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Newsletters are at: <http://eaa179.org/newsletters/>

The Web Site for the LOEFI is: <http://www.loefi.com>

Upcoming Events & Chapter Meetings .

May 21, Tuesday, EAA Chapter 179 Social Gathering, eat at 5:30 PM, program at 6:00PM, Copper Canyon Café, 5455 Gibson SE. Guests and visitors are welcome.

May 14, Tuesday, EAA Chapter 179 Business Meeting, at Dion's on Paseo, just east of Wyoming. The scheduled start time is 1700. All officers and board members are requested to attend and the membership at large will always be welcomed too.

Young Eagle events (September 7th, and November 2nd)

DOUBLE EAGLE AVIATION ACADEMY (DEAA) June 10 - 14, 2019

The Land of Enchantment Fly In (LOEFI) Saturday September 21, 2019.

(Chapter 179 Social Gatherings are on the third Tuesday each month.)



Young Eagles

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From the Editor, Harley Wadsworth

I had a thought the other day that it would be nice to have some artwork from our members and readers to include in our newsletter. If you have any artwork that you have created and want to share, please email a photo or copy of it that I can include in the newsletter. It should be aviation related and in good taste. It can be a photo (including photoshopped), painting, drawing, sculpture, poem, song, or etc. Please include a title, type of art, and artists's name. I will include a copyright notice for you.



Thanks,
HW

Other NM EAA Chapter Newsletters

EAA 691, the Green Chile Chapter:

<http://eaa691.org>

<http://www.facebook.com/eaa691>

EAA 555, Triple Nickel Chapter:

<http://555.eaachapter.org/>

EAA Chapter 1306, Edgewood, NM - Not on the web yet, but they have a nice newsletter.

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<https://www.eaa.org/en/ea/eaa-chapters/ea-chapter-resources/chapter-programs-and-activities>

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Link: [**FLY NEW MEXICO**](#), Q1 Newsletter

The [**Lobo Wing of the CAF**](#) The Lobo Wing is located at hangar 80 of the Moriarty, NM Municipal Airport.



<http://www.nmpilots.org/news.asp>

From The President, Emilio Verastegui

Hello and Welcome everyone! This is the May issue of Chapter 179's Newsletter.

As we found out last month, Rowan Phlieger is our Chapter's **Ray Scholarship** winner for 2019.



I am told she is well on her way to achieving her first solo flight. I am sure when she hits that milestone, we will all applaud her and cheer her on to greater achievements. She is very confident and knowledgeable, so I think that she will use her new skills to master her training airplane quickly. Her Private Pilot Certificate will soon follow and then only the sky is the limit!



*Rowan Phlieger is our Chapter's **Ray Scholarship** winner for 2019*

As a reminder, **May 18, 2019** is the date for the Kirtland Airshow, featuring the Thunderbirds aerial performance at approximately 3:00pm. Although this is not an EAA event, it is clearly a great event for watching and hearing many types of military hardware doing fly-bys. There will be many static displays also. They will include an F-35, B-17s, a B-25 and the TBM Avenger, C-130s, helicopters, CV-22s, and more. Don't forget your hearing protectors - jets with afterburners are beautiful to watch but can be deafening....

If you were with us as a pilot or volunteer, you know we had a great turnout for our second Young Eagles event of 2019, on Saturday, May 4th. More than 60 young people came out to enjoy their free flights with

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their volunteer pilots. It was a great day and, from my perspective, a hit overall! One component that contributed to such a successful day was the new EAA program whereby the YEs or their parents could pick and choose a time slot to fly, thereby eliminating a lot of idle wait time for the persons involved. I think this program will be refined a bit more by EAA in the future and things might go even smoother. Once our own volunteers get to know this program better, we might consider adding more Young Eagle events to the calendar. I was very impressed by how smoothly everything seemed to flow. Barry Kromer, our Young Eagles Chairman, and his assistants, did very well in keeping things organized and moving along nicely, even though it was their first time using EAA's new program. As an aside, there were at least two pilot that came from Mid-Valley Airport (**Chapter 530**) to help fly Young Eagles. Thanks to Doug and Kurt's assistance, we had an adequate number of pilots for the morning. If there were others from E98, please let me know so we can recognize their efforts too. Maybe they were returning the favor because I had flown down to E98 on the 13th of April to assist them in their YE event. As the saying goes - many hands make light work!

I also want to give a big "attaboy" to our volunteers that manned the food vending area. They did a great job of keeping everyone fed, the coffee hot, and the tables open for business. Thanks everyone!

We had a new group come to our YE event on May 4th. The Albuquerque Radio Control Club (ARCC) decided to bring several large models and a couple of flight simulators for those interested. Mr. Stan Johnson was their leader and he was very pleased with the response to the models and the simulators. He advised me that the ARCC will be very interested in returning to future YE events and also quite possibly participating in LOEFI this year. We both were reminded that model building and flying is one way to stimulate and steer young children and young adults towards aviation and flying full-size aircraft. It may be even the first step for many in proceeding toward their dream of becoming a pilot.

Both Stan and I reflected on the fact that we both started to seriously consider aviation as a career by building model airplanes when we were both very young. Even the Wright Brothers built models to test their theories and then scaled up their models to a full size, man-carrying machine. So, from their small beginnings, the Wright's, and those that came afterwards, eventually brought us to where we are today. So, do not discount the value of model airplanes!

Our Chapter's business meeting is scheduled for **May**

14, 2019 at Dion's on Paseo, near Wyoming, at **1700 (5pm)**. Everyone is welcome to attend, and in fact, encouraged to attend. Our business is your business too. The reason to separate the social gatherings from the business meetings is to eliminate less palatable issues from the social aspects of our gatherings. Unless there is a need to change this format, they will continue every other month, one week before our social Gathering, same time and same place, until further notice. Come and attend the business meeting with us - besides, the pizza is pretty darn good at Dion's!

Mike Paxson, our LOEFI Chairman, has scheduled a LOEFI planning meeting on **16 May 2019**. Again, everyone is welcome to attend, and in fact, encouraged to attend. LOEFI is our biggest event of the year, so it takes a lot of planning (aka lots of volunteers) to make it successful and meaningful to all those planning it and participating in it. As I understand it, the LOEFI planning meeting will be held at the Copper Canyon on Gibson Blvd at **1700 (5pm)**. If you are planning to attend, please call me or Mike (505-670-1411) the day before to verify the location and time. We had a mix-up once before, so I would rather not have to go through that exercise again!

Speaking of the Wright Brothers and how they tested their theories and machines, our guest speaker for our May Gathering will be **Mr. Bill Bubb**. He has a lot of experience in testing new aircraft and I am sure it will be a fascinating and absorbing topic. I hope everyone will join us for our May Gathering, scheduled for **May 21st**, at the Copper Canyon Restaurant on Gibson Blvd. Festivities begin at **1730 (5:30pm)** but come as early as you like. Our speaker is scheduled to begin at **1800 (6:00pm)**.

I have been told we have had a great response to the call for applicants for our Double Eagle Aviation Academy (DEAA) scheduled for **June 10th through the 14th**. As of this writing, almost 20 young applicants have decided to apply. Mornings will start with many aircraft on display; even helicopters and gyrocopters will be there for every one of the participants to see, touch, and learn about. It will be a fun week, full of learning all about different aircraft and all that makes them fly. Jim Kessler (DEAA Chairman) and Joyce Woods have been working very hard to see that this is a success and a model of perfect planning.

I received a note from Ms. Robin Kasel, the Major Gifts and Donor Stewardship Officer at EAA in Oshkosh. The note she sent, and the certificate of appreciation enclosed with her note (see above) recognizes our Chapter's involvement in the support of "Project Tin Goose". As you may recall, our Chapter has made the commitment to support the Ford Tri-Motor belong-

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ing to EAA. The main issue at the moment is replacing the original wings of the Tin Goose with brand new wings! That is no easy task, as you might imagine, and EAA is looking for financial contributions to help with that task. Our commitment is \$1,000.00 as a Chapter and we have 3 years to raise that amount of support. While letting go of hard-earned cash is no easy thing for most of us, I think you might agree that this particular project is truly worthwhile. You can save a piece of history with as little as a \$10.00 contribution. I hope you can add your name to the long list of donors and save the Tin Goose!



That's all I have for the moment. Please remember, if you have any comments, positive or negative, or suggestions for improvement, or any other observations, please feel free to text or call my cell number or email your thoughts and comments to me. I will respond as soon as I am able.

Sincerely,

Emilio Verastegui, President , Chapter 179

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Understanding Aviation Weather

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When I was 13 years old I had a friend whose father held a doctorate in meteorology. Frequently visiting her house I would find their dining room table covered with big smelly DIFAX charts with wavy lines overlapping familiar sections of the United States. Although fascinated, my friend's mother normally shooed us away so nothing could get disturbed. I had no idea at the time that 14 years in the future I'd actually be able to look at those charts and understand what information they conveyed.



Those of you with more than a passing interest in the weather side of aviation are probably familiar with the National Weather Service's main document devoted to those who enjoy leaping aloft. The AC 00-45 (Aviation Weather Service order) is now on version H. This version was updated in 2016 and is significantly different than its predecessor. The NWS has been rampantly making changes as instrumentation and computer technologies leap forward. They have created a plethora of new weather "products" – charts and graphics relevant to aviation.

Although many pilots prefer to use one of the many different online resources for filing flight plans and receiving weather briefings, it is interesting to study the core document that directs how the base information is received and must be interpreted. All other sites gather the data from the NWS and their engineers then create whatever graphic systems they feel will be most attractive and comprehensible to the aviation community.

Over the past 5 years the old traditional Weather Depiction Chart and Constant Pressure Analysis charts have been phased out and replaced with the CVA (Ceiling and Visibility Analysis) and the Upper Air Constant Pressure Level Forecasts. Textual information for AIRMETS and Area Forecasts has been replaced by graphical AIRMETS and Forecasts. The use of graphics has been determined to be more useful to pilots and all the weather products are moving in that direction.

Some of the changes to the document, and ones which are still being tweaked include whole sections devoted

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to Space Weather analysis and specialized Helicopter weather charts. Extensive revision has been done to sections devoted to Alaska and Hawaii. The World Area Forecast System (WAFS) data includes many new products designed to aid pilots intending to fly internationally. These now include extensive icing, storm, and turbulence charts.

The Radar Section of the AC 00-54H has been gutted and re-written with many new images and descriptions of how radar is depicted and interpreted. It also mentions upcoming radar products still in development. Freezing level graphics are vastly improved and graphical images have been added to show winds aloft information. Radiosonde data and analysis models include SKEW-T diagrams for forecast modeling.

In the past there were many types of textual weather overviews that are now replaced by the Meteorological Impact Statement (MIS). The various surface analysis charts are now combined into a Unified Surface Analysis Chart that spans the globe. This model will make it easier to predict major storm movements and hurricanes.

Pilots will still see any PIREPS entered into the system by ATC or Flight Service, but the database now also shows AIREPs. An AIREP is a PIREP in ICAO format that has been automatically entered by equipment onboard an aircraft. The information gives the lat/long of the aircraft and its flight level along with temperature, wind, and turbulence data. Instead of UA you will see **ARP** and **UUA** (urgent reports) will be encoded as **ARS**.

The Space Weather Prediction Center will be analyzing weather and processes occurring in the Earth's magnetosphere, ionosphere, and thermosphere. Solar flares, geomagnetic storms and radiation levels can affect GPS navigation and communications. Reports and advisories will describe current and expected activity and possible impacts on the Earth's environment.

The Helicopter Emergency Medical Services (HEMS) tool displays weather conditions for short-distance and low-altitude flights. The tool uses radar, wind and satellite data in such a way as to narrow the forecasts to smaller areas. These same tools could be utilized by drone operators, balloonists or localized air-racing teams.

The NWS's graphical weather charts described in the AC 00-45H are available to pilots on their website: www.aviationweather.gov. This site also under constant revision and the NWS has joined all the other aviation weather briefing sites by allowing a pilot to overlay his flight path on these weather charts using the Flight Path Tool.

You can find **AC 00-45H** in PDF format by using the link below, or if you would rather not have to type it all out, go to my website www.rosemariekern.com and click on the link or cut and copy below:

[http://rgl.faa.gov/Regulatory and Guidance Library/rgAdvisoryCircular.nsf/0/571BA1B422ABDF6D8625806D006CCC8E?OpenDocument&Highlight=ac 00-45h](http://rgl.faa.gov/Regulatory%20and%20Guidance%20Library/rgAdvisoryCircular.nsf/0/571BA1B422ABDF6D8625806D006CCC8E?OpenDocument&Highlight=ac%2000-45h)

When you go find out about weather for your next flight, and your kid starts asking what all the wavy lines and symbols mean on the graphics, keep in mind that this is a career field which will be needed and necessary for decades to come....indulge them with a romp through the NWS Aviation Weather site.

Rose Marie Kern has been working in the field of ATC and Aviation Weather for over 34 years. To contact her you can visit her website: www.rosemariekern.com

Belen Airport Maintenance

To all,

It looks like we will begin the pavement maintenance on Runway 13/31 at Belen on June 10. The first phase of the project will involve work from the approach end of 31 up to Twy A, allowing Runway 3/21 to be used for about the first 5 days. When the first phase is completed and we begin working past the intersection of the two runways, both runways and taxiways will be closed for the remainder of the project. The contractor has 21 days to finish the project, but it will likely be done early. If you need to move your aircraft to another airport, please make arrangements early. Once Rwy 3/21 is closed, no air traffic other than helicopters will be able to use the airport. I will send out updates and any changes to the schedule as they become available. Call or email me if you have any questions.

Thank you,
John Thompson, C.M.



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Ford Trimotor Mechanic Program---Barry Kromer

I received a call in March from John Hopkins, the director of maintenance at EAA Oshkosh, inquiring if I would be interested in being a traveling mechanic with the two EAA Ford Trimotors. That sounded good to me, but little did I know that I AM the traveling mechanic, this is a new program that the EAA is starting, and that the Ford Trimotor pilots requested, so I am, apparently(but willingly), the guinea pig.

I will be traveling to each of the Trimotors when I am requested, and probably when they are due for their 100 hour inspections.

I attended training in Oshkosh on April 26 & 27 and went over the original maintenance manual and the P&W 985 engine manual with John during that time. I also attended the pilot's ground school and assisted with maintenance and starting during their flight reviews with the "Little" Ford.

As an update, I went to Bend, Oregon on May 8 to 11 to wrench on the Ford Trimotor during part of its tour stop there. One EAA mechanic (Aaron Dack) from Oshkosh also came to Bend to lead the work. We had to replace the left and right main landing gear tires and replace the erratic oil pressure gauge on #1 engine. We replaced the tires on Thursday before the press flights at 1pm and then we replaced the oil pressure gauge on Friday after the last flight at 5pm. The public response to the tour was outstanding, all flights on Thursday and Friday were sold out. Aaron stayed for the Saturday and Sunday flights. I will be heading to Idaho Falls in 2 weeks to assist with the 100 hour inspection before the tour flights there.

The plan is to get a few more mechanics willing to volunteer to do maintenance on the Trimotors when needed. There are currently about 20 volunteer pilots....and 1 traveling mechanic. It is exciting to get the opportunity to work on these 90 year old treasures.



Dan's RV-14A Kit

Dan Horschel, our Treasurer, took delivery of the remainder of his RV-14A Quick-Build kit today, 5/10/19. He was very excited to receive all three of the large and heavy packages. A very large 18-wheeler truck backed up to his driveway to unload all of it. His whole family was there to lend support. A couple of other Chapter members were there to lend a hand too. Now comes the hard part - inventorying all the small packages and parts.

Once that is done, he will be free to continue his excellent craftsmanship. When completed, he will be flying his own Experimental Homebuilt Aircraft and we all will get to see that proverbial "RV grin" on his face! Good luck, Dan, and congratulations! EV



Young Eagles Flights May 04, 2019

The first Young Eagles event using the new EAA online registration program is now history. Feedback I received from nearly everyone is that they really liked the way this worked. The flow of kids and flights was really smooth. Certificates were printed efficiently. There were 12 walk-ins that filled out paper registrations, so those had to be handled using the “old” manual system, but that worked well also. I received comments on improving the new registration system from the volunteers helping with registration, and those have submitted them to Don White (he is the person who developed this program for EAA and he has been super-responsive, adding features and fixing bugs). He is already working to add some of those suggestions.

Pilots were: Art Woods, Emilio Verastegui, Ryan Carson, Lee Otto, Doug Rhodes, Rol Murrow, Kurt Winker, Bart Barrack, Doug Warwick, Randy Reimer, and Richard Perry.

We flew 58 kids total, with 15 no shows, and we had 12 walk-ins.

I am not totally sure about all the volunteers who helped with pancakes and registration, but from memory, there was Carol Kromer, Mike Paxson, Fred Loehr, Kent Berwick, George Young, Scott Speirer, Chris Nichols, Alex Carothers, Manuela and Phillip Thompson, Doug Marsh, Marilyn Rhodes, Susie Reimer, Todd Blue, Joyce Woods, Joel Inventor and Jess Lara . If I forgot someone, please forgive.

We also had the ARCC there with their model airplanes and flight simulator, they said they had a good response from the crowd.

Respectfully submitted, Barry Kromer, Young Eagle Coordinator



All 15 Young Eagles photos by Phil Thompson







Chapter 179 Events



THE CLUB JUST FOR INSTRUMENT PILOTS (AND STUDENTS)

WHEN

3rd Saturday Each Month

9:30 - 11:00am

WHERE

Bode Aviation,
Double Eagle II Airport (KAEG)

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- Discuss IFR video scenarios produced by EAA
- Review IFR regulations
- Get tips from CFII's and other pros
- Find a safety pilot to fly with
- Meet local CFII's who can get you current
- Find out about changes in local ATC procedures or approaches
- Practice flying suggested scenarios in the plane or sim



More info at: <http://eaa179.org/imc-club/>



Double Eagle Aviation Academy (DEAA)

June 10 - 14, 2019

The DEAA needs some helper.

We need people to setup on Jun 7th from 8:00 to 13:00.

We need people to tear-down on Jun 15th from 11:00 to complete.

We need 18 Young Eagle Pilots on Jun 15th from 8:00 to 11:00 to fly the Aviation Academy participates.

We'd like to have some donations for Tee-Shirts and printing costs as well as scholarships.

If you can help contact Jim Kessler (jkhfour@gmail.com) or Joyce Woods.

Thanks.

Jim Kessler, 910-467-2162

<http://eaa179.org/double-eagle-aviation-adventure/>

Sponsored by the Albuquerque EAA Chapter 179. The Experimental Aircraft Association (EAA) was founded in 1953 by a group of people interested in building their own airplanes. Today, EAA is a community of recreational pilots and builders dedicated to sharing our love of aviation. The Albuquerque EAA Chapter 179 is a 501c3 tax exempt charitable organization.

The Land of Enchantment Fly In is September 21, 2019

Land of Enchantment Fly-In
September 21, 2019
 Double Eagle II Airport
 Albuquerque - KAEG Open 7am

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FREE ADMISSION & PARKING AIRCRAFT DISPLAYS YOUTH ACTIVITIES
 Pancakes & Lunch Exhibit Hall Military Vehicles Aircraft Awards Seminars

LOEFI Planning Meeting

Hello Chapter 179,

As LOEFI Chair, I would like to again invite everyone to our next LOEFI planning meeting.

Thursday, May 16th at 5:00 PM at Dion's off Paseo del Norte.

8100 Wyoming Blvd NE 87113

We will try to be in one of the front rooms.

We will be discussing what has been done, what needs to be done, and what areas need to be filled with volunteers.

As this is my first time as LOEFI Chair, I am hoping to have another great event this year. We have a great group of us working towards organizing the event, but still need some more volunteers to fill some key roles.

I hope to see you out there!

- Mike Paxson
mepaxson@gmail.com



Bulletins



Hello Harley,

I wanted to say a final thank you to EAA chapter 179 for awarding me with a scholarship this spring. It paid for my FAA testing for my written and O&P tests for my mechanic powerplant certificate. I passed both tests and am now just waiting for my official certificate in the mail! **Thank** you all so much!

Kiera Bethke



CHAPTER INVOLVEMENT / MEMBERSHIP: Consider volunteering for activities or joining our local chapter 179. Chapter 179 membership dues are \$20 for an individual member, \$30 for a family. [Join Now!](#)

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ONLINE MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL!

If you haven't already, it is time to submit 2019 chapter dues! We've made it easier than ever to join the chapter or renew your membership dues with online payment via credit card, debit card or PayPal. Just go to <http://www.eaa179.org/join-us>. The conventional methods for dues are still accepted, including personal checks and cash. We depend on chapter membership to fund annual ongoing activities. Fully tax deductible, dues are \$20 for an individual membership and \$30 for a family membership. If your contact information has changed, please complete the renewal form. Make checks payable to "EAA 179". Mail to: EAA Chapter 179; P.O. Box 3583; Albuquerque, NM 87190 - 3583. You'll receive an email confirmation.

Scott Speirer, Membership Chair, Albuquerque EAA Chapter 179

Harley,
A good tidbit for the next newsletter.

P.S. The STEM expo will be Sept 26 in Roswell this year. If anyone is interested in setting up a booth and interact with youth, they would love to have us participate.

Joyce

From: New Mexico Aviation Aerospace Association <NMAAA@wildapricot.org>
Sent: Monday, April 29, 2019 8:51 AM
To: Chapter 179 <chapter@eaa179.org>
Subject: NMAAA Reorganization

Hi everyone,

Big changes have recently occurred with the NMAAA. We are now re-organized as the New Mexico Aero Education. The Board voted and approved this change in order to focus our efforts towards aviation aerospace STEM education. We are also in the process and have filed to change our non-profit status to a 501 (C) 3. This will better serve our mission and hopefully open the door for more corporate support.

We are asking all current members and those who continue to support us to become Mission Partners. We have eliminated the annual fees and will simply ask that you log on and update your information, check out our updated web site and consider donating to this years New Mexico Aviation Aerospace STEM Expo.

With your help, We can continue to inspire our next generation to consider aviation and aerospace as their future.

New Mexico and our country needs your help!

Best regards,

Bill Shuert

NMAE Board Member



On-Going Events

Pilots ABQ Lunch - Every Thursday, Formation Begins at 11:15 AM, at **Monroe's Restaurant** at 6501 Osuna Rd. NE (about four blocks East of San Mateo on the North side of Osuna).

Pilots Mid-Valley Lunch - Every Tuesday, Formation begins at 10:00 AM at Bob Henning's Hangar, 3884 Tammy Ct. SE, Los Lunas, NM, (Mid-Valley Airpark) Ph 865-0007, and continues until 11:50. Then onto Lunch at T J's New Mexican Restaurant at 235 Highway 314 SW, Los Lunas.

Las Cruces/El Paso EAA Chapter #555 Breakfast - Every Third Sunday of the Month, a huge \$6.00 breakfast. Look for the large EAA hangar located at the Las Cruces International Airport (LRU). All pilots and interested others are invited. Consider this for a 'fly out' or for other fun events!

Albuquerque Aviation Historic Group (AAHG) —First Thursday of the Month, Formation begins at 7:00 PM at following:

North Domingo Baca Multigenerational Center

7521 Carmel Ave NE (north of Paseo del Norte on Wyoming Blvd).

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