



WHITE MOUNTAIN CHAPTER 586

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EXPERIMENTAL AIRCRAFT ASSOCIATION CHAPTER 586

2024 PANCAKE BREAKFAST FLY-IN

SHOW LOW REGIONAL AIRPORT

MAY 11, 2024



JOIN US FOR A DAY OF AVIATION FUN

**Serving Pancakes, Eggs, Sausage, Coffee, and Juice
from 7:00 AM to 11:00 AM**

Adult Meal \$9 Youth under 12 years \$6 Active Military with ID Free

Show low Regional Airport 3150 Airport Loop Rd Show Low Arizona 85901

Enter airport from US 60, turn right and follow the signs to parking.

Information and Presentations For:

Young Eagles and Eagles Flights, EAA Build and Fly Program, Flight Instruction, Aircraft Building

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Congrats to Kelly Port and Kyle Burch!



Kelly Port



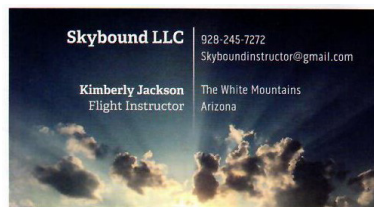
Kyle Burch

Kelly and Kyle recently soloed which is quite an accomplishment in flight training. When the instructor steps out and you're alone for the first time in the airplane taxiing to the active runway, a rush of adrenaline flows followed by some fear and uncertainty before you remind yourself that the instructor has confidence in your ability and you've got this! The reality is however that your safety net is no longer with you and it's entirely up to you to safely fly and land the airplane once you take off. The first lap has your full attention and you successfully touch down, taxi back and take off as your instructor looks on. Second lap is a success also, so you taxi back for the 3rd lap. By now, you've realized that your instructor has done a great job teaching you how to fly the airplane. On your 3rd lap, you're much more relaxed and excited about the accomplishment and look forward to the next steps on the path to your PPL. After the 3rd landing, you taxi to where your instructor is waiting to congratulate you. You shut the plane down and can't get that grin off your face because you now know that you can and will complete your flight training!

A shout out to CFI's Jeremy Hill and Kimberly Jackson both of which have been putting in the hours working with their students and helping them on the path to a certificate!

Do you want to get in on the action but don't know where to start?

Reach out to Kimberly or Jeremy and they can get you going.



Need to rent a plane for training, you're in luck... Silver Creek Aviation has you covered!
(928) 421-3459

Get Information and Alerts About Chapter Events!

text

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(844) 427-5026

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Check this out from the EAA Sport Aviation Magazine!

MEMBERCENTRAL

VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT

DON AND SHAY LUSK

DON AND SHAY LUSK, EAA 1475013 and 1495171, of EAA Chapter 586 in Show Low, Arizona, have a passion for sharing the wonders aviation has to offer with people of all ages.

Don has been fascinated by airplanes since he was a young child, taking trips with his mom to Phoenix Sky Harbor International Airport to watch airplanes land and take off. This fascination brought him to building and flying remote-controlled aircraft. “And then, it wasn’t a matter of if, it was a matter of when, I’d transition to the real thing,” he said. Don now holds a private pilot certificate and owns a 1971 Piper Cherokee Six and a 2007 Van’s RV-9A.

Don and Shay met while partying like it’s 1999 — literally. The now-married couple met during a karaoke night 25 years ago. Shay is not a pilot herself, but as many pilots’ spouses have experienced, it was hard not to find herself sucked into the world of aviation along with him.

At Don’s first chapter meeting in 2022, he discovered the chapter’s waning activity and learned of their search for a new Young Eagles pilot. He was happy to step up to the plate and even convinced two of his pilot friends to help as well. With Shay and one of the other pilot’s wives taking control of the administrative side, the couple’s first Young Eagles rally saw 44 kids in line for a flight. Though heavy winds put an early stop to that day’s rally, they came back the next two Saturdays to make sure every one of those kids got a flight.

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— Don Lusk

“From there, it’s really blossomed. We’re really excited about the program we’ve got going here,” Don said. The Lusks have put a lot of effort into revitalizing Chapter 586, including investing in a commercial-grade kitchen for their hangar and the proper permits to continue the pancake breakfast tradition. Shay is now the chapter’s secretary and Young Eagles and Eagle Flights coordinator, and Don was elected chapter president for 2024 and is also the Build and Fly program coordinator.

Of course, the chapter’s new-found growth would not have been possible without plenty of help from fellow volunteers. “There’s been a lot of people that have come alongside us to do it as well. Last year, we had a total of 63 volunteers come out at various events. We have a tremendous turnout of volunteers to support the chapter,” Don said.

Don and Shay organized their first Learn to Fly event in May 2023 and provided 11 Eagle Flights to adults. “It’s neat to see the look and excitement on a young person’s face, but I would say it’s equally exciting when you have an adult that’s never had their hands on the controls of an airplane,” Don said.

Following the Learn to Fly event, one of the participants, Brandon Monahan, was so inspired that he asked for advice on purchasing an airplane. With Don’s help, Brandon became the proud owner of a Cherokee 180 less than a month after his Eagle flight. Alongside Brandon in his journey to becoming a pilot is his son Abdi and his niece Elena, as all three are now on track to earn their private pilot certificates.

Abdi took his first flight in a small aircraft in early 2023 at a Young Eagles rally, and he got to work right away and soloed just months later in June. “He



Don and Shay Lusk in Lusk Hangar at Show Low Regional Airport in Show Low, Arizona.



Abdi Monahan and Don at a Young Eagles rally in April 2023.

was our little Young Eagle that came to us at 15, and six months later, he’s flying into a pancake breakfast,” Shay said. “We were just thrilled. It was so super, super cool to see that.”

Elena also has soloed, completing the major milestone in October 2023.

For AirVenture 2023, Don and a few chapter members made the journey to Oshkosh in his Cherokee Six. “It was a real treat to be able to take some people who maybe wouldn’t have an opportunity to go there,” he said. In addition to EAA, Don also volunteers for the local sheriff department, providing prisoner transport and assisting with search and rescue missions.

“It’s been a lot of fun, and it’s just our passion,” Don said. “I really enjoy sharing it with people.” **EAA**

THANK YOU, VOLUNTEERS

Volunteers make EAA AirVenture Oshkosh — and just about everything else EAA does — possible. This space in *EAA Sport Aviation* is dedicated to thanking and shining the spotlight on volunteers from the community. Sadly, it cannot capture all of the thousands of volunteers who give so much to the community every year. So, next time you see a volunteer at AirVenture or elsewhere, however they are pitching in to make EAA better, be sure to thank them for it. It’s the least we can do. Do you know a volunteer you’d like to nominate for Volunteer Spotlight? Visit [EAA.org/submissions](https://www.eaa.org/submissions).

Ever Dream of *Learning to Fly?*



If you've ever dreamed about flying, this **free informational meeting** will help you get off to a Flying Start!

- Experience recreational aviation firsthand with a free introductory flight
- Get practical answers to your questions about learning to fly
- Discover what you can do with a pilot certificate
- Learn about your local EAA chapter, airport, and flight training options
- Meet other people who share and support your interest in aviation

Event Information

Hosted by EAA Chapter 586

When: Saturday, May 18, 2024
7:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Where: EAA Chapter 586 Lusk Hangar
3750 E Corporate Way
Show Low, AZ 85901

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TWO MONTH LOOK AHEAD

| 2024 MAY | | | | | | |
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| SUNDAY | MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY | SATURDAY |
| 28 | 29 | 30 | 1 | 2 VMC CLUB & FOREFLIGHT WORKSHOP | 3 | 4 FLYOUT COOLIDGE B-FAST |
| 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 PANCAKE BREAKFAST YE BUILD & FLY |
| 12 MOTHER'S DAY | 13 | 14 | 15 IRS 990N DEADLINE | 16 | 17 | 18 LEARN TO FLY DAY (EAGLES) SUE'S CREW |
| 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 YE BUILD & FLY |
| 26 | 27 MEMORIAL DAY | 28 BOARD MEETING | 29 | 30 | 31 | 1 |

May Highlights:

- 2nd - VMC Club Meeting & ForeFlight Workshop
- 4th - Fly-Out Coolidge
- 11th - Pancake Breakfast & YE Build & Fly
- 18th - Learn to Fly
- 25th - YE Build & Fly
- 28th - Board Meeting

| 2024 JUNE | | | | | | |
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| SUNDAY | MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY | SATURDAY |
| 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 | 31 | 1 CRUZ'N THE RIM CAR SHOW SPRINGVLL AIR EXPO |
| 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 VMC CLUB & FOREFLIGHT WORKSHOP | 6 | 7 | 8 GATHERING YE BUILD & FLY |
| 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 |
| 16 FATHER'S DAY | 17 | 18 | 19 JUNE- TEENTH | 20 | 21 HOT AIR BALLOON FESTIVAL | 22 YE RALLY YE BUILD & FLY |
| 23 HOT AIR BALLOON FESTIVAL | 24 | 25 BOARD MEETING | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 FLYOUT PAYSON B-FAST |
| 30 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 |

June Highlights:

- 1st - Springerville AirExpo
- 6th - VMC Club Meeting & ForeFlight Workshop
- 8th - Chapter Gathering
- 8th - YE Build & Fly
- 22nd - YE Rally
- 22nd - YE Build & Fly
- 21st - Balloon Festival
- 22nd - Balloon Festival
- 23rd - Balloon Festival
- 25th - Board Meeting
- 29th - Fly-Out Payson

VMC Club Meeting

Question of the Month - *How do airplane flight characteristics change as the CG is moved from a forward position to an aft position, and why?*

VMC Video of the Month - *A Tight Pattern*

ForeFlight Workshop - *Airports*

Come join us as we watch the video of the month. After watching the video, we will discuss it and reveal the answer to the question of the month. All are welcome to attend and we hope to see you there!

Date: Thursday, May 2nd 2024

Time: 5:30 to 6:00pm Dinner
6:00 to 7:00pm Club Meeting
7:00 to 7:30pm ForeFlight Workshop

Where: Show Low Airport (KSOW)
Chapter Hangar (Lusk Hangar)
3150 E. Corporate Way
Show Low, AZ 85901



Reminder!

Our next Chapter Gathering is Saturday, June 8th with the social hour starting at 9am and the gathering starting at 10am. Hope to see you there!

Day: Second Saturday of the Month
Time: 9:00am to 10:00am Social Hour
10:00am to 11:am Chapter Gathering
Location: EAA 586 Hangar (Lusk hangar)
(south hangars on E. Corporate Way)



If you know someone that *Builds... Flies... or Dreams* about Aviation, please invite them to join us!

Best regards from EAA White Mountain Chapter 586