

There were 12 attendees at the February meeting. The meeting started out with Bob Heimberger and Darren Twellman telling a story about attending a boat show, and Darren ending up owning some kind of expensive flying squirrel as a new family member. Everyone in the room was cracking up, hearing the ongoing saga of the new pet.

Once the meeting got started, Bob Heimberger gave a very informative Power Point presentation on the various airspaces we all need to know how to navigate. Bob was helped in his presentation by Greg, Dave Herrmann, and Roy Beisswenger. There were lots of questions, and an active discussion ensued.

Bob and Darren also had a large color poster made up of pictures of club members and other flying friends of Ken Bricker. The members were asked to sign the poster, and Roy was going to take it to Ken the next day. Ken's health is not very good right now, and it was hoped that this poster would help brighten Ken's day. Bob and Darren had also flown their machines down to Ken's recently, and spent some quality time with him. A special thanks to both of you for making the effort to keep Ken involved in his love of flying. And a big thanks to Roy for delivering the poster.

After the poster signing, Bob showed us pictures of his and Darren's recent flight to Lake of the Ozarks. They were really great pictures, and the two of them got caught up in a flock of bald eagles as part of the trip. They also talked about their new heated flying suits, which allow them to fly comfortably in as low as 20 degree temperatures.

Bob also passed out CD's with tons of information related to flying downloaded onto them. Hopefully, there will be more copies available at the next meeting, also. If not, ask one of the club members you know attended the meeting to make you a copy.

There was some discussion of meeting and fly-in dates. The dates with highlighted text are confirmed dates and topics. Mark Greene and Larry Miller have volunteered to coordinate the club's Shelbyville fly-in. Please note the date change.

There will be a club meeting at the Parks Airport airshow. Please plan on attending.

I had attended the Illinois Ultralight Safety Seminar in Springfield, and there were several FAA reps there. One note they wanted to reinforce to everyone is that **none** of the dates related to grandfathering "fat" ultralights will be extended. **More importantly, the January 2008 drop-dead date means your aircraft must have all it's registration paperwork complete and signed off by the FAA, not just in process.** One day late, and you are totally out of luck. Don't wait, get your machine registered now.

Fred Blair, current owner of Sno-bird, has informed me he is designing a new 3-piece tail, with vertical winglets, as a more substantial horizontal stabilizer for that machine. He is also looking into a possible new 4-stroke powerplant option. The building construction is progressing, and he is almost ready to start putting the new roof on.

Date	Time	Location	Training Topic
April 7 <sup>th</sup>	11:00 a.m.	Greenville Airport	<i>Fly-in safety topics</i>
May 5 <sup>th</sup>	All Day	Parks Airport	<b>Air show and club meeting</b>
June 2 <sup>nd</sup>	11:00 a.m.	Greenville Airport	<i>Reading Sectionals</i>
July 7 <sup>th</sup>	11:00 a.m.	Smartt Airport	<b>Ground Handling &amp; Pattern Etiquette BBQ</b>
August 1 <sup>st</sup> thru the 5th	All Day	Mentone Airport Convention	<i>2-day Repairman's training class on Wed. &amp; Thurs., see PRA site for more info</i>
September 7 <sup>th</sup> , 8 <sup>th</sup> , 9th	All Day	Shelbyville Airport	<b>Club Hosted Fly-in Review of the ASTM Standards</b>
October 6 <sup>th</sup>	All Day	Greenville Airport	<b>Greenville Open House</b>
November 3 <sup>rd</sup>	11:00 a.m.	Greenville Airport	<i>Flying with the Right Attitude</i>
December 1 <sup>st</sup>	11:00 a.m.	Greenville Airport	<i>Keeping Your License Current / Ramp Inspections</i>
January 5 <sup>th</sup>	11:00 a.m.	Greenville Airport	<i>Radio Communication</i>

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