

# Squawk 902



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#### President's Message

Chapter 902

13 Nov 2024

A reminder that our Christmas dinner will be held on 6 Dec 2024, Friday, beginning at 6:00 pm at the clubhouse. Guest speaker will be Lacey Pittman who will give us a review of her experiences with MAF flying in Africa. A sign-up list for dinner items will be available at our November meeting. Please invite potential members, builders and guests as it will be a fun time.

The next board meeting will be at Arrowhead golf course on Wednesday, 20 Nov 2024 at 7:00 pm (dinner at 6:30 pm). All members are invited to attend. Note: as we will not have a board meeting in December 2024, this will be our final board meeting for 2024. Yearend business and chapter items will be covered during this time so please try to attend.

For 2025 there will be openings to serve the membership as President, Vice President, Treasurer and Secretary. I ask that each member consider if they are willing to serve our chapter in any of those positions. Without people stepping forward to serve I fear the chapter may experience a decline in participation and camaraderie. Please step forward if at all possible. Nominations, discussion and voting will be accomplished at our 13 Nov 2024 meeting. Please make a special effort to attend.

Please congratulate Gary Dunfree for his contributions to our Young Eagles flight program. Last month he conducted his 701st flight, separate from our scheduled YE events, to introduce a young girl to aviation. Well done Gary and thank you from all the chapter members.

As a friendly reminder there will be no chapter meeting apart from the Christmas dinner in December.

Finally, let me thank everyone for your inputs, support and suggestions during the past year as I served as Chapter President. My hope is that you found the meetings and presentations informative, entertaining and beneficial to your involvement in aviation. Many were intended to improve safety in our flying or to remind members of the joys of experimental flying. My expectation is that you all will support the incoming President with the same level of enthusiasm.

Dave

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# **Show me the Money**

#### Show Me The Money

#### October 2024

General fund balance as of 10/31/2024 \$12,039.25

Young Eagle fund as of 09/30/2024 ----- \$2,061.30

Shipping Lightspeed headset-- -\$41.45

Balance as of 10/31/2024 -- \$2,019.85

Ray Scholarship funds:

Gavin ----- \$156.00

Jackson ----- \$788.45

Kristen -- 3rd Installment ---- \$2,200

-\$2,200.00 = \$0.00

Chapter balance as of 10/31/2024 ----- \$15,003.55



EAA Chapter 902, meets on the 2nd Wednesday of each month at 7:00 PM. (6:30 For BBQ's)

Chapter Meeting: Next meeting on 11/13/2024 At 7pm,

**David McGraw** is Chapter President and you can reach him at (503) 313-5142

#### **Directions to Mulino airport:**

From I-205 take exit onto Hwy 213 south-bound. Continue on Hwy 213 to the town of Mulino. The EAA Chapter Clubhouse is about 1/4 miles past the restaurant, on you right. 13801 S. Darnell Rd.

Cover photo summitted by dave

# Mt. Hood Chapter 902 Experimental Aircraft Association General Meeting Minutes October 9, 2024

President Dave McGraw rang the bell to bring the meeting to order at 7:01 PM. About 22 members, guests and visitors were present.

Jim Ott participated in a Kitfox factory organized tour which included visits to backcountry airstrips including Bruce Meadows, Garden Valley, Smiley Creek and showed slides and videos of the experience.

The Question Of the Month related to What Is and What Is Not "sparsely populated areas" on our sectional charts. Mostly, densely populated areas are clearly identified. But the transition to sparsely populated - not so much.

"Bucks in the Bucket" the total was \$70, so the lucky draw netted \$35.

President Dave put on his Air Force uniform and gave a highly realistic mock briefing as if the chapter members were in fighter aircraft participating in an Israeli Defense Force attack on a target facility in Iran. We were able to experience the level of detail involved, such as radio protocol - ABSOLUTE SILENCE, position lights - OFF, how specific aircraft would would move into and out of position for refueling from the tanker, etc. it was clear he had given these kinds of briefings in the "real world."

Tom Clancy would have loved it.

The meeting adjourned at 9:00.

# Mt. Hood Chapter 902 Experimental Aircraft Association Board of Directors Meeting Minutes October 16, 2024

President Dave McGraw called the meeting just before 7 PM.

Present were Dave McGraw - President, Larry Stevens - Vice President, Steve Miller - Treasurer, Philip Groelz - Secretary, Barbara Groelz, Cody Watkins - Webmaster, Len Frewing and Brian Wing.

Treasurer Steve Miller read general details of the Treasurer's Report to the Board; it was approved as submitted.

A key issue for the chapter is a shortage of volunteers for key positions; this will be discussed further at the Hovember meeting.

While there was no commitment to building a second YE Build and Fly, it was agreed to purchase another kit as a probable/possible future activity.

Larry Stevens has the Chapter awards out for engraving.

Dave confirmed Lacey Pittman's presentation about missionary flying in Africa at the Christmas dinner meeting on December 6.

Members will need to sign-up for the Christmas dinner at the November meeting..

The 13 November meeting will include a workshop on VFR flight planning using sectionals and the EA-6B plotter, sectionals, and a Cessna 172 POH.

The next Board meeting will be 7 PM on 20 November at the Arrowhead Legends restaurant.

The meeting adjourned at 7:32.

## Our 2024 Ray Scholar

# Kristen's Progress

As some of you know, Kristen is now in Florida, enrolled in a Delta Airlines program to get new pilots into their ranks. Before she left Oregon she soloed, passed her FAA Written exam and Qualified for a new Light-speed headset. I was supposed to present it to her at the next meeting, but since that wasn't going to happen, I shipped it on down to her. I have been keeping in touch with her, and (with her permission) here are some excerpts.

Oct 17-----" Luckily, I made it through the hurricane okay with minimal damage where I'm staying...I just started the two week ground school program Monday (Oct 14th). It's going well so far since it's a lot of review. The final is Monday the 28th and then the people who haven't already, will take the FAA written that Wednesday, but luckily. I won't have to since I already passed.

Oct 31----"... just finished my Groundschool class and passed the final with a 97%, hopefully starting flights next week."

I'm hoping that she finishes her PPL before May 2025, so we will be able to take some credit for helping her along.

Steve Miller



## This Month's Question and Answer:

**Question**: You are making a daytime VFR flight from Hyannis, MA to Martha's Vineyard, MA as shown below. Conditions include a 1,000 foot overcast and 10 miles visibility. What is the highest altitude at which you can legally fly this trip under these stipulated conditions?

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# EAA Chapter 902 Photo Submissions





Photo by Mike Harfst

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# November Picture of the month Mike Harfst

And finally, the last, but not least, picture this year from me.

We recently spent some time in Australia. One day we rented a 172 with a pilot for the day and got some sightseeing done. This is a sunrise picture of Uluru (formerly known as Ayers Rock). The sun at different angles changes the red color dramatically. Although it is over 1100 ft tall, more than 90% of the rock is underground and it is about 500 million years old.

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## **Chapter 902 Future Events:**

Christmas dinner 12/06/24



YE Events (Mulino):

Fly/Camp Out:



# **Bottle Drop: The Good, The Bad** and The Ugly

I just wanted to remind everyone about the Bottle Drop and how it helps the Chapter. This program has been a great success for us. The money it brings in is the reason our dues have not had to increase over the last several years. Please keep up the donations.

That being said, in the past, I have gotten a couple of, not so subtle, reminders that not all of our bags have the appropriate containers in them. I collected bags out of the garage and did open one that looked pretty nasty. There were a couple of moldy coffee cream containers and others ( see picture) that did not belong in the blue bag.





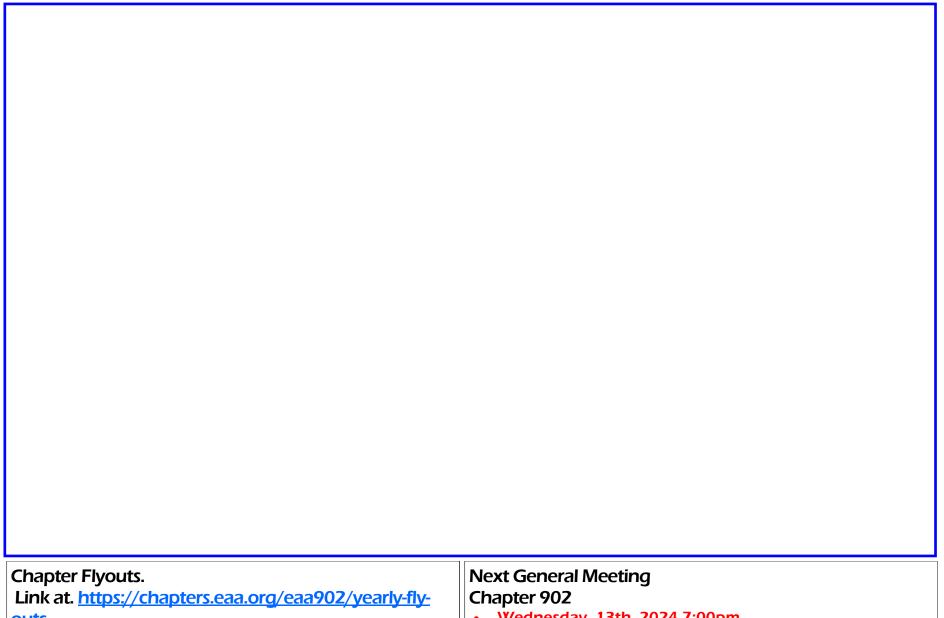




So please

watch what you put into the blue bags. Only Oregon bottles and cans that you paid a deposit on at the store. We don't want to lose this revenue

Steve Miller



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**Next Board of Directors Meeting** 

Nov,20,2024 7:00pm (dinner at 630pm)

- Wednesday, 13th, 2024 7:00pm
- Christmas dinner 12/06/24

