



Runway 15



The Monthly Newsletter for Experimental Aircraft Association Chapter 1541, Lincoln, California

Briefing Strip

- Our second **Airport Fun Day** was held **Saturday, September 14**. A fine team effort provided free hot dog lunches, display aircraft, and lots of information to visitors. More inside...
- Our next chapter monthly member meeting will be held on **Wednesday, September 18**, at our chapter hangar beginning at 6:00 pm. The program will be **Warthog: Alive and Kicking!** More inside...
- Our next **Young Eagle Rally** will be from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 pm on **Saturday, October 12**. We will have reservation slots to fly about 75 eagles.



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On the Horizon: Calendar of Events

For the most up-to-date information, go to the chapter website: <http://eaa1541.org/>

Date	Topic
Wednesday, Sept. 18 EAA hangar 6:00 pm dinner 7:00 pm program	Monthly Chapter Meeting Program: A-10 Thunderbolt II Austin Wiswell
Saturday, Sept. 21, 8:00am	Pancakes at the LRAA Display Day gazebo
Wednesday, October 2 EAA hangar 7:00 pm- 8:00 pm	IMC Club Both IFR and VFR pilots welcome!
Saturday, October 5 EAA hangar 8:00 am-10:00	Pancakes and a Movie
Saturday, October 5 10:00 am	Chapter Board Meeting All chapter members welcome
Saturday, October 12 KLHM ramp 9:00 am – 2:00 pm	Young Eagle Rally
Wednesday, October 16 EAA hangar 6:00 pm dinner 7:00 pm program	Monthly Chapter Meeting

EAA CHAPTER 1541 INFORMATION	
Meetings	Usually the third Wednesday of each month held at KLHM Hangar S-12. Details available on the website
E-mail	eea1541@gmail.com
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Membership	Chapter dues: \$20 per year for individuals; \$30 for families; \$300 for gold membership

President's Corner



Fall has arrived, more or less. Temperatures are still warm but cooling from the heat of

August. The days are now noticeably shorter. Still great flying weather, though. And a bit easier for our hangar meetings with temperatures in the eighties instead of triple digits.

As I write this, the chapter is prepping for our Airport Fun Day to be held on Saturday, September 14. When you read this, that date has probably come and gone, so I hope it was a good, fun day for all involved. We've put a bit of planning into it, so I hope it paid off. The Airport Fun Day is sort of a fall kick-off for us, leading directly to the Young Eagle Rally we will hold in October. The young people we talk to in September are prime candidates for the free airplane rides we will offer in October, so it all ties together.

Our chapter's board of directors have blocked out the schedule for the remainder of the calendar year. It mostly continues the pattern set over the past year, with the addition of the special events...the Fun Day and the Young Eagle Rally. We have scheduled our chapter Holiday Party for the second Wednesday in December and we expect it to be similar to the one we held last year...an informal social event held at Cattlemen's in Roseville where everybody can have some relaxing fun and share some hangar flying.

Again, for this year, we will feature a silent auction that will support our chapter's Richard and Susan Bristow Memorial Scholarship Fund. More specifically, I have set an ambitious goal to raise \$2,000 from the silent auction...enough to fund one sponsored young person to go to the EAA Aviation Academy in summer of 2020. Every penny of the proceeds supports the fund, so if we get some solid auction items that goal is achievable. We will have more information coming to our members shortly but, please, keep your eyes open for opportunities from your company or business or social group to gather some quality items we can auction off as part of this important

fundraiser. All such donated items are tax deductible by the donor and we have the proper receipt paperwork to provide such donors. Let's make this Holiday Party silent auction a memorable one.

Also, I would urge all members to consider a straight cash donation to our scholarship fund...perhaps an end of year gift. We are very serious about encouraging and supporting talented and ambitious young people to explore aviation as a career, and having a healthy scholarship fund is a great way to do it.

One activity I hope to encourage in these fall months are some organized chapter fly-outs. We'll find some good destinations and mix/match some extra airplane seats to offer the opportunity for as many chapter members as possible to fly out to one of the many events occurring in the area...or just to a good airport restaurant for that proverbial \$100 hamburger. Our next good opportunity for a fly-out is Saturday, September 28, so we will see what we can do to make something happen. Stay tuned...pay attention to the chapter emails and our chapter website to keep track of what is going on. Blue skies, then.

Scott Thompson

Warthog: Alive and Kicking (for a while longer)

Our September chapter meeting program is going to be a good one! Austin Wiswell will tell the story of the A-10 Thunderbolt II, better known as the Warthog. Built to kill Warsaw Pact tanks if the Cold War heated up in Europe, 715 were built from 1972 to 1984. Two hundred eighty-three are still flying 35 years later, and projected to keep many still flying until 2030. Nothing ever intended to replace it, and nothing will. It has continued to find work in Desert Storm in 1991, Kosovo in 1994, Iraq,

again, in 2003, Syria and Iraq against ISIS, and Afghanistan since 2001.



Austin Wiswell served nearly twenty-five years on U.S. Air Force active duty as an operational fighter pilot and headquarters staff officer. Mr. Wiswell retired from the Air Force as a Colonel in late 1987.

He retired again in December 2005 as Chief of the Division of Aeronautics for the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans), a position he held since November 2000. As Division Chief, Mr. Wiswell was responsible for administering the state's three General Aviation airport financial assistance grant programs and a loan program; permitting and safety compliance inspections of the 177 hospital heliports and 245 public-use airports in California; evaluating aviation-related environmental impact issues, such as noise and air pollution; mitigating land use incompatibility encroachment issues; and conducting statewide aviation system planning.

Mr. Wiswell began his career with Caltrans in early 1999, serving as a field inspector for one year before being promoted to Chief, Office of Airports, with responsibility for safety regulation of public-use and special-use airports and heliports in California. For three years prior to joining the State's Division of Aeronautics, he was General Manager of an airport management company leasing and operating a county-owned airport in Sedona,

Arizona. Before that, Mr. Wiswell managed a county-owned airport, near Davis, California, for four years. Prior to that he worked for Allied-Signal Aerospace Company in the Los Angeles area for four years in sales and marketing, customer liaison, and contract administration.

Mr. Wiswell has a B.A. in teaching from San Jose State University and a M.S. in Systems Management from the University of Southern California. Come listen to him teach Warthog on Wednesday, September 18th!

Airport Fun Day #2

We had a terrific chapter team effort and a successful second Airport Fun Day on Saturday, September 14. Precisely 124 hot dogs were consumed by approximately 150 attendees on a bright sunny Saturday that had it's share of late summer heat in the upper 90's. The largest fleet of display aircraft ever complemented the indoor table top exhibits and activities, including a large screen flight simulator and larger screen movie for kids.

If a picture is still worth a thousand words, here are about 8 thousand additional words about the event:



Yes, there really is such a thing as a free lunch, though attendees donated more than \$300 to our scholarship fund.



A fine flight line with the biggest (N3N-3 biplane) and smallest (RC F-4 Phantom) displays.



Certified, vintage, experimentals – they were all there.



Our EAA Air Academy graduates Amy Whelan and Sarah Wallin explained the program and showed their workshop creations.



John Tate explains how it is possible to actually build an airplane from metal, wood or composites. And more than a dozen visitors experienced the joy of the pneumatic rivet puller.



Rubin Wallin plays CFI for those wishing to try their hand at the flight simulator.



The orange-vested flight line crew kept things orderly while the sun heated things up.



You can't have a real Airport Fun Day without the Kiddie plane and a smiling Kiddie in it. We had both.

As a warm-up to the October Young Eagles Rally, Cheryl Andrade reported an instant success, with three new YE registrations within hours of the event. Thanks to all who came, volunteered their time and enjoyed the food, friendship, and aviation stories of every imaginable kind!

New Format for Flight Plans

From *Flying Magazine website*:

If you haven't filed a flight plan in the past few weeks, you'll notice the next time you do that the format and amount of information has changed to be consistent with international standards. As of August 27, 2019 the ICAO form is required for domestic as well as international flights.

It's a change that has been a long time in coming, and thanks to the proliferation of flight-planning apps it won't have much of a practical impact, but the FAA confirms that starting at the end of next month pilots must file IFR flight plans using the international ICAO format.

The new format appears on [FAA Form 7233-4](#), FAA International Flight Plan (Revision 7/2015). Aligning flight plans with the rest of the world, the FAA says, will smooth the transition to new capabilities such as performance-based navigation, a part of the NextGen operating regime.

The FAA announced the plan to adopt the ICAO flight plan format in late 2016. Since that time, many pilots have adopted tablet

computers running flight-planning apps to file their flight plans. The apps will automatically update to the new format by the time the change officially takes effect on August 27, if they haven't already.

Pilots who file VFR and IFR flight plans the old-fashioned way must be sure to use the ICAO form or risk having their request denied or delayed.

Detailed guidance on how to complete an international flight plan is [available here](#).

Mark Your Calendars...

Saturday, October 12: EAA Chapter 1541 Young Eagle Rally. This will be our second Young Eagle Rally for 2019, and we will have slots for another 75 kids to fly. Rally will begin with the first flights at 9:00 am and the last ones at 1:00 pm. More information will be sent soon with web sign ups coming in September.

Wednesday, December 11: EAA Chapter 1541 Holiday Party. Need to cool down a bit from these brutal summer temperatures? Think snow. Think Christmas! Expect our annual Holiday party on December 11 to be held once again at Cattlemen's Restaurant in Roseville.

