



EAA Chapter 1612 Newsletter

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DAVID J. PERRY AIRPORT (1K4) GOLDSBY, OK

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From the Front Seat—President Eric Muehlberg

March is upon us, the weather is warmer, the days are becoming longer and daylight savings time will be in effect by the time you read this newsletter. In my humble opinion, it is all good news. Hopefully with the warmer temps and additional daylight after work, everyone will have the opportunity to build and fly more.

We had over 30 members and guests plus about 10 airplanes turn out for last month's meeting. Tony Martin gave us a great photo presentation of his RV-14A project. We also had several folks give us an update on their projects and restorations. Following that, we had a lively discussion on the airspace where ADS-B is required and where it is not. Thanks to everyone who made it out last month.

This month's chapter meeting is Saturday the 14th at the Goldsby Airport (1K4) Terminal building. We'll plan to start serving lunch at 11:30 with the meeting to follow. With the warmer weather we're going to try to grill hamburgers and hotdogs this time. It will take a bit more help, so I'm looking for a couple of volunteer grill masters to prepare the burgers and dogs. The chapter will provide the drinks, tableware, burgers, dogs and all the fixings. We ask those attending to please bring an appropriate side dish or desert to share.

This month's meeting we'll bring you up to date on the June Ford Tri-Motor visit and talk about wood aircraft construction as an inexpensive aircraft building opportunity. We'll also discuss this month's VMC Club question and hear what Charlie Becker has to tell us on this month's EAA chapter video. As always we'd like to hear how every-

one's building projects are progressing and any interesting flights that have been made recently. I'll also brief everyone on a new solo flight scholarship opportunity that's now available for 10 deserving individuals this year. We'll also want to hear who is going to Sun-N-Fun at the end of the month. Hope to see many of you at David J. Perry Airport this Saturday.

Tailwinds,

Eric

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Meeting Location: David J. Perry Airport (1K4) Goldsby, OK

March's meeting will be held at the David J. Perry airport (1K4) in Goldsby, OK on Saturday the 14th from 11:30 to 1:30PM. Our presenter is Eric Muehlberg who will discuss the joys of building an airplane from wood. Our lunch prior to the meeting will be hamburgers and hot dogs. The chapter will provide the drinks, tableware, burgers, dogs and all the fixings. We ask those attending to please bring an appropriate side dish or desert to share. If you are a grill artist, we need your help cooking. If you have any questions, don't hesitate to contact Eric Muehlberg at 405-923-6749.



David J. Perry Airport (1K4)

The Start of Another Flying Season

Dennis D'Angelo

With Spring right around the corner, it is the beginning of another Oklahoma flying season and with it the opportunity to bring "rusty" pilots back to our great sport.

AOPA and EAA estimates there are approximately 500,000 pilots who have taken a breather from flying and are considering reentering the sport. In many cases they are looking for the opportunity to try their hand at aviating again, but are uncertain if they should move forward with reentering the sport. Giving these members of our community a chance to rekindle their love of aviation is what flying is about.

Don't underestimate the power of your mentorship to help bring back pilots into our sport. A few years back, I chatted about flying with an old buddy who had not flown for over 30 years. Our talk over dinner was enough to get him to take an AOPA Rusty Pilots' Refresher Course and then become current again. He now flies once a week for no less than 2 hours and is in the process of buying a Citabria. More recently I have come in contact with 10 people who are noncurrent pilots looking to restart in aviation. I spoke of what it will take to become current, and they have committed to starting the process—in all cases I have short flights planned with them in the coming months. I am excited about the chance to fan their enthusiasm for aviation and introduce them to EAA.

I ask that as the 2020 flying season begins, take time to bring a "rusty pilot" back to aviation and offer them the chance to aviate with you. Our flying community will be better for it!

Thank you.

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Go Building Something—Jimmy Thomas' Alaska Bird

VMC Question of the Month

The question:

What is the meaning of the shaded gray line (see red arrows) on this Florida's sectional chart below? Hint—think SUA



What is it?



The February “What is it” is a X15-A-2

The X-15 was based on a concept study from Walter Dornberger for the National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics (NACA) for a hypersonic research aircraft.

[6] The requests for pro-

posals (RFPs) were published on 30 December 1954 for the airframe and on 4 February 1955 for the rocket engine. The X-15 was built by two manufacturers—North American Aviation was contracted for the airframe in November 1955, and Reaction Motors was contracted for building the engines in 1956. The A-2 version was a rebuilt -2 model that had crashed on Mudd Lake in May 1962. Navy Commander John McKay was the pilot.



Here is the April “What is it?”

A little more USAF Flight Test Center stuff

The Perils of a Hot Prop.

Recently, an RV8a pilot was attempting to prime the engine by hand rotating the prop. The engine roared to life and somehow by the grace of God, he was able to get out of the way and escaped with minor injuries. Unfortunately, the plane hit an airport hangar, ruptured a fuel tank, and burst into flames.

Damage: \$150,000+.....Lesson learned: PRICELESS!

Jerry Calvert



Annual Dues are Due

If you haven't done so, please pay your \$20 Annual Chapter Dues of at the next meeting. This is how we keep Chapter activities going.
Thank you.

Members Who Have Paid for 2020

Marshall Alexander

Mitchell Alexander

Myles Berthold

John Blaylock

Frederick Bucklin

Alan Bumbaugh

George Cannon

Dennis D'Angelo

Terry Dow

John C. Ford

Dennis Fox

James (Jim) Harris

Larry Hinton

Lee Holmes

Tony Martin

Eric Muehlberg

Tim Muehberg

John Myers

Joyce Myers

Columbus Nobles

Joe Schneider

Robert Self

Christy Self

Victoria Stevens

Peter Taylor

Jim Thomas

Conrad Warren

Mitchell Williams

Bruce Wright

Tool Loaner List—

Check our website at for more info



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EAA 1612 Chapter February Pictures



Chowing Down in a Packed House



Eagle Flight Director Herb Driskill



Young Eagle Director Christy Self



Hypnotized by Tony Martin's Presentation



Many Flew In on a Cold Day



Myles Berthold returning from the meeting





Who is EAA and Chapter 1612?

We are the Experimental Aircraft Association (EAA) a growing and diverse organization of members with a wide range of aviation interests and backgrounds and a mission of growing participation in aviation to include antiques, classics, warbirds, aerobatic aircraft, ultralights, helicopters, and contemporary manufactured aircraft.

EAA and Chapter 1612 enables you to share the spirit of aviation with the most passionate community of recreational pilots, builders, and restorers. We are an association that offers the fun and camaraderie of participating in the flying, building, and restoring of recreational aircraft with the most passionate community of aviation enthusiasts. Come join us today!

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EAA Chapter 1612 Membership Form



Date _____

EAA Member # _____

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Address _____

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(Annual chapter dues are \$20.00)

Optional information

What are your aviation interest / goals? _____

Are you a pilot? (Yes) (No) If yes, what ratings do you hold? _____

Do you hold a maintenance rating? (Yes) (No) If yes, what ratings do you hold? _____

Have you built / restored or are you building / restoring an aircraft? (Yes) (No) If yes, what type(s)? _____

Are you contemplating building or restoring an aircraft? (Yes) (No) If yes, what type(s) interest you the most? _____

Do you own or have you owned an aircraft? (Yes) (No) If yes, what type(s)? _____

What type of presentations would you like to see at future meetings? _____

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Chapter Meetings are the 2nd Saturday

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