

## Chapter 1384 January 2021 Newsletter.

We warmly invite you to attend the next Experimental Aircraft Association (EAA) Chapter 1384 meeting scheduled for Sunday, February 21, 2021. We welcome your opinions and your support for our programs!

WOW, COVID really messed up our year. Let's do better in 2021.

## Sunday 21 February 2021 FREE PIZZA WILL BE SERVED.

## No RSVP required. Bring family and friends.

Once we get a few attendees, we will order Pizza for everyone. Bottled sodas, paper plates, cups and napkins along with cleanup supplies will be provided too.

The stated purpose of EAA is "To grow participation in aviation by promoting the "Spirit of Aviation."

EAA encourages **building your own** safe aircraft.

What you missed at the last meeting on Sunday, January 17<sup>th</sup> at 1pm in the Skytech break room:

Warren Reames, Alan Hawk, Marty Teramani, Alan Billings and Mike Baldwin were there.

It would be nice to see **YOU** there Feb 21<sup>st</sup> ...

\*\*EAA 1384's annual Fly-in is NOT Scheduled yet. We are going to try for the last week of September / first week of October again this year, due to Covid concerns.

We need to plan where we are going as a club.

- Let's keep thing short-term for now.
  - o How about painting the compass rose?
  - o Let's have a mid-period Friday night pot luck. Perhaps the first Friday of each month?
  - What kind of special guest should we invite for monthly meetings?
  - O Is anyone interested in contributing to renting a hangar? You could bring your project in for completion and maybe have informal gatherings every Saturday morning. Having our own hangar would be a great draw. It would be a place where members could build their aircraft with help from others and room to store their parts. Tools could possibly be available. Other chapters have a hangar. But it is a chicken and egg situation. Hangars are expensive. To afford a hangar we need more active members. But to have more active members, we need a place to build things. Which comes first?

Contact Warren at <a href="wpreames@gmail.com">wpreames@gmail.com</a> for more details. Because of the Corona Virus, public meetings are discouraged, and the 19 April meeting might be by email and some sort of on-line chat if things don't get better.



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- The important thing to remember is that we are a volunteer service organization that promotes experimental aircraft, and we need to offer something to the community. What could we offer?
  - o The aim of EAA is to foster and encourage building your own SAFE airplane.
  - o Perhaps we could reach out to the local high schools for a few things like:
    - Each student must work a minimum number of hours in community service. Perhaps while helping at our public events, we could also offer free plane rides for the volunteers. Steve K. had ideas for a suggested route for the Young Eagles day and other events.
    - Maybe the students could learn something about aircraft in anticipation of a future in the aircraft industry.
    - Let them know this is a way to learn, have fun and achieve something different at the end.
  - o IT is time again to elect new board members-president, VP, Treasurer.
    - Former officers would be a big boost for morale and expertise.
- We need to finalize all these issues (and more) at the next meeting so we can start to advertise and contact the support.

\*\*Be thinking: How do we grow the chapter? Why do we need to grow?

Please remember that any contribution of time and expertise is what we need more than money. Help make EAA1384 social and fun again!

The next meeting is Sunday 21 February 2021.