

**Experimental Aircraft Association 1643 Inc Newsletter**  
**December 14, 2020**

**TO ALL MEMBERS OF CHAPTER 1643:**

Governor Pritzker's Emergency Declaration and Executive Order setting limits for gathering sizes, prohibited inside dining, and other restrictions on gatherings and assemblies remain in place. At its December meeting, held telephonically, the Board of Directors concluded that until the Governor's Declaration and Order are amended, the Chapter is precluded from holding its monthly gathering. Therefore, the December Chapter Gathering is cancelled. All matters on the agenda for the November Gathering, and continued to the December Gathering are continued generally until the Chapter can once again conduct its monthly Gatherings in a manner consistent with the Governors Declarations and Orders, or until other legislative or judicial action determines the gatherings may resume.

**CHAPTER ACTIONS**

**Chapter Gatherings and Meetings.** In the November newsletter, it was reported that the Board of Directors was considering moving the date of chapter gatherings to the second or third weekend of the month to facilitate scheduling and avoid holiday conflicts. Membership was requested to submit their comments or concerns about moving the Gathering dates. At the Board meeting it was reported no comments for or against the proposal were received by members of the Board, the Chapter officers or the Chapter Communications Liaison. Accordingly a motion was unanimously passed by the Board which reschedules the Chapter Gatherings to the second Saturday of each month at 3:00pm. In addition, the Board of Directors meetings were rescheduled to the last Wednesday of each month at 5:00 pm.

Accordingly the January Chapter Gathering is scheduled for 3:00 pm January 9, 2021. The Board of Directors meeting is scheduled for 3:00pm January 27, 2021.

**FUND RAISING.** Following the Board's request that chapter members consider a charitable donation to the Chapter, the Treasurer reports the Chapter has to date received a total of \$1,440.00 in donations from various chapter members and Jet Air. In light of the Chapter's inability to undertake any other fund raising activities in this Covid environment, the Chapter is especially grateful for these donations. These donations enabled the Chapter to pay in full its annual National dues and insurance premiums which will facilitate the continued operation of the Chapter through 2021. As a 501(c) (3) organization, the Chapter is authorized to receive charitable donations from members and other persons. The Chapter does not provide tax advice, however the letter which granted 501(c)(3) status to the Chapter states "Donors can deduct contributions they make to you [the Chapter]

under IRC Section 170". Members are encouraged to view the following link at the IRS webpage which discusses this deduction in more detail:

<https://www.irs.gov/newsroom/how-the-cares-act-changes-deducting-charitable-contributions>

The Chapter welcomes any donation, large or small.

Donations should be made payable to Experimental Aircraft Association 1643 Inc. and may be mailed to the Chapter at 275 Lloyd Stearman Drive, Galesburg IL 61401 or directly to the Treasurer Ellie Repp at 989 Knox Hwy 20, Maquon IL 61485.

### **Member News**

Brian Vallero continues his achievements by passing his CFII check ride. Congratulations Brian.

Bill Hurley's Cardinal recently went on a vacuum free diet and lost 10 pounds of empty weight with the installation of dual Garmin G5s, attitude and HSI, and a Garmin 255a Nav/Com. Being a pilot of the analog 1970's, (he still listens to music on vinyl and reel to reel tape) Bill is working hard on his proficiency curve with all the new electronic displays.

Members are welcome to pass along any news of their, or others, accomplishments, undertakings or endeavors for inclusion in the newsletter.

The Board of Directors and Officers of Chapter 1643 wish everyone a safe and happy Holiday Season with the hope 2021 brings everyone health and happiness, and hopefully a return to normal.

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