



IAC Chapter 15

Monthly Newsletter

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Calendar of Events

*Next Chapter Meeting
February 16, 2009*

Grant Wittenborn
President

Paul Thomson
Vice-President

Lee Crites
Treasurer

Dave Maine
Secretary

Nan Funkhouser
Newsletter

John Ostmeyer
Membership

*Meetings are held
regularly at 7pm on
the third Monday of
each month at
Executive Beechcraft,
Downtown Kansas City
(KMKC)*

CHAPTER 15 FEBRUARY NEWSLETTER

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Meeting Minutes

19 Jan 2009

Grant is unable to attend tonight because he is welcoming his new son. Mom and baby are doing fine. Dave is recovering from knee surgery and is also unable to attend. Lee reported via phone the chapter bank account is largely unchanged from the prior report, except for the addition of some shirt sales.

Local chapter dues will be \$25 for this year, payable to IAC Chapter 15. Since Lee was unable to attend, dues were not collected at this meeting.

Grant has completed the necessary paper work with IAC and EAA to renew our chapter for another year. Fees to renew were \$227, the same as last year.

2009 contest discussion:

New construction on the SE side of IXD may adversely impact the waived airspace. Greg's opinion is there is little impact since it is well south of the marked contest box. We may need to limit the box to 500 agl instead of the current surface level limits.

Grant will start the process of renewing the waiver for an additional two years. The current waiver expires on 30 Sept 2009. The contest dates chosen by the membership is contingent getting an updated waiver.

After reviewing the available dates and options, the members voted to hold a 5 category contest at IXD on Sept 5 & 6, with registration and practice on September 4th. This is Labor day weekend so the extra day will provide time for folks to still get home after flying on Sunday. Contest Director is TBD.

John Ostmeyer and Micki Shetterly will coordinate holding a Judges School the last weekend in March at IXD. Micki will check with the CAF to see about using their facilities and opening the box for practice judging afterwards.

The members discussed at length the current TSA LASP (Large Aircraft Security Program) and it's potential to impact IXD and OJC operations. All members are encouraged to write their representatives to express their opinions on the proposal. The general consensus in the room was the program is gross overkill for the apparent threat and will have significant negative impacts to all of GA if enacted as currently written.

Paul T. led a review of the current contests planned for the surrounding states. Any members working on becoming judges are encouraged to attend contests other than the Barnstormer to see how other folks run their contests.

Paul T. and John O. led a discussion of the 2009 Know programs, focusing mostly on the new Sportsman and Intermediate sequences.

Next meeting is 16 Feb 2009.

ARRIVAL OF IAC CHAPTER 15's LATEST NEW PILOT



Here is Owen Matthew Wittenborn, born January 18 at 6:07 weighing 6 lbs 10 oz, 18.75 inches long.
Our congratulations to the Wittenborns on adding a new member to their family!

FROM PAUL: One of the topics generating a lengthy discussion at the last chapter meeting was the Large Aircraft Security Proposal (LASP) as published by the Transportation Security Agency (TSA). It was shown that even though most of us are not flying "large" airplanes, the impacts to all of us from this program would be significant and pretty much all negative. Many of the airports around the Kansas City area we operate from are designated as reliever airports and would be subject to the increased security measures for all persons using the airport. These include New Century AirCenter, Johnson County Executive, KC Downtown, and Lee's Summit.

To help members let their voice be heard, AOPA has put together materials which make it easier for you to let the TSA know what you think of their proposal and also write letters and emails to your representatives in Washington. **The deadline for comments is February 27th, 2009.**

<http://www.aopa.org/advocacy/gasecurity/index.html>

We need you to help the TSA, and your state and federal representatives, understand the operational environment of GA and why these rules are unnecessary. Please comment now on the TSA Large Aircraft Security Program.

Remember, please submit your comments by 2/27/09

Thanks

Paul

New! IAC Online Store

IAC has teamed with CafePress to offer IAC merchandise online.

cafepress.com/iac_aerobatics

Has everyone seen the FAA's latest anti-bird measures?



Have a HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY!! Take your sweetheart for a flight!



Hope to see everyone at the Monday night meeting February 16th!

