



April 2013

Photo of N1538C by Greg Hitchens

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.

- April 16, 2013:
EAA Chapter 402 Clubhouse,
520 Heath Road, Heath
- May 21, 2013:
EAA Chapter 402 Clubhouse,
520 Heath Road, Heath
- June 18, 2013:
EAA Chapter 402 Clubhouse,
520 Heath Road, Heath

Aviation Day at DLZ

Bob Boyd was contacted by friends from EAA Chapter 27 at DLZ about their Aviation Day, September 7. They are inviting members to display projects or aircraft, and have a number of interesting activities planned. To learn more, visit www.eaadlz.org

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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

Members Wing

Bob Boyd

By Brian Eley

A four-year member of EAA, Bob Boyd appreciates the opportunity to serve as president of our local chapter, even though he freely admits that the formality of the meetings took some getting used to. Typically a ‘low-key’ guy, he can’t help but light up when he gets the opportunity to talk about his home-built project. Safely stored behind the large doors of his garage-made-workshop, the framework of the KR2S that he bought from fellow EAA Chapter member Robert Bennett shows the craft of vigilant workmanship. With much of the fuselage intact and pieces of the wings neatly staged nearby, Bob’s plane has seen considerable progress despite the unfriendly weather conditions that this long winter has yielded. Though he hasn’t set a completion date for his project, his plans to eventually fly someone for a “\$100 hamburger” are pretty much set in stone.

The other motivation Bob has for completing his project is to fulfill his longtime dream of piloting his own personal aircraft, an interest that began after he was given an introductory ride as a kid. At age sixteen, he took his first lesson. “I paid \$13 an hour for the plane rental and \$7 for the instructor,” he recalls, wishing that he had stuck with it back then. Giving himself a second chance, Bob began working toward his sport pilot license in May of last year. He chose to take his lessons at Chapman Memorial Field



Photo by Brian Eley

(6CM), in the booming metropolis of Centerburg, Ohio, where flying the pattern entails dodging silos and weaving through rows of corn on final approach. It was his love for taildraggers that ‘landed him’ (no pun intended) behind the controls of the Aeronca Champ that he takes up during weekly lessons.

When he’s not toying around in his shop, Bob enjoys spending time with his wife, Teri. Together, they share their 10-acre farm with their black lab, Duffy, and their two horses, JW and Cisco. Even though flying isn’t really Teri’s cup of tea (she claims Xanax helps) the two have given serious thought to opening a small business in aviation and equestrian supplies. The “JW and Cisco Company”, as it will be called, doesn’t have a scheduled grand opening date yet, but the theme of this impending partnership has already been summed up in its official slogan—*“If we’re not flying, we’re horsing around!”*

Editor’s Note: We’ve read about Bob before, but he reluctantly agreed to appear again to support our new contributor as he began interviewing members. We’re glad for Bob’s update, and look forward to hearing from Brian Eley again! **Thank you both!**

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).

- April 20th (3rd Saturday) we will depart (VTA) at 8:00 a.m. for breakfast at Denny's landing at Zanesville Municipal Airport (ZZV).

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- May 4th (1st **Saturday**) we will depart (VTA) at @ 8:00 a.m. for Fly-in Breakfast at Gallipolis OH. (GAS)
- May 18th (3rd Saturday) we will depart (VTA) at 10:30 a.m. for Sporty's Clermont Co. OH. (I69) for FREE hot dogs!

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*Come Fly With Chapter 402!*

## Dates of Note

Sun 'n Fun..... April 9-14

FRASCA Fly-in  
(Urbana IL, C16)..... June 14-16

Airventure  
(Oshkosh)..... July 29-August 4

EAA 402 Fly-in..... August

Aviation Day (DLZ).....Sept 7

Jerrie Mock Sculpture  
Unveiling (The Works) .....Sept 14

EAA 402 YE ..... was 9/14,  
may reschedule to 9/21

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

## Fly-Out Report

### March 23 to Carroll County

Weather kept the chapter from their scheduled fly-outs this month, as is often the case this time of year. The weather called for 2-4 inches of snow on Sunday, so three aircraft flew on Saturday, March 23rd to Carroll County (TSO) for brunch. Everyone enjoyed the outing, but all look forward to getting more pilots and passengers out and about as the weather improves.

The third Saturday fly-out is April 20th to Zanesville, departing VTA at 8:00 a.m. This is a nice close destination so you can join us and know you'll get back early in the day. Come on out and bring a passenger, and if you want to BE a passenger, give me a call—there's always an empty seat.

Blue skies always!

Your #402 fly-out coordinator

*Rollie Bailey*

Photo by Ken Hughes



### War Bird Spinners—Great gift for or from aviators!

Charlie Rhoads found these great warbird spinners and thought Jack Maki might like the blue Hellcat that he flew in the Pacific with 97 successful carrier landings out of 100. They have a large selection of non-aviation spinners too. Check them out at [www.ohanawinds.com](http://www.ohanawinds.com)



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## Jerrie Mock Sculpture Event

A sculpture of Jerrie Mock of Newark OH, the first woman to fly solo around the world, will be unveiled Sat., Sept. 14th at 2:00 at The Works. Wendy Hollinger is working with The Works to involve the aviation community in this special event. The Spirit of Columbus Chapter of Women in Aviation will host a light reception at the FBO, and EAA 402 will provide shuttle service for guests flying in. Please spread the word, and contact Wendy with suggestions... she needs your help to *make this an Ohio aviation event not to be missed!*

## Three-Eight Charlie Update

*Three-Eight Charlie*, by Jerrie Mock, details her record-setting 1964 flight. The 50th Anniversary Edition, published by Phoenix Graphix Publishing Services (owned by 402 members Dale Ratcliff and Wendy Hollinger) officially debuted in March at the Women in Aviation Conference in Nashville, TN.

Dale is currently at Sun 'n Fun in Lakeland, Florida, where Gina and Greg Hitchens, of Dream Big Flyers, have generously allowed the book to be sold in their booth. Unfortunately, attendance is down app. 40%, and people are there to browse and not buy. This may be the case at airshows throughout the season, as they're impacted by sequestration cuts, including the cancellation of the Blue Angels.

Wendy and Dale are holding the lowest serial numbers of this limited edition for EAA 402 members, so notify them if you want a copy held for you. They have fully financed this project, including printing 1000 copies, and need your help to recoup their investment. Please ask your friends to visit [www.38Charlie.com](http://www.38Charlie.com) to purchase and learn more.

## Minutes of March 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 6:55PM. There were eighteen members and one guest, Sheryl Hausdell, present. The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

**Secretary's Report:** On motion by Rollie Bailey and second by Charlie Rhoads the minutes were accepted as printed in the March newsletter.

**Treasurer's Report:** Treasurer Larry Arnold gave the financial report. Starting balance was \$1,669.16. Dues paid for 2013: \$54.00. Expenses paid: \$174.96. Donations to the Utility Fund: \$80.00. Ending balance: \$1,627.20. Utility reserves: \$(3.76). Young Eagles Reserves: \$0.00. A motion to accept the treasurer's report was made by Rollie Bailey, seconded by Bernie Volpe and passed by the members present.

**Fly-Out Report:** Rollie Bailey reported that the 3rd Saturday of March fly-out was to be to Clermont County Airport (I69) to visit Sporty's Pilot Shop and get free hot dogs for lunch, however that trip was cancelled due to a front over the destination. Jack Maki and some others did local flying. The next Sunday Fly-Out will be April 7th with details to be announced. Possible destinations mentioned were the Tin Goose restaurant on Port Clinton Airport (PCW) and MAPS Museum on Akron-Canton Airport (CAK).

Rollie also mentioned a bird strike that occurred near VTA recently in which a large buzzard struck the wing of a power-line survey plane and did considerable damage. The plane was able to make it back to the airport safely. Several members mentioned the Wings program "Chart Challenge *Live*" at the Courtyard by Marriott, March 27th at 7:00PM. The address is 2350 Westbelt Drive in Columbus.

**Newsletter Editor:** Dale Ratcliff reported for Wendy that Brian Eley is going to be writing the *Members Wing* column. Dale reported on his and Wendy's trip to Nashville and the Women in Aviation convention. He said that they got a good reception and made some valuable introductions relative to promoting the book *Three Eight Charlie*. Dale also had copies of the recently published book in case members wanted to purchase them. *Secretary's Note: This is a beautiful hardback book which should be on every local aviator's book shelf.*

**Web Editor:** Gary informed us that the calendar function and the links page are broken. He will see what he can do about getting them fixed. Bob Boyd asked Gary if he thought we could put a PayPal account on the web site so members could pay their dues and make donations to the utility fund online. Gary said he thought this would be possible.

**Airport Board:** Bill Corban reported that the obstruction removal at the West end of the runway is about 3/4 complete and should be done soon. Bill also reported that the Airport Board will supply painting materials for the chapter to repaint the airport tug in its original colors. Dick Perdue is the catalyst for this project and he is trying to find the serial number of the tug in order to determine the proper paint scheme.

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Photos (above) by Ken Hughes

Photo (below) by Dick Perdue



### Old Business:

- Hangar Dance—The secretary reported on the cost of live WWII era music for a hangar dance. Estimates are as follows: Rick Brunetto’s 17 piece Big Band orchestra would be \$2400 or his 7 piece orchestra would be \$1500. Doug Moran could put together a 10 piece orchestra for \$1100 or a 5-6 piece orchestra for \$575. The members seemed to agree that even the lowest priced option would be too much for our treasury at this time and there were no volunteers to take the planning any further. Bill Corban made us aware that we would have to file a 20-page form with the FAA to hold such an event on airport property since the airport has been a recipient of FAA funding in the past.
- Review and approval of the new by-laws—Since last meeting the executive committee, plus three additional members, have agreed on the changes to the by-laws and are presenting them to the membership at this meeting. Thanks to Gary Kurtz for bringing the screen and projector, we were able to show the document to all at the same time and edit the document instantly via the secretary’s laptop computer. There was considerable discussion on some items and, in the end, all present agreed on the final wording of the document. As required by the present by-laws, the Board of Directors signed off on the new by-laws. The secretary will forward a signed copy to EAA for their acceptance.

### New Business:

The secretary introduced the idea of having *EAA 402* painted on one of the rear windows of the clubhouse so visitors on the airport side of the building would be able to see what the building is. The secretary had a quote of \$125 to paint the lettering on the inside of the window. Bernie Volpe made a motion to do this. Rollie pointed out that, after the awning is installed, the lettering would not be visible. It was agreed that we should wait until after the awning is installed and see where to put the lettering. Bernie withdrew his motion.

**50/50 Drawing:** The 50/50 drawing was won by Jack Maki. Jack donated his winnings to the utility fund. The total into the fund was \$28.

**Adjournment:** The meeting was adjourned at approximately 9:15PM.

*Minutes submitted by Secretary Tom McFadden*

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