



EAA CHAPTER 135

Ankeny/Des Moines, IA

March 2025 #3

Dues Due January 1!

12 month annual dues are \$20
1 Jan 2025 through 31 Dec 2025
Payable to Stuart Rauh
1717 East Thornton
Des Moines, IA 50320
or online:
<http://135.eaachapter.org>



March Meeting
Saturday, March 8, 2025
Board Meeting
4:45 - 5:45 pm
Regular Meeting
6:00 PM,
Upstairs at Exec 1 Aviation
Greg Long on Statux ADSB
build and operate
& engine heaters

Presidential Ramblings March 2025

Hi Gang

It's going to be a great year for Chapter 135 that's my gut feeling anyway. I'm happy to see a few new faces at the meetings. This is an indication membership is increasing steadily just like a stabilized

approach. Chapter growth is key to a successful chapter. We're getting there. Thank you for being a member of the premier chapter in the Midwest. Ok I am biased.

Over the course of the month I receive numerous calls, emails & text messages from people inquiring about this and that. The one I received last month really got me excited so I'll share. The Chapter has struggled with Flyouts as a group. Our own Nick W. is taking this under his Bonanza wing to set up one or two flyouts. Possibly one in May or June or both months. More info as time draws near. Thanks for stepping up and organizing these for the Chapter Nick. If you have a short flyout you like to suggest, please do so or just call Nick for assistance. We can get it on the calendar.

If you're not signed up to receive the EAA video magazine and eHotline emails these both have tons of information about AirVenture along with the latest Oshkosh news. Check em out.

Oshkosh AirVenture is hosting two B-29's and two Goodyear blimps. 2025 marks the blimps 100 years anniversary. (Keep this in mind the next time you're at trivia night) hope you plan to attend.

In February the Chapter hosted the second VMC/IMC meeting participation up slightly - equating to a 66% increase from the previous month. Moderator was Stuart R. - this program was a good addition to Chapter activities. You should plan to attend - remember we are always students of aviation.

Like many of you a winter getaway is always not just refreshing but a great way to reset and recharge your own batteries. I'm about halfway through my yearly sabbatical as I write the next installment of Chapter ramblings by the pool. The local temps might be in the negatives currently - should be climbing to a more satisfying level when I get back in Iowa.

Hope to see you at the March meeting. It's gonna be great. Greg Long - program on ADS-B receiver (stratux) and remote engine heaters.

My door (phone) is always open if you want to talk about flying, airplanes or just to chat.

Be safe - fly smart

Till next time Blue skies and tailwinds

AJ



February Meeting

Chapter 135 - 2025 Schedule of Events

- ♦ **March 8**, 6:00 (at Exec 1), Greg Long on Statux ADSB receiver, build and operate, and engine heaters.
- ♦ **April 12**, travel to Mitchelville, Rick Ross open house (project) with food.
- ♦ **May 10**, 6:00, (at Exec 1), Dan Folkers, builders program
- ♦ **June 14**, 6:00, (Exec 1), video from veteran on his military service as a ferry pilot, in WWII and Korea.
- ♦ **July 12**, Poker Run, followed by cookout at Brant's hanger at IKV
- ♦ **August 9**, (subject to sweet corn maturity) fly in/drive in to Stewarts' farm, time to be announced
- ♦ **September 13**, fly in/drive in to Nash Field, cook out
- ♦ **October 11**, elections and ?. program to be determined
- ♦ **November**, date to be determined, meet at Gold Star Museum, program by Iowa Aviation Promotion Group, food furnished.
- ♦ **December ?**, Christmas gathering at Exec 1, Rick Ross hosting, time and date to be determined.

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LIFETIME MEMBERSHIP DUES ARE \$200.00 You must be a member of the National EAA

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Do you need a specialty tool and don't have it, or it's too expensive for a one-time use?

CHECK OUT THE CHAPTER 135 TOOL CRIB

The Chapter is establishing a tool crib for those that are building or need a special tool for a specific job or project.

If you have a tool you're not using and wish to share with fellow members just submit a photo so we can list it on our web page for the members to view. Next the member would contact you directly or through the Chapter web page, borrow and return when complete.

Current items available to members only

Flatbed trailer 20 to 24 feet in length - Engine Hoist this is the crane style lift - Pneumatic squeezer

Scales are available to members & non members to rent.

EAA Chapter 135 is establishing a Tool Crib (network) to all members in good standing, with your Chapter 135 membership. If you are not, please go to the website and submit your dues to EAA Chapter 135. Once your dues are paid for the year, then you will be able to check-out items from the Tool Crib. Forms are available to track the tool so we can know who has it.

Scale Rental Info

All scale rentals require check for \$200.00 deposit. This will be returned, uncashed, upon timely return of the scale.

Rentals are for three days. This may be extended for three additional days at no charge if there are no other conflicting requests for their use, with notification by phone. Otherwise, a late fee of \$100.00 per day applies.

Chapter 135 (must be a member 3 months prior to rental date): . . . \$25.00/3days

National EAA member but not Chapter 135 member \$75.00/3days

A&P or FBO rate \$125.00/3days

Copy of rental agreement available by email by contacting Stuart Rauh at stuart@rauhnet.com