

President's Message July 2020

Hi All,

I hope everyone is doing well. Even as things reopen there are still limitations, and they will continue to impact the chapter, at least in the short term. Thursday project nights are back, and we'll be having board meetings. At the meetings we'll discuss the status of our monthly pancake breakfasts, but given the strict safety requirements that are likely to continue for a while, it doesn't appear that hosting the breakfasts will be feasible.

We do have some good news, however. As you may be aware, EAA has an aviation scholarship program called the Ray Scholarship. The intent is to help get more young people involved in aviation by awarding scholarships via local chapters to assist the winners in getting their pilot's license. Our chapter is sponsoring Lucas Pratt, a local

high school student and CAP member. Lucas is making great progress – he's passed the written test, and his first solo was a couple of weeks ago. Chapters have to apply every year to be approved to award a scholarship, and we plan to continue to participate in this program in the future.

Thanks to Mike and Kristi Depue for their work in painting the EAA signs on the north and east sides of the hangar. Along with the previous efforts of Brian Jones and Dave Baker on the south sign, all three external signs look great.

Everyone continue to stay safe, and hopefully the progress we're making will continue. As always, please contact me with any questions, concerns, or suggestions regarding the Chapter.

Blue skies,

Jim

EAA 533 Board Meeting July 1st

Attending: David Baker, John Flanagan, David Javarey,

Brian Jones, Sharon Kaiser, Andrea Muller-Hoff, Jim

Suggs, Mike Taveniku

Members: Garry Benesh, Arianna Javarey, Burt

McConnell, Stephen Thomas, Dick Welles

Guests: Chris Gabers

Meeting called to order at 7:03PM by President Jim Suggs. We were saddened at the loss of board member Lou Kossler, who died on June 12, 2020. A memorial service was held at Costa's Airport on June 18th.

Andrea Muller-Hoff read the minutes of the June board meeting. Upon motion of Brian Jones and second by Dave Baker, and vote, minutes were approved as read.

Treasurer's Report presented by treasurer John Flanagan. The **2020 lease payment** with Chemung County has been paid: **\$1,429.55**. Payment was made out of the **Ray Scholarship fund for \$244.00**, for Lucas Pratt's plotter, E6B, books, and instructions.

Checking Account: \$26,204.46 **CD:** \$11,236.09 **Total:** \$37,440.55

The Ray Scholarship monies are not included in the above balance. Upon motion of Brian Jones, second by David Javarey, and vote, the treasurer's report was accepted as presented.

Cessna 140 - Status: Sharon Kaiser reported that the plane is flying well.

J-3 Cub - Status: David Javarey said he has ordered a replacement for the tach cable. The replacement cable that was installed November 2018 is inoperative. The plane's registration has been renewed.

Hovercraft Update: Member Garry Benesh reported that the lift duct fan is being mounted on the lift engine shaft.

New members, hangar access requests: Sharon Kaiser reported that the chapter has received two new membership applications for Lucas Pratt and Chris Gabers.

After review and discussion of Lucas' application, a motion for membership acceptance was made by David Javarey and seconded by Andrea Muller-Hoff, and upon vote, was approved. After review and discussion of Chris Gabers' application, a motion for membership acceptance was made by Brian Jones and seconded by Dave Baker, and upon vote, was approved.

Jim Suggs reported that hangar access badge requests have been made by members Clyde Robbins and Jim Robbins. They are building a Lancair, which will be located at Premier Aviation. They need badges to the EAA 533 hangar for tool access. Upon motion of Brian Jones, second by John Flanagan, and vote, both members were approved for badges.

Board member Lou Kossler was in his third year term. After discussion of his replacement, and unanimous assent, Stephen Thomas will complete Lou's unexpired term. At the board election in fall 2020, Lou's expiring term will be filled. Discussion followed on a memorial donation. Upon motion of John Flanagan, and second by Sharon Kaiser, a \$50 donation will be sent to All Saint's Parish in Corning, New York.

2020 Events:

Ray Scholarship - According to Jim Doane, Lucas Pratt's Private Pilot training is going well. We need to find chapter related activities for him to do once things have opened up more.

August Pancake Breakfast - after discussion, we will not hold a public breakfast in August. We will revisit the issue of 2020 pancake breakfasts at the August board meeting.

Miscellaneous Items:

Website - Andrea Muller-Hoff reported that she is keeping the website current.

Wes sign for hangar - the sign has been mounted, and looks great. Thank you to Stephen Thomas for the mount, and all who helped.

North and East EAA signs - thank you to Mike and Kristi Depue. Kristi did the painting, and Mike took care of mounting them.

Open Floor:

Dave Baker initiated a discussion on projects in the hangar. It was noted that we have members who are waiting for room to bring in their projects. Dave would like to review the EAA 533 Hangar Tenant Agreement that was previously adopted by the board. It was also noted that Ralph Coppola has room at his Sullivanville strip, and is looking for aircraft to hangar there, to keep the strip active.

There being no further business, upon motion of David Javarey, second by Brian Jones, and vote, adjourned at 7:59PM.

Respectfully submitted, Sharon Kaiser, Secretary

Member Information

Like us on Facebook. Search for EAA 533 on Facebook or go to: www.facebook.com/EAA533.

** The website is up and running! Hangar Tenant Agreement and Semiannual Aircraft Review Checklist as well as the hangar procedures document are available on the website: www.eaa533.org

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Chapter Activities (All dates and times subject to change)

NEXT board meeting: Meeting is scheduled for August 5th at 7pm.

Young Eagles and Flying Start event scheduled for May 16th – International Learn to Fly Day, has been postponed and will be rescheduled. Watch newsletter for details.

Schedule for Fly-In/Drive-In Breakfasts: The board decided no breakfast would be held in August, and discussion will occur at the August board meeting about the possibility of breakfasts resuming.



Congratulations Lucas Pratt on your first solo!

Any questions, comments, photos or suggestions, please contact me at: aviatrix1956@gmail.com.

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