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# THE STROBE EAA 512



JOIN US EVERY 3RD  
WEDNESDAY OF THE  
MONTH AT KPVF



We meet at the EAA 512 green Quonset hangar, on the north-western side of the airport



April thru October, join us for Potluck Picnic Social, 6pm; followed by General Meeting, 7pm

The chapter will provide hotdogs and hamburgers for the picnic. Please bring a side dish or dessert to share.

Bring your aviation enthusiasm and we will do our best to answer your questions and share the **many** exciting opportunities that the Experimental Aircraft Association has to offer our aviation community.

“O to speed where there is space enough and air enough at last!”  
~Walt Whitman

Above: Fledgling Ground School  
Below: Props, Cops, and Rodders Photo:Jim



OCTOBER 2024

# PRESIDENT'S COLUMN



Dear Members,

As we move into the heart of autumn, we still have some beautiful flying days ahead before winter arrives, so I encourage everyone to take advantage of the great weather while it lasts. Although fuel is still not available at the Placerville airport, Jackson is near by with very good prices.

Our October General Meeting will be an important one as we open nominations for the 2025 Board. I urge you to consider getting involved—whether you're a longtime member or relatively new to the chapter, joining the board is a great way to contribute and shape our chapter's future. Your participation and fresh ideas are always welcome!

~ **TIM SULLIVAN**

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## YOUR 512 BOARD

**President** Tim Sullivan

**Vice President** Jim Pinkowski

**Treasurer** Judi Gordon

**Secretary** Rob Bulaga

**General Directors**

Audrey Brand, Sean Conley-Widing

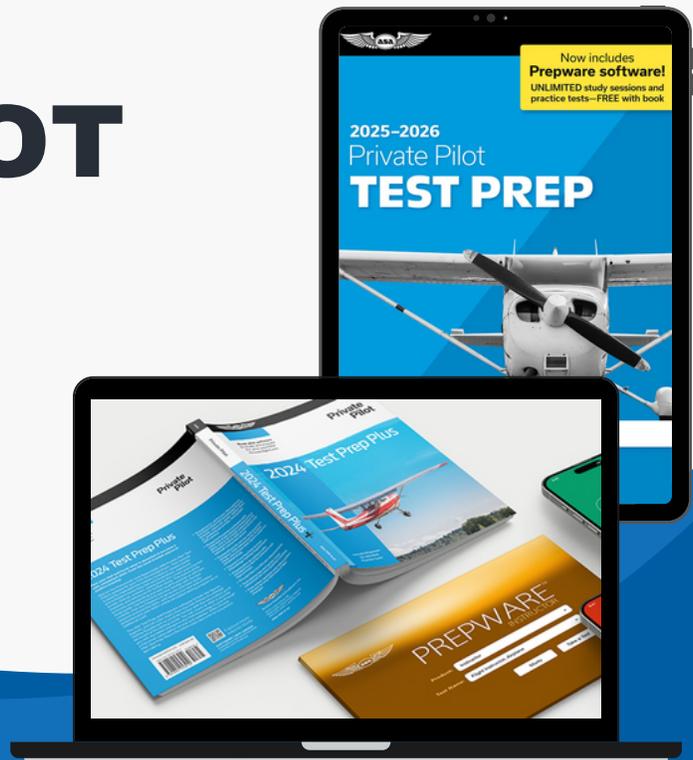
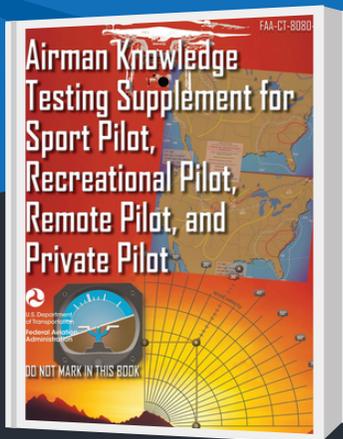
Looking for some light reading? Maybe some inspiration for your project?

[CHAPTERS.EAA.ORG/EAA512/PROJECTS/MEMBERS-BUILDERS-LOG](https://CHAPTERS.EAA.ORG/EAA512/PROJECTS/MEMBERS-BUILDERS-LOG)

Catch up on our Members Builder's logs!

# PRIVATE & SPORT PILOT GROUND SCHOOL

→ Led by Jeff Selling



## This course is intended to prepare you to take the FAA Written Exam

Week 1, January 11th, will be an orientation and then a short introduction to basis aircraft nomenclature. Followed by an opportunity to get up close and personal with several of our members aircraft.

We want both the person new to aviation, as well as those of you who have already started preparing for the FAA Written Test, but need some help crossing the finish line.

Materials are your responsibility.

There is no tuition. But understand that we are an all volunteer staff for a non-profit and would appreciate a donation of your choosing.

Please use our chapter email to communicate interest or any questions.

## Details

- ✓ Saturdays: 9:30 to 12:30 for 10 weeks, starting January 11th 2025
- ✓ Held at the EAA 512 Hangar
- ✓ These are not flight lessons

[CONTACT US TO ENROLL](#)



Oct  
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# Pancake Breakfast



**Thank you, volunteers, for making this event fun for more than 120 hungry people!**

**Audrey, Sean, Beki, Dale, John, Amy, Jim, Wayne, Jeff, Doug, Rob, and Sam**



## ATTENTION PILOTS

Young Eagles Day at KPVF is coming up!

Please set aside **October 26** to come out and share your passion for aviation with the next generation.



Young Eagles Flight



EAA Student Membership



EAA AeroEducate™



Sporty's Learn to Fly Course



FREE Flight Lesson

*Help make our Young Eagles Event Great!*

# EAA 512 IMC/VMC Club Meeting

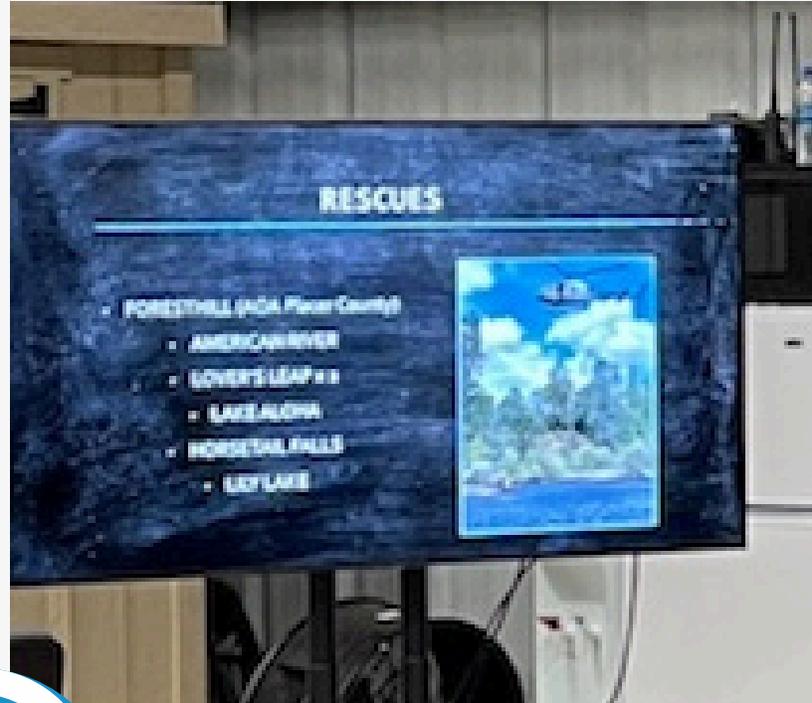
Join Bill Scanlon for Aviation Safety Analysis and "What Would You Do?"

Our Aviation Safety Analysis for discussion include the following: Human Factors for Pilots - Situational Awareness, Decision Making, Threat and Error Management and Design Automation. This is an audience participation event. After a brief Audio/Video presentation we ask "What Would You Do"? Everyone is encouraged to join in the discussion. Videos depicting actual flights that encountered challenges are chosen from a library provided by EAA .

**Pilots of all skill levels are encouraged to attend.**

To view further details and registration information for this seminar, [click here](#).





**Chapter Meeting**  
**Joseph Brown, speaker**

Sep  
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## PRESIDENT'S COLUMN, CONT'D.

October also brings our **Young Eagles event on the 26th**. It's always a rewarding experience, and I hope many of you will be able to participate or support in any way you can. Please contact Judi Gordon through our general email address for details and requirements. We can always use more pilots.

I would also like to take a moment to extend a special thank you to Beki Parks for all her hard work in putting together our monthly newsletters. She does a fantastic job keeping us informed and connected.

As we look ahead to next year, we are searching for a **Pancake Breakfast Coordinator for 2025**. If this is something you might be interested in, or if you'd like more information, please contact **Audrey Brand** at one of our general meetings.

Thank you for your continued support and dedication to our chapter. I look forward to seeing many of you at our upcoming events.

Blue skies and happy flying,

Tim Sullivan, President,  
EAA Chapter 512

SPOT AN ERROR?  
PUBLICIZE AN EVENT?  
SHARE A STORY OR PIC?  
CONTACT EDITOR BEKI PARKS  
SUBMISSIONS DUE BY THE 5TH



### Scholar's Update

Wade Clapson has 13.9 hours, and has just begun learning the traffic pattern and the appropriate radio calls





Tim's flight to Modesto  
pancakes breakfast

Sep  
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# CHAPTER 512 MERCH

- Chapter 512 Iron-On Patches \$5/ea.
- Chapter 512 "Baseball Style" Hats\* \$20/ea.
- Chapter 512 Insulated Travel Mugs \$30/ea.

**Supplies are limited so don't wait, order today!**

**Email Chapter 512 Merchandise Sales at [caa512pvf@gmail.com](mailto:caa512pvf@gmail.com)**



## WEAR YOUR LOGO WITH PRIDE!



### \*\*\*\* Chapter 512 Logo Shirts \*\*\*\*

- Men's Long Sleeve Shirt\* (XL) \$30/ea.
- Men's T-Shirt w/o Pocket\* (XL) \$20/ea.
- Men's Polo Shirt w/ Collar\* (L) \$40/ea.
- Men's T-Shirt w/ Pocket\* (XL, L & M) \$25/ea.
- Women's V-Neck Shirt\* (XXL, XL, L & M) \$20/ea.
- Youth T-Shirts\* (L, M, & S) \$15/ea.

\* Various colors available

# The \$500 Breakfast Club

Please join us 8:30am  
October 19!  
RSVP to Judi Gordon

We're bringing together aviation enthusiasts to raise funds for EAA Chapter 512. Together, we'll support hangar maintenance, fund scholarships, and plan unforgettable activities and events.

Come hungry and ready to contribute! Enjoy a delicious potluck brunch while sharing your creative fundraising ideas.

## FLEDGLING GROUND SCHOOL

EAA 512 Treasurer Judi Gordon holds a mini "Ground School" for kids passionate about aviation, but still just a bit too young to start official lessons.

Topics are taught at an age-appropriate level, and are engaging and interactive. Meetings are held quarterly at Judi's home in Cameron Park @ O61. Lessons are followed by snacks and an aviation-related movie.

**To join us for Quarter 4 in December, contact Judi at [ea512pvf@gmail.com](mailto:ea512pvf@gmail.com)**

The 1st quarter's topic was "Phonetic Alphabet", followed by "Traffic Pattern and Comms" in the 2nd quarter, then Aviation Bingo in the 3rd.





# Fledgling Ground School, Quarter 4

Sep 22



What's that aircraft?

Red	Autorotate	Twin Beech	Car fuel
N442M	Parachute	side-by-side	Magni
Rotor	Pinni	N784M	Cabin





## Please Volunteer, We need YOU!

- GRANT/FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE
- GROUND SCHOOL INSTRUCTORS & HELP
- PILOTS FOR YOUNG EAGLES

**VOLUNTEER**

● LIVE

# BREAKING NEWS

DONATE YOUR RECYCLED CANS AND BOTTLES! DROP OFF AT THE GENERAL MEETING OR CONTACT US AND WE CAN GET YOU IN TOUCH WITH HAL STEPHENS.

**THANK YOU MARK EVON FOR DONATING A BBQ GRILL FOR OUR CHAPTER PICNICS!!!! WE APPRECIATE YOU SO MUCH!!**

### WANTED: Charts

Please donate your RECENTLY expired San Francisco VFR Sectional charts and spare Navigation plotters for our upcoming Private/Sport Pilot Ground School starting early next year.

Contact: [Jeff Selling](#)

### Going my way?

I'm looking for a ride in your airplane. I will pay for the fuel. I don't have to be at the controls. More unique the better (Stearman, Stinson, Luscombe, Taylorcraft, Ercoupe, Experimental) but a Piper or Cessna is good too.

Thanks! ~[Jeff Selling](#)

### NOW ACCEPTING MEMBER ADVERTISEMENTS IN THE STROBE!

DO YOU HAVE AN AIRPLANE TO SELL? PARTS THAT YOU WANT TO BUY? HOW ABOUT A YARD SALE, BIRTHDAY WISHES, OR PROMOTING YOUR BUSINESS? CONTACT US FOR PRICING

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO POST AN EVENT TO THE ATTENTION OF OUR MEMBERSHIP, PLEASE CONTACT JIM PINKOWSKI OR MICHAEL ZWIJACZ: [EAA512PVF@GMAIL.COM](mailto:EAA512PVF@GMAIL.COM)

MINUTES OF ALL MEETINGS, BOTH BOARD AND CHAPTER, ARE ON THE [WEBSITE UNDER "CHAPTER MISC"](#)

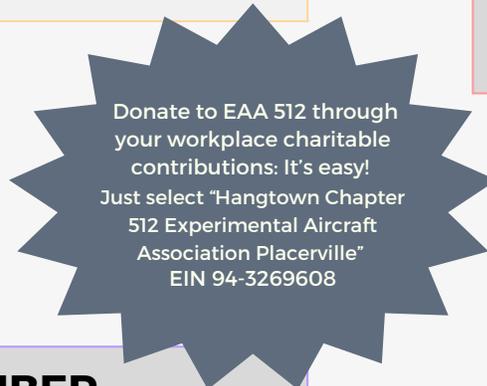
Please send ideas for future fly-outs to [Jim Pinkowski](#)



# UPCOMING EVENTS

OCTOBER	
Wed, 16	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Picnic 6pm; General Meeting &amp; Presentation, 7pm @ KPVE.</li> </ul> <p><b>Last Picnic of the year!</b>  <b>Speaker: <u>Glenn Gordon, Timber Tiger Aircraft</u></b></p> <p><b>Nominations for 2025 Board of Directors opens</b></p>
Sat, 19	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><u>\$500 Breakfast Club, 8:30am @ Gordon's home, O61</u></li> </ul>
Sat, 26	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b><u>Young Eagles Rally at KPVE</u></b></li> </ul>

NOVEMBER	
Mon, 04	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><u>IMC/VMC Club Meeting with Wings credit! 7pm @ KPVE</u></li> </ul>
Wed, 13	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Board Meeting, 6pm @ KPVE</li> </ul>
Sat, 16	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><u>\$500 Breakfast Club, 8:30am @ Gordon's home, O61</u></li> </ul>
Wed, 20	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>General Meeting &amp; Presentation, 7pm @ KPVE.</li> </ul> <p><b>Speaker: Bob Star - ICING, a Case Study</b></p> <p><b>2025 Board of Directors Voting</b></p>



The 1st Saturday and Sunday of the month are **Historical Aircraft Display Days**, 8am-12pm @ KPVE \*



DECEMBER	
TBD	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><u>IMC/VMC Club Meeting with Wings credit! 7pm @ KPVE</u></li> </ul>
TBD	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><u>Fledgling Ground School, 1pm @ Gordon's home, O61</u></li> </ul>
Wed, 18	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>EAA 512 Holiday Party &amp; 50th retrospective, 7pm @ KPVE</li> </ul>
Sat, 21	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><u>\$500 Breakfast Club, 8:30am @ Gordon's home, O61</u></li> </ul>

JANUARY	
Sat, 11	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ground School, 9:30-12:30 @KPFV</li> </ul>
Wed, 15	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>General Meeting &amp; Presentation, 7pm @ KPVE. Speaker TBD</li> </ul>
Sat, 18	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><u>\$500 Breakfast Club, 8:30am @ Gordon's home, O61</u></li> </ul>
TBD	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><u>Fledgling Ground School, 1pm @ Gordon's home, O61</u></li> </ul>

\* Not an EAA Chapter 512 event



# OCTOBER CHAPTER MEETING PRESENTATION

## Glenn Gordon

512's resident Engineer, Builder, and Tinkerer talks about advances in the Timber Tiger portfolio and shares updates on his own build!

### MISSING OUR EMAILS?

If you are not receiving a monthly notice from the chapter about the general meeting and other events, please follow the appropriate procedure below if you are using one or more of these accounts.

#### Gmail users:

check your spam folder

PC/Browser: Drag and drop this email to your "Primary" tab

Mobile: tap the 3 dots, then "Move to," then "Primary"

#### Apple iCloud Mail users:

Add our email to your VIP list

#### Outlook users:

Add our email to your favorites

[eea512pvf@gmail.com](mailto:eea512pvf@gmail.com)

TRIED EVERYTHING & STILL NO NEWSLETTER? EMAIL THE EDITOR & WE MAY BE ABLE TO HELP\*

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If you can spare \$5 or \$10 monthly for a latte, please instead consider becoming a monthly supporter of EAA 512!

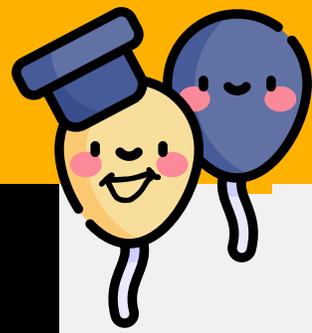
*Truly Grateful for you.*



Thank you to our generous members for contributing to Young Eagles, to our hangar maintenance, and so much more!

# LIGHTER THAN AIR

JUST FOR FUN



## AV8R Word Search

Pilot	Departure
Propeller	Landing strip
Airport	Maintenance
Altitude	Airspace
Payload	Cockpit
Approach	Fuselage
Flaps	Supersonic
Strip	Compass

P E S O X A E M B L Z W J E R  
 S J H H J L P T I P K C O C W  
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