



## May 2023 Newsletter

### **PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

Well, it's sunny outside, the warm weather has finally arrived, and it's flying season. So, head on down to Oakdale Muni (K027), the self-proclaimed "Cowboy Capital of the World", fuel up at \$5.39/gallon, and get out there and fly. Note, it might behoove you to take your spurs off before you saddle up, pardner!

Talking about flying, the big event this month is our spring Young Eagles Flight Festival and Rally to be held on Sunday, May 21<sup>st</sup>, at Yolo County Airport (KDWA). As before, we are pleased to coordinate our efforts with EAA Chapter 52. Set up for the event will be on Saturday, the 20<sup>th</sup>, which coincidentally is International

Learn to Fly Day. That's a good choice of dates as the purpose is to introduce young people to the aviation experience and encourage them to fly!

As usual, we need volunteer pilots to fly the future aviators around the patch, and volunteers to help out with the event. Interested pilots should contact Stan Lawrence at (916) 869-8119 or [stan@mnsplace.com](mailto:stan@mnsplace.com).

Pilot briefing will begin Sunday morning at 8 a.m., with Young Eagle flights at 9, 10, and 11 a.m., and continuing into the afternoon as needed. Chapter 52 will have breakfast and lunch for sale, so come out and make a day of it. And for interested Young Eagles, see <https://youngeaglesday.org> for an overview of Young Eagle flights in the area and a link to our May 21<sup>st</sup> rally. But be warned, there is a waiting list it is so popular!

And while we are on the subject of flying, Owen Hughes at Chapter 52 is organizing a fly-out to Watts-Woodland on May 30<sup>th</sup>, and to (the big one!) at Oshkosh from July 21<sup>st</sup> to July 30<sup>th</sup>. If you are interested, contact Owen at [conbio@gmail.com](mailto:conbio@gmail.com).

Now it's time for a shout-out to Kim Owen, who wears several hats at Vintage Chapter 25, including our head cheerleader. Kim has been monitoring and advocating for our organization, and we are now returned to Gold Chapter status thanks to her efforts! Strong work, Kim

Finally, a reminder about our monthly VMC Club meetings. A little change this month. Steve "737" Lightstone may not be around to lead the meeting, so we may have Nick "Switchblade" Leonard pinch-hitting for Steve. Either way, it should be a good meeting. As usual, we will meet at 9 a.m. in the Executive Airport terminal building next to the Aviators Restaurant. This month meeting is May 20<sup>th</sup>. It looks to be a busy day!

Well, that's it for this month. As usual, fly safely, and keep the greasy side down.

Jim Sobolewski  
President

**SECRETARY'S REPORT**

No Report this Month.

Scott Pierson  
Secretary

**TREASURER'S REPORT**

Dear members of EAA Vintage Chapter 25's this month's Treasures Report includes the balances of our Ray Scholars. I have separated their balances from the chapters funds to reflect the actual Chapter's Bank account balances in both the checking and savings accounts.

**Balance All Accounts March 28, 2023:       \$ 56,316.01**

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**March 2023**

**Wells Fargo Savings Account:**

***Beginning Balance as of Mar 28, 2023:       \$ 54,324.13***

***Deposits:***

03/31/23 Interest Payment	\$	6.92
04/30/23 Interest Payment	\$	<u>6.63</u>
<b>Total Income &amp; Deposits:</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>13.55</b>

***Withdrawals***

04/14/23 Transfer to Checking	\$	<u>1,000.00</u>
<b><i>Savings Balance as of Apr 30, 2023:</i></b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>53,337.68</b>

**Allocation of Savings Balance to Scholarship Accounts:**

**Balances As of 04/30/23**

<b><u>Ray Scholar</u></b>	<b><u>Scholarship Bal</u></b>	<b><u>Savings Less Scholar \$</u></b>
<b>Savings Balance</b>		\$ 53,337.68
Justin Kaysinger	\$ 635.00	\$ 52,702.68
Liam Robinson	\$1,136.00	\$ 51,566.68
Tyler Stump	\$ 161.00	\$ 51,405.68
Lilah Harris	\$4,337.00	\$ 47,068.68
May Conlin	(\$2,758.00)	\$ 44,310.68
Rachel Long	\$ 688.00	\$ 43,622.68

**Savings Balance without Scholarship Funds \$ 43,622.68**

**Wells Fargo Checking Account:**

***Beginning Balance as of Mar 28, 2023:* \$ 1,991.88**

***Income & Deposits***

04/14/23 Transfer from Savings	\$ 1,000.00
04/24/23 Emilio Martinez Dues	\$ 20.00
04/24/23 Esteban Nava Shirt	\$ 70.00
04/24/23 Kim Owen Donation	\$ 150.00
<b>Total Income &amp; Deposits:</b>	<b>\$ 1,240.00</b>

***Expenses & Withdrawals:***

03/31/23 Expense	\$ 625.00
04/17/23 Stan's Primary Flight Training	\$ 946.00
<b>Total Expense &amp; Withdrawals:</b>	<b>\$ 1,571.00</b>

***Checking Balance as of Apr 30, 2023:* \$ 1,660.88**

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**Balance All Accounts April 30, 2023:           \$ 54,998.56**

Respectfully submitted,

Stan Lawrence  
Treasurer

## **SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE**

Greetings to all! We are thrilled to continue marching forward with our Ray Scholars. We are pleased to bring Austin into the fold as our first 2023 scholar. He is quickly handling the challenges presented to him and has already completed his first solo - way to go Austin!

Rachel is moving quickly toward her check ride. She is fine tuning her flying skills and starting to prepare for her oral! Keep up the great work Rachel!

Finally, we are thrilled to congratulate May in receiving her PPL! She is continuing to work on additional endorsements- so, if you see her at the airport, be sure to congratulate her and encourage her next steps!

Here are a few comments from our scholars...

*I am so excited to announce that I have achieved my Private Pilot License! Through the help of my incredible instructor Stan and the amazing mentorship of especially Tyler, Lina, and Tenley I have completed the first step in my lifelong aviation journey. Now I will be turning my attention towards a tailwheel and high-performance endorsement in the RV-14. Additionally, I've slowly began flying with other passengers, including my parents and other Young Eagles. This is a very exciting time in my journey, and I'm so grateful for the opportunity to learn and grow and the support EAA has provided as I continue to train and stay proficient past my licensing. It's a great time to be a young pilot!*  
*- May Conlin*

*Hi my name is Austin Thomas I am excited to be the 2023 recipient of the Ray Aviation Scholarship. This month I'm looking forward to starting my private pilot's license training with Stan. I can't wait to complete my solo flight.*  
- Austin Thomas

*Rachel's comments follow on **next Page** of the Newsletter.*

Respectfully submitted,

Kim Owen  
Ray Scholarship Coordinator

## **WEBMASTER REPORT**

No Report this Month.

Tyler Pierson  
Webmaster

## **YOUNG EAGLES – COAST**

No Report this Month.

Red Hamilton  
Young Eagles – Coast

## **VMC CLUB REPORT**

**The next VMC Club is Saturday May 20<sup>th</sup> at 9am.** In addition to the interactive scenario, we will cover airport taxi and runway markings and examine those markings at KSAC.

June is a vacation month.

We will resume VMC Club July 15<sup>th</sup> where we will class D airspace and communications, and local procedures at KSAC.

All meetings are in the **KSAC 2<sup>nd</sup> floor terminal conference room.**

April 15, 2023

# My Sixth Month with the Ray Aviation Scholarship

Rachel Long | EAA Vintage Chapter 25

This month I did lots of flying! Starting with Thursday March 30, I completed my dual cross country to Chico with Stan. On Tuesday April 4, I went on a night flight with Tyler to KDWA→O08→KMYV→KLHM→KMCC→KSAC→KEDU. On Saturday April 8, I did my first solo (almost) cross country to Nut Tree, Yolo, Davis, Franklin, and Executive. However, when doing my landings at Nut Tree, I noticed my fuel was low and made a quick stop at KEDU to get fuel before going on to Yolo. At the fuel pump, a fellow pilot offered to pump my fuel so as to “not ruin my pretty nails,” sweet but funny! During that flight, my landings were SUPER smooth and I was very comfortable landing at Nut Tree for the first time.



On April 12, I completed my first official solo cross country to Madera and Los Banos! I slipped up a bit exiting the KSAC pattern, but everything else was great! I am looking forward to my next cross country to Redding. I also need to study for my oral exam, which is coming up quick!



A huge thanks to all scholarship coordinators and contributors for making this opportunity possible. It is truly changing lives.

April 15, 2023

Rachel Long

Our meeting schedule for 2023 is:

May 20,  
June **NO meeting**  
July 15,  
Aug 19,  
Sep 16,  
Oct 21, and  
Dec 16.

Close to the meeting date, you will receive an email notice and a calendar invitation to that month's meeting. I am looking forward to seeing everyone at our meetings.

Steve Lightstone  
VMC Program Coordinator

## **YOUNG EAGLES - SACRAMENTO REPORT**

This month was an exciting one for the young eagles of KSAC! We have solo/dual cross countries, a first solo, AND a passed written test!! Let's go!!!

The young eagles have been getting Arduino lessons from Kyle Rodrigues on Saturday mornings from 9-10am. Other than that, they have been studying, cleaning hangars, and working on various projects.

*Rachel Long: Dual and Solo Cross Country Completed!*

**Rachel Long** completed her solo and her dual cross countries! She also flew a night flight with Tyler Pierson, hopping between airports. On her solo cross country, she noticed her fuel was low and refilled at KEDU before continuing. On her longer solo cross country, she flew to Madera and Los Banos. Rachel completed final and Long Cross Country on Sunday, April 30, from Redding to Clear Lake. She is moving to the final Phase IV.! Her checkride is scheduled for May 30<sup>th</sup>. Go Rachel!



*Austin Thomas: First Solo!*

On Saturday, April 22, 2023, our first Ray Scholarship Recipient for this year, **Austin Thomas**, hit a huge milestone. After only ever flying 12.7 hours in his whole life, he completed his first solo at Franklin Field (F72)! He also passed his private pilot written test with a score of 92%. Austin has completed three of his 4 supervised solos and will move to Phase II. He is now practicing for his solo at University Airport (KEDU). In addition, he has been attending the Saturday Build and Maintain sessions and enjoys Kyle's coding course in the mornings. Go Austin!



1. The traditional "cutting of the shirt" to signify that Austin can go solo! Stan cuts the shirt carefully in front of the Cessna 150-150.



2. Austin and his proud parents holding up his shirt back in front of

*the Cessna 150-150 (N3062S).*



*3. Stan and Austin flying the Cessna 150-150! We love our selves with Stan!!*



4. Stan Lawrence and Austin Thomas holding up his shirt!

Adam Kennedy: Passed Written Test!

After studying hard for months, **Adam Kennedy** passed his private pilot written test on Thursday, April 27<sup>th</sup>. He also completed his third-class medical exam and is working on filling out a student pilot application. He will be applying for the second available Ray Scholarship this year. Go Adam!!

What has everyone else been up to?

**Liam Robinson** helped finish up the annual on his dad's plane and took it flying for his birthday! On top of flying, Liam is finishing up his senior year of high school and plans to attend college at Oregon State University (OSU – go beavers!) in the fall. Congrats, Liam!

**Tyler Pierson** has been helping the young eagles get the planes ready for Oshkosh in addition to assisting them with studying for their written exams. He has also been hard at work on his instrument rating, studying for it alongside some of the other mentors.

**Emilio Martinez** is our Air Academy Camp recipient.

**Angelina Angrisani** made the big decision to go to ATP! She plans to take out a loan and pursue the rest of her flight training there while continuing to attend college at Sac City.

**May Conlin** hasn't been to a Saturday session in a good while, but did have the opportunity to fly with both of her parents this month, as well as a reporter from her school who did a video interview on the program!

**Tenley Ong** got her panel for her RV-6! She will start installing it over the next month while working on her instrument rating and hopes to fly to Oshkosh this year.

Upcoming Events:

**EAA Airventure Oshkosh 2023:** The biggest airplane festival of the year will be held from **July 24<sup>th</sup> – July 30<sup>th</sup>**. We will be taking a few young eagles, depending on a variety of factors.

**Oshkosh and Air Camp:** As announced previously we have a Young Eagle Air Academy Camp spot reserved for the first session from **July 18<sup>th</sup>-26<sup>th</sup>, 2022**.

Respectfully submitted,

Tenley Ong  
Board Member & Adult Eagle

**Fly Out Report**

Owen Hughes from Chapter 25 at Yolo recently contacted about doing some joint chapter fly outs. The fly outs are listed below. Please feel free to join and contact Owen at [eonbio@gmail.com](mailto:eonbio@gmail.com).

- Sunday, April 30<sup>th</sup>: Monterey Bay Academy
- Saturday, May 30<sup>th</sup>: Watts Woodland
- July 21<sup>st</sup> to July 30<sup>th</sup>: Oshkosh

Stay tuned for more info regarding fly outs later in the year! If you are interested in attending any (or have any ideas/suggestions), please email Tenley Ong at [tenleyong@yahoo.com](mailto:tenleyong@yahoo.com).

Tenley Ong  
Board Member & Adult Eagle

## **CALENDAR - DATES AND EVENTS**

### **EAA Vintage Chapter 25 Calendar for 2023**

<b>May</b>	<b>Saturday, May 20</b> , at 9:00 a.m. VMC Club Meeting. See Details in VMC Club Report. <b>Sunday, May 21</b> , from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Flying Young Eagles at KDWA. Details are in this month's President Report. Updates will be provided by emails. <b>Saturday, May 30</b> , Chapter 52 Fly Out to Watts Woodland (O41) Contact <a href="mailto:eonbio@gmail.com">eonbio@gmail.com</a>
<b>June</b>	<b>TBD</b>
<b>July</b>	<b>Saturday, Jul 15</b> , at 9:00 a.m. VMC Club Meeting. See Details in VMC Club Report. <b>July 18 - July 26</b> , EAA Young Eagle Air Camp <b>July 24 - July 30</b> , AirVenture
<b>August</b>	<b>Saturday, Aug 19</b> , at 9:00 a.m. VMC Club Meeting. See Details in VMC Club Report.
<b>September</b>	<b>Saturday, Sep 16</b> , at 9:00 a.m. VMC Club Meeting. See Details in VMC Club Report.
<b>October</b>	<b>Saturday, Oct 21</b> , at 9:00 a.m. VMC Club Meeting. See Details in VMC Club Report.
<b>November</b>	<b>TBD</b>
<b>December</b>	<b>Saturday, Dec 9</b> , at 10:00 a.m. Holiday & Planning meeting at Aviator's Restaurant <b>Saturday, Dec 16</b> , at 9:00 a.m. VMC Club Meeting. See Details in VMC Club Report.

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