

The March 12th, 2025 meeting started at 7:00 pm and we watched the EAA chapter video.

After the video, Dustin Coleman told us about his flight from Rapid City to Fargo in N1742E in IMC when shortly after takeoff, he lost one engine and had to return to the airfield. Turned out that there was a large amount of rust in the engine. They decided to check the other engine which was worse so both engines needed to be overhauled.

The Air Park north of town near Elk Vale Rd and Haines Ave intersections update:

The main runway will be a 5000 foot paved surface and the grass runway will be 2500 feet long. The lots have been plotted and will have taxi access to the runway. It will be a gated community.

The aviation event at South Dakota School Of Mines for 15 high school students will be June 16 thru the 19th. They will be able to use the simulators and given information about aviation career opportunities, and later given rides at the airport.

We talked about Chapter Camping at Oshkosh to find out who is going this year and we have to get the reservation in as soon as possible. Please send your information and a check for \$351 payable to: EAA Chapter 39 along with you national EAA number and the type of camping unit you'll be bringing. Send the information to:

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Sturgis is still accepting donations for the new FBO.

We had a Fly-in at Wall on March 2, with 12 planes arriving for breakfast.

Be advised, the Philip airport is closed.

Meeting adjourned