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Upcoming Events

Oct 18 – Young Eagles (KAEG) 8am
Oct 18 – IMC Club (KAEG) 9:30am
Oct 18 – LOEFI Debrief (KAEG, Bode Conf Room) 12:30
Oct 21 – October Gathering – BJs at Cottonwood Mall

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

October 2025

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Notes from our President

Joyce Woods



Boo! *Surprise!* We finally got the rain we always wish for. Our Land of Enchantment Fly-In turned out pretty darn well despite the rainy start. The Roswell Air Races lost out on a good Saturday turnout and some Balloon Fiesta launches were missed.

LOEFI highlights: about 1600 people attended, coming prepared for rain. Fly-in aircraft from nearby airports and several of our members put aircraft out for show. Chile Flight did their formation flying thing twice, to the crowd's delight. I recall thinking about 0830 that we were extra lucky for Doug Volker's *"Fast as Flight"* Auto Showcase after we had agonized about ramp space for a symbolic arrow of show cars pointing true north. Rain drove attendees into the Exhibit Hall for a while, making Exhibitors happy and kept our FlyMart, Builders Square, Pilot Experience, and Kids' Corner super busy!

LOEFI volunteers showed up in force starting on Wednesday through Sat, notably quite a few new members plus DEAA students and parents. So fantastic! Friday went smoothly despite so many new things implemented. We had enough to support rotating volunteers on Saturday, smoothing out the workload in many areas.

If you volunteered, thank you! And I hope you had a good time! The public certainly did. Pilots did feel extra special, thanks to our extra focus resulting in the creation of a "Pilot Oasis" and fantastic pilot door prizes. Although not all pilots signed in, more will know for next year. I heard several from our team saying, "the Pilot Oasis is a keeper!" Kudos to Doug and Diana Volker who did so much work to make that happen! An unseen but significant driver for success was LOEFI Chair Sean Babbitt's establishing a planning team structure which streamlined communications, coordination, planning and volunteer recruiting over the past year. Kudos Sean!

Doreen Branch and Kevin Frick took a lead role in organizing chapter activity areas inside the hangar, which resulted in new professional signage and more prepared volunteers. And simplified my job as Exhibit Hall Lead immensely! Alex Basinger took on Car Parking Lead, coordinating directly with the Boy Scouts. George Young coordinated Pilot Welcoming activities, seamlessly tying in with the new Pilot Oasis. Mark Wilson and Konrad Werner worked with Dan McGregor (CAP) to plan and orchestrate ramp displays. Lance Hunter took the lead on hangar cleaning, Food Trucks, and backup for everyone. Emilio Verastegui led tent setup. Chet Leach led camping. Erin and Eric Place served up the CAP lunch. So many more roles not mentioned but super appreciated!

Our Scholarship Fund will most certainly get a boost, thanks to Exhibitors, Auto Showcase sponsors, Raffle Ticket buyers, Fly Mart donors and customers, Food Trucks, and annual sponsors. Please note our event supporters including the City of Albuquerque, Bode Aviation and others highlighted later in this issue, along with pilot door prize donors.

We've scheduled a debrief session (any LOEFI volunteers welcome) for Saturday, Oct 18 at 12:30pm in the Bode Conference Room. Join us as we set the tone for 2026!

Meanwhile, our Nominating Committee welcomes your interest in an officer position for 2026. This organization is like no other I've—so many awesome people who step up to do great things every day. We at least need a new President and VP. Interested? Let Jim, Art, or Lance know. We need you! *Have a Spooktacular Halloween!*

Joyce Woods
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Notes from the Editor

George Young

I'm bushed. No doubt like others who *made LOEFI happen*.

There were the weeks in preparing and on Friday and Saturday carrying out the plans. For me that included organizing Pilot Hospitality – the Oasis and Door Prize Drawing – thanks to the Volkers; Camping – thanks to Chet Leach; Pilot Registration and Check In ; Aircraft Judging – thanks to Ryan Carson and Lee Otto. Add to that planning and producing signage for visitor traffic control and for information on the ramp – a heartfelt thanks to Frank Beckwith who joined me in organizing the signs, setting them up on Friday and Saturday, and storing them back in the Conex for use next year.

Then there was Friday and Saturday, long days bringing it all together by 0700 for the arriving airplanes and the public and to make the planning and preparations pay off. Thanks to my wife Pat and DEAA alumni whose help was indispensable at the Pilot Welcome Table.

That's only my story – each Lead has their own story. Although we worked independently, there was still coordination that made LOEFI run like a well oiled machine. And volunteers came out like other years, making LOEFI 2025 a success. *Happy Flying (or building, or??).*

George Young
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October Chapter Gathering

Tuesday, October 21, 2025

BJ's Restaurant @ Cottonwood Mall

5:00 PM – No host dinner social

6:15 PM – Introductions, Program

Arrive anytime from 5pm; dinner not required.

Program: "Super Duty!", by Gregg Cuoco

Greg awaits a DAR visit as we go to print. He recently moved his masterpiece to the airport and will provide an update on his build. Since he last presented, everything has come together! The airplane now has an instrument panel, interior, Honda engine, and 5 bladed prop!

But wait 'til you see his flashy wrap! WOW—stop by his hangar if you're out at the airport. It's a beauty!



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.

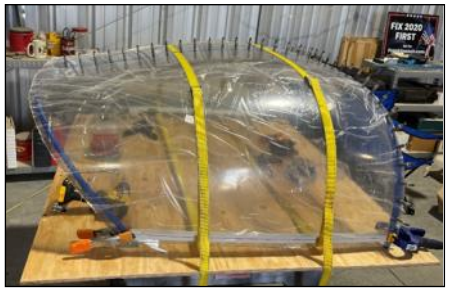
Monthly Chapter Gatherings offer time to network, with programs centered on exchanging experiences and ideas about aviation – airplanes, flying, and flying activities – rather than the chapter business which is addressed in bimonthly Board meetings.

We hope to see you there!

September Chapter Gathering – RECAP
by Jim Kessler

Jim Kessler presented his R&R (Removing and Replacing) canopy project on his RV-6.

To replace a canopy it is necessary to start from scratch and fit the new frame to the aircraft. Then you fit the new plexiglass to the frame. You need lots of clamps. Like so many projects, you will require several shipments from Vans.



Pictured (right) is the frame on a table made from sawhorses and the plywood from the crate in which the frame was shipped.



You drill the new plexiglass to the new frame. Then you add the skirts to the canopy and refit them to the airplane. This requires precise drilling through the plastic into the tube of the frame.



This picture (left) depicts one of the many fittings of the canopy to the airplane. It also shows lines that were used to trim the aluminum of the skirt.

You trim up the extra aluminum and paint. Use the plastic coating provided by the canopy manufacturer to protect the plastic during painting.

Then you put it on your airplane and go flying!



Notes from experience:

- Building airplanes is a perishable skill!
- Read the instructions from Van's and from others builders.
- The RV-6 canopy frame from 20 years ago is not exactly the same as the RV-7 canopy frame. Mistakes are inevitable. The trick is fixing your mistakes without losing the intent of the design. (Is it structural or cosmetic)
- Proper tools are a must.

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.

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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, October 18, 2025 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 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/_87RvtK-RX2XYkhmvO_4Vg

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



Scholarship Tidbits

Art Woods and Rowan Phlieger, Scholarship Coordinators

REPORTS FROM OUR SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

Ray Scholar

Gabe Pohl, who was awarded the Rich Richter Memorial Scholarship, and whom you've met at many Chapter Gatherings, whilst a volunteer at Chapter events, and a student at DEAA 2024. He has been selected as the Chapter's 2025/2026 Ray Scholar. He will receive $12,000 from Chapter 179 and the Ray Foundation.

He has chosen to do his training at Del Sol Aviation at Sunport. And his instructor will be none other than Jocelyn Munoz, a 2025 Reimer Memorial scholarship recipient. She earned her tailwheel endorsement and her CFI rating this summer. We're very excited to see our scholarship recipients moving ahead in the world of aviation!

2025 Scholarship Recipient

Stephan James, recipient of the Jay Schmitt Memorial scholarship, was awarded a Civil Air Patrol (CAP) "full ride" through their WINGS program to earn his private pilot certificate. Stephan is a DEAA graduate, DEAA volunteer and a LOEFI volunteer (both for Chapter 179 and CAP marshalling airplanes). We're proud of his latest achievement!

AND A STORY — Journey to Cross-Country Solo

In May of 2024, at the age of 15 as a freshman in high school, I began to pursue my private pilot's license at Bode Aviation at Double Eagle II Airport in Albuquerque. It was awesome to start my journey of getting my license this young, and in fact, I was too young. I was happy with my instructor, and he laid out my Part 61 training plan. But I only ever got four lessons with him before he left Bode



I was now onto my second instructor, and my training was stretched out so much that I was flying only about once a week, which wasn't enough. But slowly, I started progressing and learning how to fly the Cessna 172 as I went into my sophomore year of high school. Then, in September of 2024, this second instructor announced that he had hit his 1500 hours required for the airlines, and was leaving. So I was now onto my third instructor so far. This was frustrating, but fortunately, I wasn't too far along towards my license. My 16th birthday was coming up in December, and it was now my new instructor's job to prepare me for my first solo, which she did. I passed my pre-solo stage check on December 14, 2024, and then the big day came. On December 21, 2024, two days after my birthday, I finally took the airplane up alone. I had waited 6 months to be eligible to do this. I flew a couple of laps in the pattern, then returned to the ramp. I had soloed at 29.5 total hours.

Then, my training hit a bit of a plateau. I still had a full year until I could get my license, and it was pretty slow. My instructor also had a hiatus starting in March for about a month and a half. As the months passed, I continued to make gradual progress.

In the meantime, I applied for a scholarship with EAA Chapter 179, and I was awarded the Todd Blue Memorial scholarship on April 15. I still thank the chapter for their contribution towards my license, and I used the money to fund many flights.

I completed my sophomore year of high school, and summer had approached, so my instructor and I decided that it was time to start increasing the frequency of my flights and ramping up my training. We started doing cross country flights to Grants and Socorro, and at the same time, I began to study much harder towards my written exam. I took it quite late into my flight training, but on August 30th of this year, I passed my private pilot written exam with a proud 95%. One exact month later, on September 30th, I passed my solo cross country stage check.

As of writing this, I am preparing to fly myself to Socorro and back solo. From there, I'll just be finishing the rest of the required parts of my training until my checkride, which is scheduled for December 29th of this year. I wanted to do it on my birthday, but unfortunately, I have finals for my classes on that day.

I'm definitely a high-time student; I have about 85 hours right now, and I will probably take my checkride with well over 100. It's because I started very young and had to wait until I was legally old enough to do the specific parts of my training. If I had understood this fact sooner, I would have started flying later in high school.

I am excited to see how the rest of my pilot's license training will play out. EAA 179 has been a huge help in everything I have participated in, from the scholarship to the Young Eagles flights, to even the Double Eagle Aviation Academy.

Matthew Croshaw
Recipient, 2025 Todd Blue Memorial Scholarship

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Scholarship Tidbits (continued)

Art Woods and Rowan Phlieger, Scholarship Coordinators

FROM THE SCHOLARSHIP COORDINATORS

2026 Scholarship Program

Chapter 179's Scholarship application period opens January 2nd and closes Feb 15th at midnight. We are again offering scholarships for those who are 14 to 25, inclusive. And the Chapter has reserved two slots for EAA Air Academy that takes place during AirVenture in Oshkosh!! The link to the application can found on our website – EAA179.org

Chapter 179 is expanding the scholarship offering for 2026 to include a new "over 25" age group scholarship as well as offering a "multi-engine instructor donation" in a Beechcraft Baron. The cost of the Baron rental still rests on the applicant, but the 20 hours CFI time will be free. Details for these two new scholarships will be published in the November newsletter and will be on our website eaa179.org/scholarships. Applications for these two programs will be accepted starting January 2nd.

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Young Eagles

Jim Kessler, Young Eagles Coordinator

Our last Young Eagles rally for 2025 takes place on October 18th in front of Bode Aviation. Flights start at 0800 with 3 flight slots. Not that any kids are eager for this last Young Eagles flight of the year, but 41 had registered within 12 hours of opening… And as of the writing of this article, 51 are registered out of a limit of 55!!

We do have a waitlist so if we're full, please signup for that. We will let you know if we have space by the Thursday before the rally.

Dates for 2026 will be published in the December newsletter, but the first rally will likely be in February. Weather permitting!!

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WHERE THEY ARE NOW—179 Scholar Update

Art Woods

Rowan Phlieger, Chapter 179's first Ray Scholar, is now flying for NetJets in an Embraer Phenom 300. She past 2000 hours total time this year.

From a humble start at Sam's Aviation Academy to Embry Riddle in Arizona, she last flew King Airs for CSI. Her path shows what can be done when a clear defined goal is buried in your brain!



Rowan got to fly in to Albuquerque last week and here she is in her NetJet!



Tanda's Making a Ruckus



Heard through the grapevine ... a new airplane will soon be flying hereabouts. Tanda Headrick will be building a Top Rudder "Ruckus" aircraft. It looks like it will be great fun.



Two guys and signs for the Chapter Hangar



the Reimer Aircraft Factory

Original intent was to draw attention to the location of the *LOEFI Pilots Oasis*, hosted by Doug and Dianna Volker in their hangar

In Memory of Tandra Hicks

by Joyce Woods



With great sadness, I share this news. Longtime chapter member and special friend, Tandra Hicks passed away of natural causes on Sept 10, 2025.

For those who may not have known her, Tandra Hicks was a Young Eagles pilot, DEAA instructor, who also printed and mailed our newsletter for many years, before website downloads.

She was a hard worker who made everything fun. This photo is from the 2016 Double Eagle Aviation Academy where she taught the traffic pattern, demonstrating with great humor as she "flew" the pattern, arms stretch as wings. She printed our DEAA books for many years and taught us the professional way to do so.

I'll always remember her telling of her first DEAA Young Eagle flight. Students plan a flight to Belen and back, navigating to a couple waypoints. Her student, one with a fun loving personality like Tandra seemed especially nervous as they prepared to takeoff. Recognizing this, she asked, "Gabe, what's going on?" He replied that he was afraid he'd get them lost, feeling pressure from his first time completing a NavLog. Good ol' Tandra lightened things up saying, "Not to worry! Skittles won't let us get lost!" From there, they had a great time as expected. And no, they didn't get lost.

We'd not seen Tandra too much after she closed her printing business and took a day job with the USPS, several years ago. Her husband, Fred Loehr said she just retired and was looking forward to getting back to flying their plane, "Skittles", the green and purple Musketeer on the ramp at KAEG. If you want to send a note to Fred, he's using her email address: tlcprntg@aol.com.

Fred said that per her wishes, there will be no obituary nor services. He asked that donations in her memory be made to the Albuquerque EAA Chapter 179.

To donate in Tandra Hicks' name, here is a direct link:
https://www.paypal.com/ncp/payment/BMRGFKK4UYXCC

Land of Enchantment Fly-In (LOEFI 2025)

George Young, Team LOEFI 2025

Do you know How Big LOEFI is? There are so many pieces that come together to produce our annual event.

It began 35 years ago with a gathering of pilots, airplanes, and the public at Moriarty airport. Records are missing for a few years, but in recent years it has become a fixture in September at Double Eagle II.

- It is enjoyed by pilots, some who fly in (and even camp) for the event, others who drive in to see airplanes, exhibits, and what Chapter 179 is up to these days, and all to attend seminars.
- And .. the public .. takes advantage of the opportunity to visit an airport, wander around the ramp and look at airplanes, peruse the exhibits, and .. connect a bit with airplanes and aviation through the activities created by our Members. And maybe buy something from the Fly-Mart.

Back to How Big – Preparations get under way early in the year and continue right up to The Day (and after).

- During the months before, activities include getting the city permits and scheduling inspections; publicizing; arranging for exhibitors, band, and food trucks; developing the Chapter activities; procuring long-lead materials such as signs, trophies, and materials for the Chapter activities; other details too. And this year, new features to attract more pilots – the Pilot Oasis, Pilot Door Prizes, and including *all* pilots, fly-in, taxi-in, and walk-in, as special guests.
- Activities intensify a couple of weeks out:: finalize bands, food trucks, and exhibitors; develop the layout for the Exhibit Hall; gather materials and resources for the Chapter activities; coordinate with CAP and other participating organizations; assemble signs for traffic control, on the ramp, and inside the Exhibit Hall. And a couple of days before, clean the hangar.

Friday is a busy one for everyone, including the many volunteers that are so much a part of the operation.

- Highlights of the activities: marking the layout in the Exhibit Hall; prepositioning signs, tables, chairs, and tents (including erecting the large tent for the eating area); bringing “inventory” for the Fly-Mart; setting up vehicle traffic control barrels etc; and hosting any pilots who have come to camp.

Then comes –the day– ... pulling it all together.

- Early morning: deploy signs, tents and tables (Public Welcoming, Chapter 179, Pilot Welcoming, and the Stage); this year arrange the “Fast as Flight” automobiles; position early arrival aircraft in the Showcase; exhibitors and volunteers for the Chapter Activities set up for the public.
- Then the public begins to arrive and more airplanes show up.
    - Volunteers are busy all day directing traffic into and out of the public parking area.
    - Ramp directors are positioning airplanes in the Showcase or directing them to visitor tiedowns while CAP cadets perform the aircraft marshalling role, insuring safety as they direct arrivals to a parking spot and as they depart.
    - Volunteers at the Public Welcome table greet arrivals, offer them an overview of the Fly-In, and generally monitor the flow of people.
    - Volunteers at the Chapter 179 table engage the visitors, telling them about EAA and Chapter 179, especially about our activities: Young Eagles, Double Eagle Aviation Academy, Flying Start, and our Scholarships. They also sell the tickets for the Raffles.
    - At the Stage, the first of the bands performs for the opening ceremony. As the day goes on, our Master of Ceremonies makes announcements about upcoming activities, does occasional interviews with pilots, and introduces the other bands for the day.
    - Volunteers at the Pilot Welcoming table take Registrations for pilots who have brought an airplane and Check In other pilots. Each gets a small ‘goodie’ bag with information about this year’s LOEFI, a magnetic business card for year’s LOEFI, and other gifts. Each Register or Check In pilot receives tickets for the LOEFI Pilot Door Prize drawing.
    - Volunteers for the Chapter Activities engage the visitors with their various activities: Pilot Experience, Builders’ Corner, Kids Corner.
    - The Volkers provide hospitality at the Pilot Oasis with a continental breakfast plus snacks and coffee all day. And host for the Pilot Door Prize drawing.

This is a blow-by-blow description of How Big LOEFI is for the Chapter. It is successful only through the efforts of many dedicated volunteers, Chapter Members and Chapter Friends. Some are involved in the months leading up to LOEFI, many more come out to help with setup and the activities on –the day-.

Then .. How Big? Rainy weather reduced the attendance for both airplanes and the public. None the less, we provided the community a great day to see airplanes up close and aviation-related activities & exhibits.

The pages that follow provide some windows into LOEFI 2025.

Statistics, LOEFI 2025

Entrance Head Count (excludes early arrivals , Fly-ins, & volunteers)	1359
LOEFI Volunteers	Jillions!
Airplanes Registered	22
Airplanes for Judging	9
Pilots Checked in	43
Campers	8
Raffle Tickets – Pedal Plane	217
Raffle Tickets – SWA Tickets	82

Visitors arriving at LOEFI were greeted by a welcome arch with (new this year) feather flags to draw them to the entrance.

The CAP provided the Honor Guard for the Opening Ceremony, accompanied by a flyby of the Chile Flight.

Three bands provided music throughout the day.

And volunteers manned the Public Welcome Table at the entrance (no photo), the Chapter 179 Table, and the Pilot Welcome Table.









Public Welcome Table





The day began with rain, but aircraft and people showed up for LOEFI.

The Chile Flight made a second flyby midmorning.

Families, kids especially, had a great time.

A special visit – the first pedal plane, a P-51, made a visit to join our F4U Corsair pedal plane, the raffle prize this year.

And airplanes on the ramp.















The Exhibit Hall was busy all day, especially when people wanted to get out of the rain.













Chapter Activities

Left to Right, Top to Bottom

Pilot Experience-Weigh & Balance
A busy Exhibit Hall
Pilot Experience-Simulators
Kids Corner-construct it activities
Fly Mart
Builders' Corner-Riveting

LOEFI 2025 RAFFLES

Two really great prizes were offered for this year's Raffle.

- A Chance Vought F4U Corsair Pedal Plane, built by a team of 179 Chapter members.
- Two tickets for round trip domestic travel donated by Southwest Airlines.

Tickets were sold at the *Chapter 179 Table* for $10 each. The Raffle Drawing was held and winners announced at 1400 at the event stage,

The Winners were:



Southwest Airlines Tickets
Don Best

F4U Corsair Pedal Plane
Mike Wirstsrom

"Fast as Flight" Auto Display

A collection of iconic cars and trucks representing advance styling and engines capable of speeds beyond 125 miles per hour. Formed as an Arrow Formation, recalling the Airway Navigation Arrows for aviation navigation across New Mexico in early days of flight.

See the full story on page16.

The vehicles were brought for display in the Arrow Formation by these Albuquerque auto dealers, recognized as sponsors for LOEFI 2025 & Chapter 179.

If they had wings, their power would allow them to "take flight".

PROUD SPONSORS

"Fast as Flight"
Auto Showcase

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LOEFI 2025 Aircraft Awards

A Long Time Tradition for Chapter 179

Each year, pilots have been invited to elect to have their aircraft included in the Aircraft Judging when they Registered at the *Pilot Welcome Table*.

- Pilots chose among a half-dozen categories and would be included in the LOEFI Grand Champion award. Two of our members, Ryan Carson and Lee Otto, appraised each aircraft using criteria, which is much more subjective than that used at Air Venture.
- An award was also given for Most Distant Fly-in.
- And .. all aircraft on display were candidates for the *People's Choice* award, based on votes cast on ballots collected at the *Chapter 179 Table* by all visitors to LOEFI.

The winners of the LOEFI 2025 Awards:

Category	***Winner***	***Aircraft***
Best Plans Built	Jeff Glynn	Cozy
Best Kit Build	Dan Kemme	Sling 4
Contemporary (1960-present)	Kevin Kirkpatrick	CAP C-182
Classic (prior to 1960)	Alfonso Sanchez	C-140
LSA/Trike/Gyrocopter	Joseph Bush	Arion Lightning
Most Distant Fly-in	José & Luis Corella El Paso TX	PA-32
People's Choice	Bill Sommer	Christen Eagle
LOEFI Grand Champion	Lance Hunter	Cirrus SR22

LOEFI 2025 Pilot Door Prizes

Introduced for LOEFI 2025 New!

As part of an initiative to increase attendance by pilots, we held Drawings for *LOEFI Pilot Door Prizes*. With Doug Volker taking charge of the Door Prizes, he obtained some great prizes from donors who contributed to the success of LOEFI.

All pilots who attended LOEFI 2025 were eligible to participate.

Pilots who flew in (or taxied in) and Registered at the Pilot Welcome table received a ticket for Drawings #1 and #2.

Pilots who came "unattended" received a ticket for Drawing #2.

Prizes included:

·Drawing #1

- ·Two certificates for 25 gallons avgas (Av Fuel)
- ·Custom Set of 2-Blade Propeller Covers (PladeSox)
- ·InFlight Data Logger (Bolder Flight Systems)
- ·D2 R X10 Aviator Smartwatch (Garmin)
- ·Two-blade DynaVibe Propeller Balancing (New Mexico Aero Service, Moriarty)

·Drawing #2

- ·Two $75 Gift Cards (Aircraft Spruce)
- ·Flight Gear I-Pad Bag (Sporty's)
- ·Flight Gear Tailwind Bag (Sporty's)
- ·Two $50 Gift Certificates (McFarlane)
- ·Car Wash/Detail up to $150 (Crisp & Clean Mobile Detailing)
- ·Two Flight Size Back Packs (JB Henderson Construction)

A sincere Thanks to each Donor for their support of LOEFI and Chapter 179.

And a BIG Thank You to Doug Volker for initiating the LOEFI Door Prize (and garnering the prize donations)

More on Registered Pilot Door Prize Donors

A big thank-you to **Bolder Flight Systems,** a local New Mexico company, for supporting this year's Land of Enchantment Fly-In! Their OnFlight data logger helps pilots capture and analyze flight data, making flying safer and more fun. From aerobatics to flight training and completing flight tests on homebuilt aircraft, OnFlight gives pilots new insights into their flying and aircraft performance. We're grateful for their partnership and for bringing innovative aviation technology to our community.
https://bolderflight.com

BladeSox™ are custom tailored neoprene propeller covers, made by David Otero. BladeSox™ came about after Ian J. Twombly's published an article in AOPA magazine about carbon fiber propeller blades being susceptible to damage. David noted that "propellers are expensive!" Thus, he developed a snug fitting cover to help protect the trailing edge. Custom designed, his creations add a classy uniqueness to any propeller while also protecting it from hangar rash. Besides a huge supporter, David serves Chapter 179 as a Technical Counselor, Young Eagle Pilot and is Chile Flight pilot. Check out his product at: https://bladesox.com

Garmin Watch Winner, *Richard Piasecki says, "Here I am. The one and only Tom Cruise with a new Garmin watch!"*



Camping

We welcomed campers again this year. Eight came to camp, 4 in tents. They enjoyed a burger cookout and a wonderful evening swapping aviation stories.





Parent Sarah Quinn noted that her son who had already gone to his tent but returned to join the conversation. She said it was quite a multi-generational discussion.



Mark Wilson and Konrad joined campers for dinner after a long Friday of ramp setup and planning.

One Mooney arrived about 8pm Friday night from Alamogordo with a couple and their dog. Camp host Chet Leach was able to be the "Follow Me" truck with Lance's golf cart. Note that Bode was gone and the tower closes at 7pm, so these folks were on their own in the dark. But Chet handled it expertly!

The campers:

- Chet Leach – camp host
- Neal Hopwood – cookout host
- Meryl King, her husband and dog in Mooney N7133V
- Quinn Family of 4 who volunteered both Fri and Sat. Tent campers! (Michael, Sarah, Dashiel, Perry)
- Two other families (also DEAA students) cancelled camping plans but still volunteered.
- Quinns hope to camp again next year!

We Enjoyed Great Media Coverage for LOEFI 2025

Thanks to the effort of Lance Hunter and others, we enjoyed great coverage from local media … and on Facebook

Local television stations gave us great exposure in the week before:

- Behind the Scenes: 35th Annual Land of Enchantment Fly In (KOB – Monica Logroño) - Interview and flying with Lance Hunter
- Land of Enchantment Fly-in invites community to Double Eagle II Airport (KRQE – Isaac Cruz) - Interview with Brandon Fryar and Joyce Woods
- 35th annual Fly-in raises money for aviation scholarships (KOAT- Hamilton Kahn) - On-the-ramp video with interview with CAP cadets
- Land of Enchantment 'Fly-In' brings specialty planes to Albuquerque (KOB – Monica Logroño) - On-the-ramp, interview with Emilio Verastegui, visiting families, & kids

And –at– LOEFI:

- Rain delays Land of Enchantment Fly-In (KRQE-Scott Brown) - On-the-ramp, with comments from Joyce Woods
- Land of Enchantment fly-in event takes off Saturday (KOAT-Nick Catlin) - Chile Flight flyover, ramp activities, narrative promoting Chapter activities

The stations also promoted LOEFI on Facebook, such as KRQE News 13, KOB 4 (thanks to Dave Otero for posting these in Fly New Mexico

We also received publicity from the Albuquerque Journal.

- "'We need more people involved in aviation': Land of Enchantment Fly-In set for Saturday" (Albuquerque Journal – Gregory R.C. Hasman) - Interviews with Brandon Fryar and David Otero, plus photos

Lance Hunter was busy posting on Facebook Timelines frequented by New Mexico aviation enthusiasts.

- Experimental Aircraft Association Chapter 179 (a public Facebook space)
- EAA Chapter 179 New Mexico (a private Facebook space for Chapter 179 members and friends)
- Fly New Mexico (a private Facebook space for New Mexico aviation enthusiasts, courtesy Dave Otero)

Lance posted regularly using our poster, a slide show of the "Fast as Flight" with the Corsair Pedal Plane, the video Land of Enchantment FLY-IN 2025 (Gary Williams), and links to other online publicity.

We also had announcements on national Internet sites: NMPA, KUNM Event Calendar, EAA, AOPA, FunPlacesToFly, Facebook "Airplanes and Coffee", Barnstormers, and others.

And some comments:

- John Rossi on Facebook: "You can't plan the weather, but everything they did plan was fantastic!"
- Our contact for DBC Waters, longtime LOEFI donor (water stations) excited to bring her two granddaughters showed up just before the rain stopped, catching Chile Flight on the flightline. Her husband was animated telling me "I had no idea the view of the mountains from here was so beautiful from the west side! What a gorgeous backdrop for the planes! This is fantastic!"
- Lanny's Oct NMPA Newsletter LOEFI article was awesome, mostly photos and this text:
  - "Neither Rain nor Clouds nor Drizzle…. EAA 179 Land of Enchantment Fly In -2025 If you thought people wouldn't turn out with kids and dogs and friends to see airplanes and learn about flying on one of New Mexico's few unsunny days…you'd be SO wrong! EAA's Chapter 179's LOEFI at Double Eagle was full of people even as the ramp was puddled from morning precipitation and ongoing drizzling skies. Hundreds of cars were directed to the parking area by an army of EAA volunteers. The hangars were full of people checking out dozens of booths exhibiting everything aviation from USAF Special Warfare to making your own airplane parts. What could be more fun for kids than looking at airplanes and jumping in puddles?" Lanny Tonning, NMPA October Newsletter,

Land of Enchantment Fly-In 2025

EVENT SCHEDULE

0700	Gates open Static Aircraft & Auto Displays Open
0700 – 1400	Food trucks *Great food! And sales support our scholarship fund!* Alitas de Pollo — One Stop Chill 'n Fill Loaded Lemon ABQ — Pop Pop's Italian Ice Cerealsly Sweet
0730 – 0900	Live music: "Line Nash" Opens the day!
0800	Opening Ceremony Presentation of the Colors Civil Air Patrol, NM Wing
0815	Exhibit Hall Opens Pilot Experience, Builders' Corner, and Kid's Corner Aircraft Judging Begins
0830 – 0930	**WINGS Seminar: "***Flying the New Mexico Backcountry***" (Ron Keller, NMPA)
0930 – 1130	Live Music: "Turner and Grimes Trio"
1030-1130	**WINGS Seminar: "Mountain Wave: Exploring the Monster" (Bill Hill, Glider Pilot)
1130	Aircraft Judging closes People's Choice ballots due
1200	Pilot's Door Prize Drawing (Pilot Oasis)
1200 – 1400	Live music: "Marion Carillo"
1245 – 1300	**Aircraft Awards Presentation (EAA179)
1400	Raffle Drawing Custom F4U Corsair Pedal Plane Southwest Domestic Airline Tickets
1400	Exhibit Hall, Exhibits & Activities close

Seminar Location: LOEFI Pilot Oasis

Event Schedule 2025.Tabloid Ver 2.doc - September 17, 2025

"*Fast as Flight* - Northbound"

Car and Truck Arrow Formation

Land of Enchantment Fly-In

at Double Eagle II Airport

September 27, 2025

Albuquerque EAA Chapter 179

This collection of iconic cars and trucks represents advanced styling and engines capable of speeds beyond 125 miles per hour.

If they had wings attached... their power would allow them to "take flight".

Each sponsor represented has engineered these cars and trucks to be of the highest mechanical standards and interior appointments.

The display is arranged in an *Arrow* pattern pointed "Due North", an important flight heading. Arrows were critical to early commercial flight navigation when concrete arrows helped guide pilots to the next beacon station.

We Hope You Enjoy this display of fine design and craftmanship represented in these special cars and trucks.

Our Sincere Thank You to our Sponsors:

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for making this *"Fast as Flight"* showcase possible.

About Arrows: 15 Directional Arrows guided early commercial airline pilots across New Mexico in the late 1920's. Today, there are remnants of these arrows along I-40, west of Albuquerque. Visitors can see a replica concrete arrow and beacon display at the Western New Mexico Aviation Heritage Museum at the Grants-Milan Airport.

Our Black Hills Trip

Mark Sturm

Our newsletter editor asked for a write up if anyone had taken an interesting flight recently. As most of you know, Fall is a wonderful time to fly in New Mexico. It so happened that the week before LOEFI saw a large high-pressure system sitting over the entire Rocky Mountain range. So, with a day's notice I planned a trip to visit a couple places on my bucket list….

1) Little Bighorn Battlefield National Monument (Montana). As a retired Army guy who did a tour in the 7th Cavalry (Korea), this was a solemn place to visit. 25 June 1876 was not a good day for Gen George Custer or the soldiers of the 7th Cav.
2) Mount Rushmore National Memorial (South Dakota). Yep, four presidents. Can you name them? Seven years to complete at a cost of less than $1M.





3) Crazy Horse Memorial (South Dakota). This mountain carving of the Lakota Sioux leader receives no federal funding and had just celebrated its 77th year of construction! BTW, Crazy Horse was at the battle of Little Bighorn.

4) South Dakota Air and Space Museum. Who can pass up an air and space museum?!? Located just outside Ellsworth AFB near Rapid City, SD.
5) Sturgis South Dakota – Home of one of the largest motorcycle rallies in the country. Over a half million motorcyclists descend on this small town every August. (Glad we visited in September, when it was almost a ghost town)



6) Devils Tower National Monument (Wyoming). Remember the movie Close Encounters of the Third Kind? This is the place. A much larger version of our local Cabezon Peak. A beautiful 1.5 mile walk around the base. (No aliens found)



7) Badlands National Park (South Dakota). Wow, there's a lot of nothing from 2,000'. And it seems to go on forever (244,00 acres). We didn't experience this from the ground in a car but overflew most of the park. I sure wouldn't want an engine failure in this area.

Overall, a great trip in our Velocity. We were in seven states during this six-day trip. General aviation is wonderful; a great privilege we cannot take for granted. There is no way we could have done all these things in six days if we were driving a car.

So, what's on your bucket list? It's a great time of year to get out and see the country. Fair skies.



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 Click on the "Continue on page" link at the bottom to go there.

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

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]
  - **NEW** NTSB Safety Alert: See and Be Seen: Your Life Depends on It
  - **NEW** Reference Data: FAA Fact Book, and Airport Data & Information Portal

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)
- "Secrets from a tailwheel pilot" - Tailwheel Checkout Course with Patty Wagstaff
- Recent Pilots Tip of the Week (**New in each issue**)
  - Door Pops Open In Flight
  - Keeping the Lights On
  - Split Flap Emergency
  - The One-Bounce Rule

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 of interest to you.
  - Current Interest: Sport Pilot 2.0: Are You Ready, Oct 22, 2025
- EAA's Chapter Video Magazines (monthly)
- EAA's eHotline, Announcements for Air Venture/Oshkosh and more
- And many manuals, such as Checkride Insights: Private Pilot

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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.

In the News and Other Interesting Topics
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NMPA

- August 2025 NMPA Newsletter – Another great issue, with a very good article on Flying VFR - "It's Always Good to be Seen", particularly apropos flying around New Mexico where radio/radar coverage can be limited.
- And visit the NMPA web site 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 …..



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 newsletter@eaa179.org.

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)**

Newsletters **EAA 555, July Newsletter**

Sep 13 **Magdalena Fly In 2025**

Sep 27 **Land of Enchantment Fly In (KAEG)**

Sep 10-14: National Championship Air Races – in Roswell

Also Check NMPA's Upcoming Events

and Check EAA 691's Upcoming Events

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ABQ Air Traffic Control
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Albuquerque EAA Chapter 179
Albuquerque Soaring Club
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Bolder Flight Systems
City of Albuquerque Aviation Dept
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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)
- 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)

Recuring Events (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
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 & fall

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.

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