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Upcoming Events & Chapter Gatherings

Feb 15 – [Scholarship Application Deadline](#)

Feb 15 – [IMC Club](#) (KAEG)

Feb 18 – [Chapter Gathering](#)

Mar 1 – [Young Eagles](#) (KAEG)

Mar 15 – [Flying Companion Seminar](#) – Ninety-Nines (KAEG)

Mar 18 – [Chapter Gathering](#)

May 10 – [Flying Start & Eagle Flights](#) (KAEG)

Jun 2-7 – [DEAA 2025](#) (KAEG)

Sep 27 – [LOEFI 2025](#) (KAEG)

And check [NMPA's web site](#) for other events around New Mexico

February 2025

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Notes from our President

Joyce Woods



Hello! Thank goodness for winter sunshine! It was a cold January but it seems to me there is always a really nice week or two in February, to remind me why I moved to New Mexico!

Your Board met both in January and February, gearing up for another great year. We have a budget! Your chapter is healthy and growing.

My personal objective is to create more opportunities for members to get to know each other better. One way is to engage more new members in chapter activities. Involvement can make membership more fun and rewarding. As Mark Wilson recently shared, he had no idea how amazing our local aviation community is until he got involved.

Each month, we get surprised by new (or long lost) attendees at our 3rd Tuesday gatherings. Frank Beckwith declared in December that he was the newest pilot, having passed his checkride that day. Mike Gaffney came in January, saying that once his RV recovers from being under 12 ft of water in the Asheville, NC floods, he's moving it out to Albuquerque where it won't happen again! Maria Vianco announced starting her own mechanic business—so let her know if she can help!

Jim Kessler held an Aviation Academy (DEAA) kickoff meeting and the core group is on board. But he'd still love to recruit some new participants, so let him know if you're interested. Sean Babbit stepped up to serve as LOEFI chair so our Fly In planning will be underway soon. If you missed it, you can read about him in our December newsletter.

Doug Volker has volunteered to lead a chapter fundraising effort. More info as this effort gets defined. We've been doing well on raising funds, but then we have so many new folks (youth and adults) coming to us wanting to learn to fly. And we know that takes \$\$\$\$\$\$, and several of our members are really helping folks navigate the challenging path to a pilot certificate.

The Acro project has moved ahead—so exciting for our chapter to be a part of this. As Konrad Werner says, "it looks like a professional paint job . . . because it is!!!!" Thanks to Eclipse Aviation and our member Eric Achen for arranging that. Our aviation network is awesome — with that and our EAA "can do" spirit, it seems like we could make anything happen. And we do! More info on all this later in this newsletter.

Besides our monthly gatherings and IMC Club meetings, the Board has scheduled Young Eagle rallies, a Flying Start/Eagle Flight event, DEAA - Aviation Academy for teens, and our annual fly-in (LOEFI). Lee Otto has kicked off our Pietenpol aircraft restoration project and Kevin Frick is looking for help to join him and promote aviation careers and Young Eagles flights at a middle school career fair. Lance Hunter and Mark Wilson met with the city to start planning for an April Fun Run—a 5K on Runway 17/35!

We accomplish what we do because members volunteer their time, energy, and expertise. A great way to start is to just show up for an event, get to know others, and see where things go from there! Or talk to any board member and we'll figure out a good fit! But no worries if that's not your thing — we appreciate your membership and support regardless.

Joyce Woods
President, EAA Chapter 179
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Notes from the Editor

George Young

I've been away, getting some repairs on the "old body". Thanks to Joyce (and other contributors) for putting together this month's Newsletter – great job.

You'll see below 'banners' for two of our major events for this year, plus of course Young Eagles and Double Eagle Aviation Academy. Click to download your copy, print, put on your fridge, and pass along copies to friends and acquaintances. The more the merrier, they say.

George Young
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Flying Start!

For Adults to learn about aviation pathways and take a FREE introductory flight!

Hosted by Albuquerque EAA Chapter 179

Saturday May 10, 2025
Double Eagle II Airport
8am - 11am

Pre-Registration Required at <https://eaa179.org/flyingsstart>



Land of Enchantment Fly-In

Proceeds Support EAA Chapter 179 Aviation Scholarship

September 27, 2025 7am-2pm
Double Eagle II Airport (AEG) - Albuquerque, NM

FREE ADMISSION & PARKING Aircraft Displays Car Clubs Youth Activities Live Music Food Trucks Aviation Exhibits

February Chapter Gathering

by Eric Achen



Tuesday, February 18, 2025

BJ's Restaurant @ Cottonwood Mall

5:15 PM – No host dinner social

6:15 PM – Introductions, Program

Program: Questair Venture

Will Fox, EAA Technical Counselor and visiting President from the "Green Chile Chapter" aka Los Alamos/Santa Fe aka EAA Chapter 691, will present about his flying Questair Venture and the aircraft design in general. His aircraft won "Best Amateur Built" Award at LOEFI 2019 (pictured here).

Eric Achen will follow with his current in work Questair Venture build.



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!

January Chapter Gathering – RECAP

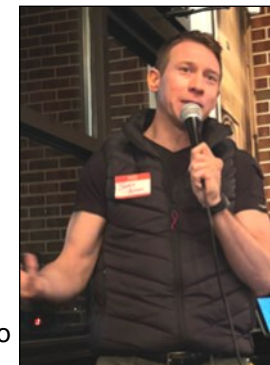
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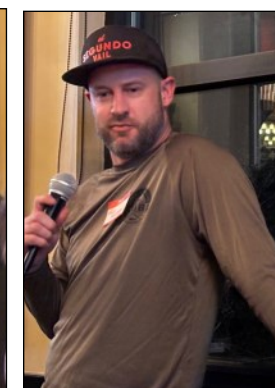
Chapter 179 member Carol Sugars introduced a short "Discovery Channel" video segment of a series of flights she undertook in 2007 and 2008 that demonstrated the practicality of sustainable, non petroleum based biofuels in turbo-jet aircraft.

She then facilitated a comprehensive question and answer session covering some of the technical, operational and financial aspects of sustainable aviation fuels. She has agreed to return at a later meeting to cover other alternative fuel types being considered for general and commercial aviation.

Following her presentation, James Allagio, longtime EAA member, flight test pilot and instructor who was literally raised on an airport by EAAers shared his basic impromptu reminders of pilot safety. Thanks for joining us during your Albuquerque visit!



James Allagio



Some Member Updates & Intros: Mike Gaffney, Maria Vianco, Alex Basinger

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, Feb 15; 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/tZUqcu2uqjovHNOG4mk8b1f-ZuoFESGwR1Sf>

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
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Membership

Gwen Walcott, Membership Chair



It is the time of the year for your membership dues to be renewed.

Per Article V, Section 2 of the Chapter Bylaws, membership renewal dues are required for the period of January thru December of the Membership Year and are payable from December of the previous year thru March of the present year. Dues paid

outside of that period are NOT pro-rated. Membership runs only from January thru December of a given year.

Membership with the National EAA organization is also required to be current (but runs from the date of payment until the following year of the same date)

We hope that you plan on renewing for this present year.

Please submit your dues (\$20 for individual membership or \$30 for Family membership.)

[Note that for Family Membership status, Family Membership is also required for National Membership {per ARTICLE IV, Section 1b of the Chapter Bylaws}].

Payment of dues can be made:

– Online thru payment via Paypal, Debit, or Credit Card for 1, 3, or 5 year terms.

==> see: <https://eaa179.org/membership/>

– By snail mail: Send your check payable to “EAA 179”; Double Eagle II Airport; 7401 Atrisco Vista Blvd NW #179; Albuquerque, NM 87120. Include email address.

Please also forward your EAA National Membership Number (located on your Membership ID Card) to: membership@eaa179.org regardless of whether you pay by check or Paypal/Credit Card.

Those who need to join or renew their National EAA membership should visit: <https://www.eaa.org/join.aspx>

Our chapter welcomes anyone who wishes to participate in our activities. We hope that you show support and renew your membership. Member dues help support chapter expenses and scholarships.

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

Gwen Walcott
Membership Coordinator
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Chapter Board Meeting – Notes

Art Diana Volker, Secretary

Chapter 179 Board met on February 4, 2025. The following is a summary of the topics discussed, and decisions made.

- Doug Dingman prepared and presented a comprehensive chapter budget for 2025. The budget was unanimously approved.
- The chapter internet hosting service has been successfully changed to “In Motion” hosting.
- The membership committee reported we have 92 members including 35 new members.
- A Young Eagle Rally was held on Saturday February 1st. 52 Young Eagles got to fly with 7 pilots.
- DEAA planning for 2025 is underway. Jim Kessler led the first planning meeting on Saturday February 1st. Jim expects approximately 24 future pilots to attend this year.
- LOEFI – Sean Babbitt has agreed to be our chairperson for the 2025 event.
- The Flying Start event has been moved from May 3rd to May 10th 8am- 11am. Flyer is posted on the website.
- Painting is underway at Eclipse of the Arco aircraft. Eric Achen is working with a team of students and Design Schemes.
- The CEO of Design Schemes has offered to do a ZOOM webinar for anyone interested in learning about scheme designs. The anticipated date is March 22nd or the 29th, so mark your calendars more details will be coming.
- The next chapter meeting will be at BJ’s Brewhouse on February 18th. Our presenter will be Will Fox President of the Las Alamos EAA chapter. Will is being joined by Eric Achen and they will present building a Quest-Air Adventure.
- The final topic for discussion was how to more distinctly identify our chapters’ unique vision and mission and how we can serve the needs of our members more effectively. This discussion will be ongoing, but we the board is dedicated to chapter improvement and growth.

Diana Volker, Secretary
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Young Eagles

Art Woods, Young Eagles Coordinator



Thank You Young Eagles Pilots and Ground Crew!

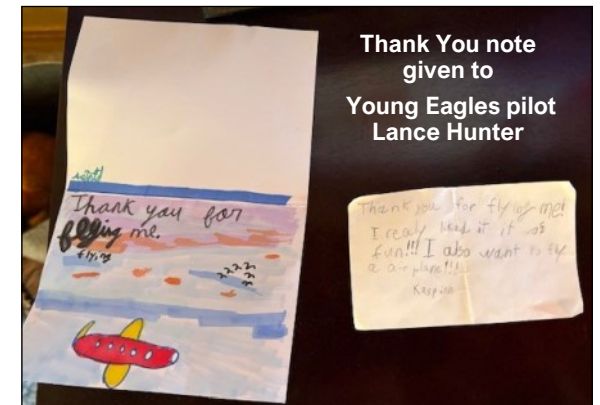
We held our first rally of 2025 on February 1. Thinking cold February weather, start time was delayed until 11 AM. And of course we are having an extraordinarily warm winter!! Oh well!! **We flew 52 Young Eagles.** Thank you to the ground crew and pilots that made it happen.



Kyle Reinhardt, YE Pilot with Young Eagles co-pilot & crew

Chapter 179 will hold its next Young Eagles rally on March 1, starting from 8:00 AM. Registration will open on Valentine’s Day!!

Check our web site (eaa179.org/youngeagles) for more information about our Young Eagles program. Registration can be found at www.youngeaglesday.org



Thank You note given to Young Eagles pilot Lance Hunter

Rally dates for the rest of the year: April 5, June 7 (DEAA students only), August 9, September 6, and October 18 (backup date).



Thanks to **Bode Aviation** for allowing us to take over their

Art Woods & Jim Kessler
Young Eagles Coordinators
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Scholarship Update

Art Woods and Rowan Phlieger, Scholarship Coordinators



Ray Scholar to Private Pilot

Congratulations to **Dominic Martinez**, who passed his checkride on February 8th!

He was awarded Chapter 179's Ray Scholarship in June 2024. Just a few scant months ago, Dominic had solo'd under the direction of his CFI Mateo at Del Sol Aviation. And 6 months later, we're extremely proud of his accomplishment to join the rank of private pilots!!



Dominic attended Double Eagle Aviation Academy (DEAA) in 2023, to learn all things aviation. He also became a captain on his high school swimming team this past winter. He now has his sights set on UNM and continuing with Del Sol for his advanced ratings. Could be a few late nights studying for all those exams!

Art Woods & Rowan
Phlieger
Scholarship Coordinators
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Career Fair Assistance

Kevin Frick, Youth Outreach Coordinator

Fast approaching is the season's first Career Fair.

This will be at the **John Adams Middle School**
March 12, Wednesday
from 0900-1200.

This particular Career Fair has become an annual event for Chapter 179 and is a great opportunity for showcasing EAA and aviation interests.



Kevin Frick, Chapter 179 Youth Outreach Coordinator, will be in attendance and he is requesting at least one additional chapter member to man the booth that day. We will have displays, handouts, and video shows for the youngsters. And here's a bonus, vendor attendees are invited to arrive early at 0815 for a complimentary breakfast!

Please contact Kevin directly if you have any questions or are able to help.

Kevin Frick
Youth Outreach Coordinator
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Call for Chapter 179 Scholarship Donors

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

As our 2025 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.

You can donate online via Paypal or Credit Card:

Donate



or send a check to EAA 179 Scholarships; Double Eagle II Airport, 7401 Atrisco Vista Blvd NW #179, Albuquerque, NM 87120-6601.

EAA Chapter 179 is a 501(c)(3) tax exempt charitable organization.

Scholarships – 2025

Art Woods and Rowan Phlieger



Application Deadline February 15!

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. Click here for [Scholarships Offered by EAA Chapter 179](#)

Applications for our Aviation Scholarships are accepted Jan 1 – Feb 15 each year. Interested applicants can find info and link to the application here: [Chapter 179 Aviation Scholarship Program](#)

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 Scholarships

Many of our sponsored events, such as LOEFI, fund our scholarship program. We also receive sizeable donations directly from members and supporters.

If you would like to support our scholarship program, info to donate online or by mail is available [here](#), or [on our website](#). Or email us at scholarships@eaa179.org for more information. We appreciate your support!!

Art Woods & Rowan Phlieger
Scholarship Coordinators
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EAA CHAPTER 179 2025 SCHOLARSHIPS

For ages 15-25 years old

Are you looking to start a career in aviation? Chapter 179 has awarded over \$70,000 to applicants over the past 10 years!

Apply starting January 1st to February 15th for a flight training, A&P, or aviation related education scholarship. Scholarships max of \$2,000 will be awarded this spring. No membership required to apply.



➤ APPLICATION

Submit your application by February 15th, 2025 to be considered. Find our application on our website, eaa179.org

➤ COMMUNITY

Find an incredible and supportive community in the ABQ area for student pilots, mechanics, and more.

➤ LOCAL RESOURCES

We will help guide and mentor you in your training and provide you with resources to aid in your success.



More Information

For More Information
eaa179.org/scholarships



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Double Eagle Aviation Academy – 2025

Jim Kessler



Double Eagle Aviation Academy 2025

June 2 – 6, 2025 at Double Eagle II Airport

Applications available starting February 9, 2025

*Participants are invited for a Young Eagles flight June 7th
Applicants must be between 14 and 17 years of age.*

The Double Eagle Aviation Academy (DEAA) offers a fun and challenging week at the airport! Students ages 14 – 17 will explore a future in aviation. Students will learn about many facets of flying and airplanes:

- learn about career opportunities in aviation from professionals
- learn and practice reading weather reports
- learn how to control pitch, roll, and yaw
- learn the importance of balancing weight in the plane
- learn and practice interpreting the instrument “Six Pack”
- learn how aluminum structures are designed to be strong
- learn what is inside the motors of airplanes
- learn and practice the legs of a traffic pattern in a simulator
- learn and practice communicating at non-towered and towered airports
- learn and practice assembling a simple electrical wiring circuit
- learn and practice riveting and rolling aluminum to make part of an aileron
- learn and practice conducting an aircraft pre-flight inspection
- learn and practice planning a flight
- visit the Double Eagle II control tower

Then fly with a Chapter Young Eagles pilot on the following Saturday

The doors open at 8:15 AM with time to meet pilots and spend time talking about and sitting in different airplanes each morning. Class starts at 9:00 AM. Morning and afternoon snacks and lunch are provided. Each day ends at 4:15 PM. A student notebook with the contents of all the presentations is provided to each student. If you are interested in aviation, this is an exceptional opportunity to discover the possibilities.

Questions? Let us know. Contact us at deaa@eaa179.org

Download the flyer for [DEAA 2025](#) (.pdf)



Double Eagle Aviation Academy

June 2 - 6, 2025

Double Eagle II Airport, Albuquerque

Explore a Future in Aviation

- + Consider aviation careers
- + Learn about aircraft, how they fly, aircraft building, pilot communications
- + Plan a flight, check weather, conduct pre-flight checks
- + Meet pilots, mechanics, engineers, air traffic controllers, and other specialists
- + Invited for a Young Eagles flight Saturday, June 7th

Ages 14 – 17

Application deadline May 9, 2025

Selection based on applications. Previous aviation knowledge or experience not required.

Get applications at www.eaa179.org
starting February 9, 2025

\$225 Tuition includes T shirt, Lunch & Snacks, all class / workshop materials.

Tuition due after acceptance. Inquire per need-based scholarships.

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Contact us at: chapter@eaa179.org



Acro I Project - for Display at Albuquerque Aviation Academy (formally SAMS)



Preparing for Paint

The opportunity by Eclipse Aviation to paint the aircraft provided motivation to move quickly. Chapter volunteers devised and executed an amazing game plan to deliver the aircraft for paint on Jan 14th.

First, the aircraft was reassembled, to be sure everything still fit and that we know how! It was weighed and the current CG determined to assist engineers designing the mounting structure.

Now for sanding – although nearly ready, we gave the entire aircraft once over with 220 grit. We thought it important to seal any holes to discourage critters from making it their home.



The fuselage was essentially ready except for the holes where the gear protruded. The cowl had six exhaust pipe holes which were filled. Thanks to the expertise and willingness to help, Lee Otto, EAA Technical Advisor, we accomplished this in a week's time. For the rest of us, we'd

still be trying to mix the epoxy. He came with clecos and metal backplates. We used heat lamps to assure timely curing.

Konrad brought a friend who took on the challenging spinner that the rest of us were reluctant to start. Ted did an amazing Bondo job in a few hours. Not bad for just dropping in to see what was up!



A true labor of love, special thanks go to Warren Cox for allowing this to become a chapter project, to Konrad Werner and Eric Achen for leading vari-

ous parts of the project, use of Art and Joyce's hangar, and dedicated help from Lee Otto, Joe Martinez, Tony (AAA student), Ted, and others who dropped in!

Retrieving Painted Parts

The Eclipse paint shop crew got right to it! About a week later, our crew picked up the wings and other completed parts. Dan Horschel, Doug Volker, and Mark Wilson joined the fray.

There is more to do but having the paint completed is a huge step and it looks incredible!

Want to help?

Contact Konrad: klwerner@gmail.com or phone at (505)480-4545.



Pietenpol "Air Camper" Project

Lee Otto



A group of builders and some of our interested members met with me at the end of December in our chapter hanger. We discussed first items in our restoration to include

- An inspection by Jason Manzanares to confirm the airworthiness of the wooden structure and all the control components. That will happen in the coming days.
- Also, Jim Kessler volunteered to work on the instrument panel which we will improve and also add a simple set of instruments and a new panel for the second pilot. (front seat).

We agreed to set project work days as Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursdays. Anyone interested in joining in the work ... come on out.

Lee Otto, Lead reBuilder
N326JL (at) gmail.com

Late Update from Lee: Our Pietenpol inspection went great this morning. Jason found a few minor squawks. Most will need a little more glue or a small bit of wood work. Jason said our pulleys and cables are in good shape but we will need to run a soft cloth down each to insure that there are no broken strands. He worked carefully for 90 minutes and looked closely at the entire airframe. He would take no payment for his time. He asked us to consider this his donation for our project and he wants to stay involved as we go forward.

He wants to do the condition inspection when we finish. Lee

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.

Support your Chapter

Joyce Woods

Proud to be a Member?

Want a Chapter 179 shirt?

Two designs available by special order.

Contact Joyce at secretary@eaa179.org with your SIZE.

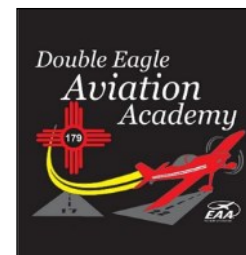
DEAA T Shirts

Design on shirt front

\$15 each

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

Chapter 179 Polo shirt



For Sale – Builders Tools and Partial Vans 8A Kit

Marc Bonem

Tools and Vans 8A beginnings for sale. From a former builder and member of Santa Fe/Los Alamos EAA Chapter 691 who wishes to sell all of his tools and the beginnings of a Vans –8A kit.

26-gallon upright Cobalt compressor, with hose, attachments, oil \$350	Pneumatic drill, Nova 4000 rpm \$150	Offset hand seamer \$5
Workbenches, adjustable height, 72" x 25", 2 each \$150 ea	Pneumatic 3x riveting gun \$100	Fluting pliers \$5
Cherry hand rivet gun \$50	Pneumatic nibbler \$50	Edge forming tool \$5
Deburring tool \$10	Pneumatic squeezer with 3 yoke \$175	Rivet sets with mounting block \$100
C-Frame bench riveting tool with table \$150	Pneumatic angle drills (2) \$5 ea	Cup rivet sets (2) \$10
Drill bits, reams, countersink bits \$100	Metal snips, left, center, right \$5	Flush rivet (mushroom) set with rubber ring \$7
#3 Step drill \$15	Cleco pliers \$5	Bucking bars (5 assorted shapes) \$25
Countersink cage \$15	Rivets, assorted sizes, all from Aircraft Spruce and speciality ... \$100	Glass beads (for epoxy) about 2 quarts \$5
Clecos 3/32" \$50	16 Steel back rivet plate, mounted \$50	16 AWG 30' Retractable cord real \$25
Clecos 1/8" \$25	Vans RV-9A empennage assembly, 85% assembled \$500	Assorted files \$1 ea
Cleco clamps, Lg \$10	Aircraft lights, Pular NM Nav/Strobe and tail \$1,000	Partial can of aircraft primer \$1
Cleco clamps, Sm \$10		
C-clamps, Med (2) \$10		
C-clamps, Lg (2) \$15		



Marc Bonem
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Three David Clark headsets for sale. All are in excellent condition.

- David Clark H20-10. I paid \$349.00. I will sell it for \$225.00 (includes a carrying case).
- David Clark H10-13.4. I paid \$349.00. I will sell it for \$225.00 (includes a carrying case).
- David Clark H20-10. I paid 349.00. I will sell it for \$225.00 (does not include a carrying case).

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In the News and Other Interesting Topics

The Editor ... and you?

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](#)

FAA FAASTeam

- [FAA Safety Briefing Magazine](#)
- 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]
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 - [Safety Briefing Magazine: Flying into the Dark](#) and other night flying topics



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Administration

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)
- [Pilot Exercise Program](#) (another Pilot-Friendly Manual)
- Recent Pilots Tip of the Week
 - [Flight Plan Page](#)
 - [Cruise Crosswind Correction?](#)



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.
- [EAA's Chapter Video Magazines](#) (monthly)
- EAA's [eHotline](#), Announcements for Air Venture/Oshkosh and more



NMPA

- [February 2024 NMPA Newsletter](#) – As usual, great articles and news by and for local pilots. And a bit of humor from my fellow newsletter editor, Lanny Tinning.
- And visit the [NMPA web site](#) for the latest about their activities



Facebook

- New: [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](#).

Flying Magazine

- [Preflight Inspections: A Rusty Pilot's Guide Back to Safety](#)

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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.

[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.

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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 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](#))
- [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](#)
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- [On Facebook](#)
 - [Fly New Mexico](#)
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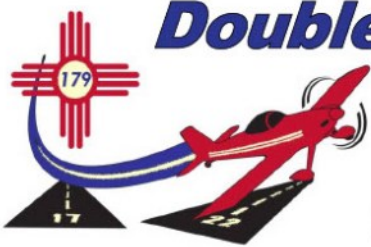
- [Hints for Homebuilders](#)
- [Learn to Fly!](#)
- [Pilot Proficiency](#)
- [Become a Young Eagle Volunteer!](#)
- [AirVenture—Oshkosh](#)

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 \(KDNA\)](#)



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- How the airplane flies
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- What to do in an emergency
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\$60 per person; includes lunch and all materials

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Questions? Contact Joyce Woods at 505 974 5305

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For ages 15-25 years old

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Apply starting January 1st to February 15th for a flight training, A&P, or aviation related education scholarship
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Submit your application by February 15th, 2025 to be considered. Find our application on our website, eaa179.org

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More Information

For More Information
eaa179.org/scholarships



For Adults to learn about aviation pathways
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Flying Start!

Hosted by Albuquerque
EAA Chapter 179

Saturday May 10, 2025
Double Eagle II Airport
8am – 11am

Pre-Registration Required at
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