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Upcoming Events

November 14—WINGS Seminar: Technology Reliance (KDMN)
November 17—Annual Membership Meeting
November 21—IMC Club (KAEG)
November 21—Flying Start/Eagle Flight (KAEG)
November 21—WINGS Seminar, Flying Tailwheels (KLAM)
December 15—Holiday Party (Red Lobster)

And check NMPA's web site for other events around New Mexico

November 2026

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Notes from our President
Art Woods



Thanks to Fred DeGuio for his look at Sunport's history. Fascinating to hear about the airport since its 1929 inception.

The Chapter's November meeting is at the Red Lobster on Montgomery. Meeting starts at 6 PM. This is the Chapter's Annual Meeting, which is held for election of officers and directors, and other required official business. The Nominating Committee will recommended an Officer/Board slate for the election. Nominations can also be presented from the floor. Current Chapter 179 members will then vote. I will ask for any motions for other official chapter business.

Ever wondered about repeat Young Eagle fliers!?? One of the multi-flight (meaning 17 flights to date!!) Young Eagles, who lives more than an hour & half away, passed his FAA Private Pilot written last week. He's eager to start pilot training! Way to go Cassidy



Cassidy with Scott Harness in the Chapter initiated Van's RV12

I got to ride "right-seat" last Wednesday in the Chile Hawk for a trip northwest-bound along the Rio Puerco. The Rio Puerco has two sets of waterfalls – one is across a flat rock formation in the middle of the Puerco and the other waterfall, that sits farther north, cuts through a narrow slot in a high rock formation. Even a week after the latest rains, they were still impressive!! And all the Puerco side channels were also full of water along with gleaming water spread across large areas of the river basin.



Rio Puerco flowing at the base of Mesa Prieta

FAA's "Safer on the Surface" To address specific safety concerns on the airport surface, the FAA has fast-tracked three initiatives as part of its Surface Safety Portfolio. I'll include a short review of the FAA website at the November 17th meeting. Both Sunport and Double Eagle, in the company of LAX & LA Guardia, were included in the initial airport group rollout. Roswell Air Terminal should be included in the 2nd wave. The three elements included in the initiative are: Surface Awareness, Approach Runway Verification and Runway Incursion Device.

Arthur Woods
President, EAA Chapter 179
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November Chapter Gathering AND Annual Meeting

Tuesday, November 17, 2026

NOTE LOCATION

Red Lobster Restaurant, 5555 Montgomery Blvd NE

5:00 PM – No host dinner social
6:15 PM – Intros, Program
Arrive anytime from 5pm; dinner not required.
Anyone Welcome

Program: EAA 179 Annual Meeting – Elections
FAA's "Safer on the Surface", by Art Woods
2026 EAA 179 Year in Review

Join fellow members to as we elect chapter leadership for 2027 as the core of our Annual Chapter Membership Meeting. Following that, Art Woods will present a short review of a relatively new aspect of the FAA website with which you're likely not familiar. Finally, we'll reflect on the chapter's 2026 activities including the fun we've had and accomplishments through a photo show.

Members: If you're unable to attend, please consider sending your Proxy (example on Page 5) to us at chapter@eaa179.org.

NOTE LOCATION

Location: Red Lobster Restaurant
5555 Montgomery Blvd NE (at San Pedro Dr NE)

Directions: From I-25, take Montgomery exit, eastbound. Turn left into the parking lot, just before San Pedro Dr NE.

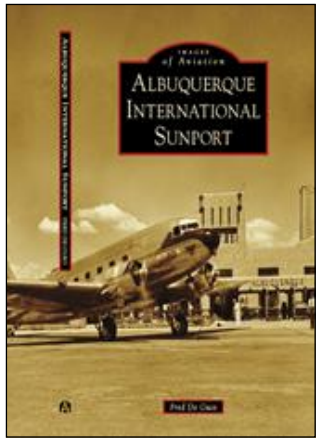
Not just seafood! Check out their broad menu including pastas, chicken, bowls and sandwiches. And great seafood, too! MENU | Red Lobster Restaurant

Monthly Chapter Gatherings offer time to network, with programs centered on exchanging experiences and ideas about aviation – airplanes, flying, and flying activities – rather than the chapter business addressed in Board meetings.

We hope to see you there!

October Chapter Gathering (RECAP)

Joyce Woods



Speaker Fred DeGuio presented an engaging photo history starting from the beginnings of aviation at the Albuquerque Sunport through today. Santa Fe Railway employees Frank Speakman and William Franklin first built an Albuquerque airport in 1928. Within a year, Charles Lindbergh chose Albuquerque to be a stop on the first commercial transcontinental air route from Los Angels to New York. A north/south route between Denver and El Paso was soon established, making Albuquerque a crossroads.

Fred reviewed the evolution of commercial routes and shared photos of aircraft used, including notable paint schemes. Airlines included WAE, TAT, TWA, Varney Speed Lines, Continental Airlines (from 1937), Carco, Monarch, Pioneer, Cutter Flying Service, Frontier, etc. Photos followed terminal development and attendees noted how people used to dress up to fly. Early terminal lobbies were well decorated reflecting local culture, perhaps that is the one aspect that has been sustained.

He highlighted the Cavalcade of Wings' model airplane displays. Each aircraft has significance to New Mexico and with the Sunport remodel, these display cases are now front and center, along with expanded history displays. In closing, Fred recognized the efforts of the late aviation historian, Harry Davidson, who built many of the models and documented the history.

Fred authored this book in 2019 with Arcadia Publishing, which he has available for sale. If interested, contact Fred by email: fsdeguio@aol.com

Meanwhile, if you haven't been to the Sunport lately, or if you go to pick up someone, you might plan a few extra minutes to explore the expanded history area at the Great Hall entrance. Someone asked about the significance of the biplane hanging from the ceiling. It is similar to the aircraft used for the first known flight in NM (1911) at the Territorial (now State) Fair. To attract attendees, organizers contacted the Curtiss Exhibition Co of NY and paid for two acrobatic flights. A Curtiss Pusher biplane was sent. So now you know! In addition, there's a new interactive area which even highlights the Albuquerque Aviation Academy. I especially love the lighted map showing all the GA airports which have been closed over the years.

Membership
Gwen Walcott, Membership Chair

Autumn trends to be a magical time of year:
The heat of summer diminishes,

The wet of the late summer monsoon wanes.

The color of the leaves of trees in many of our counties and in different States blossom with splendor.

And, the end comes to the membership year for the Chapter when Autumn turns to Winter.

Now is a Great Time to get your Membership Bona Fides in Order.

Many applicants for Chapter 179 Membership have either let their EAA membership lapse, or haven't bothered acquiring legal membership.

For those who membership have lapsed or for those who haven't joined the EAA, there is no better time than now to get your membership status in order and get your Identification Card up to date. It merely requires an internet trip to: https://www.eaa.org/join.aspx to either join or renew your membership.

Remember, Membership with the National EAA organization is also required to be current, but runs annually from date of joining/renewing (unlike Chapter membership, which expires every December).

We hope that you plan on renewing for the coming year; but wait until after Thanksgiving to submit your renewal.

If you decide not to renew Chapter Membership, know that we, The Board of Directors, and members of the Chapter have enjoyed your time with us and that your presence and contributions will be missed.

Thank you for being a member of The Experimental Aircraft Association.

ALSO, The Chapter is seeking candidates for the Chairmanship of the Membership Department. Please step forward and offer your time, interest, and ideas for furthering membership opportunities in this great organization.

Gwen Walcott
Membership Coordinator
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IMC Club Meeting
Barry Harper and John DeWitt, IMC Club Coordinators

Sharpen your Instrument Flying Skills!

The chapter IMC Club meets the 3rd Saturday of each month at Double Eagle II Airport, still a hybrid session (in person or remote). Anyone welcome!

NEXT MEETING

Saturday, November 21, 2026 9:30—11:00 AM

IMC Club sessions provide an open discussion based on instrument flying scenarios. Discussions provide a good review of essentials for IMC flight plus a fun way to meet and learn from other instrument pilots.

Participate in-person at Double Eagle II Airport in the City of Albuquerque Maintenance Building Conference Room

Directions: Enter the gate straight ahead from the last stop sign before turning left towards main airport parking lot. City building is the first building on your left. Security holds this gate open from 9:15—9:45.

OR Join Remotely via ZOOM: Register in advance for Zoom access info: https://us06web.zoom.us/meeting/register/oPrf_EjQTCybV51t4v23Xw

You will receive a confirmation email with the meeting Zoom link.

If you'd like FAA Safety WINGS credit, please ALSO register through the WINGS announcement as follows, or sign in-person at the meeting.

- Visit the FAAST Seminars & Webinars page for Events at KAEG.
- Scroll to the bottom and select the IMC Club Meeting.
- Follow Registration instructions

See you there!

Barry Harper & John DeWitt
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Announcement of Chapter 179's Annual Membership Meeting

Joyce Woods

Chapter 179 will hold our Annual Membership Meeting during our November Gathering on November 17, 2026 when we will elect 2027 Officers and fill open Director positions. Members are encouraged to participate in nominating and selecting chapter leadership for the coming year. We need a quorum of 20% of our membership. If you are unable to attend in person, you may assign your voting proxy to any member in good standing. Email Proxy forms are accepted (suggest copying wording below. Electronic signature accepted.) Send to us at chapter@eaa179.org

EXAMPLE PROXY FORM

I, _____ assign my proxy for the November 17, 2026 Chapter 179 Annual Membership Meeting to _____

Signed, _____

Nominating Committee Report

Nominating Committee: John DeWitt, Gwen Walcott, Joyce Woods

Your chapter Nominating Committee recommends a slate of officer candidates to serve one year starting January 1, 2027. Director terms are as noted. We still need a volunteer to serve as Vice President. Feel free to contact any of us if you are interested.
Additional candidates for any position may be nominated from the floor by any current member in good standing during the Annual Membership Meeting. Self-nominations are welcome.

Proposed 2027 Slate

President - Art Woods Vice President – Chris McIntyre Secretary - Diana Volker Treasurer - John DeWitt	Directors: George Young (2 year term) Tanda Headrick (2 year term) Carol Sugars (1 year term)	Continuing as 2027 Directors: (not up for election this year) Alex Basinger

A few notes:

- For reference, click here to review our current Board & Committee Leadership.
- Joyce Woods resigns from her Director position as "past president" to create an opening for a new Board member.
- Board meetings are typically held one evening every odd month via Zoom. Any members are welcome and encouraged to participate.
- Various committee positions are open - if interested, contact any board member.

Regards,
John DeWitt, Gwen Walcott, Joyce Woods (replaced Gilbert Merriman)
EAA 179 Nominating Committee 2026

Young Eagles

Jim Kessler & Art Woods

Forty-four kids got airborne at the October rally; over half were first timers while two had registered more than 12 flights. Joyce lent me her Hawk XP for one final flight for the day with three first timers to ALMOST finish all the Young Eagles that had shown up.

Thanks to the ground and pilot volunteers who helped make it a fun, educational and safe morning.

We have one more 2026 rally scheduled in November with a special nod to the Civil Air Patrol cadets that helped us at the Land of Enchantment Fly-in – marshalling planes, parking cars, and generally keeping the ramp safe for the public to be out in the middle of all the airplanes that flew in.

Jim Kessler, Art Woods
Young Eagles Coordinators
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PS: For families who are curious about what takes place at a Young Eagles Rally, here is an excellent description of what to expect: "EAA Chapter 1306, Come Fly With Us".

Scholarships
Rowan Phlieger & Mia Alderette

The year has absolutely flown by! We have had such a remarkable group of scholars and a memorable year, with even one more month left.

Our two Ray Scholars for 2026, Ethan Lee and Dashielle Quinn are staying busy working on their flight training for their Private Pilot Certificates AND their college courses.

Ethan is wrapping up his training and scheduling his checkride, and Dashielle is prepping for his first solo!



In the photo you'll see Ethan with his Lightspeed Zulu 3, courtesy of EAA National as apart of the Ray Aviation Scholarship, and Dashielle with his Scholar kit with shirt and hat!

We are so proud of them and their upcoming accomplishments.
Rowan & Mia

Rowan Phlieger & Mia Alderete
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FAA Retains ILS 22 Approach at Double Eagle II
Joyce Woods

The New Mexico Pilots Association (NMPA) monitors general aviation issues statewide and reaches out to GA pilot for support when needed. Especially since the fatal Emergency Medical KingAir flight accident near Ruidoso and considering the increased expanse and frequency of GPS jamming across the state, the suggestion of eliminating any non-GPS approach raises concerns. In the past few months, the FAA proposed eliminating the ILS approach at Double Eagle II. This follows proposals to eliminate about 12 VOR approaches statewide over the past year.

Airport management and area pilots spoke up, and the FAA listened. Here's an excerpt from the FAA response:

AIRSPACE CASE #26-ASW-213-NR: "Due to the concerns from Air Traffic Control, Flight Standards, the New Mexico Department of Transportation, and the many comments received from local pilots using the ILS at the Double Eagle II Airport, the FAA decided to retain this ILS. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Mike McCully, Contract Support Specialist, Operations Support Group, ATO Central Service Center, at 817 222-5904.

GREAT JOB! At least twenty area pilots (including several members of EAA Chapter 179) took the time to express thoughtful concerns in response to the FAA's untimely plans to decommission the ILS at Double Eagle II Airport. These comments were clearly acknowledged in the decision letter, confirming that our voices matter! Thus, a NM non-GPS approach is retained, *sort of*.

Why do I say, "sort of?" Yes, the KAEG ILS 22 approach is retained, but it still is not ironclad during a GPS outage. The Outer Marker has been NOTAMd "Unserviceable" since March 2026 through Oct 2027. The ILS approach plate note by the OM: "ADF Required". Do you have an ADF? I removed that dead weight, along with any "DME" equipment years ago. We still rely on GPS to locate the Outer Marker to be legal using the ILS. I inquired and the ABQ VOR is not capable for locating the OM. I suppose these were factors in wanting to decommission it. Now they should fix it.

Maybe you don't fly IFR or at night, but some GA operations depend on it. NMPA supports the emergency medical aviation community in assessing our state's IFR coverage in the event of GPS outages and AOPA's effort to improve pilot education to prepare for GPS outages.

Joyce Woods
Advocacy Chair, New Mexico Pilots Association

LOEFI 2026 - Airplanes. Helicopters. Gyrocopters. And Kids!!

Art Woods

Fly-in by the numbers – over 1200 attendees, 74 exhibitors, 25 airplanes judged, 60 pilots registered and 30 pilots attended the WINGS seminar on Backcountry Flying Safety.

President's Innovators of the Year – the following two concepts made the fly-in that much better. Thanks to these wonderful members for coming with NEW and BETTER!!

- Pilot Experience "sim entry card" by Jim Kessler, Caesar Archangel, and Doreen Branch.
- Mark Wilson for Avenue of Flight with a big blue welcoming arch!



CAP Presents the Colors, Chile Flight and our National Anthem Sung by Alex Carothers

Raffle winners – Eric & James for Southwest Airline tickets and F-18 pedal plane, respectively.

Camping festivities – at least the camping area grass was green. Tent camping didn't work too well with ½ an inch, or more, of standing water.

PHOTO COLLAGE – Raymond, Bruce & Jan photos used throughout last month's special edition newsletter.

Volunteers that made it happen for 2026!!

dan, bob, kevin, jim, diane, diana, doug, joe, alex, alex, bob, sarah, doreen, angela, jude, jayden , isabella, caesar, joyce, raymond, cynthia, perry, dash, matt, sara, john, suzanne, david, mia, art, tanda, alissa, ian, josh, kris, neal, art, Chile Flight, gwen, ryan, bruce, lee, michael, emiilio, chris, mark, louise, konrad, john, chet, blaze, don, craig, levi, mateo, jason, gabe, luis, levi, noah, tim, dan, ethan, john, darrel, michael and the CAP wing with 35 cadets and leaders.



And … Producers of the F-18 "Super Hornet" Pedal Plane

Bob Cockerham of the exclusive corporate sponsor *University VW/Mazda*., Emilio Verastegui, and Doug Volker.

Others who contributed are Mark Sturm, Mike Paxson, Steve Lower (FastSigns), Jake Schesslinger (House of Covers), and (NAPA).

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Notes From the Editor

George Young

There is an amazing wealth of information accessible for us today. When some of us started flying, we had

- AIM, FARs, and few others—all in printed form.
- Weather was handled through a FSS, by phone, VHF radio, or in person (fortunately FSSs were located on many GA airports).
- This was the same for flight plans.
- And a POH (I started with the *T.O. 1T-34A Flight Manual*, my bible learning to fly the T-34).



Some years ago, wandering around the Internet, I discovered so many sites from which one can get up-to-date information on virtually any topic.

- The FAA publishes a myriad of documents, periodicals, and other resources to learn and to enhance our piloting skills.
- EAA and AOPA offer online resources on virtually any topic: news, pilot experiences, helpful reports, and …..more.
- There are many web sites focusing on specific topics: builders, pilot experiences, places and activities, history, and again …. more.

Discovering that there is so much out there, I started compiling lists of online resources that I found to be helpful, interesting, or entertaining. I update the few that change regularly (like Pilot Workshops). See my lists starting on page 10.

PS: Additions and Corrections are Welcome.

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NM Aviation Division "Safe Skies" Program
Quarterly Safety Seminars - Around the State

Safe Skies New Mexico is an aviation safety seminar series designed to bring practical, real-world safety education directly to pilots, aircraft owners, maintainers, airport sponsors, and aviation enthusiasts across the state.

Each session *qualifies for FAA WINGS credit* and focuses on topics that general aviation pilots regularly encounter in New Mexico's operating environment.


Director Jessi Litz-Rowden

These are offered at no cost and intended to be practical, discussion-driven learning opportunities rather than formal lectures. Our goal is to support the GA community and strengthen safety culture statewide.

Jessi Litz-Rowden, Director of Aviation
NMDOT Aviation Division

Join fellow aviators in Deming for this

4th Quarter Seminar

Technology Reliance

Automation & Avionics in the Modern Cockpit

by Whitney Van Brink

0930 Saturday, November 14, 2026

Coffee, refreshments prior

WHERE: Desert Aviation FBO, Deming (KDMN)

The technology available in today's general aviation cockpits is nothing short of amazing. Over the last few decades, we've moved from analog gauges to sophisticated glass cockpits, highly capable autopilots, and unprecedented access to weather, navigation, and traffic information. These advancements can reduce workload, improve situational awareness, and enhance safety in ways that would have been difficult to imagine a generation ago.

However, technology is only as effective as our ability to use it properly. As our cockpits become more capable, we must understand not only what our equipment can do, but also its limitations and the risks of becoming overly reliant on it. We'll explore how to make the most of modern cockpit technology while maintaining the fundamental flying skills, situational awareness, and sound judgment that remain essential to safe flying.

See other nearby WINGS seminars on page 9.

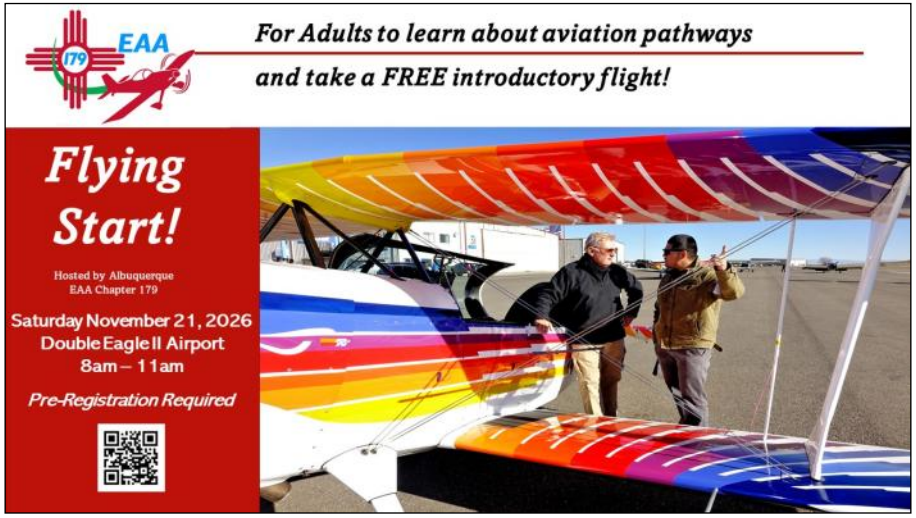
For WINGS announcement and to register for FAA WINGS credit:

Watch for FAA WINGS posting—coming HERE soon.



Flying Start/Eagle Flights
Mia Alderete

Experience for Adults Who Want to Learn to Fly



Chapter 179 is hosting a

Flying Start/Eagle Flight Event

November 21st at 8:00 am

Flying Start presentation in the Bode Conference Room
Double Eagle II Airport (KAEG)

Eagle Flights later that day or as scheduled with a pilot

Learn more about EAA's "Flying Start" and "Eagle Flights"

Registration required:
Flying Start/Eagle Flights – Registration

Pilots interested in taking a participant on their Eagle Flight, please contact Mia Alderette at flyingstart@eaa179.org

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WINGS Seminars Nearby

In addition to the WINGS Seminars that a part of *SAFE SKIES New Mexico,* these in-person seminars are scheduled nearby.

Where Did the VOR and NDB Go?

The FAA determined it would be financially unsustainable to retain both the ground-based infrastructure that has made up the en route navigation system for the past seven decades and implement a system based on Performance Based Navigation (PBN). PBN offers increased efficiency, fuel savings, and off-route or point-to-point operations. It was clear that a drawdown of conventional NAVAIDs would be required; however, it would also be necessary to retain a core network to allow navigation should the satellite constellation become unavailable.

Thursday, November 19, 2026 at 1900 hours
EAA Chapter Meeting 1306, 5 Entrada Del Norte, Edgewood, NM 87015

Event Details and Registration

Flying Tailwheels—What's the Big Deal?

Flying a tailwheel airplane does not require a super pilot, but it does require training, learning new skills, and a refined proficiency with normal flight skills. We will examine those skills as well as some exercises for developing them, and discuss common mistakes. The tricycle-gear pilot relaxes at touchdown, whereas touchdown starts the high-workload phase of a tailwheel landing. Tailwheel flying is seat-of-the-pants flying that requires more muscle memory than book knowledge. Per the FAA, a tailwheel endorsement requires proficiency with three-point and wheel takeoffs and landings, with crosswinds, and with go-arounds. In practical terms, a student has earned the endorsement when he or she stops scaring the instructor during landings.

John Lorenz, NMPA

Saturday, November 21, 2026 at 1030 hours
EAA Chapter 691 and NMPA
Los Alamos County Airport, 1040 Airport Road, Los Alamos, NM 87544

Follow announcement of these and webinars from the FAAST Team at Activities, Courses, Seminars, and Webnars

In the News and Other Interesting Topics
The Editor … and you?

OK, This article has become bigger than fits on one page. So there is now an overflow page. And I invite you, friend readers, to send me links to resources of interest to you and others.

KABQ Safety Council

- From Wendy Smith, KABQ tower:: The Local Safety Council at the ABQ tower has opened an e-mail address just for pilot feedback/suggestions/questions: KABQ.safety@gmail.com

General Aviation News ***(repeat)***

- New Edition of Pilot's Handbook of Aeronautical Knowledge

National Weather Service *(from Frank Beckwith—Thanks!)*

- Aviation Decision Support Services Page for Northern and Central New Mexico

FAA FAASTeam

- **** FAA Safety Briefing Magazine >> Check It Out
  - This month's feature: *Weather Tech and Automation*
- FAAST Webinars: A list of many great topics; most qualify the attendee for WINGS credits.
  Go to Seminars & Webinars, select Show only Webinars, then [Search]
  - NTSB Safety Alert: See and Be Seen: Your Life Depends on It
  - Reference Data: FAA Fact Book, and Airport Data & Information Portal
  - Flight Service Radio Frequency Reductions

Pilot Workshops—sign up here to receive these via email

- Welcome to The Pilot's Tip of the Week (PDFs & videos)
  (extracts from online courses and manuals)
  - Recent Pilots Tip of the Week (New in each NL issue)
    - Animals on the Runway
    - Black Out Landings
    - The Other Control Check
  - Pilot Friendly Manuals
    - How ATC Really Works
    - Pilot Exercise Program
- "Secrets from a tailwheel pilot" - Tailwheel Checkout Course with Patty Wagstaff
- Basic Aerobatics with Patty Wagstaff (video)
- And many manuals, such as Checkride Insights: Private Pilot
- A couple of interesting Workshops:
  - VFR Mastery
  - IFR Mastery

Civil Air Patrol (CAP)

Chapter 179 and CAP NM-083 have joined frequently in supporting each other's events. This includes Chapter members being also members of the CAP *Albuquerque Heights Composite Squadron*. They have asked if we might lend our support in raisign funds for the Squadron.

They have arranged with Smiths Food and Drug to receive donations from purchases on the store's Shopper's Card.

Smith's INSPIRING DONATIONS

Support Civil Air Patrol NM-083 every time you shop at Smith's. Signing up is free and easy

To get a Smith/Kroger "Shopper's Card", and register your digital account to CAP NM-083,

1. Go to SmithsFoodandDrug.com/inspire

2. Apply for an account if necessary, then link your Rewards Card by entering the CAP Squadron's number: TI167

Then every time you shop at Smith's with your Rewards Card, .05% of your total order will go to CAP NM-083

In the News and Other Interesting Topics

The Editor … and you?

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EAA

- November Chapter Video Magazine
- *** Are you affected by MOSAIC? EAA's news: MOSAIC Implementations—FAA Releases Updated Advisory Circulars
- Webinars – EAA & Aircraft Spruce present a constant flow of Webinars that cover virtually all topics aviation, from building to flying to flight rules. And many qualify you for WINGS Credits. Check out the schedule; perhaps you will find one or more of interest to you.
- EAA's eHotline, Announcements for Air Venture/Oshkosh and more

NMPA

- NEW: August 2026 NMPA Newsletter
- Visit the NMPA web site (nmpilots.org) for the latest about their activities

Facebook

- Student Pilots Group, with many instructional articles
- A Facebook group for local flying: Fly New Mexico, Dave Otero, Administrator.
- Great Facebook spaces: Commemorative Air Force & National Museum of the U.S. Air Force, Pima Air and Space Museum (& Facebook)
- **NEW FINDS:** Some great resources to keep your "aviation knowledge" up to date:
  - Aviation Knowledge, a Facebook thread presenting a variety of topics, to for budding pilots or refresh knowledge: (examples below, click to see original on Facebook)
  - Aviation Update, another publisher of info for pilots, some basic, some more advanced
  - Boldmethod. A variety of posts for new and experienced pilots, small and large aircraft
  - The Sky's The Limit, another Facebook thread presenting many interesting facts and perspectives – weather, airplanes, aviation, and more.
  - **NEW**: From Pilot Institute:
    - Instrument Cross-Check
  - **NEW**: From Flying Knuckleheads
    - Engine Simulation

2026 Individual Chapter Donors

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$2000 - TURQUOISE
$1000 - GOLD
$500-999 SILVER
$100-499 BRONZE

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We're proud of our recipients and enjoy sharing in their successes!

As our 2026 Scholarship program is well underway, it's a good time to consider contributing. Chapter 179 scholarships are funded by a combination of donations and from funds from activities throughout the year.

We appreciate donations of any amount to our Chapter 179 Scholarship fund, to extend EAA's Ray Scholar Fund, or in past member Memorial funds. Your specific wishes may be designated in the optional notes at the top.

Donate

You can donate online via Paypal or Credit Card:

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EAA 179 Scholarships
Double Eagle II Airport
7401 Atrisco Vista Blvd NW #179

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EXHIBITORS

ABQ Air Traffic Control
AIR ONE SYSTEMS - GOLD
Airway Heritage Museum - Cibola County
Albuquerque Aviation Academy
Albuquerque EAA Chapter 179
Albuquerque Soaring Club
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City of Albuquerque Aviation Dept
Civil Air Patrol - NM Wing
CNM Aviation Technology
Commemorative Air Force, Lobo Wing
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New Mexico Aviation Division
New Mexico Pilots Association
Ninety-Nines, Rio Grande Norte Chapter
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UNMH Lifeguard Emergency Air Services
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Women in Aviation – Land of Enchantment Chapter
ZAB – Albuquerque Center ARTCC

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The 2026 EAA Chapter 179 Pilot Oasis takes flight thanks to our generous sponsors!

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Recurring Events for Chapter 179
Check the Newsletter and Web for details)

Chapter Gatherings
3rd Tuesday evenings, usually at a restaurant in Albuquerque.
March – Scholarships, *November* – Annual Meeting, *December* – Holiday Gathering

Chapter Board Meetings
Typically the First Tuesday of Odd Months via ZOOM—check newsletter

IMC Club
Third Saturdays at Double Eagle II (KAEG) and via ZOOM

Land of Enchantment Fly-In (LOEFI)
A weekend in late September

Double Eagle Aviation Academy (DEAA)
First full week in June

Young Eagles Flights
Monthly each spring & fall

Quick Links to Chapter 179 Website & Facebook

Web Site:	www.eaa179.org
Young Eagles:	www.eaa179.org/youngeagles
IMC Club:	www.eaa179.org/imc-club
DEAA:	www.eaa179.org/deaa
LOEFI:	www.loefi.org
Scholarships:	www.eaa179.org/scholarships
Newsletters:	www.eaa179.org/newsletters
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Membership:	www.eaa179.org/membership
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Public Facebook:	www.facebook.com/EAA179
Members Facebook:	www.facebook.com/groups/
	www.eaa179.org

Upcoming Aviation Events (hosted by others) & New Mexico EAA Chapter Activities

A listing of aviation events of interest around New Mexico.
If you know of others, send information to newsletter@eaa179.org.

Events

Weekly–Lobo Wing of the CAF Lunch, Saturdays 1200 (0E0)
(hangar at east end of Moriarty Airport, $7 donation)

Monthly– Chapter 555 Pancake Breakfast, 3rd Sundays (KLRU)

Newsletters –
EAA 555, October 2026 Newsletter
EAA 691 September 2026 Newsletter
EAA 1570 August Newsletter
NMPA October 2026 Newsletter

Also Check NMPA's Upcoming Events

Websites

EAA 691 – Los Alamos, "Green Chile Chapter"
EAA 1306 – Edgewood
EAA 530 – Los Lunas
EAA 555 – Las Cruces, "Triple Nickel "
EAA 1570 – Dona Ana
EAA 251 – Alamogordo
NMPA – New Mexico Pilots Association

SPECIAL NOTE: Chapter 179 on Facebook
Lance Hunter, Chapter Publicity

For those of you who follow things on Facebook, we have two spaces, one, a Facebook PAGE, directed to the public and the other a Facebook GROUP for Members and others closely associated with the Chapter.

Experimental Aircraft Association Chapter 179,is our outlet to the public. Anyone can go to this page and see information about the Chapter and its activities.

EAA Chapter 179 New Mexico is a Private GROUP. Only users who have joined have access to it. It will have up-to-date information and Members can participate with their own posts and in dialogs via Likes, comments, and replies.

Lance Hunter and Kyle Reinhardt are our lead FaceBookMasters, who manage both and keep Chapter information up to date. Contact them with questions or ideas.

Proud to be a Member? Want a Chapter 179 shirt?

NEW! Chapter T Shirts!

These high quality t-shirts with our dated chapter logo are in stock (most sizes) and will be brought to February gathering. Ladies scoop neck shirts in limited sizes are also available. Contact Diana or Doug Volker or contact us at chapter@eaa179.org

$20.00 for Chapter Members and $25.00 for Non-Members



T Shirt FRONT

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T Shirt BACK

DEAA T Shirts and Chapter Polo Shirts

These designs available by special order.
Additional colors are available for Polos - inquire with your order.
Contact us at chapter@eaa179.org with your SIZE.

DEAA T-Shirts

Design on shirt front

$15 each

(men's or women's sizes available, no pockets)



Chapter 179 Polo Shirts

Gray with embroidered logo on left breast.
$30 each.
Add Pocket ($2)



For Sale: 1991 Kitfox Model 2 N138H s/n 138



Built, owned, flown and maintained by the original builder.
Located in Edgewood New Mexico, always stored indoors.

Registered 10/15/1990 - first flight June 1991

This AC has served me well.
Now it's time for Mosquito Build & Rotor Time !

TTAF 660
Rotax 582 TTE 378, Last Condition Inspection May 2025,
Time Since Engine tear-down/inspection 43 hours,

Propeller GCS 3 blade fixed pitch..

Empty weight 525 lbs, gross 950 lbs.,
9 gal. main header tank, 6 gal. wing tank



Nav/Com #1 ICOM IC-A24 Nav 2 Garmin GPSmap 765, Flightcom IISx Intercom, EBC 102A ELT,

2 sets of tires - currently on Duro 18x8.5-8 shaved tread tires, Nanco N800 "big" tires included, but not mounted.

BRS parachute (expired / not eligible for repack).

Typical time from the ramp, to wing fold, to trailer is < 12 minutes.

$20,000 includes trailer (Fly or Trailer it Home !)
Bruce Hansche 505-270-9839 earthstarbc@gmail.com

NM Aviation and Other Organizations and Resources Of Interest

The Editor

There are many organizations serving aviation interests in New Mexico. These include EAA Chapters and other such organizations, but also government agencies and commercial enterprises. In future months I plan to present a synopsis of the significance of some of these resources, what is interesting about them or what they offer in the way of enhancing our flying experiences.

This is a starter list of organizations that I have tracked down. If you know of others or have corrections or updates, please send me eMail at newsletter@eaa179.org. And if you use any of these regularly, please consider providing a synopsis and review. Thanks.

NM EAA Chapters

- 1306 Edgewood, 1N1
- 530, Los Lunas, E98
- 691, Los Alamos, KLAM & KSAF (Green Chile Chapter)
- 251, Alamogordo, KALM (& Facebook)
- 555, Las Cruces, KLRU (Triple Nickel Chapter) (& Facebook)
- 1570 Santa Teresa, KDNA

New Mexico Organizations

- New Mexico Pilots Association (NMPA) (& Facebook)
- Fly New Mexico! Facebook Group - started by David Otero. Ask to Join!
- New Mexico Airstrip Network (NMAN)
- NMDOT Aviation Division
- New Mexico Airport Managers Association
- Lobo Wing of the CAF (& Facebook)
- Rio Grande Norte 99s Facebook Group (Ask to Join!)
- Tuskegee Airmen (local chapter) (& Facebook)
- Albuquerque Soaring Club (& Facebook)
- Women in Aviation Intl - Land of Enchantment Chapter (& Facebook)

National and Other State Organizations of Interest

- Experimental Aircraft Association (EAA) (& Facebook)
- Aircraft Owners and Pilots Association (AOPA) (& Facebook)
- Recreational Aviation Foundation (RAF) (& Facebook)
- Ninety-Nines (& Facebook)
- Angel Flight
- Air Care Alliance
- Emergency Volunteer Air Corps
- LightHawk (& Facebook)
- Arizona Pilot's Association (& Facebook)
- Colorado Pilots Association (& Facebook)

Online Resources

- FAASafety.gov
- Kitplanes (eMail subscription)
- Pilots Workshop (& eMail subscription)
- Social Flight & eMail subscription
- AVweb – AVWeb Flash
- AOPA News & Media – AOPA Newsletters
- Barnstormers – Barnstormers eFlyer
- GA News Digital Edition
- On Facebook
    - Fly New Mexico
    - The Aviator's Lounge

EAA Resources

- Hints for Homebuilders
- Learn to Fly!
- Pilot Proficiency
- Become a Young Eagle Volunteer!
- AirVenture—Oshkosh

eMail Resources (Subscriptions)

- FAA Safety Team – Safer Skies Through Education
  Log in to your account, then go to Account Preferences.
- AOPA ePilot and AOPA Aviation eBrief
- AVwebflash

Cultural Web Sites

- National Museum of the United States Air Force (& Facebook)
- National Museum of Nuclear Science & History
- US Southwest Soaring Museum (& Facebook)
- Spaceport America
- National Aviation Hall of Fame (nee Air Force Museum)
- National Air and Space Museum
- The Wheels Museum,
- War Eagles Museum, Santa Teresa (KDNA)