

Heartland EAA Chapter 1240

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NEWS AND EVENTS FOR DECEMBER, 2021

JOIN US: For our **Chapter Meeting** on **Thursday, December 9th**, we will host our pitch-in dinner to share. Please join us, and bring a salad, side dish, or dessert to share. The Chapter will provide the main course. Or, if you wish, donate \$5.00 in lieu of bringing a food item. We will start serving at 6:00pm, with our Chapter Meeting to follow. This is a great chance to meet some of our new members and enjoy spending some time together.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

-CHAPTER MEETING: Thursday, December 9, 6:00pm, EAA #1240 Aviation Development Center. Our program is:

2021 MEET THE MEMBERS NIGHT

6:00 pm: Dinner and Socializing 6:30pm: General Chapter News and 2022-2024 Officer Elections 7:00pm: Member Introductions

So please come prepared to introduce yourself and tell your aviation story to the rest of the Chapter. Our goal is for every member to know every other chapter member.

(Please try to limit your time to 3 minutes or less. We don't want to get the hook out! We are always learning of the amazing skills, experiences and backgrounds in our chapter membership.)

Many thanks to EAA #1067, Naples, FL, for this program idea!

Following the meeting, we will have Chapter member Sam Adams, who is leading our new **VMC Club**, present our monthly VMC meeting to share flying situations and methods of handling them. We had two very good meetings in October and November. All are welcome to attend. (See more information below in this newsletter).

Also, at the meeting we will be holding elections for the officers of EAA #1240 for the next two years. Nominations are still open for all offices, and will remain open until the elections at the meeting. In addition, write-in voting is permissible. Our by-laws state that the Chapter holds an election of officers every two years. The elected positions include President, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer. Additionally, the past President and the Technical Advisors serve on the Board of Directors. Elections for two-year terms will be held at the December 9 Chapter meeting. All members in good standing may vote in these elections. Nominations may be made up to the election on December 9. We urge anyone interested in becoming involved in the business and policy side of the Chapter to consider becoming part of the Board. Nominate yourself or someone else.

Currently nominated for the offices are:

President: Dale Huffman*
Vice-President: Michael Halpern*
Secretary: Rae Lampe*
Treasurer: Billy McCullers*

*Currently serving in this position

We will also review ongoing and upcoming projects and activities. At the conclusion of the meeting, and before the VMC meeting, we will reset the tables and chairs for the Pancake Breakfast.

- -PANCAKE BREAKFAST: Saturday, December 11, 8:00am 10:30am, EAA #1240 Aviation Development Center. Young Eagles flights will be made.
- -CHAPTER MEETING: Thursday, January 6, 2022, 6:00pm, EAA #1240 Aviation Development Center.
- -PANCAKE BREAKFAST: Saturday, January 8, 2022, 8:00am 10:30am, EAA #1240 Aviation Development Center. Young Eagles flights will be made.
- PANCAKE BREAKFAST: THANK YOU! To everyone who volunteered and made our nine Pancake Breakfasts since reopening in March, 2021, great successes! Since reopening, we have served 1,146 guests, and generated \$8,423 for our Chapter activities and programs.

Our next breakfast is Saturday, December11th, and we will need our members to participate; winter season residents of our area are returning, which means more guests! We are going into our busiest few months with the many wintertime visitors to our area.

More information will be presented at the Chapter Meeting on December 9th, and prior to opening of the breakfast. We need to have more members involved, to provide for a break for those working, and perhaps to work in shifts. Please let Dale Huffman know if you can help.

-VMC CLUB: We thank Chapter member Sam Adams for leading this group. Please plan to join us after the regular Chapter meeting on Thursday November 11.

WHAT:

You're invited to our VMC Club Meeting as we join in an organized hangar flying discussion around the scenario "It's Snow Everywhere". Join us to find out what it's all about and improve your piloting skills while learning from the experiences of others.

WHERE:

Sebring Regional Airport - EAA Chapter 1240, Gate 24 197 Challenger Drive Sebring, FL 33870

CONTACT US:

Sam Adams, VMC Coordinator 260-668-8538 or adamssmm@aol.com

- **-WELCOME NEW MEMBERS:** Please join us in welcoming a new member of EAA #1240:
 - -James & Chris Ritten
 - -Bob Howard
 - -Dennis Martin

Say hello and introduce yourself to him at our Chapter Meeting and Breakfast.

-ZENITH AIRCRAFT: As you have noticed, the Zenith aircraft being built in our facility is really starting to take shape. Owners Jay & Mary Johnson are compiling a 'Builders Log' detailing their progress. Lots of pictures....view this log and follow it along as the build continues.

https://eaabuilderslog.org/?s=N924MJ

- **-COMING IN DECEMBER**: We will be planning several Fly-Outs to locations either to eat, or to visit aviation-related enterprises in the central Florida area in December and going forward. Chapter member Rick Nicholson will start this series, and other members are encouraged to join in with ideas and help in planning.
- **-EAA WEBINARS**: EAA offers all aviation enthusiasts an opportunity to participate in the Webinar Series, presented by Aircraft Spruce. Attendance is limited, so preregistration is strongly suggested.

There are <u>many</u> webinars, both those presented live, and an extensive archive of past webinars. Many of the webinars provide Wings credits. To explore the topics available, go to: EAA.org, search for webinars, and register. (Please Note: Times listed are Central Time; these will be 8:00pm if you are on Eastern Daylight Time.)

-WEBSITE AND SOCIAL MEDIA: Here is where you will find us:

-Website: The website is being updated; it will become the location of pictures, past newsletters, and general information about the Chapter, and how to contact us. The website address is **sebringeaa.org**

-Facebook: This will be used for announcements, scheduled events, and other communications throughout the month. You may find us on Facebook at: **Heartland EAA 1240**

-Email: You may leave email messages at: eaasebring@gmail.com

A BIG THANK YOU to Gary Garrett for this effort and the ongoing management of these tools.

OUR BEST CHRISTMAS WISHES TO ALL OF YOU!



Located at the end of the road, but at the beginning of adventure.

- **-2022 ANNUAL DUES:** Dues for 2022 are now due and can be paid at any time. Dues are \$25 per year for an individual or \$30 for a family. Make your check to "EAA Chapter 1240", and mail to the address above, or see one of the Chapter officers at our events.
- **-DID YOU KNOW?:** EAA #1240 has a great library of aviation related books, DVDs, CDs and other items up the stairway in the hangar. These items can be checked out by simply signing them out. We ask that they be returned when finished.
- **-IDEAS, SUGGESTIONS, and SUBMISSIONS:** We will always welcome ideas, suggestions and submissions from our members for the monthly newsletter. The more, the better. Just let us know what you would like to see.

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