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Carol Ann Garratt



Solo round-the-world pilot Carol Ann Garratt addresses an attentive and appreciative audience at the September meeting of EAA Chapter 534

**SEPTEMBER's MEETING**, as predicted, was truly a "do not miss under any circumstances" event; Carol Ann Garratt, COMM, INST, CFI, CFII, who made a round-the-world solo flight in her Mooney N220FC, gave us a fascinating overview of the flight which she wrote about in her book, "*Upon Silver Wings, Global Adventure in a Small Plane.*" Over twenty, including a number of guests experienced one of **EAA Chapter 534's** guest-speaker highlights. The flight was a tribute to her mother, a victim of ALS, and the writer's proceeds from book sales benefit the ALS Therapy Foundation. (For information on how to obtain a copy, please email the Editor. A good cause for an un-funded "orphan" disease)



Chapter 534 member Gary Paxton and his Yankee at TVI

**THOMASVILLE (GA) FLY-IN EAA Chapter 534** was represented this year by a group of only three members and two spouses: Mike Cannon and Gary Paxton-- who flew in his very nice G-A Yankee-- were accompanied by their wives and your intrepid scribe did a solo. Former member Captain Jack Barker was there with the Loves' Landing contingent. Two hundred fifty planes had flown in by noon on Saturday with a good representation of "classics" including a Cessna 195, a Twin Beech, a Fairchild "34." Homebuilts covered the gamut from ultralights to a Dyke "Delta" to a Corvair-powered KR-2S (in which the owner/builder had only \$8000 invested!) to a Continental-powered copy of Mike Fisher's "Horizon."

There were the usual assortment of modern aircraft and the occasional odd-ball such as a Cherokee 180 tail-dragger. Green grass, airplane noises, blue sky, and yellow planes and no fees except for pretty good eating!



Piper "Cherokee Chief" taildragger

**OCTOBER 22** will be **EAA Chapter 534's** get-together at the "Lou Larsen Airplane Factory" for a



A straw pole of three nametag designs was taken at the September meeting and this design was chosen by a majority of those in attendance.

“show and tell” on Lou’s Ford Model A-powered Pietenpol Air Camper. Meeting time is 9:00 AM, this Saturday, at 29248 David Court, Tavares. Take Shirley Shores Rd. off SR 448 to David Court. *Refreshments courtesy of our hosts, Lou and Elinor Larsen.*

**OCTOBER 25, 26** EAA Chapter 635 will host the EAA’s B-17, “Aluminum Overcast,” at the chapter hangar at the DeLand Airport.

**OCTOBER 29** Fly-in at Bob White airfield.

**NOVEMBER 19** EAA Chapter 534 will make a mass-mailing to all EAA members in the area to invite them to a social get-

together on the occasion of our usual Saturday morning meeting, but in this case, on the **THIRD** Saturday, earlier by one week since the normal date would fall on Thanksgiving weekend. A list of EAA members within a reasonable distance from Leesburg Airport has been obtained from HQ OSH for the purposes of making a mass-mailing. There will **COFFEE ‘N DONUTS** for consumption and some members’ planes for inspection. Also invited will be the *Florida Flying Gators* ultralighters since the new SP/LSA category has blurred the differences between “them ‘n us” relative to the types of flying we do and aircraft that we use. We’re also extending a courtesy invitation to the Civil Air Patrol (“Moseley’s Marauders”) who have generously given us a hand at our pancake breakfast fly-ins on a number of occasions. We’re asking members and guests to bring and share information on, or a part of, their projects. Come on out, join the “Show ‘N Tell,” and help us recruit some new members.

**NOVEMBER 26<sup>TH</sup>** the following Saturday, will be **EAA Chapter 534**’s next *Young Eagles* meeting and we will need willing members to assist. Come on out-- the looks on the kids’ faces are worth it!

**DECEMBER**’s meeting will be the annual Christmas Dinner Party with Roger Harper as Director, Producer, and Master of Ceremonies at Café Stella on US441 just east of the SR19 overpass (it’s the old Shoney’s). Pappy writes, “We are set for December 10th at 6 P.M. at Cafe Stella. The cost will be \$14.95 plus 7% tax and 18% gratuity - somewhere close to \$18.87 depending whether the add the tax and do the gratuity on the total (which is what I expect).” Contact Roger at [Rharper1713@wmconnect.com](mailto:Rharper1713@wmconnect.com)

**DECEMBER 3**, The Flying Tiger airport (N29° 56’ W82° 24’, 122.9) at Worthington Springs, FL, will host its 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Fly-in with Free BBQ, oysters, and for you kids out there, a candy drop.

For **JANUARY**, Program Chairman *Paul Adrian* has lined up a “rep” from *Castrol* for a presentation on aviation lubricants. Now, if you think this sounds like a “snoozer,” just pray that you never hear your engine go “skreeeeee-erk” just after liftoff! The “Sound of Silence” may sound good coming from Simon & Garfunkel, but it’s the last thing *any* non-glider pilot wants to hear! *Refreshments: Bill Conderman*

**ELECTIONS** are coming up and if you are willing to give a little of self to the chapter, *please* volunteer to run for some position. C’mon, folks, we need some changes in the masthead since the usual “heavy-lifters” could use a break. Wouldn’t you like to see your name “in lights” at the top of the newsletter? Contact Bill Conderman.



Ah, remember the days of the old "brown" Army? And (gaspl!) actually dressing **up** to go travelling?



## "THIS... IS YOUR CAPTAIN SPEAKING..."

Editorial comment by... who else? The Editor

**SPORT AVIATION ASSOCIATION** Director Lou Larsen forwarded a sad tale: Paul Poberezny's "**Sport Aviation Association**" has been disbanded for lack of interest and membership. It must be that so many today grew up in the era of "insert tab A in slot A" plastic airplane models that they think that is what "experimental" aircraft should be. First **Experimenter** magazine becomes a guide to "plug 'n play" Light Sport Aircraft (LSA) and now the last bastion for holdouts of the ingenuity, skills, and experimental

fervor marked by the likes of Paul, Tony Bingelis, Jesse Anglin, Molt Taylor, and Pete Bowers-- to mention only a few of yesterday's fertile minds-- has been overrun. Pity. Instant gratification trumps innovation and creativity.

**INSURANCE** When I recently read in **AOPA Pilot** that the owner of a 4-place Beech gets BI/PD liability, hull, medical, etc., coverage for little more than what the insurance bandits want in order to cover my aerial putt-putt (five fewer of seats, half the speed, and "grossed out" at about half his plane's empty weight) for liability only, I decided it's time for me to get out of Dodge.... er, aviation. Sorry, folks, but there's something drastically wrong with this picture and until it's corrected, this birdman is a pedestrian!

**EDITOR'S NOTE--- AGAIN:** Unless you want to see/hear even *more* of my old photos and other outdated stuff (like me!), send me some of *your pictures and/or your recollections*. You needn't be a *New York Times* best-seller author or Pulitzer-winning photographer. I can edit and I can freshen up old, faded pictures. You can email them to me!

## C L A S S I F I E D S

**FREE VW CORE--** VW "Type 1" engine core at a "right price," **FREE!** A friend in CT, cut one head in preparation for building a 1/2 VW but, instead, decided to go with Kawasaki power for his "Ultra Piet." (Unfortunately, Mel was a stickler for doing things "the right way" and while getting pre-first flight dual instruction, the instructor's 2-place U/L suffered a catastrophic structural failure and both on board were fatally injured.) With a few hundred dollars worth of "rebuild" kit from JCWhitney or one of the advertisers in "Hot VWs," you could have a "fresh" engine with new/reconditioned heads, jugs, etc. Here's your chance to get reliable 4-stroke power for that LSA-EXPERIMENTAL project. 787.9526 [schulznotee@yahoo.com](mailto:schulznotee@yahoo.com)

**FOR SALE BY OWNER/BUILDER--** WJS "Jaybird" N735BS for sale by owner/builder. (4-cyl. VW power on a re-design of Wayne Ison's T.E.A.M. "AirBike") Single seat, EXPERIMENTAL. 41.1 TTAE. Day VFR. Reliable 4-stroke VW 1600 by Scott Casler (d.b.a. "Morey Hummell Engines"). Great Plains induction system, Zenith carb w/ mixture control. "Armstrong" starter (hand prop). Custom wood, patented "SuprProp." Fan-driven Toyota Corolla alternator (no XPDR required). Gel cell battery. Voltmeter. Droop tips. Cub-type gear w/ brakes and 8.00x6 tires. 2 x 5 gal tanks. Glove box. FAA signed off. Time flown off. 60 kts cruise @ 2900 rpm, 2.5 gph. "Sunbrella" wing, tail, engine/windscreen/panel, and prop covers. "Sunbrella" baggage tote. Includes BRS 750# "Smart" ballistic chute



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