



# CHAPTER 42 NEWSLETTER

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Monthly newsletter from Chapter 42 of the Experimental Aircraft Association

## FROM THE LEFT SEAT

Last month we gathered at Mike Luther's home to see his Pietenpol airplane project for the second time. It was a bit late in the season to meet outside with the cooler temperatures, but, it was time to see the interior of the woodwork before being covered with fabric. How gratifying to see and touch the master woodworking craftsmanship Mike created. Noticeably different this time was the engine and propeller. It's exciting to see Mike's project heading to completion. Thanks, Mike and your family, for providing an awesome introduction to a wonderful airplane.

**AVIATION NORTH EXPO:** Last weekend I travel to Fairbanks to attend the Aviation North Expo. This gathering of aviators was different than the spring trade show at FedEx in Anchorage. There were pronounced less vendors at this conference. However, the vendors were replaced with educational seminars. Thursday and Friday there was a focus on maintenance workshops while Saturday's and Sunday's schedules was filled with educational seminars for aviators. I presented a one hour talk comparing and contrasting large and small airports in Alaska. Hopefully the Expo will return next year with some more great educational information.

**HISTORY:** Jim Moss created another collage of last year's picnic. Stop by the hangar and take a look at the fun time we had.

**ELECTIONS:** As the calendar pages turn from fall to winter, this is the time of year for elections. Two board positions will open, President and Secretary/Treasurer. It's time for some new blood! Elections will be held during our November chapter meeting. If you have a desire to practice your leadership skills, or if you want to nominate an individual, please respond by email, phone, or speak up at the next meeting.

The board usually meets at Peggy's on the first Tuesday of the month to plan for the next meeting. If that time does not work, the board can be flexible and adapt to a new time and location. Please give some consideration and volunteer for this important cause.

*Matt*

## NEXT MEETING

Our next meeting will be Tuesday, October 28th at 7pm at the hangar of Take Flight Alaska located at 1740 E 5th Ave. It is across the street from Peggy's Cafe.

We have a special treat this month as Dean Rickerson is going to show off his beautiful Seawind 3000, N6007. Dean has made arrangements to use the hangar at Take Flight Alaska so we can all be inside. It is an impressive project and I am sure Dean has lots of stories to tell. See you there.

**EDITOR'S NOTE:** My contribution is once again very small and my only excuse is the ongoing house project. As I write this, my house is torn down to the floor joists above our fully finished basement. I have two 40X60 tarps suspended over the whole thing and about a mile of reinforced visqueen where the sub-floor should be. Keeping my fingers crossed that the weather continues to co-operate until the decking gets on and then the framing begins. My personal participation is done. Life will be less hectic next month, I hope!



*Mike Luther's Pietenpol as displayed at our September meeting*

## TREASURER'S REPORT

**DUES:** Dues for 2004 will be collected during October's meeting. Dues are \$24 for an entire year of meetings and activities. If you prefer, dues may be mailed to the club treasurer at the following address: Chris Gill, EAA Chapter 42, 2618 E. 20th Avenue, Anchorage, AK 99508.

**CALENDARS:** The sign up sheet for 2003 EAA World of Flight calendars will be available during this month's meeting. If you would like to purchase a calendar, sign up and we'll put in an order in time to receive the calendars for 2004. Payment will not be required until after the calendars are received. Costs depend on the quantity ordered by the club, but will probably be \$10.

## FLY MART

Free to members. Contact Tim to place an ad: [tim@timrittal.com](mailto:tim@timrittal.com) or 907/248-2249.



**FOR SALE:** New Scott 3200 tail wheel with cub spring. Call Jim at 907/696-3435.

**HELP NEEDED:** I'm looking for someone to identify "Bushmaster" parts and place a value on them. Call me at work between 6am and 2:30pm at 907/272-3581, after 3:30 at 907/594-5950. Ask for Art Langley. Or e-mail me at [arthurl@mtaonline.net](mailto:arthurl@mtaonline.net). Thank you!

## A LITTLE LIGHT HUMOR

At an optometrist's office: "If you don't see what you're looking for, you've come to the right place."

On a taxidermist's window: "We really know our stuff."

On a fence: "Salesmen welcome! Dog food is expensive."

At a car dealership: "The best way to get back on your feet - miss a car payment."

In a veterinarian's waiting room: "Be back in 5 minutes. Sit! Stay!"

At the electric company: "We would be delighted if you send in your payment. However, if you don't, you will be."

In a restaurant window: "Don't stand there and be hungry ...come on in and get fed up."

At a propane filling station, "Tank heaven for little grills."

And don't forget the sign at a Chicago radiator shop: "Best place in town to take a leak."

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Taking a look at Mike Luther's "Pietenpol"



Mike Luther's Pietenpol panel