

EAA Chapter 96

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Editors Corner

Jim Lobue

As always, we welcome input from our members. There has been a request to see articles about homebuilt projects. Even a one paragraph caption and a picture of what you are working on would add interest to this publication and inspiration to readers.



Upcoming Events

Young Eagles Rally

Saturday, 26 January, 10:00
Volunteers needed.
Details inside this issue.

Board of Directors Meeting

Saturday, 2 February, 09:00
Open to all members.

VMC Club

Thursday, 7 February, 7PM
See VMC Club news
in this issue for details.
Open to all pilots.

Chapter General Meeting and BBQ

Saturday, 16 February, 10:00
Program by Jim Hebert
Open to everyone.

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EAA Chapter #96 Meetings are at CPM.
1017 Alondra Blvd
Compton, CA 90220

Chapter Chatter



Dennis Lord is our current Chapter 96 President, executive producer of the EAA 96 Fly-In and Model Expo, and a member of the LA County Aviation Commission overseeing five County airports including Compton.

Happy New Year!

I understand from those “in the know” that the new sand blaster is operational in the hangar. Thanks to the work of Gus and “X”, it is completed. I look forward to using it.

The first Young Eagles rally for 2019 has been announced for January 26. In summarizing 2018, Peter Hurley noted that we are around 280 credits for the year with Rhon Williams continuing to lead the pack with over 60 missions for the year.

On that same weekend is the Leadership Boot Camp at Flabob Airport put on by Chapter 1 and EAA HQ. It is a Friday event this time and then on Saturday evening is an anniversary dinner for Chapter 1. I’m looking to attend.

A reminder to all that have not paid their 2019 membership dues, they are due now. We are hovering around 70 members and this membership provides support for the organization and insurance for your use of the hangar. We encourage you to get current quickly before hangar privileges are lost. If you are a tenant, membership is mandatory and likely has been added to your invoice. Your Board has recently incurred the cost of hangar keepers insurance which protects members’ use of the hangar and its assets.

Wet weather is upon us. Make good choices out there on when to fly. Associated with this weather, it is my understanding that the roof over our office space was repaired and initial reports indicated the roof is not leaking. By now, my hope is that American Airports also replaced the damaged ceiling tiles.

Annually, the Chapter sends a youth to one of EAA’s Aviation Camps. We are currently in the process of identifying up to two candidates for this year and must make a decision by Feb 2. If you know of a young person ready, willing, and able to attend one of these camps, we need for them to contact us at ea96youngeagles@gmail.com. Any assist in helping us to select a candidate is appreciated.

At the last Board meeting, we appointed a Bylaws review committee to take a look at the entire document. We expect to take some period of time to review this, incorporate updates and suggested language from HQ, and get it out to the membership for review and approval. Expect to hear more on this process as we move forward.

The County Aviation Commission is gearing up for another year of protecting and advancing the County Airport system. A reminder to all that Commission meetings come to Compton Airport twice per year; February and August. On February 27th at 10 a.m., the meeting will convene in the Terminal Building. Historically, the CPM morning meeting has been lightly attended but it remains an opportunity to address the Commission, if desired. This meeting brings together County Staff, American Airports, and your airport representatives to the County Supervisors. Often, solutions to issues brought to the Commission are solved easily. With more difficult concerns, a plan is developed with interested parties. Keep in mind that the Commission is advisory to our County Supervisors so they are informed when items of aviation interest come before them. Eight of the nine current Commissioners are pilots.

We have all heard about the government shutdown and may know some of the affected employees. The FAA and TSA are both affected. Tensions are high with these employees feeling they are being the scapegoats for the inability of Washington DC to get along. Last week, the Controllor’s Union filed a lawsuit to pay their workers whom are deemed “essential” so they are working without pay at the moment. Yes, once the budget is approved, they will be paid but the effect on people varies by individual and can make for a stressful existence.

Recently, I was returning to a local airport and as I entered their Class Delta airspace it was apparent that the controller was busy with approaching traffic. So much so that he started chastising pilots for not being able to follow directions. Simply keep in mind that you may run into similar circumstances out there. Be careful!

Dennis is easily reached at President@EAA96.org or at 310.612.2751 and he looks forward to hearing from members. Comments and materials received may be used for future columns or responded to privately upon request.

Hangar Report

Gus Gustavson

Some things happen outside of the hangar.



This is Jackson Edwards and his Belight, Ultralight. Jackson also has the Cessna 172 that once belonged to Eric Hicks when it was going through a lengthy Annual Inspection in our hangar. Jackson was GIVEN the 172 in trade for some work he did for Eric's business in El Segundo. The 172 was on the tie-downs at Compton.

So what is the big deal you ask? Read this.

Before the 172, Jackson had very little flight time. Very little, like less than 10 hours. He found an instructor at Long Beach and began his lessons. His home is in Oregon but he works down here. So what? Well he almost has his PPL but that still isn't the ticket. You see that puddle jumper in the photo? Jackson recently built that in Oregon when he wasn't in Los Angeles. OK....., he built little plane and owns a 172.

On January 18, Jackson got a call from EAA headquarters and talked to him for about two hours. EAA wants to do a story on him on the Belite. They plan to create an article for it.

You see, he not only build it...he designed the motor. Yes MOTOR. He is an electrical genius in all that is electric and that is a flying electric airplane. He not only built it, but he has flown it. And he doesn't have his pilot license yet!

In other news, David Thornhill will be building his plane in a friend warehouse and not our hangar. He still should be at our hangar on occasion to use our tools to help build it.

Wilbur Owen's BT-13 should begin refurbishment shortly after it was moved behind my GlaStar. Mark Snyder has moved the KR-2 out to Chino to take care of a hangar issue he has out there without a viable airplane in it. We should still see Mark at the meetings. Harel Tanami should be back soon on his Thorp T211. He recently had to figure out how to resurrect it out of the FAA data base. Leslie Huttenin is waiting for a tire change back to his tundra tires on his GlaStar. Evidently putting on smaller tires on for speed has caused some propeller clearance problems. He also has the Glasair I in the hangar, and is looking for a new engine.

Go back by the sink on the West wall and you will notice our new abrasive media booth. It is up and running and we are set up with glass bead, walnut shells and soda blast. Get with Gus or Xaviar on how to use it.

Have you been on any of our flyouts? There is a group of us from the VMC Club, friends on the field, even friends from other fields who fly to all kinds of places about every month. We are going to try to get some posted on the website since we plan some of them weeks in advance. Other can be really short notification from a day to as little as 30 minutes. Get with Keith Spreuer to get on the VMC Club list.

Damn we have fun!



EAA Chapter 96 is offering your student the opportunity to experience the Basic Air Academy Summer Camp at EAA Headquarters in Oshkosh, Wisconsin.

Thanks to your support with our Young Eagles Program, EAA 96 is able to sponsor applicants during the week of July 7-12, 2019.

If your student would like to be a potential candidate to attend in 2019, please have the candidate type or write a personal letter to the EAA Chapter 96 Board Members explaining their interest level. Please email all letters to eea96youngeagles@gmail.com no later than January 31, 2019. **Please include important contact information for the parents or legal guardians of the potential candidate.

*Be advised that travel to and from Oshkosh, WI is the responsibility of each participant and not covered by EAA 96. Due to specific activities, only candidates between the ages of 14 and 15 will be considered.

Young Eagles

Peter Hurley

Dear Pilots and Volunteers,

Happy New Year! It's time to start flying Young Eagles so we need your help on Saturday the 26th. Let's try to get our 10 minimum YE flights early this year so we won't have to lose any of the credits that we earn this year. Coffee and Donuts will be there at 9 AM and flights will take off at 10. Please let me know as soon as possible if you can join us.

Thanks,

Peter Hurley
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Holiday Brunch 2018

Jim Lobue



We had a great fundraising auction, raising money for youth programs. See the website for pictures of Xavier as auctioneer!

2019 Chapter Dues Due Now!

Craig Louis

Dear Chapter 96 members, 2019 membership dues are due on January 1st.

If you have not paid your 2019 dues, please do so now. You can browse to <https://eaa96.org/> and select **Membership**

You'll be able to use the online form and pay with PayPal, or download the PDF form and send a check. It's easy, and your dues are going to a good cause, our EAA Chapter 96 programs and upkeep. Thanks very much,

Blue skies,
Craig
Treasurer, Secretary, and Etc.



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The EAA Chapter 96 VMC club is a free monthly gathering of pilots who want to share experiences and learn from others in various flight situations. The VMC club opportunities are open to any pilots who want to improve their proficiency, gain local knowledge about air space, TFR information, and hanger talk about topics that are relative to current flying conditions in our area. This resource is supported through EAA's VMC Club and provides pilots an opportunity to participate in a "What would you do" scenario video or discussion topic each month. We will use real-world scenarios to engage everyone, and allow a free exchange of information that improves awareness and skills. The intent is to create a community of pilots willing to share information, provide recognition, foster communications, promote safety, and build proficiency. We will open each meeting with a topic and photos or quick 5 - 10 minute video supplied by EAA national for the purpose of open discussion on the video subject matter.

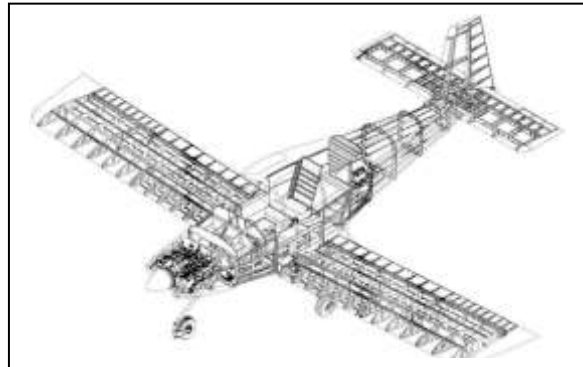
The meetings will meet on the 1st Thursday of every month at 7:00pm in the Chapter 96 Conference room at the hanger and we restrict the length of the meetings to 1 hour. These meetings are free and we encourage participants to bring other interested pilots or friends. A schedule of these meetings is posted on the chapter web site and will be posted on the hanger bulletin board. For more information, you may contact the VMC coordinators, Richard Schleicher at 310-936-5055 or Keith Spreuer at 310-649-5289 or send an e-mail to chapter96VMC@actsworld.com.

VMC Club Meeting Schedule

Feb 07	Topic: Flight into smoke/haze during California fires
Mar 07	Topic: Smoking is not good for you
April 04	Topic: Face off – Take off

Question for the month: Each month in the notice sent out for the meeting, we will include a question to be considered and discussed in addition to our video.

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