



Experimental Aircraft Association
Chapter 533

President's Message March 2020

Hi Everyone,

I hope that all of you are staying safe and healthy as we work our way through the ongoing coronavirus pandemic. At this point it's anyone's guess how long this will last, but we're fortunate that the local area hasn't seen too many people found to have contracted the disease. Let's hope that continues to be the case. I also hope that you're managing to avoid cabin fever for the most part.

As part of the social distancing that we're all supposed to be practicing, I'm canceling the April board meeting that would have been held on April 1st. Hopefully things will be better by the time the May meeting comes around, but we'll play it by ear. As far as the member breakfasts and the Thursday work nights, they have fewer than 10 people, so we'll leave those to the discretion of the individual participants. Please keep in mind that a significant proportion of our membership falls into the higher risk category, so if you have any question

at all about your own health or your potential to be a carrier, err on the side of caution.

On a lighter note, and for those that might be flying in the near future, the Painted-Post airport is upgrading the runway lighting. That means the runway will be closed at times, so please take a look at the note elsewhere in the newsletter if this might impact you.

We're planning to have a Young Eagle and Flying Start event on May 16th – International Learn to Fly Day. While we aren't postponing it yet, there's a good possibility we might have to, depending on how things go between now and then. We'll keep everyone up to date on our plans, but if you know anyone who might be interested, or who has kids that might be interested, please let them know about it. If we can't do it on the 16th, we'll still do it when we can, so please spread the word if you have the opportunity.

I've mentioned previously that Andrea Muller-Hoff has been working on our new website, and it's looking good. While you're stuck inside trying to find things to do, take a look. The address is still www.eaa533.org. If you have any suggestions on things you'd like to see on the site, please let me know.

Stay safe in the coming weeks, and hopefully things will be looking better by the time our next newsletter comes out.

Blue skies,

Jim

EAA 533 Board of Directors Meeting Minutes for March 4, 2020

Attending: David Baker, John Flanagan, Brian Jones, Sharon Kaiser, Lou Kossler, Andrea Muller-Hoff, Jim Suggs, Mike Taveniku

Excused: David Javarey

Members: Dick Welles

Guests: Osi Ciminera, Laura and Robert McAfee

Meeting called to order at 7:10PM by President Jim Suggs. Minutes of the previous board meeting read by Brian Jones. Upon motion of Andrea Muller-Hoff, second by Lou Kossler, and vote, the minutes were approved as read.

John Flanagan said the Treasurer's Report could not be presented, as he left his record book at home. He will email the report to Sharon Kaiser, to be included in the minutes. Board will accept the report at the next meeting.

Checking Account:	\$27,023.27
CD:	\$11,236.09
Total:	\$38,259.36

Cessna 140 - Status: Jim Suggs stated that Sharon Kaiser reported that the twist-type flap handle is not

holding. Inspection revealed that a notch has almost worn through on the handle mechanism. The plane is grounded, pending a repair.

J-3 Cub - Status: Jim Suggs reported that the engine was ground run on Sunday. The oil screen will be inspected at the Thursday work session for metal. Jim also commented that he liked Dave Baker's idea about holding the work sessions on the first Wednesday of each month, following the board meetings. The rest of the month they will remain on Thursday.

Hovercraft Update: lift duct glassing still in progress.

New Members, hangar access requests: Nothing new this month.

2020 Events

Jim Suggs reported that EAA 533 has been approved for a Ray Scholarship, in the amount of \$9,000.00. Luke Pratt, a member of the Cadet Squadron of the local Civil Air Patrol, will be the recipient.

Young Eagles in May: After discussion, the event will be held Saturday, May 16th. It will count as a Merit Badge for participating Scouts. It was noted that EAA Flying Start 2020 will also be May 16th. As EAA 533 did last year, we will host both events.

FAA Safety Seminar: Jim Suggs will check with Bill Abbott, Rochester FFAST Program Manager, about doing a presentation.

Miscellaneous Items

Guests Laura and Robert McAfee were welcomed. Both are aviation enthusiasts, and Robert is a private pilot.

Website: Andrea Muller-Hoff reported that a members-only section is doable. She will also make a section for the flying club; it will include a scheduling calendar.

Wes sign for hangar: status unchanged

Open Floor

Sharon Kaiser received a thank you card from Kammie Morrisey, thanking EAA 533 for the donation to the Red Cross in memory of Bob Bell.

Sharon reported that she had a recent conversation with Aaron Clark, manager of the FBO Premier Aviation. Aaron was at the board meeting on January 8, 2020, where he stated that members of EAA 533 who own their own aircraft are eligible for a fuel discount. Sharon told Aaron that she would provide him with a list of eligible members, and their tail numbers. She will contact members for the information.

Len Solomon's wife, Mary, is in the hospital.

There being no further business, upon motion of Mike Taveniku, second by Andrea Muller-Hoff, and vote, the meeting was adjourned at 7:42PM.

Respectfully submitted, Sharon Kaiser, Secretary

Member Information

 **Like us on Facebook.** Search for EAA 533 on Facebook or go to: www.facebook.com/EAA533.

**** The website is up and running!** Hangar Tenant Agreement and Semiannual Aircraft Review Checklist as well as the hangar procedures document are available on the **website:** www.eaa533.org

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Chapter Activities
(All dates and times subject to change)

NEXT board meeting: Because of the quarantine the April 1st Board Meeting has been cancelled. The next board meeting is *scheduled* for May 6th.

Regular chapter work nights will continue ***every*** Thursday night from **7-10pm!!**

Ongoing Chapter Project! We are constructing a **UH-12T4 Hovercraft!** This new project hopefully will get members involved and active, in addition they can learn skills appropriate to all types of aircraft construction. All members and non-members are encouraged to participate! Please come participate, invite your friends and family, all are welcome!

Hovercraft and membership meetings will continue and be **held the 3rd Thursday of every month.**

Sharon Kaiser is finalizing the 2020 membership roster in March. If you have not yet sent **in your renewal/dues, please get them to Sharon.**

Young Eagles and Flying Start event will be held on **May 16th – International Learn to Fly Day.** Watch next month's newsletter for details.

Fly-In/Drive-In Breakfasts will begin on the **first Sunday in June** and continue **thru October.**

Painted Post Airport Notice:

FYI: The Corning-Painted Post Airport is undergoing some improvements to our runway lights and as such the airport will be under a temporary closure. The details of the closure are below, but the main takeaway is that airplanes will not be able to fly during these times and vehicles may also have limited access to hangars while construction crews are present. If you would like to fly

please plan to do so outside of the scheduled closure times below.

- Closure begins: Monday, March 30th, 2020
- Closure ends: TBD (contract is for one month--but may be complete in one week!)
- Closure times: 7am to 3:30pm (Monday - Friday)
- Lessons will be held out of KELM during the closure unless you coordinate otherwise with your instructor. Please contact Jim or Lou for meeting instructions.
- Tenants may station aircraft at Atlantic FBO at KELM during these hours for a fee. Please contact Atlantic or Jim for more information.
- We will send another email updating everyone when the project is complete.

If you have any questions, please contact us at 607-962-0053 or CostaAirService@gmail.com

Best wishes,

Jim Doane

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