

EAA Chapter 143 - 3 May 2025 Gathering

13 in attendance

Meeting began at 0900 with breakfast prepared by Ron S.

- Young Eagles
 - Potentially planning to do it at Martin State since Fallston's runway is temporarily closed
 - Should plan to coordinate with the museum and maybe Hangar 4
 - Dan's CFI owns a TBM850 that's kept in Hangar 4 - he may be willing to open the door and let people see inside
 - College Park might be an option as well, but it requires flight in SFRA
 - All participants (pilots and ground crew) need to complete EAA Youth Protection Training
<https://www.eaa.org/eea/training/youth-protection-training>
- Business
 - Wings & Wheels - 18 October and Fundraising Opportunities
 - We will need \$630 for next year and W&W has several possible ways to do fundraising:
 - Chapter members with 3D printers can print small, aviation-themed items we can sell
 - Swap tables for RC, Automotive, and maybe Aviation related items
 - Rob (Vintage Chapter) will handle food at W&W
 - Pedal planes - first example is done, but needs a few tweaks. Ron has a friend with a CAD cutter that can simplify producing parts
 - Discussion about how to drive up traffic at chapter sponsored areas of W&W
 - Indoor RC flight area?
 - Signage?
 - RV Sim
 - Discussion about how to engender aviation through STEM program and follow-up
 - 2-Place Beaver Ultralight would make a great trainer for individuals who finish the STEM program and need a next step
 - Form a flying club around the Beaver?
 - Sonex Donation - an individual at Shoestring Airport with a Sonex kit passed away and the estate is interested in donating the kit to the Chapter. There was discussion about who can own it (must be an individual and not the chapter). Leo said he would probably be interested in being the individual. Might make a good build option for the chapter, but will need money for instruments and engine.

- Ron & Ricardo's AfordaPlane is at Shoestring and will need covering soon.
May be an opportunity for chapter members to learn how to do fabric covering.
- Presentation by Edwin about his Stampe - a WWI training bi-plane built in Algeria in 1949. The Stampe is based on the Tigermoth, with several upgrades. Very interesting history, including pictures of the Stampe Museum in Antwerp Belgium. The penguin logo denotes a student pilot in old warbirds
- VMC Club Discussion led by Ron L.
- Short discussion on meeting time for future Chapter Gatherings - Ron needs some time to get food prepared, so 0930 was the compromise. We need to contact EAA to let them know about the new meeting time so it can be updated on the records/website.
- Short discussion on website. Dan D and Lee T will work on a hosted WordPress website rather than the one hosted by EAA, which has some limitations.

Meeting Adjourned and Hangar Talk Began at around 1015