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# CHAPTER 157

**EXPERIMENTAL AIRCRAFT ASSOCIATION**

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**Join Us**

*Third Tuesday of  
each month:*

**6:30 PM**

**Dinner Meeting**

*in the*

**Quonset Hut**

on the west side of

**Benton Airpark**

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## August 2016 BRIEFINGS

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### The Prez Sez-Medical Reform and the Future of LSA

One of the biggest things to happen in aviation this year was the signing of the FAA reauthorization bill on July 15<sup>th</sup>. After battles in Congress that included a proposal for the privatization of the ATC system, the much-awaited medical reform is now the law, almost. I say almost because nothing changes until the FAA comes up with their implementation plan, which will take some time. If they don't do it within a year, the law takes effect anyway.

In the meantime, if your medical is expiring soon, you'll need to get another one.

While at first glance, the new law seems to be an expansion of the current rules for flying Light Sport, there's one important difference. Under LSA rules, if you have a driver's license, you don't need to have ever received a FAA medical. To fly under the new regulations, you have to have received a medical at some point, as long as 10 years ago. If you have a condition that prevents you from getting a medical at all, the new rules don't apply to you.

It will be interesting to see how many people who let their medicals lapse in the last few years and either gave up flying or turned to LSA's will return to flying bigger planes. I suspect at least one of our members will do this at least in his role as a CFI.

One thing that no one seems to be talking about is how this will affect the LSA industry. With a few notable exceptions, manufacturers have been struggling to stay in business. I suspect their numbers will dwindle even more. I don't think there are any statistics, but it seems that many pilots who used to fly 172's, Cherokees, etc. and had concerns about passing their physicals, decided to let their medicals lapse and bought LSA qualified airplanes, either new or used. Used light sports are affordable for many people. New ones are out of reach for many.

When the sport pilot rules were adopted, the promise of low-cost flying quickly flew out the window for many. Sure, you only need about half of the hours you do for a private license and fuel burns are a lot lower. But that's offset by the cost of a new LSA airplane, \$100,000 plus. Most flight schools also took a pass. For the price of a new light sport, you can have 2 or 3 older 4-place trainers on the line, which will probably rent for less.

It will be interesting to see what happens.

Jim Bremer

**August 2, 2016**  
**EAA Chapter Board Meeting**

The meeting was called to order at 7:02 PM by Pres. Jim Bremer; Officers present; Vice Pres., Irwin Fust; Treasurer, Paul Gilman; Secretary, Herb Zuidema. Directors present: (Dave K. for) Phyllis Kirkman, Steve Wallace, Jack Limmer, Julie Ostendorf, and Wayne Pero.

**Minutes:** Motion by Steve W. and Second by Irwin F. that the Minutes be approved. Motion passed.

**Treasurer's report:** Paul G. presented the Financial Report as of this date. All finances are now reconciled for Aviation Day 2016. Motion was made by Irwin F. and Second by Steve W. that check for \$1176.44 be written in favor the 99's for their share of the receipts. Motion passed. A copy of the Financial Report is available upon request by Chapter Members.

**Old Business:**

**Flight Simulator Work Day** –Pres. Jim B. is trying to schedule some time or a day for members to go down and work on the simulator. He said Todd was ok with anyone who wants to go and work on the simulator even though he is not there. However, please coordinate with Pres. Jim B. or Bill Hill. Recent crew who was there got an overview of work yet to be done. Call Pres. Jim B. (see side bar) or Bill Hill for details. You might be just the person with the skills to move the project along another notch.

**Finance Committee Meeting**-The finance Committee met July 12, 2016 to outline the structure for a Chapter Budget and form a reporting method for ease of Chapter yearly planning. The committee will be meeting again August 9, 2016.

**Contacting Pres. Jim B.:** Jim has been using Google voice to forward or text messages to his home number or cell number concerning chapter business.

**New Business:**

**OctoberFest 2016:** Planning for the OctoberFest this fall, it was suggested to have it on the Second Saturday of the month. Thus following the SSSSEM we would offer lunch. Benton Air Service will offer dinner with a movie in the evening. Camping overnight “under the wing” with coffee and donuts on Sunday morning offered by our Chapter at the Quonset Hut. Paul G. moved and Irwin F. second that we proceed with forgoing for our OctoberFest. Motion passed. Further confirmation of details to follow.

**Bill Hill (SSSSEM):** Bill Hill has *donated* a **hand held radio-scanner** to the Chapter to raise funds. **Still 13 tickets left** for the raffle of the radio-scanner. There are a maximum of 40 tickets to be sold at \$5 each. No more than two tickets per person be allowed and a person does not have to be present to win. Winning ticket will be announced at the SSSSEM when they are all sold. If the winning ticket holder is not present, they will be notified (if you put your phone number on the matching ticket).

**Chapter Dinner Meeting will be August 16, 2016** The dinner this month will be prepared by Chef Wayne Pero and his KP helpers Jack R. and Herb Z. Tri Tip is on the menu for this month. Add beans, garlic bread with a salad and of course ice cream for desert and you have a pretty good in-flight-dinner (in fact First Class) only at the airport. .... *Come enjoy and most of all the Fellowship of Kindred Birds of the Air. Invite a friend and ya all come! We'll have the cooler going.*

**August Dinner Meeting Program:** Program for this month hasn't been firmed up at this writing. However, Irwin F. has a couple of good ones in the hopper which he suggests you will enjoy.

Motion by Steve W. and Second by Paul G. the Meeting be adjourned. Motion passed.

Chapter Officers: President: Jim Bremer \_222 8001; Vice president: Irwin Fust\_378 1801; Secretary: Herb Zuidema\_275 5103; Treasurer\_Paul Gilman, 547 2334. Directors: Audrey Schutte\_246 9255, Barbara Crooker\_549 4275, Steve Wallace\_275 1131, Dick Wilkinson\_524 2624, Phyllis Kirkman\_356 2240, Jack Limmer\_ Julie Ostendorf\_244 2513. Technical Consultant: Rex Daniels 396 2239. Flight Advisor: Irwin Fust 351 8203. Chapter Address: EAA Chapter 157, P.O. Box 992353, Redding, CA 96099. Meeting time: Third Tuesday of the Month, 6:30PM Dinner Meeting. Meeting Place: Quonset Hut, Benton Airpark- west side

### **Announcements**

**Piper Colt For Sale:** 1961 Piper Colt (PA-22-108). See attached data and photos.

**Lancair For Sale:** 1993 Lancair IO360. The owner would consider parting out the aircraft if a buyer is interested Starting with the engine and propeller; IO360 Lycoming B1B with 1560 total time and 300 hrs since Major Overhaul by Eagle Engines and a Hartzel 68" Propeller new with 30hrs, Prefer to sell as a combination See attached data and photos.

**Piper Cherokee For Sale:** 1972 Piper Cherokee 140. See attached for details

**Private AWOS Benton @ Airpark:** Jim Ostrich, Benton Air Service, announced he has install WX Station on top of his hangar. He says you can ask for winds speed and direction when calling UNICOM now. Check it out.

Also Jim Ostrich has set up a Live ATC network. Your feed is now live on the network at: <http://www.liveatc.net/search/?icao=085> and also in our mobile apps (though it may take up to 24 hours to appear on some phones)

**1929 KR – 21 Fairchild biplane for sale:** \$110,000. Partially restored. Always has been hangar at Benton Airpark, Redding, CA. Call owner, Dorene Medina, 530 949 6130. See attached photo.

### **Aircraft Builders**

#### **AIRCRAFT UNDER CONSTRUCTION/RESTORATION**

In recent discussions, the Board of Directors realized we don't know how many homebuilders there are in the area, or who they are. We set about creating a list of the builders we know of, to build a resource for helping one another and networking. For example, if someone has a problem with some aspect of building a particular model of RV, the list could help him find someone who has experience with that aircraft. Another purpose for the list could be to contact homebuilders who are not Chapter members to encourage them to attend meetings and join the Chapter. Another purpose for the list could be as a resource to invite homebuilders to occasionally participate as panel members for a program for a regular meeting of the whole membership, to discuss aspects of homebuilding that would be of general interest.

To make this resource successful, we need your help. Attached is a start of a list of homebuilders who fly out of either Benton Field or Redding Muni. As you will see, we don't have a complete list of mail and/or phone numbers and there may be other homebuilders that should be on the list. If you know a phone number, email address or other names, please send an email to Herb Zuidema herb@eaa157. Or 530 275 5103

**FAA Safety Seminar, **Second Saturday**, each month 10 AM until Noon, at the **Quonset Hut, Benton AirPark**  
Sponsored by EAA Chapter 157, Redding, CA.  
122<sup>th</sup> Consecutive Monthly Safety Seminar**

## TOPIC

**Refresher on take-off and landings...with a special look at Benton (O85)**

**Speaker: Mr. Jim Ostrich**

**Mr. Jim Ostrich, the proprietor/operator of Benton Aviation, a retired Navy Captain, a CFI with varied and extensive aviation interest and skills (also an A&P) will discuss the elements regarding takeoff and landings... with a strong emphasis on the aspects of an airport like Benton, especially in hot/windy conditions.**

## **Apolitical Aphorisms**

(since we are in the middle of elections)

**1. If God wanted us to vote, he would have given us candidates.**

~Jay Leno~

**2. The problem with political jokes is they get elected.**

~Henry Cate, VII~

**3. We hang the petty thieves and appoint the great ones to public office.**

~Aesop~

**4. If we got one-tenth of what was promised to us in these State of the Union speeches, there wouldn't be any inducement to go to heaven.**

~Will Rogers~

**5. Politicians are the same all over. They promise to build a bridge even where there is no river.**

~Nikita Khrushchev~

**6. When I was a boy I was told that anybody could become President; I'm beginning to believe it.**

~Clarence Darrow~

**7. Why pay money to have your family tree traced; go into politics and your opponents will do it for you.**

~Author unknown~

**8. Politicians are people who, when they see light at the end of the tunnel, go out and buy some more tunnel.**

~John Quinton~