



CHAPTER 25

SACRAMENTO, CA

March 2020 Newsletter

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Welcome to All! So far, we have had a mild winter. I am not complaining, but we could sure use a little rain. Actually, a lot of rain! In the meantime, the weather is great for flying. Speaking of flying, our March fly-out is scheduled for Saturday, March 14th. We are heading to Sanders Aeronautics at Eagle's Nest Airport (CA20) in Ione. We will meet there between 9 and 9:30 a.m., and hang around until 11 a.m. Then it's off to lunch at Lodi Airport (103). Anyone who can't make it to Ione can meet us at the Lodi Airport Restaurant for lunch. I figure we will be there by noon.

In other news, I am proud to say that our Chapter, VAA 25, received the Gold Chapter Recognition from the EAA National Organization. A shout-out to Stan Lawrence, Kim Owen, and Esteban Nava for their strong work in getting us there! I hung our banner in Hangar 151, where the Young Eagles meet to "work" on airplanes.

Also, a big shout-out to Steve Lightstone for his strong work on the VMC Club. VAA 25 sponsors the VMC Club, and Steve has done a super job with setting up and conducting the monthly meetings. Steve presents an emergency

scenario at each meeting and guides the discussion along as pilots discuss what to do. Steve keeps the meeting interesting and lively. Meetings are the 3rd Saturday of each month at 9 a.m. in the Executive Airport Conference Room, and attendees can earn Wings credits. Coffee and donuts are even provided, so there is no reason not to show up and learn something!



First VMC Club Meeting Steve and some of the attendees



Remainder of the attendees (including our Young Eagles)

Finally, Esteban has created a Young Eagles Application form for any of the Young Eagles interested in attending the EAA Air Academy and annual Fly-in at Oshkosh. It's great to have a structured process for this VAA 25 program. Thank you, Esteban! This year we had four Young Eagles apply. I will let Esteban tell you more about it.

Well, that's it for now. Fair winds to all and keep the greasy side down!

Jim Sobolewski
President

SECRETARY'S REPORT

We would like to thank all the new members who have joined or have renewed for 2020 and look forward to some great fly in/drive in meeting opportunities this coming year.

Thanks to the hard work and donations of our members and the DGA members, EAA Vintage Chapter 25 now can award Scholarship to two of our Young Eagles to apply towards the costs of them attending EAA AirVenture in Oshkosh.

EAA CHAPTER RECOGNITION PROGRAM

This program is based on 10 criteria that are consistent in active and engaged chapters. The EAA will provide continued guidance to help chapters reach each recognition threshold. Our chapter receives one point for meeting each of the following criteria:

1. Attended a chapter leadership training session
2. Growing or steady membership
3. Offers IMC or VMC Club programs
3. Participates in Young Eagles or Flying Start programs
4. Has an EAA-approved Flight Advisor or Technical Counselor
5. Participates in EAA's Annual Chapter Member survey
6. Reads EAA ChapterGram regularly
7. Requested EAA promotional materials
8. ChapterBlast email
9. Hosts at least two public events each year
10. Owns/leases a facility

SCORING

Each of these criteria that your chapter has met will be worth one point, and every chapter will have the ability to earn up to 10 points. In December of 2019, chapters scoring at least seven out of 10 will be publicly recognized by EAA.

There will be three levels of recognition. Bronze (7 out of 10), Silver (8 out of 10), and Gold (at least 9 out of 10).

It's important to note that chapters are rated against the established criteria – NOT against one another. We also realize some EAA chapters are limited by resources, geography, and other factors. But we encourage all EAA chapters to do what they can the best that they can and seek ways to aim even higher.

RECOGNITION

Chapters scoring within one of these high recognition levels will be recognized via the EAA Find a Chapter webpage, news stories, a personalized icon for your chapter's webpage/newsletter, and a banner and/or plaque for your chapter to proudly display in your meeting location.

VMC February 15th meeting

There was a fantastic turnout and the meeting area was packed. Steve Lightstone spoke about Visual Flight Rules and how to stay safe while flying. Various flight scenarios were reviewed by the group and discussed how they would have responded to each one.

In attendance were members of Vintage 25 as well as many pilots flying into KSAC to attend the meeting.

Saturday, Feb 22, EAA Boot Camp at KSAC (8 a.m. to 5 p.m.) One day EAA chapter leader training.

Our next Fly-in/Drive-in is Saturday, Mar 14, Fly-out to Sanders Aeronautics at Eagles Nest (CA20) followed by lunch at Lodi Airport Restaurant (103). Here are the addresses of both locations for those of us who will be driving ;) Ione (CA20) - 17069 LAMBERT ROAD IONE, CA 95640 Lodi (103) - 23987 NORTH HWY 99 ACAMPO, CA 95220


Next VMC meeting - Saturday, Mar 21, at KSAC (8 a.m. to Noon)

Thank you,

Scott Pierson
Secretary

TREASURER'S REPORT

Hey Gang!:

In addition to the amounts shown on the Treasurer's Report, which follows, I have received \$900.00 in donations to help me pay for the insurance policy to cover liability and hull coverage on the Young Eagle  Training Aircraft. Which must be kept separate from EAA Vintage Chapter 25 and the DGA Aviation, LLC.

EAA does not cover flight training with their liability insurance. I received \$400.00 from Bill LaGrassa and \$500.00 from Nick Leonard. I'm hoping for more voluntary contributions from EAA Vintage Chapter 25 & DGA members. The premium is \$3,732.00. It covers the airplane for \$25,000.00 hull coverage and \$1.2 million liability coverage.

If you would like to donate, please send your donation to the address shown below for Dues payments. Make your check payable to me.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Balance as of December 31, 2019 **\$3,253.09 corrected**

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January 2020

Income		\$ 65.00
Dues (3 Members)	\$60.00	
Donations	\$ 5.00	
Expenses		\$ 300.00
VMC Projector		

Balance as of January 31, 2020 **\$3,018.09**

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DUES FOR 2020

Dues are due, a mere \$20/year (\$10 for students). Please send them promptly if you have not already remitted, to

EAA Vintage Ch 25
c/o Stan Lawrence
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The EAA Vintage Chapter membership also requires that you are a current EAA member, and a Vintage Division member (although we think that EAA will forgive us if we don't also keep a current Vintage Division membership). Both the EAA

membership and Vintage Association membership come with excellent magazines that alone are well worth the price of the dues. For information on these, see www.eaa.org

Respectfully submitted,

Stan Lawrence
Treasurer

WELCOME NEW MEMBER!

We are pleased to report that we have added the following new member:

Dave Supan

YOUNG EAGLES SACRAMENTO / DGA REPORT

I'm currently training 6 Young Eagles. Hayden Schaufel (who I'm recommending for his check ride in April), Dorian Nunez (has Soloed in phase II), Tyler Pierson (nearing solo), Dylan Fricke (phase I), Liam Robinson (phase I), and Audrey Robbins (phase I).

EAA Vintage Chapter 25 opened scholarship applications earlier in the month of February for Session 1, EAA AirVenture AirAcademy dated July 14-22, 2020. All expenses paid which includes transportation via private plane to and from Oshkosh, Wisconsin for a total of two weeks. The departure date from Sacramento, CA is Friday, July 10 and returning Saturday, July 26. A second scholarship for an all-expenses paid flight to Oshkosh AirVenture via a private plane to volunteer at AirVenture the week prior to AirVenture 2020 and then attend the fabulous AirVenture Airshow for 4-5 days the second week.

The winners will be going together on the same private plane flights. There will be overnight stops in Moab, Utah with touring in the Arches National Park and a second overnight in Granite Falls, MN with a tour of the Fagen Fighter Aircraft Museum. The flights should land in Oshkosh on Sunday, July 12, 2020. On the return flights departing either July 23 or 24 will include a likely overnight in Custer, South Dakota. Arriving in KSAC on Saturday the 25th or Sunday the 26th.

I am happy to announce that we have two winners in these very competitive scholarship applications entered by our 4 Young Eagles 🦅 who have faithfully attended our weekly Saturday sessions of building, maintaining and participating in flight training.

The applications were designed by our Chapter Vice President Esteban and tweaked by our eight-member scholarship review committee. After input and scoring from our eight committee members we can announce that Tyler Pierson has won the scholarship to attend Oshkosh AirVenture and the Session 1 AirVenture AirAcademy. And Audrey Robbins has won the all-expenses paid trip to Oshkosh AirVenture to Volunteer the week prior and attending the Fabulous Oshkosh AirVenture Airshow.

Congratulations to Tyler and Audrey. The competition was quite competitive, and we want to emphasize that Dylan and Liam should continue to attend the weekly Saturday sessions learning aircraft building, maintenance and continue their flight training. They will be at the top of the list for next year's competition if they choose to stay in the program.

I must say that the four Eagles in our current program are great and among the best we have had in our program. Congratulations to all.

Stan Lawrence
Young Eagles Sacramento / DGA

SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE

Hi all! Wanted to add a quick report as an update to our Ray Scholar application:

As many of you may know, a variety of Chapter and Board members have been working hard to bolster our efforts to obtain a Ray Scholarship from EAA. This scholarship would provide a student pilot with a \$10,000 award to go toward earning their private pilot certificate.

To this end, Board members traveled to Oshkosh for Chapter Training last fall, we have instituted a VMC club, we added some Technical and Flight Advisors and completed other "chapter" requirements. We then updated and submitted our application in January. We should hear from EAA if we won one of the awards near the end of February, or early March.

Regardless of the Ray Scholarship outcome, our efforts to date did earn us the “Gold” Chapter designation. The Gold mark is attached to our Chapter information for anyone to see on the EAA website.

Further, I believe we received a banner/table runner with our “Gold” Chapter emblem - for anyone that may be interested in displaying it at an upcoming Chapter event!

Next month I’ll send an update about the outcome of our Ray Scholarship application.

Kim Owen
Scholarship Committee

WEBMASTER REPORT

Hello all,

The EAA is going to change webhost providers in March. Our website is affected because we use the website provider that EAA has worked with for the last number of years. I think this will be a good thing, first because our website could use some updating (newer pictures, more info on the YE program, etc.), and second the current webhost system for updates is pretty funky and not so easy to use IMHO. I don't know what the migration process will involve, but I have started the process. Stay tuned (though this will be a process that will take a while....).

In the meantime, I have updated our current website. It took longer than planned to get to it with having company, the holidays and a very interesting and beautiful trip via my Cessna 172 to Arizona and back (KSEZ, KFFZ, KRYN, KPSP, and several others).

We saw 3 aviation museums--Commemorative museum at Mesa, Pima museum at Tucson, and Palm Springs Museum at KPSP. The Pima museum took all day, and we didn't quite see everything! We didn't have time to take the tour to see the adjacent aircraft boneyard, but also we didn't know in time that you have to register at minimum 16 days in advance to get security clearance to see it.

Oh well, it is not like we didn't otherwise see enough aircraft.... And just a note: I love ADS-B, my G3X system and Garmin Pilot!

If you want any more information (that I can provide....) let me know.

Dave Magaw
Webmaster

CALENDAR - DATES AND EVENTS

February	Wednesday, Feb 26, EAA Boot Camp at KSAC (8 a.m. to 5 p.m.) One day EAA chapter leader training.
March	Saturday, Mar 14, Fly-out to Sanders Aeronautics at Eagles Nest (CA20) We will meet there between 9 and 9:30 a.m., and hang around until 11 a.m. Then it's off to lunch at Lodi Airport (1O3). Saturday, Mar 21, VMC Club Meeting at KSAC (8 a.m. to Noon)
April	Saturday, Apr 11, Fly-out to Yolo Flyer's Club at Watts Woodland (O41) Meet at airport at 11 a.m. for short walk to restaurant. Dress code for Flyers Club -- collared shirts for men. No short shorts. Saturday, Apr 18, VMC Club Meeting at KSAC (8 a.m. to Noon)
May	Saturday, May 2, Young Eagles Flights at Little River (KLLR) (8:30 a.m. to Noon) Saturday, May 9, Fly-out to Alta Sierra (09CL) (11 a.m.) Lunch at Bob Opdahl's hangar with the Alta Sierra Airport Flyers Saturday, May 16, VMC Club Meeting at KSAC (8 a.m. to Noon) Sunday, May 17, Young Eagles Flights at KSAC (8 a.m. to 3 p.m.)
June	Saturday, Jun 13, Fly-out to Chico (KCIC) (10:00 a.m.) Visit the Chico Air Museum and lunch after at airport restaurant. Saturday, Jun 20, VMC Club Meeting at KSAC (8 a.m. to Noon)
July	No Meetings
August	Saturday, Aug 8, Meeting at KSAC for Corn & Brats BBQ (10 a.m. to 1 p.m.) Saturday, Aug 15, VMC Club Meeting at KSAC (8 a.m. to Noon)
September	Saturday, Sep 19, VMC Club Meeting at KSAC (8 a.m. to Noon)
October	Saturday, Oct 3, Young Eagles Flights at Little River (KLLR) (8:30 a.m. to Noon) Saturday, Oct 10, Fly-out to Shelter Cove (0Q5) meet at airport (11 a.m. to 1 p.m.) Saturday, Oct 17, VMC Club Meeting at KSAC (8 a.m. to Noon) Sunday, Oct 18, Young Eagles Flights at KSAC (8 a.m. to 3 p.m.)
November	Saturday, Nov 21, VMC Club Meeting at KSAC (8 a.m. to Noon)
December	Saturday, Dec 12, Holiday & Planning meeting at Aviator's Restaurant KSAC (10 a.m.)

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