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Can you identify this aircraft?

Hint: American



If you correctly identify this aircraft you only pay \$3.50 for breakfast at the next meeting.

Sport Pilot Rule moves forward

Major Step Forward for Sport Pilot July 31, 2003 - The new sport pilot and light-sport aircraft (SP/LSA) categories passed a major milestone today when FAA Administrator Marion Blakey announced at the Experimental Aircraft Association's (EAA) annual EAA AirVenture fly-in that the FAA had completed work on the final rule. The rulemaking package has now been forwarded to the Department of Transportation (DOT) for review.

"This is a momentous step in the road to seeing sport pilot and light-sport aircraft become a reality," said EAA President Tom Poberezny. "We expect the rule will prove to be a major safety enhancement, establishing a safety framework for an existing, unregulated segment of aviation.

"Likewise, we felt there was no better place than EAA AirVenture Oshkosh to announce this major step. As the aviation world gathers for this centennial of flight celebration, EAA is proud to have been deeply committed to this effort, which will open up personal flight to more people as it enters its second century."

After approval by DOT, the SP/LSA rule will become official upon publication in the Federal Register. The effective date of the rule will be announced at that time

Free F15 Mouse pointer

Change your computer mouse pointer to a cool F-15 shaped icon.

Go to <http://www.boeing.com/defense-space/military/f15/f15theme.htm>

Click on the cursor you want to save.

Save As the file to a folder.

Double click on it to install.

Save the cursor to the Cursors folder in the Windows folder on your computer

(e.g. C:\WINNT\Cursors). Note the name of the cursor. It will be F15_top, F15_roll, or F15_aftbn. Click **Finish** when prompted. You will get message: Extraction completed.

Go to **Start > Settings > Control Panel > Mouse**. Select the **Pointers** tab.



Select the cursor function where you would like to apply the new cursor.

Browse to your **Cursors** folder and select the desired cursor.

Press the **Open** button.

Press **Apply**, then **OK**.



Wanna go to the Bahamas?

Amateur-built Aircraft Operations Approved in Bahamian Airspace

A new travel option was opened to thousands of homebuilders Saturday when the Bahamas Civil Aviation Department announced at EAA AirVenture Oshkosh that registered amateur-built aircraft can now fly in that country.

The creation of a "special airworthiness certificate-experimental" authorizes Canadian or United States-registered amateur-built aircraft to operate in the Bahamas subject to certain minimal, non-onerous conditions.

"We're pleased that the Bahamian government announced that Canada or United States-registered amateur-built aircraft can now operate in Bahamian airspace, and that it was announced here at AirVenture Oshkosh," said EAA President Tom Poberezny.

"Many foreign countries have restric-

tions against homebuilts, prohibiting pilots from flying their aircraft into their airspace. The country that is the closest for GA aircraft is the Bahamas, but they have always had a restriction against experimental, so people could never take their airplanes into the most accessible part of the Caribbean. Now they can do it, and in an unrestricted way. This is historic."

Conditions include having a valid certificate of registration; compliance with operating limitations; compliance with the Bahamas Civil Aviation (Safety and Navigation) Regulations 2001 while in Bahamian airspace; avoidance of large population centers except when directed by air traffic control or in an emergency; pilots are to advise Bahamas ATC of the nature of their flight upon establishing communications; and some others, none of which should create any burden for homebuilt pilots.

See <http://www.eaa.org> for more info.

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FAA to issue new plastic, secure airman certificates

Aug. 4 — Administrator Marion Blakey announced late last week that the FAA plans to begin issuing new airman certificates, replacing the current paper with plastic credit-card-sized certificates that incorporate security features.

"AOPA has been urging the FAA to revamp pilots' certificates," said AOPA President Phil Boyer. "This new certificate will benefit pilots because it is sturdier and less likely to become lost or damaged, and at the same time addresses many of the concerns for security officials."



You can always tell when a man has lost his soul to flying. The poor bastard is hopelessly committed to stopping whatever he is doing long enough to look up and make sure the aircraft purring overhead continues on course and does not suddenly fall out of the sky. It is also his bound duty to watch every aircraft within view take off and land.

— Ernest K Gann

B-17 Scheduled for Panama City!

Ask Dick Smith for the latest info.



Pitts Flyin-- Ozark Al.

Mark your calendars for the biggest Pitts Fly-In EVER.

A gathering of Pitts - pilots, planes, manufacturers, vendors by special request and in honor of Curtis Pitts, 87 years young - special guest. At Blackwell Field (71J), Ozark, Alabama - hosted by Marshall Collins and friends.

Fri - November 7th - arrival/practice

Sat - November 8th - afternoon airshow*, P.M. barn party

Sun -November 9th - A.M. show raindate - P.M. departures

* Airshow will be premier Pitts performers from around the continent flying for Curtis' enjoyment. Such as Sean Tucker, Wyche Coleman, Bill Finagin, Skip Stewart, Andrew & Tim Boyd and others. More info at www.acroflyer.com/ozark



Meeting August 23, 2003
at Sandy Creek Air Park

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Fighter Pilot

A fighter pilot sat down at the bar and ordered a drink. As he sat sipping his drink, a young woman sat down next to him. She turned to the man in the flight suit and asked, "Are you a real fighter pilot?" He replied, "Well, I've spent my whole life flying fighter jets, going to fighter tactics and weapons schools, deploying overseas, dodging SAMs, dropping bombs, jinking through dog fights, wearing big watches, and putting on my speed jeans before I strap on an F-15 or an F-16, so I guess I am a fighter pilot. What do you do?"

She said, "I'm a lesbian. I spend my whole day thinking about women. As soon as I get up in the morning, I think about women. When I shower, I think about women. When I watch TV, I think about women. I even think about women when I eat. It seems that everything makes me think of women." The two sat sipping in silence. A little while later, a man sat down on the other side of the pilot and asked, "Are you a real fighter pilot?" He replied, "I always thought I was, but I just found out I'm a lesbian."

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American Gyro AG-4 Crusader



<http://www.aviation-history.com/amergyro/ag4-1.htm>