

EAA Chapter 96

PENINSULA FLYER

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July 2014

Editors Corner

Jim Lobue

I'm always looking for member written and submitted articles for **your** newsletter. Please email me with articles, suggestions, and/or comments. Thanks.

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President's Forum

Merrill Eastcott

The chapter has made a firm commitment with the Alpine Village for our holiday brunch and fund raising auction. The date set is December 7, 2014. The activity will begin at 10:30am and end around 1:30pm. Setup may commence at 10am. Prices have gone up \$4 per person plus the cost of beverages which were not included last year and the chapter ended up subsidizing the event. So the Board has set a price this year of \$35 per person. Please mark your calendars and we will start asking for reservations in September.

HELP! The Board is very concerned that support for our major continuing outreach program, Young Eagles is sliding significantly. Glen says the short pole in the tent is not in finding youth to fly or days on which we can hold a YE event, but is the shortage of chapter pilots that he can count on. In fact, the number he can reliably count on is down to only three or four. Folks, we need eight to ten pilots that he can count on regularly so that he is more comfortable in scheduling YE events. If you can help out and are not on the email list announcing YE events, contact one of the Board members or Glen directly to get on the list.

At the July board meeting we had our second intense planning session for the September fly-in and model Expo. We still need another 40 of you to get on Keith Spreuer's volunteer list. Just get your name to any one of the board members.

We think we have locked in some exciting and interesting programs for the next two or three months, but we are still looking for help in securing interesting and informative programs for future membership meetings. Everybody has at least one good story to tell, or knows at least one person whose story would be of interest to us. Please help us in this endeavor. Just mention your idea or contact to any Board member.

See you at our July 19th meeting.

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Treasurer's Report

Richard Schleicher

The month of June starting balance was \$11,374.11. The ending balance for the month was \$10,300.50. Our income/deposits in May was \$3215.02 and our expenditures were \$4288.63. Break down of expense for the month:

Hanger rent	\$3493.95
Edison	\$156.43.
OSH student	\$425.00
Water	\$103.98
BBQ/EAA	\$109.76

Hanger and tie down tenant income remains at \$2914/month. If all spaces were rented, our income would be an additional \$1904/month. We need to find other builders who value the resources and can support the hanger. Dennis, Jim, Dave, and others are working hard to increase our membership. However this is not our sustaining income for the association. The hanger rent is and we must continue to encourage those that have projects off site to come and support the hanger resources by renting a space. We continue to improve the facility and we are doing our very best to provide a safe and resourceful place to hang out, work on your project, use the tools, and socialize in the comfort of an open hanger with great used furniture. Speaking of which, anyone capable of listing some of the excess furniture on Craigslist, please do so on behalf of the association. We need to clean up the used furniture area and reclaim the work space so that potential hanger mates will see a professional work space.

None of the outstanding renters made any payments in June. I was unable to make contact with any of them in June. This tells me that those that remain outstanding must be contacted every month as a reminder of their debt: They will not volunteer to pay their debt on their own. I need help with this matter. Thank you to those responsible parties who are stepping up to their responsibility and helping us keep the hanger alive. We need to continue to collect from those who are delinquent.

PayPal payments continue to be the choice for new members to join. Dennis continues to empty the account into our bank account at the end of each month and I can reconcile with the notifications of new memberships and payment of hanger rents.

As mentioned in the previous months report, please send future rent payments and membership payments to:

Richard Schleicher
9 Barkentine Road
Rancho Palos Verdes, CA 90275.

Those of you who pay by automatic means can continue to do so to our Bank of America account with direct payment or you can have your institution pay to EAA Chapter 96 accounts receivable at my address.

Meeting Program

Rhon Williams

'Why Birds Don't Have Vertical Tails' - WINGS Event

Topic: Presentation by Al Bowers (NASA) 'On the Minimum Induced Drag of Wings: Why Birds Don't Have Vertical Tails'

To view further details and registration information for this seminar, [click here](#).

URLs from June meeting:

Everything aviation for sale at Barnstormer.com - <http://www.barnstormers.com/>

COPA Weather – good graphics - https://www.cirruspilots.org/copa/wx/w/weather_page_s/701.outlook.aspx

Crosswind landings on Youtube - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7P9OAng32F0>

Virtual Aircraft Museum - <http://www.aviastar.org/index2.html>

Hangar Report

Keith Spreuer

In June the hangar remained with the same vacancies, Basically 3 large spaces and the space occupied by the Bede 5 and tools. In the near future we may see the Stinson move in and be displayed for sale, Merrill is getting close to buying a kit and may move in. Jim LoBue may also. William Pass said he has several Antique Auto Race collectors that would like short term spaces (at \$800/mo). H2O2 continues to make improvements to the lounge and kitchen. The weather station is mounted and will be set up soon. The kitchen floor has been removed and William is planning to polish the concrete and seal it for a more durable floor. We need to do a Go To The Dump day and clean out the accumulation of junk and general cleaning. That will be set up for after the next General Meeting on July the 19th. Again the cleaning lady's performance was criticized. Rhon will forward a list of cleaning jobs we expect to be done so she understands our expectations. Rich listed those significantly behind in rent as Paul Hendrick, Troy Gleeson, and Dana DuBroc

Chapter Chatter



Dennis Lord is our current Chapter 96 VP, 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.

Well, my thoughts last month of becoming an EAA 96 hangar tenant didn't play out. You see, I placed a bid on my beautiful C-182Q that was resting in a boneyard in Pearblossom. Many of you know about Jerry Prince's recovery operation since he was in our hangar before us. It was in his facility. In any case, I wanted to test the market and knowing the aircraft I figured I might have a good shot. While I was encouraged by some to restore it, it became clear that there was not enough time nor money in me to do that.

So, what would you have bid for a full IFR panel and a smashed O-470-U? Garmin 530W, PMA 8000 audio panel w/ music input, MX-385 radio (#2), working Cessna autopilot, new interior (undamaged). Right wing wrinkled, fuselage wrinkled, empennage damage (left horiz. stab), firewall toast (sheared nose wheel), hit hard on nose. Could not determine if crankshaft broken. As painful as it was to go see it, and it was a mess, I submitted a bid of \$6139. Incredulously, someone knows that market far more than I do as the winning bid was north of \$16K. Goodness, with transport costs, storage costs, where's the value? Well, someone in Phoenix gets to figure that out.

I want to give a shout-out to our H2O tenant, William Pass. His last name is only part of his demeanor; Passionate! William has almost single-handedly worked to improve our surroundings and has cleaned, encouraged, and produced results. Thank you William! If you haven't seen the meeting room and the emerging changes in the kitchen, you're missing the action. The floor has been torn out and polished and sealed concrete, with some throw rugs that can be cleaned, are the plan at little to no cost.

Membership is stable above 60 members and a dozen Friends of EAA 96. With no excuses, I do need to get back into the roster and complete the cleanup. My employment project has limited my time but there is a finite end to it.

The Chapter continues to seek opportunities to reduce its deficit budget. We have not had a positive cash flow month, outside of the income provided by the Expo, in years. This simply cannot continue and we continue to look for ways to remedy this. We have cut into it, but there is more work to do.

At the recent Board meeting, there was a discussion about not having Young Eagles rallies over the summer and the reasons why. In the same vein, I learned that we are paying about \$700 to \$800 to send our scholarship recipient to Summer Camp this year. That was a surprise to me. How did this happen? Well, it's simple. With declining interest in turning out to support YE, the Chapter is no longer building credits towards Summer Camp for youth. Each Young Eagle mission provides about a \$5 credit to the Chapter to offset the \$1,200 cost of the Camp. With only about 80 YE missions last year, there were not enough credits to cover this cost so the Chapter must pay the balance.

I accept the blame for I am part of the Board that authorized sending a Camper this year. Clearly, I did not ask the right questions or I would not have voted to support this. Sounds harsh, I know, but fiscal responsibility is a major part of my participation as a Board member. I would hope that others feel the same. I know we can do better. Doing better includes embracing the YE program and institutionalizing it once again. There are strong volunteers on the land side but it is lacking in marketing and pilot participation. We need to support Glenn in those two areas. I remember the days of 80 kids in one rally and 15 aircraft to handle them. In the end, we cannot continue with programs that are not fully funded. On average, we need 250 missions per year to fully fund a Camper. We are no longer operating at that level.

Opportunities? I am still waiting to see the outcome of the Stinson project. Dave Bristol has the details and I am not up to date. We discussed some non-aviation storage in the hangar. Anything that can generate income helps. Some tenants are soon departing, that doesn't help. It's a constant challenge. Do you have some ideas?? I am all ears and would like to hear from you.

Dennis is easily reached at VP@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.

Long EZ Restoration project

Richard Schleicher – owner

May 12, 2014

PROGRESS REPORT.

With the help of Noe Ramirez, Jerry Kaono, my electrical guy – Steve Hsu, and my fabricator – Rick Carl(both are my neighbors) and numerous other hanger mates and members, I have completed all of the component restoration, electrical upgrades, Cowling and baffles, air box, antenna for the ELT and ground plane, new brakes and tires, Pitot and static system and tests, trailing edge fences, and other minor upgrades. I am 99% completed and with Jerry's final help with the cowling installation, I will be ready to taxi around the Compton Airport and break in the brakes and anything else that needs to be broken in! With a final inspection by some fellow Long EZ drivers, Keith Spreuer, and an A&P log signing session, I will be temporarily moving to Chino for Phase 1 testing. This is exciting for me and with all of the good workmanship that I have had from everyone who has helped, I will soon be flying. I also want to acknowledge a new member who has volunteered to provide some valuable "type" time in a Veri EZ, John Winward. Thank you John and I look forward to obtaining that time so I can become comfortable in my own airplane after it has gone through the initial testing with a qualified Long EZ test pilot. Following are some photos of the work done.



From this Long Nose designed by Art Lazarini



To this designed by Noe and I!



Estimated completion date: June 29. 201-

Upcoming Events

Chapter General Meeting and BBQ
Saturday, 19 July, 10:00

Chapter Board of Directors Meeting
Saturday, 2 August, 09:00

4th Annual EAA 96 Fly-In and Model Expo
Saturday, 27 September

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

Ads

For Sale

1948 Stinson 108-3



N6322M

Total time: 3214.3

Engine time since major overhaul: 978.7

Franklin 165 Heavy case engine

Turbotech oil cooler

Bodell/Adams brakes

Scott 3200 Tailwheel

Radio: King 155 w/glideslope, King transponder

Always hangared, original panel

Asking: \$22k

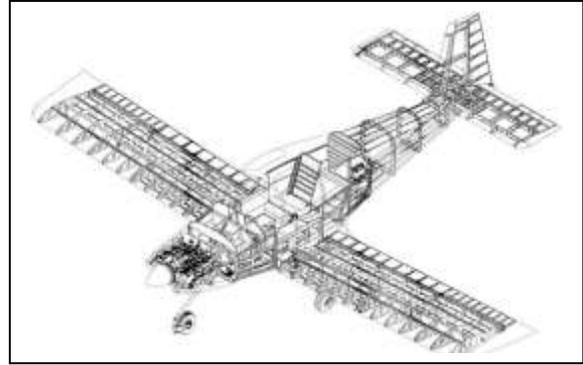
Net proceeds will go to EAA Chapter 96

Call Chet at 310-722-0488

or Dave at 310-617-1481

Wanted

I am looking for someone in the L.A. area that can recover my J-3 Cub tail pieces. If you know anyone in your chapter that does fabric work, they can call me at 562-321-7131 or email at cubdrv@yahoo.com



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