

Chapter News

Pike's Peak Flyer

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Chapter News—Let's Get Going!

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



We are approaching the Fourth Quarter of 2023, and so far it has been a pretty good year. I am hopeful that it is soon to become a great year. Earlier this year we ordered the RedBird Simulator, and it will be here later this month. The Simulator Room is just about complete, thanks to the tireless efforts of Richard Martin, Bill Epperson and Ed Appleman. Come October, we should be well into teaching students in the Sim. Last month I signed a Lease with the Meadow Lake Airport Association for Chapter 72 to rent the MLLA Hangar. Up to this point we have used the Hangar for all of our functions at no cost. Starting this month we rent the hangar, but at \$0 /month. We do become responsible for the utilities, which run around \$7,000.00/year. We will be subleasing the hangar to other organizations which will help cover the utilities.

Randy Loyd has been very busy this year issuing Airworthiness Certificates. I believe, in no particular order, the following members have received their certificates and flown their airplanes. Ryan Schneider (RV- 7), John Moe (Zenith 750), Mark Steward (Carbon Pitts S-1), Dean Hendrickson (RANS S-21), Steve Loftis (RANS S-19), John Armstrong (RV-A), Greg Baron (RV-10), Gary Leake (self-designed G-Sport), Sean Blair (RV-7), and Robert Latham (RV-12). Congratulations to all of them and I wish them hours of fun, safe flying

Steve Loftis won the raffle airplane and has finally flown it, 10 months after winning the raffle. Few builders that have completed a project, whether kit or plans built, can say they didn't run into a few issues before they could actually fly. Although Steve didn't build the plane, he has had more than his share of issues, but patiently worked through all of them. Congratulations Steve! All of these projects have been under construction at Meadow Lake for the past several years, but now, like a beautiful butterfly, they have hatched into incredible airplanes, so look for them in the traffic pattern. There's a large number of projects still in the cocoon stage at the airport, or in garages around the area, that will be joining their friends relatively soon. It's just amazing how many home-built airplanes there are at Meadow Lake Airport.

This month Dave Elliott will fill us in on FAA rules about non towered airports, and also rules concerning the new instruments approaches coming to Meadow Lake Airport. If you fly, you won't want to miss this.

I hope to see you all at the September meeting on the 16th at 11:00 AM. Lunch will follow.

Blue Skies

Jim Steward,
President-Bruce McCombs EAA Chapter 72

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UPCOMING EVENTS

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| • Sep. 13 | VMC/IMC meeting, MLAA classroom | 6 – 7 pm |
| • Sep. 16 | Chapter meeting, MLAA Hangar | 11 am, followed by lunch |
| • Oct. 7 | Pancake Breakfast, MLAA Hangar, Eagle Rally | 8 – 11 am |
| • Oct. 14 | Coffee & Donuts, MLAA Hangar, Young Eagles | 9-11:30 am |
| • Oct. 21 | Chapter meeting, MLAA Hangar | 11 am, followed by lunch |
| • Nov. 4 | Wreaths Across America Breakfast, MLAA Hangar | 8 - 11 am |
| • Nov. 18 | Chapter meeting, MLAA Hangar, Elections, Chili cookoff | 11am, followed by chili |
| • Dec. 7 | Christmas Dinner, Patty Jewett Golf Course | 6 – 9 pm |

VMC/IMC

This month's program will focus on the FAA's new (6/6/23 Advisory Circular 90-66C for non-towered airports) and the new Instrument Approaches soon to be activated for Meadow Lake Airport. Dave Elliot will lead the discussion.

Richard Martin

VMC/IMC Coordinator

YOUNG EAGLE RALLY, Sep, 9, 2023

Young Eagle Volunteers,

We had a great day today with 31 Young Eagle flights and 2 parents! Thank you so much for your support. Many smiles today and at least 6 who are now very interested in making aviation a career! Also, thank you Dave Elliott for bringing over the Fairchild 24 for a static display. Everyone really liked it.

The next rally will be on October 14th. Looking forward to doing it again!

God bless you all for your service to the community,



Jeff Hyatt

Young Eagles Coordinator, EAA72

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We were only able to make a few Young Eagle flights in August. Look at that nasty thunderstorm in the background.



All photos by Steve Trolander.

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Hank gives the pilot briefing.



Brian Esch, Lee Esch, Al Spratford—Ground Marshalls



Jeff Hyatt organizes the young eagles and welcomes them with their parents.

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Chapter 72 Simulator Room is under construction with volunteers.



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The Redbird full-motion simulator is scheduled to deliver the week of Sep. 20, 2023.



Photos by Richard Martin



Chapter Financials

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these EAA Chapter 72
members!*

EAA BRUCE MCCOMBS CHAPTER 72 TREASURER'S REPORT

As of 08/31/2023

<u>Date</u>	<u>Purpose</u>	<u>Amount</u>
08/01/2023	Beginning Balance	\$9,439.92
08/31/2023	Ending Balance	\$8,606.74
08/31/2023	Scholarship Account	\$10,605.00
08/31/2023	Raffle Account	\$114,843.79

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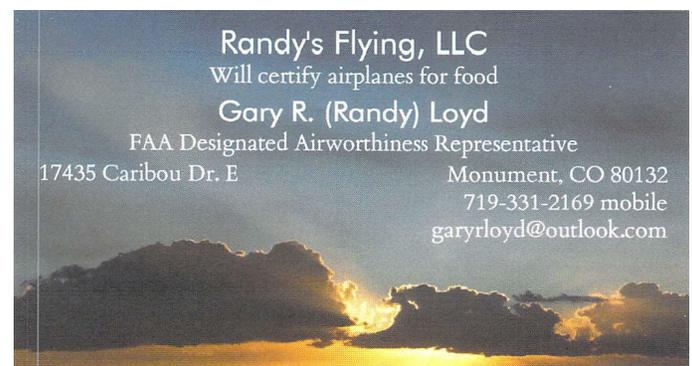
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Chapter Meeting

Date: Saturday, Sep. 16, 2023

Time & Place: 11 AM, MLAA Hangar

Program: Dave Elliot on Non-towered ops.
and upcoming KFLY instrument procedures.



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About our Chapter

The Bruce McCombs EAA Chapter 72 meets at Meadow Lake Airport. Meetings are held on 3rd Saturday of each month with a breakfast or lunch. Look for the calendar of events to highlight special chapter activities like Young Eagle Rallies, fly-outs, and other chapter sponsored event. The Chapter Newsletter is published monthly, normally emailed, and available on the website a few days before each meeting. Readers are encouraged to contribute articles, photos, etc. by submitting them to the Newsletter Editor by the first Saturday of each month.

Annual membership is \$25. Send to: Secretary Esther Smith, 1303 Fosdick Circle, Colorado Springs, CO 80909. Make check payable to EAA Chapter 72 or pay on-line at <https://chapters.eaa.org/eaa72>. Be informed, attend the meetings, and have a great time with sport aviation.