

# Spirit of Flight

## Experimental Aircraft Association Chapter 14: San Diego, CA

March 2023



Chris Constantinides escorts a group of Young Eagles for a flight in his Arrow. Photo by Grant Rotunda. 2/11

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# Upcoming Events

March 11th—Young Eagles Rally

March 18st—Pancake Breakfast and General Meeting: John Mahany on "Weather Basics and Wind.

**April 1**st—Lunch at Hangar 1 (no fooling!). STEM Workshop

April 8th—Young Eagles Rally

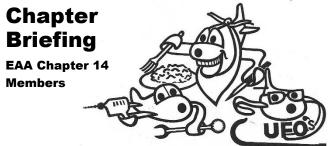
**April 15**<sup>th</sup>—Pancake Breakfast and General Meeting: Kay Sunderam on "Tech Savvy in the Cockpit.

May 13<sup>th</sup>—Young Eagles Rally

May 20<sup>th</sup>—Pancake Breakfast and Flying Start Rally

June 10<sup>th</sup>—Young Eagles Rally

June 17<sup>th</sup>—Pancake Breakfast and General Meeting: Ron Berinstein on "The REAL REASON Stall/Spin Fatal Accidents Occur!



<u>Chapter Activities:</u> Information provided by Chapter members.

Week ending Feb 4: Very wet week off and on. On Sunday, in the midst of some heavy rain, Serendipity Club member Billy Lopez was at the Chapter and noticed that water was beginning to come into Hangar 3 under one of the doors. Debris had built up in the drain surrounding the base of the hangar doors and so it wasn't draining. He quickly lifted the boards of the drain by the door and cleaned out the blockage; everything started flowing like it should. So he did the same thing for all of the doors around entire Hangar 3 as well. Great example of seeing a need and just taking care of it – we really appreciate it. When you're at the Chapter and you see something that needs to be done, like restocking the restrooms, or dusting off cobwebs on tables and the magazine folders – just do it – everyone lending a hand to keep up our facility makes the load lighter. On Saturday, a good crowd gathered for a black bean taco soup lunch prepared and served by Reg Finch and his wife Therese. Bread, tortilla chips, and taco toppings rounded out the main meal with ice cream for dessert. Ryan and Gert Lundgren took advantage of the good weather and provided Eagle flights to some visitors.



Reg and Therese Finch prepare lunch for the hungry hoards on February 4<sup>th</sup>. Join us on First Saturdays. It's the most inexpensive lunch in town and you can't beat the company. 2/4

Week ending Feb 11: Good weather continued and Jonathan took the Meyers out for a flight. Ryan worked on updating his KR-2 brake with Nigel Worrall's assistance. Nigel also shared an in-depth discussion of his last trip to Arizona building his Arion Lightning – it's getting close – can't wait to see it. And talking about progress – Jimmy Kennedy and Jim MacKinnon are both making steady movement on their Nieuport 11 projects. Dion Dyer stopped by. He is still in San Diego and making final preparations for being able to fly his Tailwind. Gene Lenard stopped by as well to visit his Luscombe. One of First Flight's long-term CFI's is giving Gert Lundgren's son lessons in the RV12iS. Our returning Eagle Michelle is also getting lessons as well. Billy Lopez of the Serendipity Club gleefully reported the following: "Hip, hip, hurray! Our Piper is airworthy again. 1st Flight annual done. Transponder check done. IFR



Young Eagles activity on the flight line. 2/11

certification done. Now we're going flying again!" On Saturday, we had another big crowd for Young Eagles Day. Chapter President Trinidad Lopez had gone to Flabob along with Director Francisco Muñoz to attend an EAA National Leadership Bootcamp so he wasn't available to grill up hamburgers and hotdogs for the Young Eagles, parents, and members. So Young Eagle Coordinator Grant Rotunda ordered pizza for the hungry crowd and Gary List and Richard West volunteered to do the serving. A large group enjoyed pizza, salad, soft drinks, and ice cream. Eagle flights were provided as well on that date. Gert had invited Debbie, a Boeing Captain he had met through a recent work assignment, to visit the Chapter. She stopped by and enjoyed flights with both Jonathan Robbins in the Meyers and Ryan in the Diamond. Ryan also provided an Eagle flight to George Guynes, a nephew of member Todd Guynes. Todd had been trying to convince his nephew for a long time about the joys of aviation – and the flight did it. George is now a new member of the Chapter.



New member George Guynes (left) with his uncle Todd Guynes, after his introductory Eagle flight with Ryan.

Week ending Feb 18: Usual Pancake Breakfast Chef Kevin Roche had a family gathering to attend, so Director Stu Strebig stepped in to prepare the breakfast for a hungry crowd. He did a great job, just like the last time he filled in for Kevin. He's a whiz using the grill. Jonathan Robbins, daughter Charlotte, and Gary List flew the Meyers to the AOPA flyout. As part of our community outreach, director



Director Stu Strebig fries eggs and flips pancakes for breakfast on Meeting Day while our normal grillmeister Kevin Roche was out attending a family gathering. 2/18

Francisco Muñoz went to the 99s meeting to foster closer ties with that fine group. Gert Lundgren and his friend Debbie flew over to the 99s meeting as well, and then took the opportunity to do more flying. And two more acquaintances of one of our Eagle flight visitors stopped by to get an Eagle flight too. Ryan had his Diamond out, so two more Eagle flights were provided. Our Chapter is certainly doing its parts in introducing adults to the thrill of flying.

Week ending Feb 25: During the early part of the week a number of members were down at the Chapter – blue skies and not too cold. Gert Lundgren and Ryan performed some maintenance on Gert's RV12iS; Jimmy Kennedy and Jim MacKinnon worked on their Nieuports, Joe Russo continued building the Stits Playboy, Gene Hubbard was busy working in Hangar 3, and Jonathan Robbins attended to the Meyers after his trip to the AOPA fly in. As the week progressed, the weather got colder and windier, but that didn't stop Nigel Worrall from using his electronic skills to trace down a problem in the intercom on Ryan's Diamond. He replaced a worn-out multi-pin connector. Works great now. Unfortunately, the flyout to Chiriaco Summit had to be cancelled (again) because of the bad weather. Flyout Coordinator Francisco Munoz hopes to try again in April.

General Meeting: President Trinidad Lopez opened the meeting and welcomed Chapter members and guests. He encouraged people to renew their membership. Kerry Powell, our Program Director, then introduced our speaker for the month, retired Brigadier General Dr. RG Head. See a short overview of his presentation, "Biplanes to Strike Fighters," later in the newsletter.



# President's Message

Hello Everyone,

I would like to welcome all of our new members and thank existing members

who participated during our January and February membership drive. Our efforts are paying off with our membership numbers well ahead of last year.

Chapter activity is also increasing with the turnout for both Young Eagles day and our general meeting and presentation both having large turnouts. I have noticed a good number of airplanes flying into visit the Chapter during these events.

Our Young Eagles program is doing particularly well with a strong turnout of not only participants but volunteers as well. Next month in addition to the flying program our Young Eagles will be hosting a special event. We are adding a STEM Workshop where kids can learn not only the theory of flying but also get some hands-on experience participating in building projects. This program is very popular and we will be hosting our first workshop on Saturday April 1st. Please contact our Young Eagles coordinator Grant Rotunda if you would like to participate. Contact him at: grant.rotunda@gmail.com

The Young Eagles news doesn't stop there. I am pleased to announce that our Chapter has been selected to participate in the 2023 Ray Aviation scholarship program. This year the scholarship amount has been increased from \$10,000 to \$11,000 to account for increased costs. We encourage those interested to apply in person during our second and third Saturday events. Applications and initial interviews will be conducted at that time. All Chapter members are encouraged to nominate a scholar to participate in this program. Applications for the scholarship will be reviewed by the Chapter in March and April. To all those interested in nominating a scholar, or applying for the scholarship, please review the requirements which are listed on the EAA website under the Ray aviation scholarship program.

In addition to the planned Young Eagles STEM Workshop, our Chapter is also hoping to add a builder's workshop each month. We invite our Chapter members to make a presentation about their current or past aircraft build projects. Members with special skills such as woodworking, metalworking, painting, electronics, or other special skills are also invited to give a presentation. The presentations are intended to be informal and the presenter will receive plenty



Members enjoy a pancake breakfast before Gen. Head's presentation on meeting day. 2/18

of assistance. Please don't be shy about volunteering to share your skills with other Chapter members.

With all of these events planned we are going to need your help. I invite you to volunteer, participate, or help to host one of these events. Please contact our Chapter secretary, Donna Ryan, to volunteer: <a href="mailto:rryan@san.rr.com">rryan@san.rr.com</a>

Once again our planned fly out to Chiriaco Summit was canceled due to weather. This month the weather forecast shows some clearing in the next few weeks. We are planning a fly out to Flabob Airport on the 4th Saturday. Those wishing to participate please contact our Flyout coordinator Francisco Munoz: fimunozpilot@gmail.com

Clear skies,

#### Trinidad Lopez



Volunteers help move Chase Franzen's Tailwheel TriPacer onto the ramp for a YE flight. 2/11



YE Pilot Milamae Zamora prepares to take a group of kids flying. 2/11



Chris Constanides' Arrow waits for another group of Young Eagles 2/11



# February Young Eagles Report

#### **Grant Rotunda**

The February Young Eagles rally was another busy day with 37 Young Eagles participating, including 17 first time flights! Thanks to pilots Shon

Alexander, Chris Constantinides, Chase Franzen, Roman Hendle, Jonathan Robbins, Gil Rud, Ron Shipley, Duane Shockey and Milamae Zamora. That's nine pilots who volunteered for the February event, which is the most we have seen in recent memory! Ryan also provided Eagle flights throughout the day to a few individuals interested in pursuing aviation. Also, a big thank you to all of the ground volunteers and Gary List for stepping in to help serve lunch. The next rally is scheduled for Saturday, March 11th, 2023, so come on out and volunteer (and tell your friends) for this rewarding program!

In addition to Young Eagle rallies, the Chapter will host Young Eagle workshops throughout 2023. The first workshop is scheduled for Saturday, April 1st. These workshops provide an opportunity for EAA Chapter 14 to offer youth who are of school age (approximately 11 to 17) an opportunity to learn about aviation in a social setting at the Chapter hangars. The April workshop will include a wood wing rib project, sheet metal box construction project and a lesson on basic aerodynamics. Look out for additional emails with updates throughout the month of March, but if you are interested in volunteering for the April event, please reach out to Grant so he can include you in the planning process.

### **New Members**

#### **Donna Ryan**

Look for them at the next meeting, introduce yourself and get to know them better. We very much appreciate their support.



**George Guynes's** uncle, Chapter member Todd Guynes, introduced George to the Chapter as our very busy February Young Eagles event. As part of our Eagle program, George scored a ride in Ryan's Diamond – we hope to see him back soon.

**Sharon Lopez** is the very supportive wife of President Trinidad Lopez, and is the first to join under our Family membership program. Sharon is the always smiling, unflappable cook/server/greeter behind the Young Eagles lunches and the Holiday party lunch.

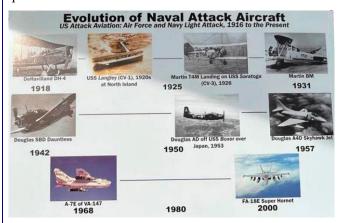
**Esteban N** is a new Young Eagle member who is a family member of Rebecca M, who joined with her daughter Valentina back in January. Very nice to have another Young Eagle member!

### **Biplanes to Strike Fighters**

#### **Short Summary by Donna Ryan**

The following information is based on a talk given by Dr. RG Head

On Saturday, February 18, Chapter members were treated to a fast paced, very informative talk by RG Head, PhD and retired USAF Brigadier General. The talk was based on Dr. Head's newest book <u>US Attack Aviation</u>. A display board entitled "Evolution of Naval Attack Aircraft" provided a quick overview of the focus of his talk.



In a hundred years of development and experience, Navy attack aircraft evolved from land-based biplanes to the modern jet aircraft in use today.

RG's wife, Carol provided an introduction to the talk, including a story of how he actually appeared on the Ed Sullivan's show (a group of photographers were filming a scene at a Vietnam War airfield and just happened to be there when RG was making an emergency landing with an A-1 aircraft whose landing gear wouldn't work).

This short summary covers just a few of the points highlighted by Dr. Head; the information found below is based on slides shown at the meeting and his comments. After providing a brief overview of the contents of his new book, RG shared a slide pointing out the difference between Air Force (AF) fighter pilots and Naval attack pilots. Some differences:

#### AF Fighter Pilots

- > 24 planes in a squadron
- ➤ Aircrafts/pilots multi-mission
- > Consolidated maintenance
- ➤ Long distance deployment
  - Constant day-to day readiness

#### Naval Attack Pilots

- > 12 planes in a squadron
- Bombing airplane
- > Squadron Maintenance
- > Deployed on ship
- > Readiness scaled to proximity of deployment

When discussing the slide, RG pointed out that AF pilots support the army and flying sites may be spread out. Navy pilots though have specific bombing missions. In addition, naval pilots exist to deploy; everything is centered around the aircraft carrier. Their flying time centers around the next deployment and especially three months before deployment they are engaging in a lot of flying. He stated he had incredible respect for Navy pilot who come in full force to land and have to catch the tailhook. One slide showed the vast difference in what an AF or Navy pilot sees coming into land.



Carol Head introduces our February speaker, Dr. R.G. Head, at our February meeting. 2/18



Difference between the views of Air Force and Navy pilots on final approach. While Air Force pilots often have 10,000 feet of runway, the landing area of a Navy carrier is only about 500 feet long.

RG then began a discussion of the different planes used by the AF and Navy. Back in WWI, both pilots used De Haviland biplanes, manned by a pilot and a gunman. In those days, the artillery guard was in charge, not the pilot.

In 1939, there were debates at the highest levels in the Air Corps, particularly by Maj Gen Hap Arnold, about the effectiveness of attack aircraft in the Air Corps because of a supposed lack of accuracy in gunnery. There was also concern about supposed ineffectiveness of machine gun fire at high speeds. Note: R.G. stated that these concerns may have been caused by a lack of training for a 1936 gunnery competition. In any event, it was felt that bombs were more effective than machine guns. Thus the attack category was terminated. The AF now had an interest in building an aircraft that could carry more bombs. By WWII, the Army Air Corps was using an A-24 (fought in defense of New Guinea), while the Navy used the SDB Dauntless, which starred at Midway.

By the 1960s and Vietnam, the Army felt that the Air Force was not supporting them as required and the Air Force itself was under attack. The early 60's also started the idea of a multi mission aircraft. Side note: RG flew an A-1 during the Vietnam War and felt it was an excellent plane for Vietnam.

By 1965 there was an AF Close Air Support (CAS) Competition between the Northrop F-5E, the Vought A-7, and the McD F-4E and the McD F-15. While the Air Force loved the F-5, the A-7 was chosen because it could take more gas and served as a platform to develop the F-15.

But there were problems surrounding the F-15. At the time, the AF's priority was air superiority and they did not want to support air-to-ground. But the F-15 had an underpowered engine, was heavy and very expensive. RG shared a slide which showed the cost growth of an airplane. In 1958, an F-4 cost \$25 million. By 1972, an F-15 cost 300 percent more than that.

RG spent time discussing the "Fighter Mafia", spearheaded by LTC John Boyd and Major Mike Loh who were against

the high cost of building aircraft. Eventually through a series of competitions, both the YF-16 and YF-17 were prototyped. The YF-16 was fly-by-wire, side stick control, with a flexible center of gravity and a single engine. While the YF-17 initially was hydraulic, it later changed to fly-by-wire as well and it had twin engines.

According to one of the slides, the resulting F16 became the backbone of the USAF fighter force and it still is. Secretary of Defense and NATO allies forced the F-16 to add Air-to-Ground and it became operational in 1978. 4,600 aircraft were built versus 1,200 F-15s. It is used by 31 countries at a cost of \$29 million per aircraft. It will remain in use until 2030+.

Dr. Head then discussed the "TOP GUN era: F/A-18 Development." In 1973, Congress directed the Navy to buy an aircraft at a lower cost than the F-14. While the Congress felt it should select the AF ACF, the Navy said the YF-16 was not carrier suitable and there was also a requirement for a Sparrow Missile. Naval Operations selected the YF-17 as the basis for the new plane. A-7 ++ avionics provided attack capability and the name was changed to F/A-18. It had limited fuel and was designed to be a multi-mission Strike fighter. By 1984, the F/A-18C/D was operational. It weighed 36,970 pounds compared to the F-16 which weighed only 26,700 pounds. One of the slides offered a comparison between the F/A-18C (Hornet) and the F/A-18E (Super Hornet).

One of the last slides of the presentation was a picture of the F-35 Lightning II, which is multi-mission and was operational in 2015.

In a final summary, RG pointed out the following:

- Navy began by flying specialized aircraft for most of its career, but now they are multi-purpose.
- ➤ AF multi-purpose aircraft are essentially STRIKE aircraft.
- ➤ The F/A-18 and F-35 are just a continuation of STRIKE.
- ➤ The A-10 is the only real attack aircraft now.



F-35 Lightning II, the Navy's latest-generation STRIKE aircraft, became operational in 2015.



#### Kerry Powell, EAA-14 Program Director

March 18: John Mahaney, Weather Basics and the Wind.

Many pilots do not have a good understanding of weather, so I created this presentation as a review of the basics, weather and wind, to address that. And, last summer I flew my Cessna 150 from Long Beach, CA to Oshkosh, for AirVenture. It took just over 3 days each way and was quite an adventure! And of course, I had to deal with the weather as part of that flight, so I will discuss my flight planning and decision-making for that trip, as well.

John Mahany is an ATP/CFI-AIMEG, and has type ratings in the CE-500, LR-JET, N-B25 and DC-3. He is also a 7-time Master CFI. Though he has been flying for 40+ years, he readily admits to still being a student of flying.

April 15: Kay Sunderam, Tech Savvy in the Cockpit.

May 20: No program due to Flying Start Rally

**June17: Ron Berinstein**, The REAL REASON Stall/Spin Fatal Accidents Occur!

Stall dynamics, and how to tell in advance which wing will drop first and why. We will discuss a few real accidents and what would have saved the fatally injured pilots. Plus, revealed will be the rare, but very dangerous type of stall that all too often is ignored. It requires a totally counterintuitive method to recover from it

Ron Berinstein CFII - FAA WINGS Pro - FAASTeam VNY FSDO Lead Rep - is a veteran safety speaker having presented hundreds of seminars throughout the LA Basin and San Diego. He is affiliated with Santa Paula's CP Aviation; flies aerobatics and is the Director/Webmaster for the aviation education and safety website, SCAUWG.ORG, which is visited by thousands monthly, and though independently diverse, is produced on behalf of the Southern California Airspace Users Working Group.

### Building / Maintenance Workshops – Interested?



By: Donna Ryan

After the shutdown caused by health restrictions, it has been great to see the Chapter being active again. We are doing really well on our Young Eagles program (2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday – thanks, Grant), programs (3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday – thanks, Kerry), and flyouts (4<sup>th</sup> Saturday – thanks, Francisco). But, we have been wanting for some time to have a monthly activity on the first Saturday of the month. We feel that one of the best ideas is to highlight two of the original purposes of EAA – building planes and maintaining planes. So we are hoping to designate the first Saturday of each month as a Building/Maintenance Workshop and have Chapter members provide different one to two hour workshops before our scheduled lunch.

We know we have a lot of talent out there that can present the workshops. In most cases the Chapter can provide some of the materials to use for demonstrations — maybe even some for the attendees. The workshops can be on any topic that builders or those who do maintenance on their planes could benefit from. Possible topics: fabric covering, welding, radio issues, wiring, working with wood, painting, avionics etc. There are lots of other ideas as well.

We also can show some of the EAA National webinars that cover building techniques and maintenance tips. These are usually one hour 15 minutes in length. We just need to access them via the EAA National website on a laptop and watch them in Hangar 1 on the large TV.

Several people could serve as instructors/demonstrators for each workshop.

We're hoping to have something going soon. So, if you know someone (including you!) who could help out in this area, please let me know at <a href="mailto:rryan@san.rr.com">rryan@san.rr.com</a>

We think this would be a great way to learn something, share something, and practice something – and a great way for all of us to get more involved in the Chapter.

Thanks for your support.



Duane Shockey's Cessna 170 and Chase Franzen's PA-22 on the ramp for the Second Saturday YE Rally. 2/11



### February 18, 2023 Board Meeting

#### **Donna Ryan, Chapter 14 Secretary**

Provisional Minutes - Pending Board Approval

The Board meeting was held on Saturday, February 18, 2023 beginning at 11:46 a.m.

Directors and officers present were: Gene Hubbard, Jimmy Kennedy, Ted Krohne, Trinidad Lopez, Francisco Muñoz, Kerry Powell, Larry Rothrock, Donna Ryan, Ron Shipley, Alan Sparkes, Stu Strebig, Nigel Worrall. Directors and officers absent were: Ashley Lopez (excused), Gert Lundgren (excused), Jonathan Robbins (excused), Kevin Roche (excused). Guests: Grant Rotunda. A quorum was present for the meeting.

#### **Board Decisions**

(Subject, moved by, seconded by, pass/fail)

- November 2022 Minutes and January 2023 E-mail Minutes reviewed and approved. Stu Strebig/Ted Krohne: passed.
- ➤ Remove \$150,000 from our account at Chase Bank and redeposit it in a 5% APY 15 month share certificate with the Navy Federal Credit Union in a new account opened by our president, secretary, and treasurer. Ron Shipley/Jonathan Robbins: passed
- ➤ Increase the cost of Chapter breakfasts to \$4.00 and lunch to \$5.00 due to rising food costs. Stu Strebig/Ted Krohne: passed.
- Name Grant Rotunda as a new EAA Chapter 14 director. Donna Ryan/Gene Hubbard: passed.
- Motion to adjourn. Stu Strebig/Alan Sparkes: passed.

#### **Old Business**

<u>Lease Option</u>: **Trinidad Lopez** discussed a recent telephone call with Airports administration and the City Real Estate Department about extending our lease and exercising our lease option. The City will report back to us on some of our remaining questions about exercising our option.

<u>Tax Letter from the IRS</u>: **Ron Shipley** discussed the issues concerning an IRS letter stating that we had not filed a tax extension for 2020. We have written evidence that we did and our tax preparer continues to deal with this issue.

Young Eagles: The Young Eagles program has purchased ten of the Young Eagle Workshop kits (each kit contains material for 10 youths) and the first workshop will be held on the 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday of March. Young Eagle Coordinator **Grant Rotunda** felt it would be better to have a separate day for the workshops rather than trying to combine it with our usual very large and busy Young Eagles Day. **Gene Hubbard** will work on obtaining blanks for the build a box activity. **Grant Rotunda** reminded those present that all volunteers working with Young Eagles need to have passed the Youth Protection program.

#### **New Business**

Interest rates: At Trinidad Lopez's request, Treasurer Ron Shipley researched obtaining higher interest rates for Chapter funds at a local federally insured entity. Ron shared the results of his research. After discussion, the Board decided to leave enough funds to cover six months expected expenditures in the checking account. The remaining funds, currently in our checking and a low interest savings account, would be transferred to three higher interest accounts at Mission Federal: a special rate savings account, a 6 month CD and a 14 month CD. Note: A motion was moved by Kerry Powell and seconded by Nigel Worrall to do this. However, Ron later obtained additional information from the Navy Federal Credit Union that offered us higher interest rates and a new motion was presented to the Board. See information under *Email Board Meeting* below.

#### <u>Increase in Price for Breakfast and Lunch:</u>

Due to the significant increase in price of food, the Board passed a motion that breakfast will now cost \$4 and lunch will cost \$5.

<u>Chapter Recognition Goals</u>: The Board reviewed the EAA National Chapter Recognition Requirements and discussed how we intend to meet them for 2023. One area to pursue: Reactivating our relationship with the San Diego IMC/VMC Club. **Gene Hubbard** will provide past information to **Francisco Muñoz** who will contact them.

Ray Scholarships: **Trinidad Lopez** mentioned there are now two types of Ray Scholarships: 1) a 25/75 monetary split between chapters and the Ray Scholarship program; 2) a totally funded Ray Scholarship for \$11,000. Trinidad has contacted EAA National to say we are interested in both.

<u>Flyouts</u>: **Francisco Muñoz** discussed possible destinations, including Catalina, Oceana, and Hemet. He and **Trinidad Lopez** are also planning a fly-in for nearby Chapters.

<u>New Director</u>: The Board happily designated **Grant Rotunda**, our Young Eagles Coordinator, as a director.

<u>Community Outreach</u>: **Francisco Munoz** visited the 99s meeting on February 18<sup>th</sup> as part of the Chapter's efforts to reach out further to the local aviation community. He reported a warm welcome from the 99s and shared information about their compass rose program.

# Items Identified During the Meeting to be discussed next month

- Lease update,
- Ray Scholarship,
- Increased Chapter activities.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:17 pm.

Submitted by Donna Ryan

You will never do well if you stop doing better.

### **E-Mail Board Meeting**

#### **Donna Ryan, Chapter 14 Secretary**

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A meeting was held via e-mail from February 24, 2023 through February 26, 2023. Directors and officers participating were: Gene Hubbard, Jimmy Kennedy, Ashley Lopez, Trinidad Lopez, Francisco Muñoz, Kerry Powell, Jonathan Robbins, Kevin Roche, Larry Rothrock, Grant Rotunda, Donna Ryan, Ron Shipley, Stu Strebig, Nigel Worrall. Directors not participating were Ted Krohne, Gert Lundgren and Alan Sparkes.

#### **Board Decisions**

(Subject, moved by, seconded by, pass/fail)

Remove the bulk of our account at Chase Bank and redeposit it in a 5% APY 15 month share certificate with the Navy Federal Credit Union in a new account opened by our president, secretary, and treasurer. Ron Shipley/Jonathan Robbins: passed.



EAA-14 Board of Directors at work. 2/18



Charlotte helps serve ice cream to Young Eagles and parents. 2/11



# Last Call to Renew

**Donna Ryan** 

Thanks to all of you who have already renewed your membership for 2023. We very much appreciate your support. But for those of you who haven't yet renewed, please take just a minute to think about what your membership means. Your membership enables us to maintain our facility at Brown Field, pay for our lease and supplies, and expand our Young Eagles and Eagles programs. In addition, your membership helps us to be a vocal and respected member of San Diego's aviation community, as we continually try to make general aviation stronger, safer and more affordable. We want to provide aspiring builders and pilots with the support they need to achieve their goals and help both young people and adults learn about the joys of flying. But we can't do it without your continued support. Please help us by renewing your membership in EAA 14.

At the end of March, we regretfully will be removing the names of members who haven't renewed from our membership roles. For those of you who haven't yet renewed, please take the time to do so. You already know of the romance, wonder, adventure and the dream of flight; you also know that there is strength in numbers in our quest to support and protect general aviation.

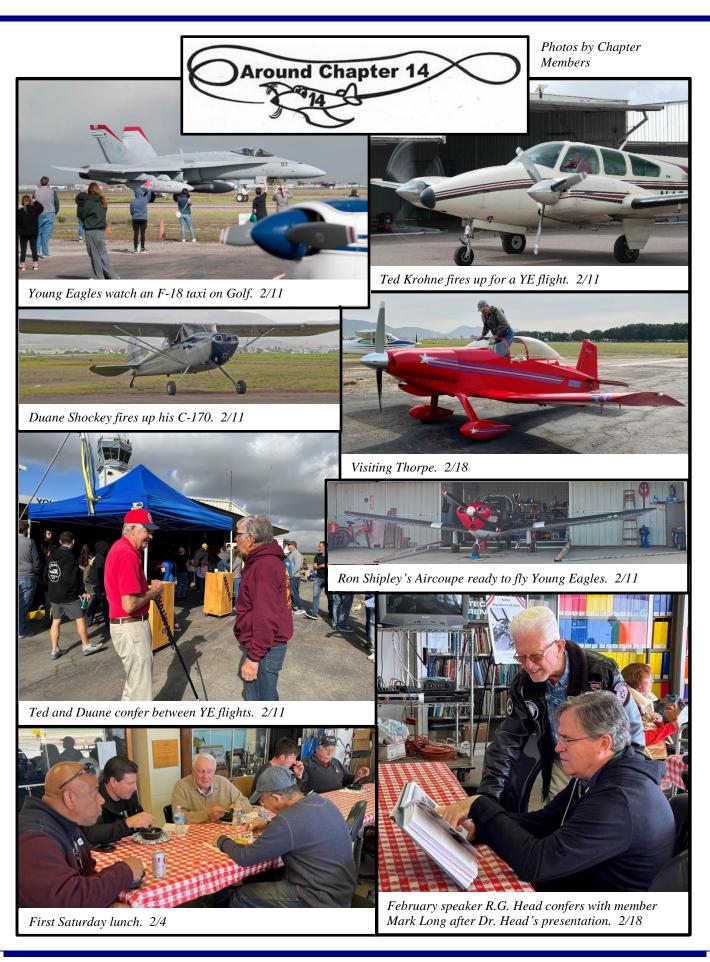
Use the Membership form included in this newsletter and then mail it back to us, along with your payment, to EAA Chapter 14, 1409 Continental Street, San Diego, CA 92154-5707. You can also drop the form and your payment off at the Chapter; put your packet in the *Payment/Form* slot of the *Hangar or Membership Payments* lock box in front of the lunch counter inside Hangar 1 or in the mailbox outside of the small door to Hangar 1.

You may prefer to renew using PayPal. To do so, follow these steps:

- 1. Access your personal PayPal account.
- 2. In the upper menu, select <u>Tools</u>, then at the dropdown menu, click <u>Send Money</u>.
- 3. Enter email address: Eaach14@gmail.com
- 4. Enter payment amount: \$25.00 (\$5 for Young Eagles)
- 5. At the Add a note option, enter "2023 membership for [your name]"
- 6. Send the payment.

If you haven't yet renewed, please take the time to do so. We look forward to having you with us once again in 2023.

If it ain't broke, don't fix it If it ain't fixed, don't fly it



# EAA Chapter 14 Membership Application/Renewal Please Print Legibly

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