



The Newsletter of EAA Chapter 952 - Cottonwood Airport (P52) - Cottonwood, AZ

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Dear Chapter 952 members,

It is an honor and a privilege to serve as your president this coming year. I hope everyone had a wonderful holiday season with your family and friends, and I hope Santa left some great aviation goodies under the tree!

As an introduction, my name is Ed Kettler, and I am an aviation addict. Someone once said the first thing about effecting change is to recognize you have a problem, so I have treated my addiction in several ways over my life, but I am still not in remission. Oh, well!

One thing I've learned is that leadership in a volunteer organization is more demanding than in business, and that it takes a team to successfully run a chapter. I'd like to thank Larry Battin for his years of service to the Chapter, and for his many contributions to the improvements to the club house. Bob O'Connell is stepping down as our Treasurer, and he deserves a big round of thanks for all of the work to keep us running as a business. James Hauke is returning as Secretary, and Dan Brown is taking on the Treasurer role. We still need a Vice President, so please step up to help keep the Chapter running effectively and efficiently. Larry and Bob will serve as coaches for us as we move into our new roles. I have been an EAA chapter officer, an RC club officer and president, volunteer in several clubs, and ran multiple RC events as a contest director. Don Miller also continues as our Board Member, and Jim Redmon as our technical adviser.

Like many of you, I started out with model planes, both plastic and balsa. I still have scars on my fingers from starting Cox .049 glow motors as a youngster. I also did model rockets, and even built a rocket propelled ejection seat for my GI Joe. I received a CAP cadet scholarship and soloed with 6.9 hours when I was 17. During college, I built my hours to around 200, and went looking for an aviation job, but all of the Vietnam era pilots were getting out and there were no openings for a low hour glasses wearing pilot, so I started what turned out to be a 45 year IT career. Along the way I remet a high school classmate, married, had two kids, two houses, family expenses and priorities, so flying time had to wait.

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### A Message from The President cont...

I did serve as a volunteer docent at the Cavanaugh Flight Museum in Addison Tx for 25 years, and had opportunities to fly in and pilot several historical aircraft, with the peak being a crewman on the B-25H "Barbie III" for the 75th Doolittle Reunion in 2017.

Once the kids were off the payroll, my wife decided my dedication to the family would be rewarded with resuming my flying, so off to the local field to strip 38 years of aviation rust off my atrophied skills. I also picked up an instrument rating to polish things off, and then an opportunity came up to acquire a military trainer, my Chinese Nanchang CJ-6A. It has been a great plane to fly, and I have made wonderful friends in the Red Star Pilots Association and EAA.

Thanks again to Larry and Bob, and I look forward to working with Dan, Don, Jim and James to build on the solid foundation we have. We are incredibly blessed as a club to have our own building and a solid revenue stream, so let's keep climbing!







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#### **Chapter Officers**

**President**Ed Kettler

Vice President
Open

Treasurer Dan Brown

Secretary James Hauke

Facilities Operations
(Open)

### **Chapter Meeting Location and Time**

Chapter 952 meets: First Tuesday of each month, Social time begins at 6:00pm with our program starting at 6:30pm (VMC Club, held bi-monthly)

**Location:** Chapter 952 Meeting Center, Cottonwood Airport (P52)

West side of airport behind hangars. Additional information can be found on our website. Click Here for more details!







### **Chapter Coordinators**

Young Eagles Coordinator Chuck Losinski

VMC Coordinators
James Hauke

Scholarship Coordinator Chuck Losinski

Technical Advisor
Jim Redmond

Newsletter/Web Editor James Hauke

Member at Large Don Miller

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# NOTAMS (Notice To All Members)

### **Chapter Dues:**

Have you renewed your Chapter Membership? Please submit your dues to James Hauke.

(Be sure your National Membership is up to date as well)

We also accept Zelle: EaaChapter952@gmail.com

Single Membership - \$20 Family Membership - \$30

#### **New Members:**

Brian Johnson
Ron Kinner
Mike Looney
Ryder Kickbush
Matreya Viafora





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#### **December Debrief**

Chapter Holiday Social & Pot Luck: Thank you to everyone who attended our Chapter's Annual Christmas Social & Pot Luck! We hope you had an opportunity to enjoy great food, great conversation, and get to know your fellow members a bit more! There was no shortage of incredible dishes! We hope you and your families enjoyed a wonderful Holiday and wish you a prosperous and healthy New Year!















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#### **Calendar of Events**

**Date** 

**Program** 

Jan. 7th

**Chapter 952 Meeting -** 6:00pm - 8:00pm: Guest Speaker Michelle Smith of Untethered Aviation *(rescheduled from November)* 

Feb. 4th

Chapter 952 Meeting - Guest Speaker (TBD) - 6:00pm - 8:00pm

Feb. 14th - 16th

**AOPA Fly-In at Buckeye Air Fair -** Click *Here* for event schedule, travel information and registration!

Feb. 15th

**EAA Board Leadership Bootcamp -** 7:15am - 5:00pm at Stellar Airpark (P19)

### 2025 Airshow Calendar

Want to know where all the airshows are taking place in 2025 *Click Here* for more information.



Join the members of Chapter 952 for bi-monthly VMC (visual flight rules) Club meetings in which pilots can network and share knowledge and experience using real-world scenarios. The intent is to foster communications, promote safety, build proficiency, and have a great time doing it! Meetings will be held during the Chapter Meeting in the EAA Building in Cottonwood, 1003 W Mingus, Building O.

#### VMC Club - January Scenario Teaser









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#### Classifieds

#### **Airplane Hangar with Attached Office Space**

Back on the Market!! Airplane hangar in Cottonwood with attached office space. 1 Bath, A/C, Heating, Parking, Laundry space, Patio, automatic gate. Hangar is 4200 sqft and office space is 300 sqft. 654 S Airpark Rd. located next to Guardian Air. \$550,000 Contact Craig. craig@backusbuilding.com Tell him you saw it in the EAA 952 Newsletter!







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#### **Local Businesses**

Click on the banners for more information





### UNTETHERED AVIATION









#### JAMES HAUKE Owner/Consultant

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#### **Financial Resources**

Fly Country Financial - Flying can be costly, no doubt about it! If you are looking for financial assistance for flight lessons or are an A&P looking for tools and equipment to grow your offerings to your customers, Fly Country Financial is a great local resource to consider! Applying is easy! Click Here to learn more!

### Scholarships

**EAA Aviation Scholarships** - Are you interested in pursuing flight or a career in aviation or an aviation-related field? We encourage well-rounded individuals who are involved in their school or community and interested in the world of aviation to apply for an EAA scholarship.

#### Click Here for more Information!

Questions should be directed to <a href="Scholarships@EAA.org">Scholarships@EAA.org</a>

**Aviation Careers Podcast Scholarship Guide -** The scholarships guide includes over 200 Aerospace scholarships with a combined value of over \$120 Million. Entries are updated regularly to assure accuracy.

Welcome to your resource for Aviation and Aerospace Scholarships. The information concerning each scholarship is presented in a compete and simplified format. Our scholarship team constantly updates and verifies each listing giving you the most up to date information.

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<u>Click Here for more Information and to purchase the Scholarship Guide</u> and use promo code STRATUS at checkout!





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#### Is There a Doctor On Board?

Need to obtain or renew your Medical Certificate? You have options!

Dr. Travis Allen (MD) - AME (623) 469-4688 (Goodyear)

Click Here for More Info on Dr. Travis Allen

Dr. Jason Wesley (MD) – AME (928) 660-6960 (Behind Walgreens in Sedona)

<u>Click Here for More Info on Dr. Jason Wesley</u>

Dr. Debra Dykema (DO) – AME (602) 978-1555 (Deer Valley/Prescott once/mo) Click Here for More Info on Dr. Debra Dykema

Forrest D Lanchbury, M.D., DVM - (928) 282-2520
Click Here for more info on Dr. Forrest Lanchbury

Search for other Aviation Medical Examiners (AME) by Clicking Here

### Other EAA Events & Resources

EAA News: http://www.eaa.org/news

EAA Aviation Calendar of Events & Experiences: http://www.eaa.org/calendar

AirVenture Information: <a href="http://www.airventure.org/index.html">http://www.airventure.org/index.html</a>

EAA SportAir Workshops: <a href="http://www.eaa.org/sportair">http://www.eaa.org/sportair</a>

EAA Webinars: https://www.eaa.org

#### **Prescott Practice Area Instructions**

(click on photo for downloadable copy)

