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The Monthly Newsletter for EAA Chapter 1541, Lincoln, California

July 2019

Briefing Strip

- Our next chapter monthly member meeting will be held on **Wednesday, July 17**, at our chapter hangar beginning at 6:00 pm. The program will be presented by Scott Thompson on building a homebuilt airplane...in this case, a Vans RV-8. (More inside.)
- Our two chapter-sponsored EAA Air Academy attendees will be off to Oshkosh, Wisconsin, in the month of July. All arrangements have been made for Sarah Wallin and Amy Whelan to attend their sessions. We have asked both to prepare a report to the chapter to be presented at our August member meeting to be held on **Wednesday, August 21**.
- The annual airshow of the year is coming to Oshkosh, Wisconsin: AirVenture 2019 to be held over the week of **Monday, July 22** through **Sunday, July 28**. We have a number of chapter members planning to attend.
- Our chapter has set the date for our next Airport Fun Day: **Saturday, September 14**. It will be similar to the one our chapter held in April.
- It looks like our chapter's IMC Club is taking off. Our July meeting had in excess of 25 attendees...up from the initial meeting attendance in June. Next IMC Club meeting is **Wednesday, August 14**.
- If any chapter members see an interesting airshow or fly-in event they plan to attend, pass it along to our chapter email address...we will pass the information along to our chapter as a possible fly-out event.

Calendar

- Wednesday, July 17:** Monthly Member Meeting at EAA Hangars; BBQ Dinner (\$6.00) begins at 6:00 pm meeting begins at 7:00 pm. More information inside.
- Saturday, July 20:** LRAA Display Day from 8:00 am to 12 noon; chapter pancake breakfast from 8:00 am to 10:00 am.
- Saturday, August 3:** Pancakes and a Movie, 08:00 am -10:00 at the chapter hangar
- Saturday, August 10:** BBQ Lunch and Program at the chapter hangar, 11:00 am to 1:00 pm
- Wednesday, August 14:** Chapter IMC Club meeting at the chapter hangar, 7:00 pm-8:00 pm; all welcome.
- Saturday, August 17:** LRAA Display Day from 8:00 am to 12 noon; chapter pancake breakfast from 8:00 am to 10:00 am.
- Wednesday, August 21:** Monthly Member Meeting at EAA Hangars; BBQ Dinner (\$6.00) begins at 6:00 pm meeting begins at 7:00 pm.

In addition to the events listed above, there are pancake breakfasts, fly-ins and other aviation activities scheduled for almost every weekend throughout the area. Check the chapter website calendar for the most current information: <http://eaa1541.org/events/>

For the most up-to-date information, go to the chapter website

<http://eaa1541.org>

Newsletter Contributions

Please help by contributing stories and photos that might be of interest to other chapter members. Perhaps where you flew, what you are building, or what you know about something. A few short paragraphs and a photo or two of your project or travels would be a great contribution. I'll take care of the rest. Please email me (Scott Thompson) at sthompson@aerovintage.com or call me at 916-716-3442.



Chapter T-shirts and Caps Are Available

The 2019 EAA Chapter 1541 t-shirts and caps have arrived. Both the t-shirts and caps feature the updated chapter logo. The shirts are a sky blue color, and the cap is dark blue with white trim. Both will be available for purchase at chapter events for \$15 apiece. The 2019 Gold Members can choose either a cap or a t-shirt and receive it as a member benefit. We also have on hand some women's sizes and it is a simple process to order more. The chapter is also going to make available nice-quality polo shirts but these will be pre-ordered and pre-paid by those who want them before we place the order. Let a chapter board member know if you are interested in a polo shirt..

Chapter Information

Meetings:

Usually the third Wednesday of each month held at KLHM Hangar S-12. Details available at the website.

E-mail:

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Website:

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Mailing address:

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Chapter Officers

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Membership:

Chapter dues: \$20 per year for individuals; \$30 for families; \$300 for gold membership.

President's Corner



*by Scott Thompson
Chapter President*

Our chapter leadership held its monthly board meeting on July 6 and, in the interests of good planning, we blocked out the basic schedule for the rest of 2019. Hard to believe we are at that point, but the year is half over.

We have a pretty active chapter with several regular events held each month. Among these are the *Pancakes and a Movie* breakfast on the first Saturday of each month, a *BBQ Lunch and a Program* on the second Saturday, and our *regular monthly member meeting* on the third Wednesday.

Around that shell we fill in some special events and, as noted elsewhere in this newsletter, we have some good ones coming up. I'm particularly excited about having our second Airport Fun Day in September. Our inaugural Airport Fun Day last April was surprisingly well-attended by the community, so much so that we had to make several trips to the store to restock hot dogs and buns. We had a bunch of folks who had never been out to the airport before, and we plan to hold another similar

event in September. We will do a better job of planning for this one, because we have a better idea of what to expect. To do our best job, we will call on our chapter to provide a cadre of volunteers to devote four hours of that Saturday, September 14, to welcome the community to our airport.

Also on the schedule is our second Young Eagle Rally for 2019. We think we have found a good groove for our chapter's Rallies...twice a year and fly 75 kids spread out into five blocks of 15 kids per hour. This seems to work out well because we have the sign-ups done online and all the participants know when they will fly. We usually fill up our schedule pretty quickly after we open the door for reservations, so I think we are doing it right.

Though I won't have as much as a say in it for 2020 and beyond, I think it is a good pattern for the chapter's outreach efforts: Airport Fun Days in April and September with Young Eagle Rallies in May and October. That schedule keeps us busy enough but allows for other chapter activities.

Another item of interest for the board is our Richard and Susan Bristow Memorial Scholarship Fund. We are looking at how our chapter will award scholarships and/or sponsorships in 2020. Did the EAA Air Academy make the best use of our donated funds or are there other options available? Our board will be taking a close look at this question in the next two months. Our intent is to keep our momentum going for our scholarship program.

IMC Club Update

Chapter 1541's second meeting in the IMC Club had in excess of 25 attendees on Wednesday, July 10. It was another hot day but the hangar was relatively cool, all things considered. Dan Masys again led the discussion based on two video vignettes provided by EAA national of actual flights. The first was of a Piper Archer pilot who had an electrical fire at night as he was approaching an airport, with the airport lighting not available. The second was a pilot encountering a rapidly developing thunderstorm while on the final segment of an instrument approach. A lively interchange was moderated by CFIs Randy Sharp and Scott Thompson. The IMC club will meet monthly, with the next sessions scheduled for Wednesday, August 14. All pilots are welcome as there is much to glean for VFR pilots from the scenarios as well. FAA Wings program credit will be available for those who attend.

Inaugural Aviation Kids Camp takes off at KLHM

At the request of the City of Lincoln, EAA Chapter 1541 created and conducted a week long Aviation Camp at Lincoln Regional Airport for kids ages 7 through 12. The day camp was one of 30 different specialty summer camps offered through the “Lincoln Kids Kamp” program, and attracted 7 participants to the airport for daily afternoon activities during the week of June 24-28th. EAA Chapter 1541 members Dan and Linda Masys, Dug Smith, Bruce Estes, and EAA Air Academy scholarship winner Amy Whelan put together a fine team effort for camp activities that included an airport walk-around, learning how fixed wing and rotary wing aircraft work, and how lighter than air craft fly. Cheryl Andrade contributed Young Eagles materials and aviation toys for



‘goodie bags’ given to the campers. Each of the daily educational sessions included a ‘chalk talk’ on principles of flight, complemented by hands-on activities such as building paper and foam gliders, and attempting to make a neutral buoyancy helium balloon. The campers’ craftsmanship was tested with daily competitions to see whose aircraft flew best. They also got the chance to test their flying skills in a hover and spot landing contest using a drone quadcopter.



The week was capped off on Friday by each camper going on three Young Eagle flights in different types of aircraft, and having the opportunity to act as a hands on co-pilot for one of the flights. Pilot Bruce, Pilot Dug, and Pilot Dan were well known to each of the campers from the activities earlier in



the week, and the conversations heard on the aircraft intercom made it clear that the campers had not only learned a lot, they had also become good friends during their daily interactions. All agreed that the only thing better than flying a Young Eagle flight was flying more than one in different types of aircraft.



Congratulations to all who helped make the inaugural week-long aviation camp a soaring success!

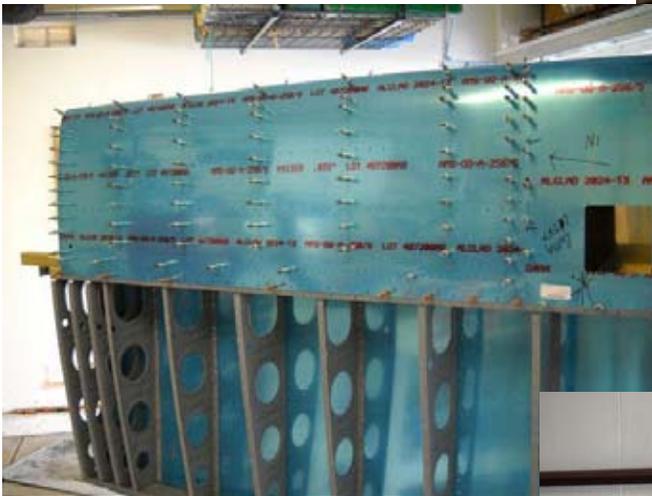
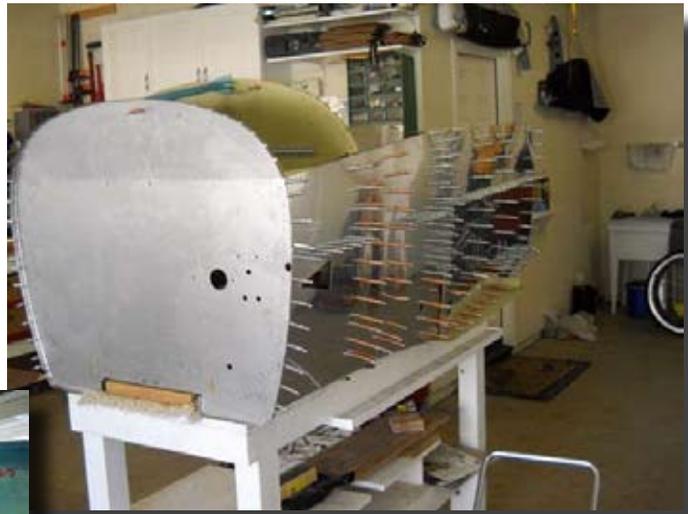


Monthly Member Meeting

Wednesday, July 17, beginning at 6:00 pm
EAA Chapter Hangar (S-12)
Lincoln Airport

Our July monthly member meeting will be held at the chapter hangar at the Lincoln Airport on Wednesday evening, July 17. We will start with a BBQ dinner at 6:00 pm with all the fixings that we can find. Expect a warm evening but we'll keep the air moving with our new fans and hope for a cooling delta breeze...unlikely but one never knows. We will have a short business meeting that will begin at about 6:45 or so.

At about 7:15, Scott Thompson will present a program on what it took to build an RV-8. The RV series of airplanes almost single-handedly revitalized sport aviation, but what is involved in actually taking on a project that results in the construction of a very capable and high performance sport airplane? Well, we'll just talk about that thing. Even if you have never considered building an airplane, some of the process and techniques might prove interesting.



DART: Disaster Airlift Response Team

The Lincoln Regional Aviation Association is sponsoring the formation of a Lincoln-based DART group. Several organizational meetings have been held and the next will be on **Saturday, August 3 at 10:00** am in Hangar D-2 at the airport. With unexpected natural disasters such as earthquakes and wild fires always a threat in northern California, the preparations made by a local DART group is potentially invaluable in meeting the needs of communities.

Volunteer pilots are forming Disaster Airlift Response Teams (DARTS) across California and safety is a critical component of their mission. There are many considerations when facing a disaster airlift in a crowded airport environment such as; public volunteer access to hot prop areas, flight planning and operations, material handling and aircraft load limitations.

The Lincoln DART group point of contact is Barry Stigers who can be reached at bstigers@hotmail.com. The group is always looking for volunteers to help in this vital project. Both Barry Stigers and Gary Patburg presented the basics of DART at our Saturday, July 13, program.

Mark Your Calendars...

Saturday, September 14: EAA Chapter 1541 Airport Fun Day. We held our first Airport Fun Day back in April and it was unexpectedly popular with the local community. Time for another one, then! We'll have some static aircraft displays, some booths from local aviation schools and organizations, activities for kids from three to thirty, and more stuff too. Better yet, a free hot dog lunch for all attendees. Spread the word. Our Airport Fun Day will be held from 11:00 am to 2:00 pm. More information coming in August; we will need a high level of chapter volunteer participation for a successful event. Please plan to set aside a few hours on that date. Don't say you have not be warned...

Saturday, October 12: EAA Chapter 1541 Young Eagle Rally. Our second Young Eagle Rally for 2019, we will have slot 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 soon with web sign ups coming in September.

Wednesday, December 11: EAA Chapter 1541 Holiday Party. Holy hot dog...it's 100 degrees outside! Who is thinking about Christmas already? Well, we are, because we need to set the date down early. Expect it to be held once again at Cattlemen's Restaurant in Roseville.

And, speaking of planning ahead, all chapter members should be aware that our chapter's officers and board members are ending their terms of office in December 2019. We have many board members and one officer who have said they wish to continue in their leadership roles for the 2020-2021 term. But, we expect to have several board openings and both the President (Scott Thompson) and Vice-President (Tom Lieb) have indicated that they will be unable to continue in their roles for another term. We have feelers out to some potential board candidates already but ***please, please, please***, if you have any interest in taking on a leadership role in the chapter, ***please*** let any of the current officers or board members know. We don't bite...well, most of us try not to bite. Or chapter is always in need of some fresh faces and fresh ideas in laying out the future of our group.