

# The FlightLine

Next Chapter Meeting July 17th! Gotta Be There Or Else!

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**CHAPTER MEETINGS** ARE  
OPEN TO ALL, AND ARE  
HELD AT 9AM ON THE 3RD  
SATURDAY OF EACH  
MONTH, AT **ROCKY'S RES-**  
**TAURANT** AT WHITEMAN  
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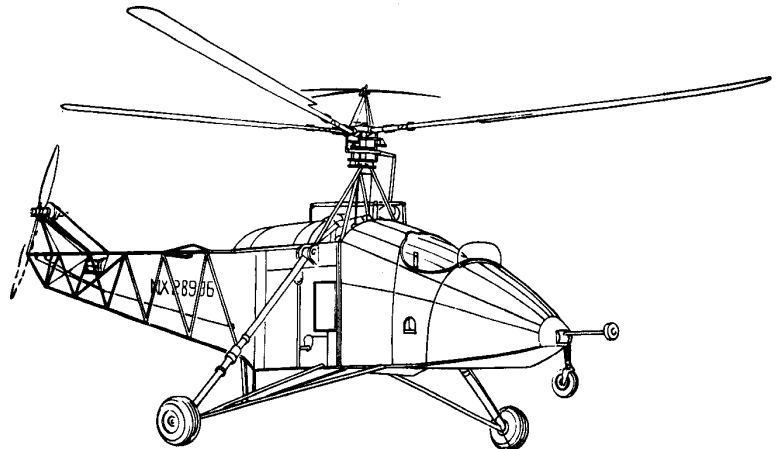
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## **This Month's Speaker: Rockets and Rotors!**

Here's a riddle for you... What has little peroxide rocket engines on the tips of its 12 foot diameter rotor blades, spins up the rotors fast enough for a vertical "jump" takeoff, then transitions into forward flight using a conventional engine?

The answer... Why, it's the newfangled flying machine being developed by **Glen Wade** in Mojave, of course! Glen will be our speaker this month, and he will be discussing his innovative new type of jump-start gyrocopter. This concept had been tested in the 1950's in England, and Glen had a display set up at the recent Van Nuys Air Fair. Our ever-vigilant president **Charlie Ducat** spotted it, and arranged for Glen to showcase his flying machine at our EAA Chapter meeting this week.



This promises to be a very interesting, exotic little flying machine and it will be WELL worth your time to come and hear about it. Make sure you're there at our next meeting, July 17!

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## Next Young Eagles day July 24<sup>th</sup>

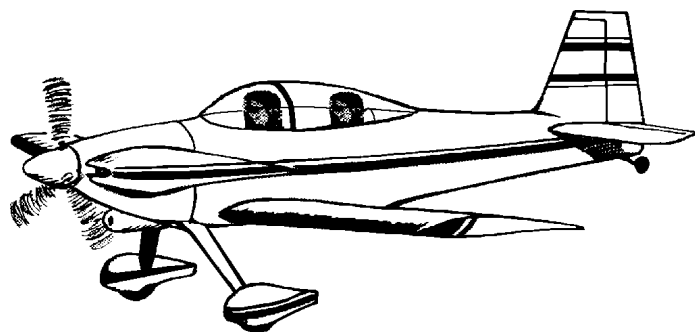
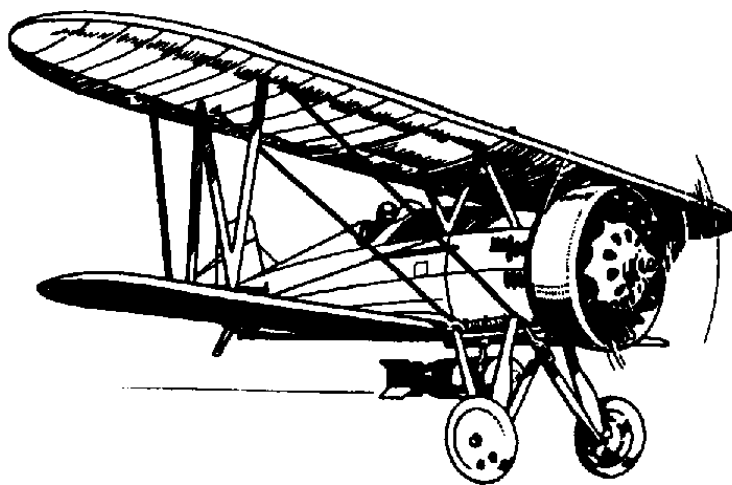
Make plans to come out to Whiteman on July 24<sup>th</sup> at 10:30 AM for our next regularly scheduled Young Eagles Rally! We will be giving the gift of flight to young enthusiasts, and paying back a little bit of what we owe to aviation. We'll need ground volunteers, pilots, and ramp safety officers.

## WHITEMAN AIR FAIR

I can't think of a better way to celebrate our past, present and future victory over terrorism than to have a great big public Air Fair on September 11<sup>th</sup>.

The **Whiteman Air Fair** will be taking place 9-11-04, and Chapter 40 will be once again having a fairly good size Young Eagle Rally.

This will be a little larger than one of our regular monthly events, but it will NOT be as large as our recent record-breaker at the recent Space and Aviation Expo we did in partnership with **Ivor Dawson's** Traveling Space Museum. The Whiteman Air fair will be sponsored by American Airports Corporation, and will feature displays, events, music, food, and Young Eagles flying.



## TAX RELIEF FOR THE AERODYNAMICALLY CHALLENGED

If you have a 35 year old airplane or older, or a nearly unique airplane (such as a homebuilt unlike most of the others), you might be able to qualify for an exemption to your **property tax**. In order to qualify, your airplane has to meet certain requirements AND you have to put it on public display 12 times a year.

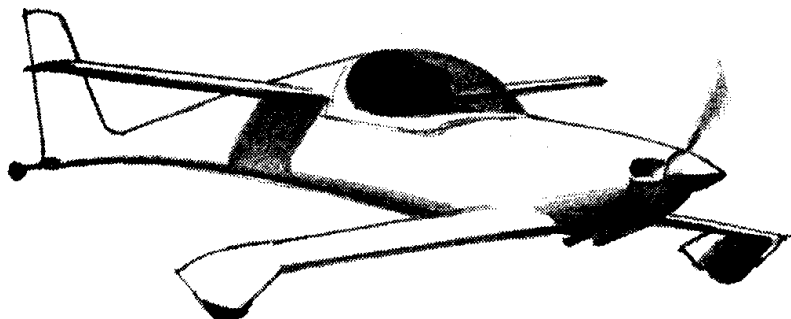
Whiteman and several other local airports have monthly "display day" events to provide an official venue for this type of activity. Whiteman Airport's display day is the second Sunday of every month.

However, did you know that if you put your qualified airplane on display at one of our regular **Young Eagles** events you can also count it as one of the 12 required displays? Imagine all the good you can do all at the same time: Reduce your taxes, give kids the gift of flight, provide a public service displaying your unique airplane, and having a lot of fun!

## THE VAN NUYS AIR FAIR

The VNY Air Fair took place as scheduled, and by all accounts it was a minor success. Not nearly as impressive or important as the Air Fairs of 5 years ago, the new “one-day, no airshow, no military” version was still worth doing from Chapter 40’s point of view.

Thanks to **Tom Hastings**, **Al Fink**, and all the people who put their airplanes, projects, or parts on display. Thanks to **Elliot Sanders** for bringing Tom’s Cirrus over, so that the chapter could sell raffle tickets for a ride. Al Fink brought his original Vari-Eze out of mothballs for display.



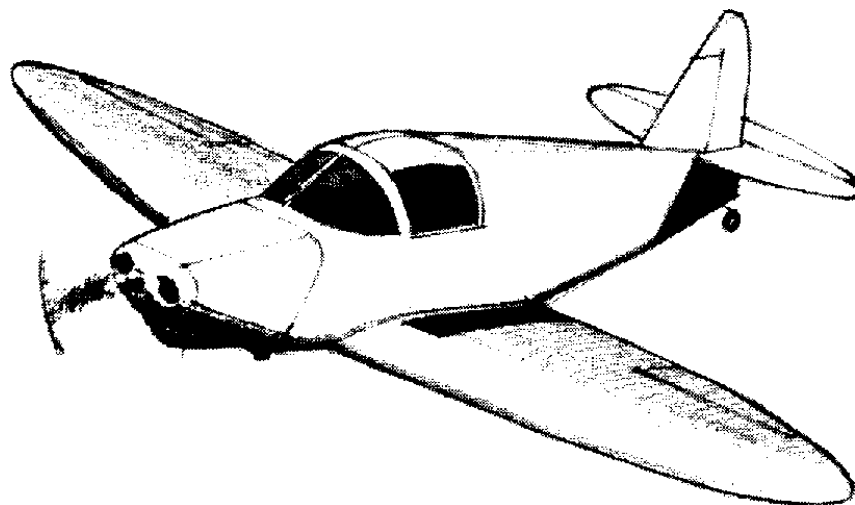
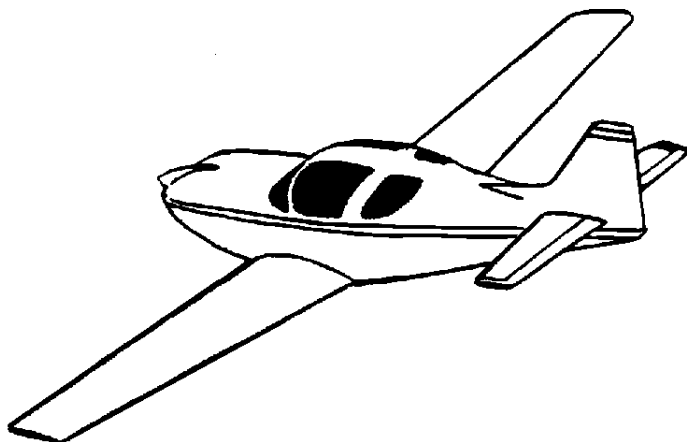
The EAA has begun repairs to the damaged B-17 Aluminum Overcast, and the bomber was on display with 2 new engines already installed.

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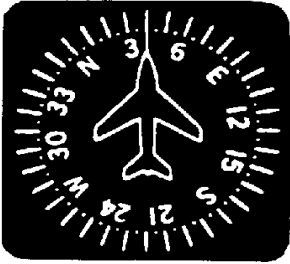
Y’all make plans to go to **Oshkosh**, the premier homebuilt and personal aviation event in the world! It’s coming up starting July 25<sup>th</sup>, and will have the world’s largest display of homebuilt, recreational, antique, and sport aircraft.

Chapter 40 will be well represented, with **Ceci Stratford**, **Jesse Galeas**, and **Ruth Logan** in attendance, and perhaps other chapter members. Because of the damage and delays replacing the engines, the Aluminum Overcast B-17 will probably not be able to be ferried back in time



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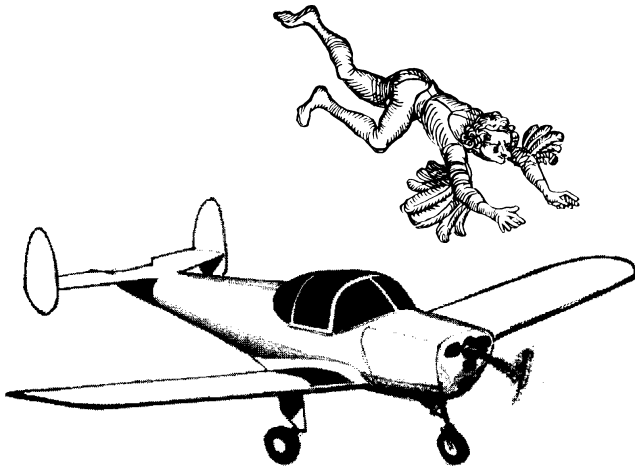
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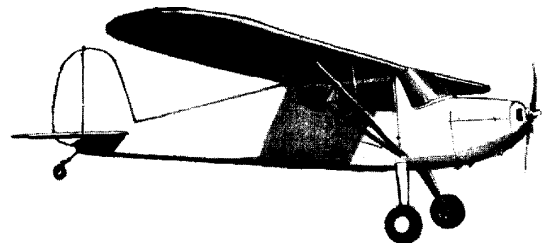
## *Odds and Ends and Ads and Fads*



Recently an **Ercoupe** landed upside down on the Interstate 5 Freeway, and the pilot was promptly arrested for flying while under the influence of alcohol. Please join Chapter 40 and all of us in the aviation community and strongly condemn this terrible lapse in judgment! We have enough to worry about these days, just protecting our ability to fly... the absolute last thing we need is this type of problem on the 6 O' Clock news!

### **1948 Cessna 120 For Sale**

S/N2115V, TTAF 3,350, TSMOH 1,100, C-85. Restored in 2000 has new wiring w/circuit breakers, transponder, Cht., spin on oil filter, Collins 250 Radio, Hooker harnesses, Scott tail wheel, Cleveland wheels & brakes. Completed annual March 2004 for \$18,500. Based at Whiteman Airport. Contact John Burrell at (949) 492-4255 or E-mail: [JudynJohnBurrell@sbcglobal.net](mailto:JudynJohnBurrell@sbcglobal.net)



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