

EAA 493
Minutes of August 21, 2018 Monthly Meeting

The August 21, 2018 monthly meeting of EAA Chapter 493 was called to order by President Bob Reece at 7pm in the renovated conference room of the Terminal building, Mathis Field, San Angelo, Texas, on a hot summer evening. Present were 18 members, several family members, and 1 guest. The guest is Gregg Collum, a new owner at Ducote Air Park. Gregg and his wife (Marilyn) purchased Steve and Nancy McDuffs hangar/home. Gregg is finishing his private pilot certificate, owns and is flying a Cessna 150, and is purchasing a Velocity.

Bob Reece then turned the meeting over to procedural matters. Upon voice vote, the Minutes of the June, 2018 meeting of the Chapter (there was no July meeting this year due to vacation schedule) were approved as published on the Chapter Reflector. Treasurer Andy Spinks gave the Treasurer's report (current balance of \$1,757.72), which was also approved by voice vote. There was no old business nor new business to report or address.

President Bob Reece started the evenings program by giving general numbers and a report about the recently concluded Air Venture 2018 air show and fly-in at Oshkosh, Wisconsin. There were over 600,000 guests at the air show, as well as 82 nations represented (including a huge group of S Africans). There were over 44,000 campers at the campground, over 12,000 airplanes flew in, and over 5,500 volunteers and 173 judges added their services. Bob then provided a power point presentation showing the various aircraft award winners. Next Secretary Don Smucker recounted how he entered Ch 493 in the drawings held at the EAA Chapters Blue Barn at the air show, resulting with the Chapter winning a large table vise. Gerry Hatch picked up the vise at the end of the week and transported it to San Angelo in his RV-10. Next, Vice-President Ron Lentz continued the program with a presentation of the June EAA National Chapter news/video magazine, which contained information about AirVenture 2018, the role of the various local EAA Chapters and EAA National's supporting role for the local chapters, maintenance tips, and related matters. Finally, Tom Dufresne gave an update on the status of the FAA's ADS-B program and industry-related matters. After the program ended the meeting was adjourned for social mingling and refreshments brought by Vice-President Ron Lentz.

The next monthly EAA Chapter 493 meeting will be held on Tuesday, September 18 at 7pm at the renovated conference room of the Terminal building, Mathis Field, San Angelo, Texas. Secretary Don Smucker will be traveling and will miss this meeting; Don and Nancy Treadwell volunteered to produce the meeting minutes during Don's absence.