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JANUARY MEETING: SATURDAY 1/16/21, 10:00AM AT CITY HANGAR C-3

See below for Directions, and Requirements

TIME FOR CHAPTER DUES

may be paid in Person or on Web

Hangar Talk

Russell Ross

Mercy,

What a year and what a week we've experienced. No matter what side of the isle you vote on, I think we all can agree that this past week was a sorry statement for the state of our democracy. Hopefully, the new administration will bring sanity and stability for the US.

On a lighter note – **Happy New Year!** Regardless of past events, I hope everyone, and their families have been able to be safe and secure. We're starting out the New Year with a live Chapter Hangar Meeting. I plan to do hangar meetings until we can secure either a permanent hangar or return to the TAP Administrative offices. We'll be starting the year with a program about the construction of a **wood framed aircraft** tentatively followed next month with a program on **avionics**.

I believe things will be starting to ramp up in the next few months with events beginning to happen as more and more folks receive the Vaccines and the rate of infections goes down. But in the meantime, we must do everything to be sure we keep everyone safe.

- **January's Meeting** will be held in my hangar at the regularly scheduled time of 10:00 am Saturday 1/16/21. My hangar is C-3 in the city hangars, located 2 rows behind Gafford aviation. Access is through the entry gate off the Berry Aviation Pilot lounge parking lot off the "S" curve. Access code is #126825 (Tower frequency). **NOTE: All members MUST wear a mask, be socially distanced** and bring their own chairs and refreshments if needed. Watch the weather and wear sufficient apparel to stay comfortable.
- **Calendars and Chapter Shirts** – We have 4, 2021 EAA Calendars remaining and available for \$12 ea. Also available will be

some Chapter Tee and Polo shirts, remaining from 2020, sizes medium to extra-large. They will be \$10 and \$15, respectively. All proceeds from these sales will go to the chapter treasury to be used towards Hangar or scholarship programs as determined by the chapter.

- **Young Eagles** is tentatively scheduled to restart in April, and we'll hear more about the plan from Dave and Angel at the meeting.
- The folks at TAP believe the **Wheels up Airshow** will take place at the end of May, but no details from the planners or AOPA as yet.
- I've sent a couple emails to Kristy at EAA regarding the B-17 tour but have not received a communication to date. I'm sure folks at EAA are still trying to figure things out.

- Oshkosh is tentatively on for this year but I'm sure it will be different from the past shows. I'm still anxious and hopeful on attending.
- **Chapter Hangar** - We've started looking at possibilities for a chapter hangar. I did query a former chapter member regarding his hangar but have not had a response. I checked with TAP and they will allow us to put an add in their newsletter. I plan to put a "Hangar Wanted" add to see if there is anyone on the field who might help. In the meantime, I hope chapter members can see if they have any contacts who might help financially or otherwise.

Here's wishing the Chapter and Everyone a happy and prosperous New Year!

Russ



Homebuilders Week – Online Event Starts January 26

An online opportunity to learn about all aspects of building your own aircraft

By Charlie Becker, EAA Homebuilt Community Manager

EAA is launching a new online learning event for aircraft builders:

www.EAA.org/HomebuildersWeek.

It will be five straight days of educational forums covering a broad spectrum of aircraft building topics. It will launch on Tuesday, January 26, 2021, and run until Saturday, January 30, 2021. The live online presentations will be open to everyone

interested in building their own aircraft. Sessions will start at 1 p.m. CST and run until 8:30 p.m. CST daily.

This event is an opportunity for a new person to jump in with both feet and learn a lot about the wonderful world of homebuilding. We will cover areas like getting started successfully and techniques when building with sheet metal, composites, steel, and wood. But it won't be just for the newbie; we are offering in-depth talks on panel planning, engine selection, FAA certification, flight testing, and selling a homebuilt aircraft. There will be something for every builder, whether you are just starting out, knee deep in a project, or just received your airworthiness certificate — it is going to be a great learning opportunity.

EAA is working with industry experts, kit manufacturers, and other subject matter experts to

provide top-notch material for builders. The sessions will be live and allow plenty of time for attendee questions. Recordings will be archived and available to EAA members for review.

The launch of EAA Homebuilders Week coincides with the 68th anniversary of the founding of the Experimental Aircraft Association in 1953. Those founding members of EAA lit the fuse on the homebuilt movement that provides affordable access to aircraft ownership and today has spread worldwide.

EAA Homebuilders Week is possible through the generous sponsorships of Aircraft Spruce & Specialty Co., Dynon, Scheme Designers, Inc., and Van's Aircraft, Inc.

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<https://chapters.eaa.org/EAA958/Membership>

