

**Experimental Aircraft Association 1643 Inc Newsletter**  
**October 10, 2020**

**TO ALL MEMBERS OF CHAPTER 1643:**

**Chapter Gathering:** The next Chapter gathering is scheduled for Saturday October 31, 2020 at 1500. The gathering will be held in the main hanger of Jet Air at the Galesburg Airport. At this time the agenda includes starting the gathering promptly at 1500 with reports from the officers of the Chapter and any new business which may come before the meeting.

The Chapter requests everyone to be cognizant of and actively participate in the best practices for keeping yourself, and everyone with whom you interact, safe and healthy. If you are not feeling well, or have reason to believe you or your family/friends have been exposed to CV-19, or the flu, or other contagious illness, please stay home.

**CHAPTER ACTIONS**

At the last Chapter gathering 10 members indicated on the sign in sheet their consent to participate in the directory. Since not all members were present at the last gathering, or may not have given their consent, the attendance sheet will again be made available to provide an opportunity for members to consent to participation in the member directory. Please be sure to indicate on the sheet if you wish to participate. Alternatively a separate page is attached which members can sign and return to consent to participate in the directory.

**Members:** The Chapter continues to request those members with outstanding dues to do what they can to make their dues payments current.

**Committees:** The Chapter is still looking for members to fill the various committee positions. If you are interested in helping or have other ideas, please contact Ellie Repp.

**Chapter Organization.** As noted at the last meeting the Chapter received its "Chartered" status and charter from EAA National. Of equal import is the Chapters receipt of it's approval as a tax exempt 501(c)(3) corporation by the IRS. This is a huge step forward for the Chapter's success which has come only after much hard work by Matt Jern and Ellie Repp. Congratulations on your success in getting the Chapter to a fully organized and operational status.

The Chapter requests anyone with expertise in calligraphy, printing or other print media contact him so the charter can be completed in a professional manner and displayed for public viewing.

The proposed minutes from the Chapter gathering of September 26, 2020 are attached and will be presented for approval at the next Chapter Gathering.

The Board of Directors meeting will take place Wednesday October 14, 2020 at 1700 in the Jet Air offices at the Galesburg Airport. While chapter members are not entitled to vote at the Director's meeting, members are welcome to attend. So as to provide for scheduling certainty in the future, it is anticipated the Board will adopt a resolution setting future monthly Board meetings at 5:00 pm the Wednesday two weeks prior to the monthly Chapter Gathering.

## **CHAPTER EVENTS**

The first Chapter workshop was held immediately following the last Chapter gathering. It was a very informative session which was ultimately successful in replacing a sealed beam landing light with an LED equivalent. Matt Jern presented a host of practical and useful information along with several practical tips on owner maintenance, techniques and record keeping requirements ie., log books. Several members were very complimentary about the presentation which included a humorous interlude when the owner had difficulty reassembling the light assembly after he failed to pay adequate attention to the disassembly process. There is a lesson in there for everyone. Fortunately Matt was present for backup.

The Chapter welcomes member suggestions on future workshops. It doesn't need to be maintenance related. Aviation is a very diverse activity and can include a number of subjects. The Chapter continues to research potential speakers for future gatherings and welcome suggestions from members. In addition, the Chapter would welcome a presentation by any member who has an idea or particular experience or expertise which they wish to share with other members.

An ad hoc Young Eagles Committee of Jan Currie, Chris Mowerer and Aaron Repp reported on the general requirements for conducting a Young Eagles event. A list of EAA National requirements/recommendations was presented and is attached to the newsletter for membership information. The substantial preliminary work which needs to be in place before an event can be conducted was discussed in general detail. An event likely isn't feasible until next spring/summer perhaps May or June. The ad hoc committee will present further findings as information becomes available. The Chapter also needs an indication from membership as to pilots who may wish to participate and the aircraft they would intend to use at the event. Unless there are at least a couple aircraft participating, a Young Eagles event would not be feasible.

The ad hoc Social Committee Chairperson, Ellie Repp, reported that the Packinghouse is willing to conduct a Holiday Dinner with tentative dates of December 13 or 14. A sheet was passed so members could indicate their

interest in attending. The tentative cost is \$25.00 per person with open menu plates. The number of affirmative responses will dictate whether the dinner will take place during normal business or if they will open the restaurant specifically for our event.. The committee will investigate a possible children's menu option. Another sign up sheet will be passed at the October Gathering or members may contact Ellie directly at [elliekjhs@hotmail.com](mailto:elliekjhs@hotmail.com) to let her know how many will attend from your group.

Through the efforts of Ellie Repp a proposed Chapter logo was presented to the members for discussion. A copy of the logo is shown below to facilitate member comment at the October gathering.



A resolution adopting the logo may be presented at the October gathering.

Members are encouraged to submit reports of aviation related activities and achievements by others, or themselves, for inclusion into the newsletter.

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