information to Gary Kurtz, our chapter webmaster, at info@e-Kurtz.com

New Business:

President Boyd suggested the chapter do something for seniors such as hold a hangar dance. There was some discussion about the form of a hangar dance such as live music group and Warbirds to display but no decisions were made. Several people volunteered to get information and report back at the next meeting.

50/50 Drawing: The 50/50 drawing was won by Carl Oblinger and Carl donated his winnings to the utility fund. The total was \$20.

Adjournment: On motion by Kenny Rauch and second by Malcolm McFadden, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 8:00pm.

Minutes submitted by Secretary Tom McFadden



Progress at Grimes Field, Urbana, March 8, 2013

Charlie Rhoads captured this photo of the fuselage tail assembly of Urbana's B-17 project during his flight there Friday, March 8th. In less than a month, the riveting will be completed and they plan to drop the vertical fin into place and secure it. One mechanic was making progress on an engine nacelle that dwarfed him. Accompanying Charlie was passenger Gary Dewese. They enjoyed beautiful sunny weather.

Photo by Charlie Rhoads

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