

Minutes

EAA Chapter 512 Monthly General Gathering January 15, 2025

Meeting called to order at 7:05 PM by: Rob Bulaga

No. Present: 32

Guests / New members: 5

CHAPTER HAPPENINGS

President, Rob Bulaga:

- **Introductions and Welcomes – Guests and new or returning members:** Dale Busk, Colin, and Michael Bauman of Lee's Feed. **Speaker: Bob Starr**
- **Projects, member milestones – Jim Golding** is giving up his airplane; please contact him for details
- **Ground School** – Jeff Selling updated that although in November he had only 2 students enrolled; at his first class, 30 students were in attendance, ages 16+
 - The majority of the referrals came as a result of the EAA National Chapter Blast. Other contacts came as a result of: Social Media posts, word of mouth, the newsletter, and the Mountain Democrat ad. President Bulaga commended the staff at EAA National for quickly and efficiently correcting the date error that was brought to their attention.
 - Jeff thanked Cliff for the Nav Plotters and requested donations of used E6Bs.

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Board and Committee Member Updates:

- **Treasurer** – Judi distributed the 2024 Profit & Loss, Balance Sheet, and Income/Expense report for member review. The most pressing budgetary need is for hangar maintenance.
- **Hangar** – Rob remarked that the building was moved from Alameda Air Station 50 years ago. It needs both weatherproofing and structural reinforcement and repair.
- **Tool Crib** – Dale announced that we have a new drill press! We are considering selling the mill because it hasn't been used in years.
- **IMC/VMC** – Rob reported that it's going strong!
- **Recycling** – Audrey is assisting Hal. Judi mentioned that we've made \$846 over the last 2 years from recycling efforts
- **Scholarships** – Matt and Rob let us know that Ray Aviation is being increased to \$12k with 25% matching still required. We need candidates with a passion for flying and a willingness to work hard. We have until October to select a candidate, age 15-19. Don Knight stressed to all present that a history of chapter engagement is a key indicator the selection committee will consider.
- **Fledgling Ground School** – Completed Quarter 1 this week, instruments. Great turnout.
- **\$500 Breakfast Club** – Judi let us know that we're averaging \$1,100 per month in fundraising activities attributable to the club, and mentioned the items for sale at tonight's meeting.

BREAK

- **Thank you, Phyllis, for the delicious cookies during tonight's break!**
- **SNACK SIGNUPS** - Let's have snacks at winter meetings, again! Signup sheet was posted, asking for two people to bring one item each. Beki and Phyllis volunteered for February.

Member Updates:

- **Vonderworths** – Gave an update on their family craft project: scale gliders. Trent (16) showed off a large aircraft built from scratch using dollar store T-16 foam board. The detail was impressive – he taught himself by watching YouTube tutorials.

PRESENTATION – Bob Starr, Icing: A Case Study

Meeting adjourned at 8:53 PM by: Rob Bulaga