

March, 2025



EAA CHAPTER 145

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Chapter Meeting: March 8, 2025 10:00 AM
Riverview (08C) Topic: Engine Management 101

CHAPTER PROGRAM

The Chapter 145 monthly meeting is held on the second Saturday of the month, for March on the 8th at 10 AM in the big hangar at 08C. The topic this time is Engine Management 101, presented by Bruce Whitman.

Bruce will be reviewing the knowledge and experience contained in a recent book from Bill Ross, the Vice President for Product Support for Superior Air Parts. Bill's message is simple: "the purpose of scheduled maintenance is to prevent unscheduled maintenance." Bill has talked about this topic at AirVenture forums, was the 2023 National Aviation Technician of the Year, has written this book, and produced videos of this subject (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5pAsAqQN52c>). Bill has 32 Years of experience, is an A&P and IA as well as pilot and aircraft owner. Superior Air Parts is located in Coppell, Texas. You can request a free copy from their website; look for Book Request Form.

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This should be a great topic for all of us involved in aviation.

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ENGINE MANAGEMENT 101

Proven tips to extending your engine's life while lowering your operating costs.



This Chapter 145 meeting is also a great chance to socialize and share flying and building stories! We have a great group of pilots, families, students, builders and perhaps new people with an interest in aviation. All are welcome! There will also be a Chili Contest at the meeting!

PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Thank you for those competing in this month's Chili Contest. It gives each of us the chance to be creative and bring your best recipe for all to try. This is a perfect month to try something different and fun... to warm our stomachs with delicious chili during this dreary, cold winter.

We have around 5 members bringing chili, and are welcoming any more recipes, if you like to join in. Just make up a crock pot of your chili and bring it to the meeting to share. Even if you don't bring chili, you will be welcome to be a judge, and vote for your favorite. Then we'll break for lunch and share the rest of the chili.

Randy Houtman

(Ed note: There is a signup sheet at 08C for chili chefs, though last minute entries are welcome. Also, we are hoping to not repeat the Cookie Serving Beans scene from Blazing Saddles.)

FEBRUARY MEETING – HOT AIR BALLOONING

Tom Brown gave us a great presentation of what it is like with Hot Air Ballooning. He brought a wicker basket, other gear and lots of photos. We share the skies and love of aviation with a diverse group of pilots, montgolfiers, students, passengers, etc. It's good to hear their stories and experiences.



VMC CLUB

The VMC Club meets on the third (3rd) Tuesday of the month at 7 pm in the Riverview Airport Lobby. The next meeting will be on Tuesday, March 18. Everyone is welcome to join in. Contact Bob Swietek in advance for the copies of the monthly discussion questions.

We discussed in February flying into conditions with rime icing. What do you do? What equipment to activate? Talking with Air Traffic Controllers can be helpful, rather than feeling embarrassed, in finding solutions if you inadvertently end up in suspect conditions. We also discussed a potential EGT/CHT situation. Is this a harbinger of engine problems? Press on, divert, land immediately?

We talk other flying topics, generally one or two ideas suggested by EAA National, and then whatever news, safety or Riverview information members find of interest.

NEW CHAPTER 145 GEAR

Chapter 145 has prepared a new look to our Chapter 145 apparel. Thanks to Nancy Priebe and a local supplier, Stitchtime, we now have available shirts, hats, and embroidered patches for sale. Below is shown the new logo. A great idea for birthdays or that cool pilot look, see Nancy at our next meeting. (Nancy is also the new Secretary/Treasurer for Chapter 145.)



The newly designed Chapter 145 logo.

NEW MEMBERS

Chapter 145 now has a new member: Tom Grumbine from Wyoming. Welcome Tom! If you have a chance to talk with him, feel free to share your background and engage him in his aviation experience. Anyone you might have in mind to join? Meetings are free and most visitors find our members and meetings informative.

ANNUAL DUES BEING COLLECTED

Just a quick note that dues for the next year are being collected now. For \$25.00 USD, you can send or deliver cash or a check to Chapter 145. Using the Application/Renewal Form at the end of the newsletter you can mail or deliver in person the remuneration and form at our meetings.

ONLINE RESOURCES FOR EAA AND CHAPTER 145

EAA Chapter 145 website: www.145.eaachapter.org

EAA National website: www.eaa.org

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UPCOMING EVENTS

March 8 Riverview Airport (08C)
March 18 Riverview Airport (08C)

Monthly 145 Meeting – Engine Mgmt 101
VMC Meeting

If you know of events that should be on the event calendar, please e-mail them to me

If you would like to be on the e-mail list for meeting, event reminders, or the newsletter electronically... please send your e-mail address to: saliersrick@gmail.com

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Treasurer's Report: (as of December 30)

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Cash: \$100.36

Checking: \$1102.26

Savings: \$4889.19

Total: \$6091.81

EAA CHAPTER 145 MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION / RENEWAL FORM
DUES ARE \$25.00 PER YEAR – JANUARY 1st to DECEMBER 31st

Name _____

Co-Pilot / Spouse _____

Address _____

City _____

State / Zip _____

e-mail address _____

Home Phone _____

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National Membership # _____

Aircraft Owned/Projects _____

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