



Next Meeting-Sunday, Jan. 5, 2025

1:00 in the FBO Training Room

President's Message

Welcome to 2025! I'm really pleased with the chapter accomplishments for 2024, and I hope we will exceed expectations this coming year. Two activities I'd like to do more of are Youth Aviation Development (YAD), activities possibly Young Eagles and also more group fly-outs. We've had discussions about training sessions for both building techniques and student pilot classes. We need volunteers to organize them.

I'll be the first to admit I'm not the best at organizing presentations, so I'm always open to getting your help to find outside presenters to come and speak at meetings. Or if any members have interesting experiences that you'd like to share with the group, we're always open to adding you to the agenda.

I hope we have 100% membership renewal and even gain 6 or 8 new members. I'll bring membership forms for new members, or if you are renewing, just throw money at Jim Hammell.

So please make it to the January meeting and bring the ideas for 2025 activities.

Dennis Mitchell

President, EAA Chapter 725

Treasury Year-end Review 12/30/2024 (projected)

Since we're starting where we left off at the end of the year, I'm republishing Jim's year-end summary from the December newsletter. Please plan to renew at the January meeting. Remember, our annual dues are now \$30.00.

Available accounts balance 12/30/23 \$2,071

2024 Credits

Donation to General Funds	\$ 351
Food Donations-Less Costs	263
Food Sales-Pancakes & Hot Dogs	2,065
Shower Donations	216
Hangar Use Donations	200
Membeship Dues	780
501c(3) Account Donation-Less Costs	192
In-Kind Income (Airport Credit)	<u>1,268</u>
Total Income All Sources	\$5,355

2024 Debits

Christmas Party Room	\$ (300)
Annual EAA Dues & Insurance	(725)
Annual Business Filing	(150)
Annual Tax Filing	(150)
Hangar Property Tax	(329)
Hangar Ground Lease	(1,437)
Electric/Propane	(672)
501c(3) Reapply Estimate	<u>(450)</u>
Total Annual Costs (Some estimated)	\$(4,213)

Est. Funds Avail. Starting FY 2025: \$2,071 + \$5,355 - \$4,213 = \$3,213

January Meeting Agenda

Call meeting to order

- Dedicate meeting
- Pledge of Allegiance
- Get count of attendees
- Welcome visitors and new members

General

- Nominate and vote for a new Secretary
- Vote to accept language for amending the Articles of Incorporation
- Vote to submit changes to the Oregon Secretary of State
- Membership yearly dues
- Lease credit short discussion

Airport news

Hangar projects:

- Repair the sliding doors.

Chapter Projects:

- 501(c)3
- CAP is asking for EAA volunteers
- Other member comments

Volunteers are key to successful chapter activities

Adjourn meeting

For chapter information visit:

Website <https://chapters.eaa.org/ea725>

Facebook group, "EAA Chapter725"

National EAA <https://www.eaa.org/ea>

Annual Christmas Party

Dec 5th saw us gathered at the Grants Pass Golf Club for our annual Christmas Party. Per our normal routine, we started with social hour at 5 and transitioned into dinner mode at 6. Thirty six of us enjoyed a great buffet dinner, followed by our White Elephant gift exchange. More than a few gifts changed hands during the evening, and I didn't attempt to keep track. But it was a fun time and a good way to finish off what was a memorable year for the chapter.

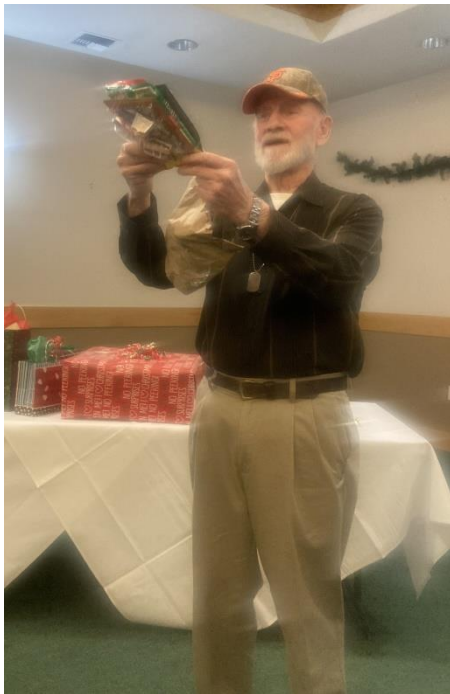
Here are a few photos. Note to self: When photographing the gift recipients, make sure the wall lights are not in the picture.



Dinner time. Thirty-six attendees and room for more. I don't see how we could find a better venue for our annual Christmas party.



Another view of our members and guests enjoying the excellent buffet dinner. Sure quieted the conversation.



Dennis Crawford started us off. Not sure what this is. Should have taken notes.



Tracy scored a vintage intercom. As far as I know, he took it home.



Looks like Steve got coffee and jam. With a package of English muffins, he's set for breakfast.



Brad came all the way over from Brookings for this?



Allan's second time around gained him cookies, chocolates and dawg bags(?) How lucky can you get?



Looks to me like Laurie Cross got the prize. I just don't remember if she was allowed to keep it.



Perfect. Our President, Dennis, came away with the most appropriate gift. He's gotta get a pair of those sunglasses.

Around the Airport

County

- The contractor for the new tee hangar building has been selected, but there are some t's to be dotted and i's to be crossed before a formal announcement is made. Could be as early as next week. They will be 42 ft. wide and 33 ft. deep with a 41.5 ft. door opening and will include concrete floors and electric bi-fold doors. Completion expected late summer or early fall.
- Knife River was awarded the contract for the water and sewer installation project. With their bid coming in under budgeted funding, it should be possible to extend the project to include connections to the FBO and Baker Avionics, both county owned buildings rather than just to the airport property line. This will also be a summer project. Add the runway extension and we should see considerable construction over the next several months.

VSI

Ryan has been busy with his builder-assist programs since I last stopped by to get updated for the November newsletter. An RV10 project is going together and the engine and prop for the Harmon Rocket have arrived. He also has a RV8 project temporarily stashed which I will cover when it's back on the floor.



A Van's RV10 and a house under construction at the same time. Now that's a builder with a plate filled to overflowing.



There's no substitute for cubes. This Ly-Conbuilt Continental IO-550-n will produce 370 hp. when mounted on the firewall of the Harmon Rocket. This will result in a power loading of less than 6 lbs./hp.



And this is the prop that will absorb all that horsepower.



A Special Announcement from HQ

Homebuilders Week – Online Event Starts January 27th

30 online sessions to expand your knowledge of building your own aircraft


By Charlie Becker, EAA Homebuilt Community Manager

Homebuilders Week is an online opportunity to carry on the founding mission of EAA by sharing as much knowledge and information about building your own aircraft as possible in five days. We start on Monday, January 27th, 2025, and end on Friday, January 31st, 2025. Each day, we offer six live webinars running back-to-back, starting at 11:30 am central time and running every hour and a half until the last session at 7pm central. The sessions are live and allow time for questions. To sign up for the sessions, visit www.EAA.org/HomebuildersWeek

The topics cover something for everyone, whether you are just considering the idea of building an aircraft, are knee deep in a project or getting ready for test flying. We even have EAA president Jack Pelton lined up on, January 30th, to talk about EAA’s Advocacy efforts on behalf of the homebuilt members.

EAA Homebuilders Week follows immediately after the anniversary of the founding of the Experimental Aircraft Association on January 26th, 1953. I can’t think of a better way to recognize our organization’s founding than to spend 5 straight days learning about homebuilding.

EAA Homebuilders Week is made possible through the generous sponsorships of Aircraft Spruce & Specialty Co., Dynon, Scheme Designers, and Van’s Aircraft.

 Homebuilders Week Schedule January 27 - 31, 2025					
To sign up: EAA.org/HomebuildersWeek					
Time CST	Monday 1/27/25	Tuesday 1/28/25	Wednesday 1/29/25	Thursday 1/30/25	Friday 1/31/25
11:30-12:45	Building an Aircraft: What You Need to Know - Charlie Becker	Wiring Basics - Dick Koehler	Flight Testing 101 - Paul Dye	EAA Advocacy Update: Top Homebuilding Issues and the Impact of MOSAIC - Sean Elliott, Rob Hackman, & Jack J. Pelton	Staying Alive: Analysis of Homebuilt Fatal Accidents - Dave Nelson
1:00-2:15	Sheet Metal Basics - Mike Dooley	TIG Welding - Charlie Becker & Shaun Walker	Composite Construction - Mark Forss	Amateur-Built Aircraft Certification Process - Joe Norris	Liability of Selling Your Homebuilt - Kathy Yodice
2:30-3:45	Fabric-Covering Basics - Nate Hammond	Getting Your Project Finished and Flying - Vic Syracuse	Buying a Used Homebuilt - Vic Syracuse	Sonex Highwing Update - Mark Schaible	Zenith Aircraft Kits & Plans - Sebastien Heintz & Roger Dubbert
4:00-5:15	The Need for Speed: Kitbuilt Options - Dave Forster	Hardware for Homebuilts - John Cox	Advanced Flight Systems - Rob Hickman	Garmin Experimental Avionics Solutions - Brad Brensing	Weight and Balance - Joe Norris
5:30-6:45	Panel Planning and Wiring - Marc Ausman	Dynon Avionics - Michael Schofield	Engine Selection Basics - Dick Koehler	Gas Welding - Budd Davisson	Working With Wood 101 - John Egan
7:00-8:15	Rotax 9 Series Installation & Operation - Phil Lockwood	Designing the Perfect Paint Scheme and Its Impact on Budget - Craig Barnett	Data-Driven Diagnosis of Engine Issues - Mike Busch	Van's RV Aircraft Kits - Greg Hughes	Common Builder & Maintenance Errors - Vic Syracuse

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And Finally

And we'll even provide the application right here in the newsletter. Anything to make it easier to renew.

Join or Renew Today



Use this form to apply for membership to EAA Chapter 725. Mail your application and dues to EAA Chapter 725, 1333 Brookside, Grants Pass, Oregon 97526, or bring it to the next meeting, held on FIRST SUNDAY of each month at the EAA hanger in summer months and at the FBO classroom in winter. For electronic payment, email DennisCxpFlyer@gmail.com to get Venmo ID.

Dues \$30 per member per year

Name: _____

Significant other: _____

Family members joining: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____

Phone: _____ OK to text? Yes ___ No ___

EAA National # _____

Please indicate type of aircraft, projects or interests: _____

How did you hear about EAA Chapter 725? _____

EAA Chapter 725, Grants Pass Airport-3S8

Meets: 1st Sunday of the month-1:00 P. M

Summer months: Chapter hangar with barbecue at 12:30

Winter months: FBO Classroom (Maybe not with heat in the hangar)

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