

Chapter News

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Chapter News—Let's Get Going!

VICE-PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

We had a great visit during February's board meeting. Richard picked up Jim and brought him to hang out with us. He's still wearing his neck and back brace, but he's looking great. I'm sure we'll see more of him in our meetings as he recovers. I hope everyone will be able to attend some of the presentations during January's Homebuilder's week. But if you missed them, don't worry, you can still watch the presentations by searching for them on EAA's website. Last month's meeting was a little tough with the weather, we ended up postponing our normally scheduled meeting because of a snowstorm. We should have probably canceled the second one as well for the same reason. The soups were fantastic, but due to the weather, we nearly had the same number of soups as we did attendees. Having said that, I'd like to thank Doug Dal Soglio for his presentation on Technical Counselor duties and what they provide for us builders. We're going to have to do this again, maybe when the weather can't be an issue.

Our meeting on 15 February will focus on Colorado Aviation. We're also adding some time for Dave Elliot to give us the current state of KFLY, so don't miss it. As far as lunch we're going to pull out the Honey Baked Ham leftovers, from Christmas, and make sliders. We're also going to be adding to that with other meats and cheeses so you can build your own sandwiches; fingers crossed the weather cooperates with us this month.

Don't forget that our anniversary dinner is in March and will be held at The Old Spaghetti Factory. So, get your tickets ASAP. See someone from the board to get your reservation paid for. We will meet at 6PM on 15 March 2025. The price is \$35 per person, just as it was last year. That will cover your soft drink (specialty drinks or alcohol will not be covered). You will have a choice of Chicken Parmesan, Lasagna, Spaghetti w/ meat sauce or just marinara sauce. Dessert will be either Spumoni or Vanilla ice cream, your choice. We will also have cheesy bread for appetizers. Come join us to celebrate our anniversary and hang out with everyone, it's always been a great get-together event.

Now for the best news, we're planning for the largest event that I can remember. This year's EAA Learn to Fly event is going to be spectacular! We have at least five flights schools lined up, one major maintenance school, and we're still working on FAA ATC representation. We've invited pretty much everyone on Meadow Lake to show you what they do here. We'll be providing breakfast through lunch as we're keeping the hangar and ramp open from 9AM to 3PM for everyone to come and visit. We're still working out the details for food and who will provide what, but it will be available throughout the day. The MLAA board has agreed to shut down the Bravo ramp area for this event. The ramp and building will be opened by 8AM so that we can get all the airplanes safely parked for our static displays, and we'll be setting up booths right after that. The doors will not open until 9AM, so don't expect to be allowed on the ramp or in the building unless you're presenting. We will need a lot of volunteers to help us safely pull off this event. The public is invited and we're expecting a very large crowd, so parking will not be in our normal MLAA building's parking. Presenters and volunteers will get reserved MLAA parking, but normal attendees will be parking in the field to the west of the MLAA building. Get with me if you're willing to volunteer and I'll be coordinating all assignments and positions.

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I'd like to thank everyone for your support and dedication to this chapter.

Bill Epperson Jr.

Vice President, EAA Bruce McCombs Chapter 72



2025 EAA Chapter 72 meetings/programs

<u>Date / Start time</u>	<u>Topic</u>	<u>Food</u>
15 Feb / 11am	Colorado Aviation - Hetty Carlson State of KFLY – Dave Elliot	Sandwiches
15 Mar / 6pm	Spaghetti Factory Dinner, EAA-72 anniversary	The Old Spaghetti Factory
19 Apr / 11am	Aviation Decision Making – Kenneth Johnson	Burgers & Brats
17 May / 9am-3pm	EAA Nat'l Learn to Fly Day & Fly-in	Breakfast & lunch (outside help)
21 Jun / 9AM-noon	KFLY project tour	Burgers & Brats
12 Jul / 7:30am	July EAA meeting is fly-out to Kelly Airpark	Pancake Breakfast
16 Aug / 11am	Mountain Flying and survival	Burgers & Brats
20 Sep / 8am-noon	Annual Fly-In	Pancake breakfast
18 Oct / 11am	Stories from the trenches - What I learned while building	TBD
15 Nov / 11am	Annual business meeting & Board Elections	Chili Cookoff
Dec / TBD	Christmas Party, MLAA Hangar	Honey Baked Ham

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OTHER UPCOMING EVENTS

• Feb. 18-20	EAA Virtual Ultra-Light Days (afternoon & evening seminars)	daily
• Mar. 8	Coffee & Donuts, MLAA Hangar	9-11 am
• Mar. 8	Young Eagles Rally, MLAA Ramp	9 am-12 pm
• Apr. 5 or 26	EAA Hangar Spring Cleaning (aviation garage sale)	9 am-12 pm
• Apr. 9	VMC/IMC Meeting	6-7:30 pm
• Apr. 12	Coffee & Donuts, MLAA Hangar	9-11 am
• May 10	Coffee & Donuts, MLAA Hangar	9-11 am
• May 10	Young Eagles Rally, MLAA Ramp	9 am-12 pm

Announcements

• Membership News & Dues:

As a reminder, annual memberships expired on 31 Dec 2024. We are excited that membership renewals for 2025 have exceeded 70 so far. Annual dues are \$35 but many members have selected the new 3-year term at a discounted price of \$30 per year, or \$90. If you have not renewed your membership for 2025, be advised that the Board voted last year to suspend Simulator privileges for those that have not paid their dues by 31 Jan 2025. This past weekend we began the process of suspending Simulator privileges for those past due members. So, if you find that you cannot schedule the simulator, you now know why.

You may pay your dues to the Membership Chairman, Greg Wolff, in several ways. Note, we are finding that the credit card charge is really convenient for all of us. Options:

Call Greg Wolff @ 314-705-2100 and renew over the phone using your credit card.

Contact Greg at one of the club meetings with a check, cash, or credit card.

Mail a check made out to "EAA 72" to:

Greg Wolff

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- I have 3 hangars I want to sell. Terry Breese tlbasa85@yahoo.com
- Guys, I was able to attend the Meeting and soup lunch a few weeks ago. Good to see so many guys on a snowy day. I have decided to sell my plane and not continue to try to get my Sport Pilot License. Too many obstacles including health and age. I'm impressed with so many of you still flying and taking kids up for an Eagle Flight or working on your planes. I will be selling my Zenith 750 STOL in the next few months. Let me know if you know of someone interested. It has its Airworthiness certificate and its Registration. I'm in the hangar behind the main mailboxes at the main gate. It must finish its Phase I testing tasks. It has been up in the Meadowlake Pattern 7 times with my test pilot. I have some other 750 components too. I can't come this month due to a family activity.
Contact me at 719-635-3672 or text.
Blessings,

John and Johanna Moe
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Have You Registered for EAA Virtual Ultralight Days? February 18-20

We're only a week away from our fourth annual Virtual Ultralight Days! Join us February 18-20 to hear from experts on all things ultralights during our free, live webinars.

Topics covered will include how to get started in ultralights; how-to information on a variety of ultralight and other light aircraft; and overall informative topics on maintenance, airport operations, safety inspections, and more!

View the upcoming schedule and register today!

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Chapter Financials

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As of 02/01/2025

<u>Date</u>	<u>Purpose</u>	<u>Amount</u>
1/31/2025	Checking Balance	\$5,772.13
1/31/2025	Scholarship Account	\$13,876.46
1/31/2025	Savings Account	\$38,184.85

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Chapter Meeting

Date: Feb. 15, 2025

Time: 11:00

Topic: Hetty Carlson, Colorado Aviation
Followed by Sandwich Luncheon.

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Will certify airplanes for food

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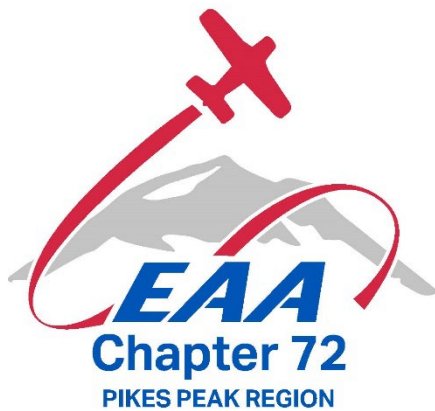
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About our Chapter

The Bruce McCombs EAA Chapter 72 meets at Meadow Lake Airport. Meetings are held on the 3rd Saturday of each month with a breakfast or lunch. Look for the calendar of events to highlight special chapter activities like Young Eagle Rallies, fly-outs, and other chapter sponsored events. The Chapter Newsletter is published monthly, normally emailed, and available on the website a few days before each meeting. Readers are encouraged to contribute articles, photos, etc. by submitting them to the Newsletter Editor by the first Saturday of each month.

Annual membership is \$35 or 3 years for \$90 . Send to: Membership chairman Greg Wolff, 19773 Kershaw Ct. Monument, CO 80132.