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#### A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT



We had a short, but great February for the Chapter. Our new Vice-President, Ed Kettler, and I flew down in Ed's Nanchang CJ-6 to the AOPA Flyin in Buckeye. Neither of us won the AOPA 2023 Sweepstakes Cessna 170, but we had a great time seeing what AOPA putting on at this flyin. We also saw Alena Cricks who was volunteering with AOPA. Later, Aleana was excited to see and try on Ed's Nanchang. The Board has selected our 2024 Ray Scholar and we'll be announcing the deserving scholar at March's Gathering. The Board also finalized our Spring Young Eagle Rally for April 27. Please mark your calendars, we'll need your help in making another fun and safe event. Our sprinkler building project is about ready to be completed with the orange pipes covered with a very distinctive soffit. Have a great March!

### A MESSAGE FROM THE EDITOR

Welcome to the March 2024 Edition of "The Intercom"! This month we've included a special announcement from the Sedona 99s and their upcoming guest speaker, Ted Grussing! Also, please take note of two upcoming local committee meetings that will affect Cottonwood Airport. First is the Airport Commission Meeting: Transient Landing Fees System Discussion, and also the Verde Valley Aviation Impact Relief Informational Meeting. Please participate if you are able. If you have any local events or information that would benefit our members and other aviators, please submit them to <a href="mailto:eaachapter952@gmail.com">eaachapter952@gmail.com</a>





Cap'n Sunbird





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### **Chapter Officers**

#### **President**

Larry Battin

#### **Vice President**

Ed Kettler

#### Treasurer

Bob O'Connell

#### 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 at <a href="https://eaachapter952.org">https://eaachapter952.org</a>



## **Chapter Coordinators**

Young Eagles Coordinator
Doug Wright

#### **VMC Coordinators**

Doug Wright & Lori Parker

#### **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 Are Over Due!**

Have you renewed your Chapter Membership?

Please submit your dues to

James Hauke at the next meeting.

We also accept Zelle:

EaaChapter952@gmail.com

Single Membership - \$20

Family Membership - \$30

### **New Members**

Elam Branham





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## **February Debrief**

Nanchang CJ-6A - Thank you to all who attended the February Chapter Meeting despite the inclement weather! A special thanks goes to our very own Chapter VP, Ed Kettler, for the presentation on his beautiful 1975 Nanchang CJ-6A! Keep an eye to the sky to catch Ed and his Nanchang zipping around the Central Arizona area!













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## February Debrief cont.

AOPA Fly-in at Buckeye - Airshow season is at full throttle after AOPA's Fly-In at Buckeye Air Fair! Vendors in attendance ranged from food and merch to pilot & aircraft services. Several great WINGS credit seminars on Back Country Flying, Rusty Pilots, AOPA's Safety Institute, and a special safety seminar presented by Jason Miller of "Learn The Finer Points". All followed up by AOPA's Town hall where their beautifully restored Cessna 170 was raffled off to a very lucky winner! The airshow (including a night aerobatics and fireworks show, showcased a variety of aircraft!





















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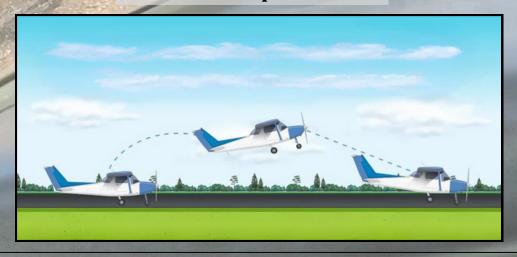
### **Calendar of Events**

Date	Program
Mar. 5th	VMC Club - 5:30pm - 6:00pm Chapter 952 Meeting - 6:30pm - 8:00pm (Guest Speaker - Greg Brown)
Mar. 6th	Airport Commission Meeting: Transient Landing Fee System Discussion - 6:00pm via ZOOM link: <u>Click Here</u> Meeting ID: 995 8810
Mar. 9th	Verde Valley Aviation Impact Relief Informational Meeting - 10:00am Pine Shadows Clubhouse: 2050 W. State Rte 89A, Cottonwood
Mar. 21st	Embry-Riddle Aviation Speaking History - Prescott Campus
Mar. 23rd-24th	Luke Days 2024 - Click Here for more information and tickets!
Apr. 9-14	Sun 'N Fun - Click Here for Info & Tickets
Apr. 27th	Young Eagles Rally - Rain Date May 4th
July. 22-28	EAA AirVenture Oshkosh - <u>Click Here for Info</u>



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 at 6:30 pm in the EAA Building in Cottonwood, 1003 W Mingus, Building O.

## VMC Club Topic - March







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#### The Sedona 99s

The Sedona 99s are very fortunate to have famous photographer *Ted Grussing* speak at their next gathering on *March 16th at Sedona Airport at noon*! Ted presents his nature photography shows in Sedona and travels around the US sharing his amazing close-up shots of wildlife. For the 99s and friends, he is doing a special presentation about his aviation life and will share his photography while flying his beloved glider and moto glider.

Bring a potluck dish and we'll all enjoy a good meal too!



## **Ted Grussing**

The title of the presentation is "Uncharted Trails." He will be talking about the machines he has flown... silent flight! There are about 476,000 pilots in the USA of all ratings plus another 280,000 student pilots... there are less than 25,000 who hold glider pilot ratings, and of those holding it, it is estimated that fewer than 2,000 of them fly over 50 hours a year ... these are the glider guiders who are serious about cross country flying in a glider/sailplane. He had never flown and learned to fly in gliders in the fall of 1996 and for the next 11 years and 1800 +/- hours of flying time, this is all he knew, and cross-country flying is what he lived for... this continued when he switched to a moto glider in July of 2007 and many more hours over the next 13 years. Learn more about Ted by clicking the link here!



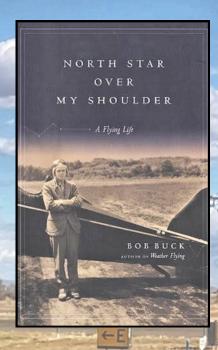


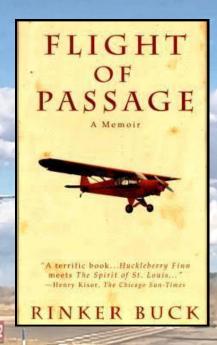


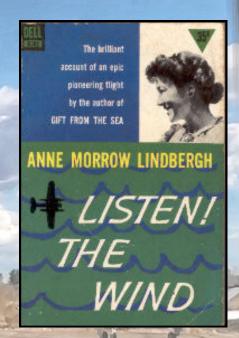
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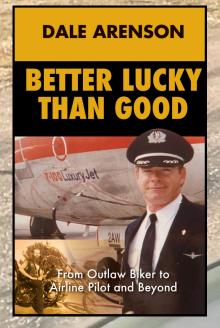
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### **Book Recommendations**

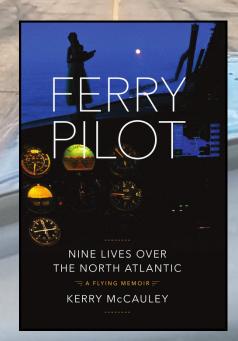














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#### **Volunteer Needed!**



Building Coordinator - We are looking for a volunteer to be Chapter 952's Building Coordinator. Duties will include being the point of contact to coordinate building repairs/maintenance and liaison between Air Methods and Chapter 952 leadership. Please speak with Larry Battin or any Chapter board member if you are interested.

## **Scholarships**

AOPA Flight Training Scholarships - Made possible through donations to the AOPA Foundation, the more than \$1 million in scholarships are a major benefit of AOPA membership, helping members reach their aviation goals.

Scholarship applications open Sept. 5, 2023, with awards ranging from \$2,500 to \$14,000 for primary flight training, advanced ratings/certificates, aviation maintenance, and more.

Open to AOPA members that are U.S. citizens or U.S. permanent legal residents Some scholarships also require applicants to meet additional criteria (see listings below)

Scholarship applications will close February 9, 2024, at 11:59 p.m. EST. You need only submit one application that will be automatically considered for all scholarships for which you are eligible.

The number and amount of all scholarships will be determined by donor funding, which may not be finalized until immediately before awards are announced. Scholarship applicants will be considered for all scholarships for which they qualify. Click Here to Learn More and Apply!





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### Scholarships cont.

**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.

Here are the key dates for this year's scholarship cycles: Next Cycle: Opens November 1, 2023 and closes March 1, 2024.

#### **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.

It can be a daunting task researching scholarships for your specific needs. Many of the online directories have inaccurate or outdated information. Some only containing links to the scholarship website.

This directory will help you achieve your career goals by obtaining money to fund your training and education. By applying to one or more scholarships you could earn thousands towards your education and training.

Click Here for more Information and to purchase the Scholarship Guide!





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## Is There a Doctor On Board?

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

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)

<u>Click Here for More Info on Dr. Debra Dykema</u>

Dr. Jane Dill (MD) AME 928-419-7751 (Flagstaff area)
Click Here for More Info on Dr. Jane Dill

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

#### Who's in the Pattern





### **Other EAA Events & Resources**

EAA News: <a href="http://www.eaa.org/news">http://www.eaa.org/news</a>

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>