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## **Upcoming Events & Chapter Gatherings**

Nov 9 - Young Eagles (KAEG)

Nov 19 - Chapter Gathering & Annual Meeting (BJs)

Dec 17 – Holiday Gathering (BJs)

Sep 27, 2025 - LOEFI 2025 (KAEG)

And check <u>Upcoming Aviation Events (Hosted by others)</u> on page 11 for other events around New Mexico

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## Notes from our President

Jim Kessler, President

Speaking of leadership, it's that time of year when we are looking for next year's board members. We have several positions to fill. We've got a slate for next year, and you have a chance to vote on that slate at the next Gathering.



President – Joyce Woods VP – Doug Dingman Secretary – Diana Volker Treasurer – John DeWitt

Members at large: George Young; Lance Hunter, Eric Achen

The Young Eagles Rally was on Saturday, November 9<sup>th</sup>, which is a little later than usual. We flew 38 Young Eagles with a couple walkins. We had a huge ground crew for the event. All who were involved appreciated the efforts of previous YE coordinators and we learned about how to manage a Young Eagles event. Thank you again Michael Tolle. The transition went very smoothly.

A short note about the Breezy Investigation. The NTSB was here. Also, FAA was there to observe. Many thanks to Konrad, who was a great help to the investigation. Dan Baker, the NTSB investigator, did a very thorough job. He methodically checked the fuel system, the ignition system and then checked the cylinder compression. One of the cylinders had very low compression, so he took the cylinder head off and discovered the exhaust valve lifter lock nut had fallen off and was sitting in the cylinder head. I'm happy to chat with those who want to know more. We are still waiting for the release of the airplane. No word when that will happen.

This month's Gathering is at BJ's restaurant on Tuesday, November 19<sup>th</sup>. The program will be Bill Hutson speaking about building a Zenith CH-750. Should be a very interesting presentation for those of us who have Vans experience.

I hope everyone has a great Thanksgiving. There is much to be grateful for.

Keep the canopy side up,

Jim Kessler President, EAA Chapter 179 <u>chapter@eaa179.org</u>

#### Notes from the Editor George Young



Joyce invited me to go flying after Young Eagles the other day. I welcomed the opportunity to enjoy the *scenery different* in the Rio Puerco. And to see Cabezon with a white cap.

> George Young Newsletter Editor & Webmaster newsletter@eaa179.org



#### **November Chapter Gathering**



Tuesday, November 19, 2024

BJ's Restaurant @ Cottonwood Mall

5:15 PM – "No host" dinner social6:15 PM – Introductions, Annual Meeting and Program

Program: The Saga Continues (but the end is in sight!)
By Bill Hutson, Zenith CH-750 STOL builder

The journey began in May, 2011 with a visit to Mexico, Missouri, the home of Zenith Aircraft and the birth place of the Zenith CH-750 STOL. This isn't their only model, but was the one for Bill. The first rivet was pulled on 12 May 2011 with the last on 2 June 2024. 13 years and 22 days later, the end is in sight! Airworthiness certificate was issued September 2024 with the first flight TBD.



Bill Hutson shows his Zenith at LOEFI 2024

Bill presented for our chapter as he got started on this project—back when (pre-COVID) we regularly met at Copper Canyon Café. Join us to catch up on his build story!

Where: BJ's Restaurant and Brewhouse at Cottonwood Mall 10000 Coors Blvd NW, Albuquerque

**Directions:** Take North or South bound Coors Blvd to Cottonwood Mall. Take the Cottonwood Loop to the south end of the parking lot. BJ's is in a separate building.

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 which is addressed in bimonthly Board meetings.

Arrive anytime from 5:00 and dinner is not required.

We hope to see you there!

## October Chapter Gathering—RECAP by Joyce Woods

Wendy & Sean Smith, Controllers at ABQ and ZAB Center respectively, shared a presentation they give at Oshkosh, "Local Flying - Mountainous Terrain".

They shared wrenching experiences from working to support pilots who got into trouble due to weather, mountain west terrain, and poor situational aware-



ness. Controllers can often help, but not always. They concluded with a list of "friendly reminders" including:

- No flight is a MUST flight
- Take time to account for additions to plane weight (passengers, baggage, etc.) when evaluating the icing threat.
- Be prepared for quickly changing weather over mountain ranges, which can drastically increase the difficulty of making a mountain pass.
- Weather observing equipment is sparse on mountains, so conditions may vary from the forecast
- Turn around if conditions are too hazardous, especially before making your mountain ascent
- · File you flight plan.

Their mountain weather advice was well summarized by "Respect the mountain, dude!"

Wendy also shared a recent announcement of **Military Drop Zones in AEG Class Delta**. Double Eagle II Airport will be closed for military aircraft dropping equipment southeast of AEG, within the Class Delta airspace! Advisories are to be provided on the Tower frequency, 120.15 and we should hear the aircraft reporting the run in and when the drop is complete.

During these times, aircraft will be required to remain <u>east of all AEG runways</u> OR <u>3 miles west of all runways</u> until the drop is completed.

#### **IMC Club Meeting**

Barry Harper and John DeWitt, IMC Club Coordinators



### Sharpen your Instrument Flying Skills!

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

## NEXT MEETING Saturday, Nov 16; 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 Bode Aviation conference room, 2nd floor, next to the café. Optional: meet others at the café prior for breakfast or after for lunch.
- OR Join Remotely via ZOOM:

Register in advance for Zoom access info here:

https://us06web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZ0ocu2tpjluGtDxh3jfuVxYQg\_nLm9dp9lw

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 Info" instructions

See you there!

Barry Harper & John DeWitt IMC Club Coordinators, EAA 179 imc-club@eaa179.org



#### **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 whose membership has 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 either join or to renew your membership:

#### https://www.eaa.org/join.aspx

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.

Gwen Walcott Membership Coordinator membership@eaa179.org

## Want to Contribute? Like what we're doing? You Can Help!

We appreciate donations of any amount to our main scholarship fund or specific memorial funds. Chapter 179 is a 501c(3) tax exempt charitable organization.

You may donate online via credit card or PayPal, or send us a check made out to "EAA 179 Scholarship" and send to: EAA 179; 7401 Atrisco Vista Blvd NW #179, Albuquerque, NM 87120".

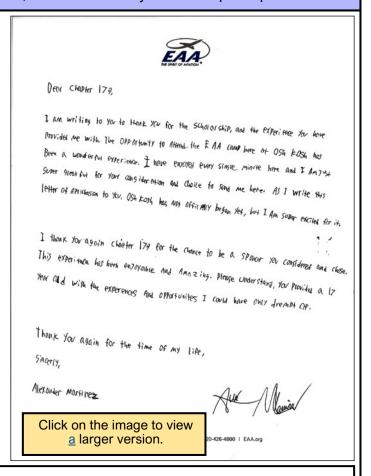
If desired, you may designate a specific fund including, "Randy & Susie Reimer Memorial Fund", Rick Richter Memorial Fund, "Doc" Weaver Memorial Leadership Scholarship, or the "Jay Schmitt Memorial Scholarship".

#### **Scholarship Recipient Thank You**

Alex Martinez, EAA Air Academy Scholarship Recipient

A nice thank you letter written by Alex Martinez for sending him to EAA's Air Academv in Oshkosh. A delayed delivery after being mailed by EAA (postmark October) and then held at Bode desk since USPS doesn't dependably recognize we have our own mailbox....Alex addressed it correctly. Arrgh!

Thanks Alex! We're glad you had the opportunity to experience OSH24!



#### Dear Chapter 179,

I am writing to you to thank you for the scholarship, and the experience you have provided me with the opportunity to attend the EAA camp here at Oshkosh; it has been a wonderful experience. I have enjoyed every single minute here and I am just super thankful for your consideration and choice to send me here. As I write this letter of appreciation to you, Oshkosh has not officially begun yet, but I am super excited for it.

I thank you again Chapter 179 for the chance to be a speaker you considered and chose. This experience has been enjoyable and amazing. Please understand, you provide a 17 year old with the experiences and opportunities I could have only dreamt of.

Thank you again for the time of my life.

Sincerely,

Alexander Martinez

#### Oct 22 / Nov 5 Chapter Board Meeting Notes

by Joyce Woods, Secretary

Your Board of Directors met October 22 and November 5 to round out 2024. Financials were reviewed. Committees reported the status of various activities.

Notably, the Board is impressed with progress of scholarship recipients and acknowledged the effectiveness of Rowan Phlieger's involvement. LOEFI 2024 was deemed successful despite poor wind forecasts, thanks to the Pedal Plane and SW Airline Ticket raffles, Exhibitors/ Sponsors and FlyMart donations. Youth registered for the cancelled October Young Eagles Rally were rescheduled for November, including several young LOEFI volunteers.

Summary of key decisions:

- LOEFI 2025 will be September 27
- DEAA will be June 2-6 with special YE flights June 7
- Young Eagles Rally dates scheduled plus a tentative Flying Start (Eagle Flight) event in May
- Approved requesting two 2025 Ray Scholarships from EAA by committing 25% from chapter funds
- Gaps in 2025 committee leadership and officer & board nominations were addressed, noting a good number of new active volunteers to engage
- Our Christmas Party planned at BJs on Dec 17. Primarily a social event, we'll continue our lively tradition with an optional gift exchange (\$20 limit) where those who bring a gift will receive a gift.
- Support to pursue preparing Warren Cox's Acro II for display at Albuquerque Aviation Academy, dependent on their active involvement.
- 2024—2025 Transition Board Meeting will be January 7, 2025. All members welcome to participate.

#### Officer and Board Nominations for 2025:

President: Joyce Woods VP: Doug Dingman Secretary: Diana Volker Treasurer: John DeWitt

Board Members at Large: George Young; Lance Hunter, Eric Achen Additional Board members continuing (not up for election) are Mark Wilson and Jim Kessler (as Past President).

Joyce Woods Secretary secretary@eaa179.org

#### **Scholarships**

#### Art Woods and Rowan Phlieger

Chapter 179 of the Experimental Aircraft Association awards scholarships annually to candidates pursuing aviation education including flight training, A&P certification, or other activities for applicants intent on entering an aviation-related occupation. Applicants must be 15 to 25 years of age and residents of New Mexico. The amount and number of grants are determined each year and contingent on available funding.

Applications for our Aviation Scholarship program are accepted Jan 1 – Feb 15 each year. A link will be posted to the Chapter's website on January 1, 2025.

#### Minimum Requirements:

- Be 15 to 25 years of age and a resident of New Mexico.
- Describe your interest in aviation and your future including your aviation goal(s), how much (\$) you are requesting, specific justification for how it will be spent, any connections to EAA Chapter 179, any aviation experience and achievements, and how you will give back to the community after reaching your goals.
- Provide a copy of an unofficial school transcript.
- Provide at least one reference letter (no more than three) from someone
  other than a family member who is familiar with your motivation, ability,
  and potential regarding aviation.
- An important criteria is the applicant's commitment to pursuing aviation.

#### Funding of our Scholarships:

Many of our sponsored events, such as LOEFI, fund the scholarship program. We also receive sizeable donations directly from members and supporters. If you would like to support our scholarship program, a donation button is

available on our website. Or you can contact us by email at <a href="mailto:scholar-ships@eaa179.org">ships@eaa179.org</a> for more information. We appreciate your support!!

#### Ray Foundation Scholarship News



Christian Guerra received his Lightspeed Zulu headset from the Ray Foundation in partnership with Lightspeed. He's attending New Mexico State University but has latched onto the Las Cruces EAA Chapter and the aeroclub. This phenomenal noise-canceling headset from Lightspeed will be handy!!

Dominic Martinez, the Chapter's firsthalf 2024 recipient, continues flight training with Del Sol Aviation. We has soloed, taken a dual cross-country, received some night flight time and some "hood" time.



Our latest most fantastic news is that Chapter 179's second 2024 Ray

Scholarship recipient is **Ava Diaz**. Ava is a senior at Oak Grove Classical Academy. She is also a member of their cross-country track team. She was a 2024 DEAA participant, which was the ultimate spark to get her focused on being airborne! She started her private pilot flight training this summer and is on the verge of soloing at Del Sol Aviation.

Art Woods & Rowan Phlieger Scholarship Coordinators scholarships@eaa179.org



## Young Eagles

Art Woods, Acting Young Eagles Coordinator



2025 Rallye dates: March 1, April 5, June 7 (DEAA only), Aug 9, Sept 6, Oct 18 (backup date).

Note that February and November were dropped to avoid cold temps, but who knows what other dates might get scheduled. Monitor the Chapter website and Face-

book!! See you in 2025!

Jim Kessler has kindly offered to serve as Young Eagles Co-Coordinator with Art Woods. We sure miss Michael Tolle!

November 9<sup>th</sup> Young Eagles Rallye Given the nasty weather earlier in the week – snow, dense fog and cold – Saturday morning dawned with beautiful clear blue skies & calm winds to make for fantastic flying. It was a rather crisp

start with temps hovering around 22 F, so thanks go to Bode Aviation for allowing us to take over their lobby for the paperwork side.

We had over 70 kids registered but with snow & cold, we had 36 brave and warmly dressed young adults show up for their flights. Thank you for your "let's go fly attitude"!! There were 18 first-time flyers, many who helped with the Chapter's LOEFI Fly-in in September. Seven pilots offered their services and airplanes. And we took great care of those showing up with a massive ground crew signing kids in, showing them our next aircraft project (Pietenpol AirCamper) and engaging in aviation speak!!

Art Woods Acting Young Eagles Coordinator youngeagles@eaa179.org

## The Great Aviation Vacation, Jul 25-August2, 2024 Doug and Diana Volker

Well...it all started with a conversation, "Oshkosh. or something different in 2024". Diana has always wanted to see the Spruce Goose. The decision was... the great Northwest. So, we flew into Portland and drove to McMinnville OR.

The Evergreen Museum is a beautiful facility and has a wide range of aircraft from World War I to the Space Age. Of course, the main attraction is Howard Hughes- Spruce Goose. What an incredible aircraft. We were fortunate to take a full tour with a young man whose uncle was one of the carpenters in the original construction. Be sure to take the "cockpit tour" - see picture of Diana grinning ear to ear ... just wanting to take off.



On another note, be sure to put on the Howard Hughes hat. We only learned from Lance this was an acceptable perk. One unexpected meeting was with a man named "Spruce Goose Bruce". He has written a very detailed book on the production of this majestic plane and almost every nut and bolt used to manufacture it.

Also, they have a Pietenpol Air Camper in their collection (and see the Spruce Goose in the background).



Since there are quite a few Van's Aircraft in our EAA 179 Chapter, we went to the Van's factory...we knew they were closed and all staff were at Oshkosh...but we could say we had, "been there".

From there we drove to Silverton OR. Where we visited a Frank Lloyd Wright designed "Usonian" house called the <u>Gordon House</u>. (Doug worked for the Frank Lloyd Wright Foundation for 18 years). Silverton is a beautiful little historic

town. There is a great lodge there called the Oregon Garden Resort.

Though it does not relate to airplanes...the lodge and its attached Botanical Gardens are stunning. (maybe not in the winter).

Heading North we ended up in south Seattle at the Museum of Flight. Again, an outstanding display of aircraft from all vintages... including an SR-71. The original "Red Barn", Boeing's first factory is totally restored and shows the history of how they began. Fascinated...we spent about 6 hours there. One plane that really stood out were the "Connie" out front and the opportunity to go inside the Concorde, a 737, 777, and the 787 Dreamliner, and more. Diana also had a conversation with "Ameila" (see photo)







## The Great Aviation Vacation, Jul 25-Aug 2, 2024 (continued)

Doug and Diana Volker

We moved on to Everett, WA, and stayed in a hotel overlooking Paine Field and the Boeing factory. The tour of the factory and the Boeing Museum of Flight was incredible. They take you from the beginning to the future in their presentation. They were preparing the factory to start producing the 737 Max because the factory in Renton, WA is not able to keep up with the demand. Also, saw the "Dreamlifter" used to bring in aircraft fuselages and other parts for manufacturing the 777's and 787's.









Diana has a Seaplane rating, which Is her favorite type of flying. We visited the Kenmore, WA, and Kenmore Air a seaplane base that delivers passengers all over Puget Sound. She could have watched them take off and land all day long...but I made her move on.



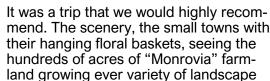
We drove to Burlington, WA and the Heritage Flight Museum. This was started by Bill Anders who flew on the Apollo 8 mission to the moon in 1968. He was responsible for taking the iconic photo of earth while circling the moon. (Bill Anders died in an airplane crash on June 7, 2024, at 90 years old).



On Friday August 1<sup>st</sup> we went to the <u>Seattle Seafair Air Show</u>. The Blue Angels were featured, but the day was stolen by a Bald Eagle. Two F-35's made a low sweeping pass over the crowd...not be outdone, a lone Bald Eagle majestically followed the same flight pattern of those F-35's...and the crowd went wild. Isn't the gift of flight spectacular!

Back in Oregon we visited the <u>North Plains Gliderport</u> and watched them tow several gliders and release them. Another stop, the <u>Hillsboro Airport</u> in Hillsboro, OR, is the second busiest airport in Oregon.

We visited several smaller and historic airports including Aberdeen. They had a really creative airplane "wind sculpture" there. (see photo).





plants and trees. For those of you who like wine...the area south of Portland, toward McMinnville, has numerous beautiful and famous wineries. They are now calling this whole area; "the 'new Napa".

The trip was different than to Oshkosh, but very, very Fun... and so rich in aviation history.

Places we did not get to visit: Flying Heritage & Combat Armor Museum at Paine Field. Museum of Flight Restoration Center- (unfortunately closed while we were there), Port Townsand Aero Museum, Olympic Flight Museum.

Doug and Diana Volker

(Call us if you want hotel or any other information: Doug: 480-570-5927, Diana, 602-400-4448)

## **Tidbits**The Editor



# Helicopter Pilots Are Different

"The thing is, helicopters are different from planes. An airplane by its nature wants to fly, and if not interfered with too strongly by unusual events or by a deliberately incompetent pilot, it will fly. A helicopter does not want to fly. It is maintained in the air by a variety of forces and controls working in opposition to each other, and if there is any disturbance in this delicate balance the helicopter stops flying, immediately and disastrously.

"There is no such thing as a gliding selicopter.

"This is why being a helicopter pilot is so different from being an airplane pilot, and why, in general, airplane pilots are open, clear-eyed, bouyant extroverts, and helicopter pilots are brooders, introspective anticipators of trouble. They know if something bad has not happened, it is about to."

-Harry Reasoner

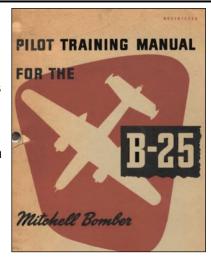
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#### From Mark Sturm:

"With Vet's Day upon us, I thought several of our members might be interested in checking out the Army's training manual for the B-25 bomber."

Mark Sturm

Click on the image to download <u>PilotTrainingManualForTheMitch-</u> <u>ellBomber\_text.pdf</u>





# ATTENTION FELLOW AVIATION ENTHUSIASTS LET'S GET STARTED!

We are excited to announce that we are laying the groundwork for a new unit of the Commemorative Air Force (CAF) in the El Paso, TX area, specifically at Santa Teresa, NM.



## Kickoff meeting on Nov 16 at 0900, Saturday Location: War Eagles Air Museum, Santa Teresa airport (KDNA)

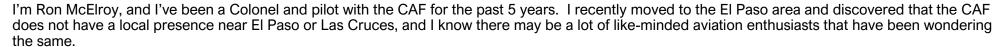
8012 Airport Road, Santa Teresa, NM 88008

The CAF is the World's Largest Flying Museum, a non-profit organization dedicated to the preservation and exhibition of history military aircraft. The organization has a fleet of over 175 aircraft which are assigned to unit locations worldwide. These units consist of CAF members who volunteer their time and talents to maintain and exhibit aircraft and share their passion for aviation and history with audiences of all ages. Our new unit intends to add to the fleet of CAF aircraft and CAF volunteers!

The Commemorative Air Force (<u>www.commemorativeairforce.org</u>) is looking for history buffs, warbird fans, pilots, and mechanics to create a local membership Unit at KDNA.

Agenda (your input/ideas needed & appreciated):

- Introductions by everybody in attendance.
- CAF mission. Our new CAF unit goal.
- CAF membership levels.
- CAF guidance/regulations.
- CAF units officer requirements --- any volunteers?
- Selecting our new CAF unit name.



So, let's get together November 16 and start building a unit through the new unit initiative of the CAF. Headquarters is already working to assign our first warbird/trainer. [Maybe a PT-19?]

**Invite your friends and fellow local airport bums, etc.** We are looking for interested people in Southwest TX and Southern NM to help fly and maintain the CAF warbirds, and support folks to help with the organization, website, etc.

If interested, please send me an email at <a href="mailto:cafcolonelron@gmail.com">cafcolonelron@gmail.com</a>.

## Recurring Events for Chapter 179 Check the Newsletter and Web for changes)

#### **Chapter Gatherings**

3rd Tuesday evenings, usually at a restaurant in Albuquerque.

See the current Newsletter

March – Scholarships, November – Annual Meeting, & December – Holiday Gathering

#### **Chapter Board Meetings**

Normally the First Tuesday of Odd Months via ZOOM

#### **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 and fall. Follow our web site and current Newsletter for details.

### **Wanted to Buy**

### Good day!

I am currently working on building a Zenith CH750 Cruzer project airplane. I am looking to power it with a Continental O-200. Alternately I could use a Lycoming O-235, but the Continental weighs less, and there are more of them around.

If you hear of one for sale that is in usable flight condition--for a reasonable price (hah), I would appreciate it if you would let me know with the contact information.

Thanks for any assistance!

Barry Kromer cbkromer@yahoo.com

#### For Sale

Two Lightspeed Tango wireless headsets. Both work great and are gently used. Includes cases and original boxes. \$400/ea or \$750 for both. I'm upgrading to Zulus!

Bob Waters (505)366-3107

## 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, please send the information to <a href="mailto:newsletter@eaa179.org">newsletter@eaa179.org</a>.

Weekly

Lobo Wing of the CAF Lunch, Saturdays at noon (0E0) (hangar at east end of Moriarty Airport, \$7 donation requested)

Monthly

Chapter 555 Pancake Breakfast, 3rd Sundays (KLRU)

It seems .. Not much is going on this time of year

#### Except just received::

Kickoff for a new unit of the Commemorative Air Force (CAF) at Santa Teresa, NM, 0900 on November 16th. See announcement on page 10.

Editor's note: I have truly great memories of the CAF at an airshow at WPAFB, OH in the late 60's, known then as the <u>Confederate Air Force</u>. I was able to get "up close" to a P-38 that spent weeks in our hangar, waiting for parts and repair. This was years before the Air Force Museum was established at the old Wright Field.

Also Check NMPA's "<u>Upcoming Events</u>"

ents"

and Check EAA 691's "Upcoming Events"

## **Support your Chapter**

Joyce Woods

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

Two designs available by special order.

Contact Joyce at <a href="mailto:secretary@eaa179.org">secretary@eaa179.org</a> with your SIZE.

Payment due on receipt of shirts. Proceeds benefit our chapter programs.

#### **DEAA T Shirts**

Design on shirt front \$15 each (men's or women's sizes available, no pockets)



#### Chapter 179 Polo shirt

Gray with embroidered logo on left breast. \$28 each. Add Pocket (\$2) for sizes 2XL and above, add \$2.



#### In the News and Other Interesting Topics

The Editor ... and you?

#### KABQ Safety Council

 From Wendy Smith, KABQ tower controller:: "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* 

#### FAA FAASTeam

- FAA Safety Briefing Magazine
- FAAST Webinars: Review list of many great topics; most qualify the attendee for WINGS credits. Go to <u>Seminars & Webinars</u>, select "Show only Webinars", then [Search]
  - Webinar: "Pro Tips for Pilots -- Caution? Helicopter Wake turbulence—The Invisible Threat" Nov 13, 1800 MST
  - Webinar: "Scanning the Gauges When You Lost Your Horizon", Nov 13, 1800 MST

#### 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)
- How ATC Really Works ("A Pilot Friendly Manual")
- Recent Pilots Tip of the Week
  - Filed Alternate Fallacy
  - Microsoft's Flight Sim Update
  - Reducing Speed in Turbulence
  - VOR Tests
  - Dangerous Practice?

#### **EAA**

 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 to your interest.



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#### **NMPA**

- <u>November 2024 NMPA Newsletter</u> As usual, great articles and news by and for local pilots
- Fly the New Mexico Backcountry, LOEFI 2024 Presentation

#### Facebook

- New: Student Pilots Group, with many instructional articles
- A new group on Facebook, <u>Fly New Mexico</u>, Dave Otero, Administrator. Posts from group members about pilots and flying activities in New Mexico
- A great Facebook space: <u>Commemorative Air Force</u>
- Another fascinating Facebook space: <u>National Museum of the U.S. Air Force</u>.

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#### **Quick Links to Chapter Website**

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## **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.

The original space, Experimental Aircraft Association Chapter 179, a PAGE that was created years ago as our outlet to the public. Anyone can go to this page and see information about the Chapter and its activities.

Created a year ago, <u>EAA Chapter 179 New Mexico</u>, is a Private GROUP. Only users who have joined the GROUP have access to it. It will have more complete and up-to-date information will be published and Members can participate with 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.

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## 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 <a href="mailto:newsletter@eaa179.org">newsletter@eaa179.org</a>. And if you use any of these regularly, please consider providing a synopsis and review. Thanks.

#### **NM EAA Chapters**

- <u>1306</u>, Edgewood, 1N1
- 530, Los Lunas, E98
- 691, Los Alamos, KLAM & KSAF (Green Chile Chapter)
- 251, Alamogordo, KALM ( & Facebook)
- <u>555</u>, Las Cruces, KLRU (Triple Nickel Chapter) ( & <u>Facebook</u>)
- 1193, Roswell, ROW (Aliens Chapter)
- 1570 Santa Teresa, KDNA
- 1615, Truth or Consequences, KTCS

#### **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)

- <u>FAA Safety Team</u> 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)