

Chapter News

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Chapter News—Let's Get Going!

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Jerome Limoge, AME, was to be our speaker last month and bring us up to date on Basic Med, but due to a small mess-up with our scheduling, Jerry wasn't able to make it. Good news is that Jerry is still willing to meet with us as soon as we can work out a new schedule. In Jerry's absence, I asked anyone at the meeting who had a project under construction, to fill us in on their progress. I don't know why I was so surprised to hear about all of the projects being built off field. WOW! There are going to be a lot more homebuilt airplanes at Meadow Lake fairly soon. It would be interesting to know how many of the nearly 450-500 airplanes at Meadow Lake are homebuilt. I would guess that number is 25% or more, and growing.

The scholarships have been awarded to four deserving students. They start flying in May, and must complete their PPL within one year. These students are so excited that it may not even take six months. It will be fun to follow them along with their training.

We have a Young Eagle Day scheduled for May 13, then on the following weekend, May 20, is National Learn to Fly Day. We have invited the parents of students enrolled in the Aero Lab classes to attend, and go for an Eagle Flight if they would like to. We have also invited parents and teachers for School District 11 to attend. **I think it's fairly obvious that we need pilots with planes, and lots of them, to take all of the potential adults for a ride. We also need our Y/E ground crew to marshal planes around.** Mitchell High School has started an aviation program for District 11. I believe that Mitchell is the only high school in Colorado Springs with an aviation program. John Lewis, an ex-Air Force pilot, is the instructor who started the program. He has around 15 students in his class and they have ordered and received a RANS S-21 slow build kit! Last weekend, Randy and Shelly Schlitter, owners of RANS, were here to visit the class, and take a look at the S-21 that Ken Hendrickson built. John Lewis with his class, Ken Hendrickson and the Schlitter's were able to invade Gene's paint shop where Ken's S-21 is being painted. It was a really great weekend.

Not only is May 20 Learn to Fly Day, we also have scheduled a pancake breakfast starting at 8:00 AM on that day. Let's hope that the next two weekends cooperate weather-wise!
See you all Saturday. Blue Skies,

Jim Steward, President
EAA Bruce McCombs Chapter 72

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UPCOMING EVENTS

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| • May 10 | VMC/IMC club meeting, MLAA classroom | 6-7 pm |
| • May 13 | Coffee & Donuts, Young Eagle Rally | 9-11 am |
| • May 15-20 | EAA Learn-to-Fly week | |
| • May 20 | Learn-to Fly Day, Pancake Fly-in, MLAA hangar | 8-11 am |
| • June 10 | Coffee & Donuts, Int'l Young Eagle Day | 9-11 am |

YOUNG EAGLE RALLY, May 13, 2023

Volunteers,

Our next Rally will be on May 13th, and I'll put a list of the dates on the bottom of this message, so you can mark the dates. My plan is to fly 30 children per Rally if able, and we are already full for the May event. I hope you all have a great weekend! See you this Saturday.

2023 Young Eagles Rallies-

May 13th, June 10th, July 8th, August 12th, September 9th, October 14th, November 11th.



God bless you all.

Jeff Hyatt

Young Eagles Coordinator, EAA72

719-649-3869

Greetings Friends and Colleagues of Michael Cranford. I'm excited to share some good news: the IRS has determined that donations to the Michael V Cranford Flight Scholarship are tax deductible.

The scholarship exists to honor Mike Cranford. Students who are awarded the scholarship exemplify Cran's values of patriotism, integrity, selfless service to others, and excellence in all they do.

SOAR Foundation helps administer the fund. The Foundation's goal is to inspire and assist students in pursuing aviation and aerospace careers, focusing on students who aim to achieve certification in powered flight, gliders, drones, and aviation mechanics. You may recall that Cran was a SOAR Foundation instructor.

The scholarship committee includes Cran's sister, Sue Parker, his brother, Bob Cranford and Cran's friend and USAFA classmate, Mark Hyatt, who is the founder of Falcon AeroLab. Mark and his wife Debbie established the scholarship.

You can learn more about the scholarship by visiting soar-foundation.net.

Contributions may be made on the website or by mailing your donation to PO Box 76777, Colorado Springs, CO 80970. I join the Cranford Family in asking that you please consider this excellent opportunity to honor Cran's memory and to support young aviators. Best to All, Tim Lane

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EAA Announces Inaugural Learn to Fly Week – May 15 to 20

Aspiring aviators will have the opportunity to discover multiple pathways to becoming a pilot as EAA presents its inaugural Learn to Fly Week on May 15-20.

Beginning May 15th, expert flight instructors and representatives from various aviation organizations will present free, interactive webinars. These webinars will cover topics from starting flight training, saving time and money in flight training, preparing for the FAA written exam, to passing the checkride, and so much more. While the live showing of these presentations will be open to the public, the recordings will be archived for EAA members to view at their convenience.

Learn to Fly Week will conclude on Saturday, May 20, with Flying Start events hosted at chapters across the country. EAA's Flying Start program allows EAA chapters to welcome, encourage, and educate new aviation enthusiasts about the fun, freedom, and accessibility of personal aviation in their local area. Following a short presentation about learning to fly, attendees will be offered a free introductory Eagle Flight to experience the spirit of aviation firsthand. "Becoming a pilot is a dream for many, but few know where to start their journey. Learn to Fly Week was created to help encourage aspiring pilots to take action and begin the pilot training process," said David Leiting, EAA Eagles Program Manager. "Our goal is to show attendees how accessible achieving their dream actually is." Leiting also added that inspiration from this event stemmed from packed forums at the Learn to Fly Center at EAA AirVenture Oshkosh 2022, as well as the success of other EAA virtual events like Homebuilders Week and Virtual Ultralight Days.

Combining the educational forums from the Learn to Fly Center and the connections and inspiration found at Flying Start events, EAA Learn to Fly Week is the latest effort in the ongoing effort to help aspiring pilots achieve their dream of flight.

Sporty's Pilot Shop is the presenting sponsor of Learn to Fly Week. Sporty's will be participating in multiple webinars and offering product discounts during the week.

Full webinar schedule and more details on Learn to Fly Week can be found at EAA.org/LTFWeek.



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BUY INTO AN RV14A PROJECT

This is a rare opportunity to become part of the build team on an RV14 Kit.

Tri County Aviators LLC is in the process of building an RV-14A. We are the 3rd owners of this Kit. The kit arrived with quick-build wings completely open, the fuselage 40% complete, with all flying surfaces complete.

We are a team of experienced builders, this being our 6th aircraft to pass through our hands. This is also the 3rd RV-14A that we will be working on. As builders, we have meticulously gone through every rivet on the aircraft to ensure the quality of the work from predecessors. As builders, our standards required us to ensure that every bolt was torqued properly and every seam near perfection. We started this project by going to the front of the build manual and ensuring each step had been completed per the plans, including any service bulletins that have occurred since the start of this project.

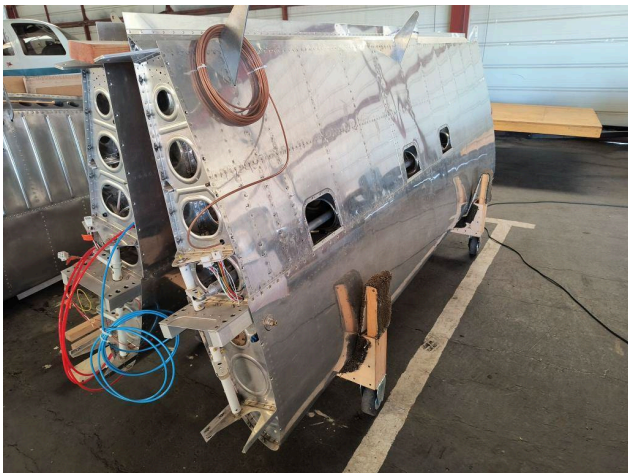
Our IO-390 Thunderbolt engine with P-Mags will be arriving shortly, and so we'll have most of the components in house to move the project along.

Our team expects to fly off the hours when the aircraft is complete.

Coming into the project allows a buyer to become a member of our team and become intimate with the aircraft having a complete understanding of the build process. You would also understand all the systems involved in the RV-14.

The Panel will be an all-GARMIN suite with dual G3X touch screens, GTN650 navigator, autopilot, with auto trim, and a backup G5 to insure safe IFR operation of this aircraft. The aircraft is being built at KEIK and is available for viewing upon request.

Please feel free to contact Cliff Goldstein for further information. 720-280-2916.



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FOR SALE --1972 PA28R200 ARROW. N15379 SN:28R-7335053

TTAF: aprox 11530. Engine TT 3617.8. TSMOH 61.7 Lycoming IO360C1C RL-6359-51A Q-Tip propeller

Avionics: installed by Depot Avionics in Alamosa

GTN-650, GTX-327, PMA 450, GNC 255, GDL 88D, Flight Stream 210

All ADs up to date, including eddy current check of spar bolt holes. Asking \$120,000.

Contact Dave Novotny, 719-235-6784



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**LEARN TO FLY DAY
PANCAKE BREAKFAST**

WHEN: Saturday, May 20, 2023

TIME: 8:00 AM TO 11:00 AM

WHERE: MAAA Hangar, 13550 Piper Lane,
Peyton, CO 80831

PRICE: \$10.00 per person – ALL YOU CAN EAT
\$5.00 – Children 5 and under

INVITE YOUR FRIENDS AND FAMILY TO THIS EVENT

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

Anyone who flies in to this event will receive a free breakfast.

All planes are welcome!

**JEFFCO AVIATION ASSOCIATION
ROCKY MOUNTAIN METRO AIRPORT**

Tower will direct you to Legacy Ramp

26th ANNUAL JAA FLY-IN

Saturday, June 3, 2023 **7:00 am – 12:00 pm**

Come Early – Free Pancake/Italian Sausage Breakfast Hosted by JAA & RMMA Staff



Beech Stagger Wing Owned by Chris Jacobsen

We ask that all participants register at the sign-in table. You can then let us know if you'd like your plane to be judged. Trophies will be awarded in the following classes:

Classic (Tube & Fabric/Metal)	Warbirds & Warbird Trainers	Antiques
Home Built (Plan Built & Kit Built)	Contemporary	Light Sport
		Special Interest

For more information, please contact Daril Cinquanta, JAA President 303/423-9846

Chapter Financials

*Thank you for supporting
these EAA Chapter 72
members!*

EAA BRUCE MCCOMBS CHAPTER 72 TREASURER'S REPORT

As of 04/30/2023

<u>Date</u>	<u>Purpose</u>	<u>Amount</u>
04/01/2023	Beginning Balance	\$7,700.20
04/30/2023	Ending Balance	\$6745.35
04/30/2023	Raffle Account	\$152,026.67

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Chapter Meeting

Date: Saturday, May 20, 2023

Time: 08:00 - 11:00 AM

Place: MLAA Hangar, pancake fly-in,
Learn to Fly Day

Randy's Flying, LLC
Will certify airplanes for food
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About our Chapter

The Bruce McCombs EAA Chapter 72 meets at Meadow Lake Airport. Meetings are held on 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 \$25. Send to: Secretary Esther Smith, 1303 Fosdick Circle, Colorado Springs, CO 80909. Make check payable to EAA Chapter 72 or pay on-line at <https://chapters.eaa.org/eaa72>. Be informed, attend the meetings, and have a great time with sport aviation.