



April 2022 Newsletter

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Well, we got a little rain this week, but unfortunately, it looks like this will be another drought year. However, looking on the bright side, there will probably be a lot of sunny days to be out there flying. And speaking of flying, VAA 25 had its first fly-out a couple of weeks ago. (See the report on this fly-out elsewhere in the Newsletter.) And there's more to come after the Easter break.

Next on our flight schedule this year is a VAA 25 trek up to Alta Sierra Airport (09CL) for a big hamburger feed on May 14th. Alta Sierra Airport is a privately maintained “one-way in, one-way out” airport in the Nevada County foothills. We flew up there in the pre-Covid days and had a great time, so let's do it again! Look for more details in the May Newsletter.

Also, on the schedule this spring is our regular Young Eagle flight festival. Stan “Sparky” Lawrence will be soliciting volunteer pilots to introduce young boys and girls to their first flight in small plane. In the past we have had as many as 80 to 100 kids show up. So, mark your calendar for May 22nd and come out to Executive Airport and fly some Young Eagles. (VAA 25 is a non-profit organization; donation receipts will be available for all pilots so you can deduct your fuel costs from your taxes!)

Our VMC program is humming along thanks to the hard work of Steve “You Need to Fly More and Drink More Beer” Lightstone. The Easter Holiday will put the kibosh on our April VMC Club meeting, so look in the Newsletter for information on our next meeting. The meetings are now in-person meetings at Hangar151, and scheduled for the 3rd Saturday of the month at 9 a.m. And thanks also to Steve and his son, Charlie (I'm learning to drive in a VW Bug, but I first must fix it”) Lightstone for taking the laboring oar and getting our Flight Simulator up and running. If you haven't seen it, drop by the hangar on any Saturday and prepare to be impressed. And finally, a big thank you to Earl “You'd Be Amazed at the List of Planes I Have Flown” Johnson for the generous donation of the flight simulator “cockpit” and screens.

Finally, plans are continuing for the big NorCal Regional Ray Scholars Gathering and Fly-In at the Yolo County Airport on Saturday, June 18th. Chapter 52 is the main sponsor, and Owen Hughes of Chapter 52 has already made a grant request to EAA National for money to fund the event. Strong work, Owen! The event is still in the planning stages but will include invitations to other chapters to fly in, an exhibition of show planes, a pancake breakfast, Young Eagle flights, aviation workshops, and lunch so people can fly home on a full stomach. Check future Newsletters for more information on this exciting event!

Well, that's the news for this month. So, get out there, get that bird in the air, and remember to keep the greasy side down!

Jim Sobolewski
President

SECRETARY'S REPORT

We only have about 50% renewals for the EAA chapter 2022 calendar year. The cost is \$20 and is payable by check or cash. Checks can be mailed to Stan Lawrence and cash can be given to Stan, Nick or Mark at the hangar. If paying in cash, tell the person you give the cash to that this is for EAA chapter renewal.

Scott Pierson
Secretary

TREASURER'S REPORT

The EAA Vintage Chapter 25 account has been moved to a more convenient bank located near the airport and my home. I had been contemplating doing this for some time. I decided to make the move when the American River Bank, where the Chapter's account has resided for over 20 years, was to be merged with and to become The Bank of Marin. I was concerned that I would have issues with the transition because of the difficulties I encountered with my personal bank Schools Financial Credit Union when they were merged into Schools First Federal Credit Union, which became a month-long nightmare. Hoping to avoid a repeat of the difficulties I encountered with Schools First, I moved the account to Wells Fargo on Freeport Blvd.

I must say that the move has not been without difficulties with Wells Fargo's customer service, which is not great. They claim because of staffing shortages caused by the Covid -19 pandemic. It's a long story but we are still waiting for their security branch to allow Kim as a signatory on the account.

Because our account balance has grown to rather substantially, I decided to have a savings account that at least would earn a little interest. So, we now have a savings and a checking account. There aren't any fees for the checking account as long as we maintain a balance in excess of \$500.00.

Below please find this month's Treasures Report respectfully submitted
03/28/22.

Balance All Accounts February 27, 2022: \$ 65,681.88

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March 2022

Wells Fargo Savings Account:

Deposits:

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|---|----|-----------|
| 03/01/22 Balance from River Bank less \$1,000 left in old account | \$ | 64,681.88 |
| 03/14/22 Steve McKibben Donation | \$ | 20.00 |

Withdrawals

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|---|----|-----------------|
| 03/10/22 Transfer to New Wells Fargo Checking Account | \$ | <u>5,000.00</u> |
|---|----|-----------------|

Savings Balance as of March 28, 2022 \$ 59,701.88

Wells Fargo Checking Account:

Income & Deposits

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|--|----|---------------|
| 03/01/22 Opening Deposit | \$ | 25.00 |
| 03/10/22 Transfer from Savings Account | \$ | 5,000.00 |
| 03/16/22 Timothy Robert Dues & Donation | \$ | 25.00 |
| 03/21/22 Bob Angrisani Donation | \$ | 20.00 |
| 03/28/22 Bob Angrisani Donation | \$ | 20.00 |
| 03/28/22 Check for closing balance at River Bank | \$ | <u>745.00</u> |

Total Income & Deposits \$ 5,835.00

Expenses & Withdrawals:

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|--|----|-----------------|
| 03/08/22 Harland for Wells Fargo Checks | \$ | 64.12 |
| 03/11/22 Check to transfer funds to River Bank | \$ | <u>1,500.00</u> |

Total Expense & Withdrawals \$ 1,564.12

Checking Balance as of March 28, 2022: \$ 4,270.88

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Balance All Accounts March 28, 2022 \$ 63,972.76

Respectfully submitted,

Stan Lawrence
Treasurer

YOUNG EAGLES SACRAMENTO REPORT

Ahh, the changing of seasons! Spring is here and the days are getting longer and warmer, so the young eagles of Vintage Chapter 25 in Sacramento have been busy, but not just with flying! From college applications to spring sports, prom to getting their first jobs, they have been learning the art of juggling. But as usual, they are continuing to show their dedication to flying by coming to the airport and helping out every Saturday!

And, check it out, they've been working on the Vintage Chapter 25 [Instagram page!](#)

What has everyone been up to?

The young eagles have been continuing work on the Helicopter (which is almost done!). They also finished installing ADSB in the RV-12 and removed its wings. The Cessna 150-150 has a fresh annual and is ready to fly.

Justin Kaysinger and Tyler Stump currently have their private pilot checkrides scheduled for this summer with Rob Davids. Justin recently flew a cross country from Chico to Santa Rosa with Stan!



1. Stan Lawrence and Justin Kaysinger flying from KSAC to Chico to Santa Rosa and back home!



2. Justin after his cross-country flight with Stan!



3. Lake Beryessa - you can even see the dam!



4. View of Lake Beryessa out the window of the Cessna 150-150.

Liam Robinson is also working on his cross-country. He recently had the opportunity to get some good practice in with Stan Lawrence during the Chico flyout.

Aside from continuing to assist Trenton and Jake with their toolboxes, Lilah Harris is studying to take her private pilot written exam at the end of her spring break in April. Wish her luck (even though she doesn't need it!!)

The Ray Scholarship candidates, Austin, Adam, Trenton, Jake, Charlie, and May are working through their Sporty's courses in preparation for taking their written test.

Dylan Fricke is continuing to study for this written test and mentor the new young eagles around the airport.

Tyler Pierson is in the process of getting checked out in the RV-4 and is also studying for his commercial checkride. Tyler is waiting to hear back from colleges, so he can continue to pursue his dreams of becoming an astronaut!



5. *Tyler Pierson in the back of Jim Teel's RV-4, Stan in the front.*

Angelina Angrisani is studying for her commercial checkride, which has been moved to May so she can focus on school. Afterwards, she hopes to pursue her instrument rating before returning to school in the fall.

Tenley Ong recently received a \$10,000 scholarship towards her instrument rating from the Ellsworth Hovey Getchell Foundation through Auburn Aviation Association. She will be meeting her mentor and begin flight training soon! She also continues work on restoring her RV-6 with the gracious help Kerry, Hal, Stan, and many other friends around the airport.

Other Updates

The rooms have been booked for Oshkosh 2022! We will be taking 2-4 young eagles, depending on a variety of factors.

Applications continue to be reviewed for both the Ray Scholarship as well as the Build and Maintain Program. Currently, Austin Thomas, Trenton Welch, Jake Lavery, Charlie Lightstone, Adam Kennedy, and May Conlin submitted applications. They have all been on an introductory flight and participated in the Saturday maintenance sessions. Stay tuned for updates!

Upcoming events:

Oshkosh and Air Camp: As announced previously we have a Young Eagle Air Academy Camp spot reserved for the Advanced first session from **July 19th-27th, 2022**. EAA AirVenture Oshkosh will be held from **July 25th-31st, 2022**.

May 14 - Fly Out to Alta Sierra!: See following fly-out report below for more details.

May 22: Young Eagles Rally. Every year, we host two young eagle rallies to introduce youth in the community to the world of aviation. This will be our first rally this year! Stay tuned for more details.

Respectfully submitted,

Tenley Ong
Young Eagles Representative

Fly-Out Report

With COVID-19 restrictions being lifted, we have been able to resume our chapter fly-outs this year!

A Successful First Fly-Out: Chico Air Museum and Lampson Field
On Saturday, March 12, the chapter went on our first official fly out since 2020! We flew to the Chico Air Museum and then to Lampson Field at Clear Lake for lunch. We also were able to bring every young eagle that wanted to attend – thank you to all the pilots who were able and willing to fly them! Check out the [Instagram page](#) for videos and photos!

Attendees: Steve McKibben flew Dylan Fricke in his RV-6; Bruce Walters flew Jake Lavery in his RV-7; Liam Robinson (student) flew Stan Lawrence (instructor) in his Cessna 150; Harry Ansorge flew Trenton Welch and Austin Thomas in his Cessna 172; Tyler Pierson flew Lilah Harris in the Cessna 150-150; Angelina Angrisani and Tenley Ong flew Stan's RV-14, Dave Magaw flew his grandson from KLHM in his Cessna 172.



6. The line-up at the Chico Air Museum. (left to right: Cessna 150, Cessna 172, Cessna 150/150, RV-14, RV-6, RV-7. Not pictured: Dave Magaw's Cessna 172.



7. Harry Ansorge (right) flying Austin Thomas and Trenton Welch in his Cessna 172.



8. Everyone at the Chico Air Museum!



9. *View out the window of Harry's Cessna-172, near Lampson Field.*



10. *View #2 out the window of Harry's Cessna-172.*



11. Stan Lawrence and Liam Robinson in Liam's (and Brett's) Cessna 150. Logging some fantastic cross-country time!



12. Liam Robinson focused on flying!



13. Liam Robinson smiling for the camera!



14. View out the window of the Cessna 150 near Lampson Field.

Next Fly-Out

You might be thinking right now, “That sounds like it was a lot of fun! When is the next fly out? I soooo want to go!” Well, lucky for you, we already have another scheduled!

May 14, 2022: Chapter Member Bob Opdahl has kindly offered to host the next fly-out (and BBQ lunch!!) at Alta Sierra Airport. We will be arriving there at 10am and eating around 11:30 or so. If you are interested in attending, please email Tenley Ong at tenleyong@yahoo.com.

Other fly-outs will likely include Redding, Oceano, Yolo, Shelter Cove, and/or Mendocino! Stay tuned for more info!

Respectfully submitted,

Tenley Ong
Young Eagles Representative

SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE

This month has been a busy one for our Ray Scholars and the Chapter. Our Chapter is busy gathering and considering several applications received for our 2022 Ray Scholarships. We have two scholarships available and should be announcing the awardees no later than June.

Our current Ray Scholars have been busy as well. We do not have a report from Tyler Stump this month - as he has been kept from the airport with other obligations and working on college visits. He plans to get back to flying shortly with the aim of completing his PPL soon.

Both Justin and Liam have been flying and keeping busy with the Build Maintain Program at the hangar each Saturday. Please see the following comments:

This month we have worked on assembling the rotor blades for the bubble helicopter we are building. I also went on a flight on the 16th with my instructor to practice crosswind landings for my upcoming checkride; which I am being prepared for and hopefully I'll be able to take it by the

end of May! I'm excited to fly a dual cross country next week to Chico which should be lots of fun!

• - *Justin*

In the last month I have gotten a lot accomplished! I've helped prepare the rotors on the helicopter as well as help try and fix the rv12 issues. In flying I'm getting ready for my solo at executive and night flying. Last weekend Stan and I flew up to Chico then Lampson and back to Executive. After that I logged another 3 hours of cross-country time!

• - *Liam*

Respectfully submitted,

Kim Owen
Ray Scholarship Coordinator

VMC CLUB REPORT

Fellow Aviators,

The meeting are now in-person meetings at Hangar151. VMC safety meeting are scheduled for the third Saturday of each month at 9 a.m. The Easter Holiday will put the kibosh on our April VMC Club meeting, so our next meeting is May 21st. The following are meeting dates:

May 21, 2022 09:00 AM

Jun 18, 2022 09:00 AM

Jul 16, 2022 09:00 AM

Aug 20, 2022 09:00 AM

Sep 17, 2022 09:00 AM

Oct 15, 2022 09:00 AM

Nov 19, 2022 09:00 AM

You will also receive an email notice and a calendar reminder each month close to the meeting date.

Steve Lightstone
VMC Club Leader

WEBMASTER REPORT

No Report this Month.

Dave Magaw
Webmaster

CALENDAR - DATES AND EVENTS

EAA Vintage Chapter 25 Calendar for 2022

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| May | Saturday, May 14 , Fly-out to Alta Sierra. Details will be provided in May. Saturday, May 21 , at 9:00 a.m. VMC Club Meeting. See Details in VMC Club Report. Sunday, May 22 , from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Flying Young Eagles at KSAC. Meet in the Sacramento Executive Airport Main Terminal, 6151 Freeport Blvd, Sacramento, CA 95822 |
| June | Saturday, Jun 18 , at 9:00 a.m. VMC Club Meeting. See Details in VMC Club Report. |
| July | Saturday, Jul 16 , at 9:00 a.m. VMC Club Meeting. See Details in VMC Club Report. TBD , Stan, Chapter Leaders, and Young Eagles depart for Oshkosh and AirVenture. Monday, Jul 25 to Sunday, Jul 31 , AirVenture |
| August | Saturday, Aug TBD , Meeting at KSAC for Corn & Brats BBQ (11 a.m. to 1 p.m.) Saturday, Aug 20 , at 9:00 a.m. VMC Club Meeting. See Details in VMC Club Report. |
| September | Saturday, Sep 17 , at 9:00 a.m. VMC Club Meeting. See Details in VMC Club Report. |
| October | Saturday, Oct 15 , at 9:00 a.m. VMC Club Meeting. See Details in VMC Club Report. Sunday, TBD , from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Flying Young Eagles at KSAC. Meet in the Sacramento Executive Airport Main Terminal, 6151 Freeport Blvd, Sacramento, CA 95822 |
| November | Saturday, Nov 19 , at 9:00 a.m. VMC Club Meeting. See Details in VMC Club Report. |
| December | Saturday, Dec 10 , Holiday & Planning meeting at Aviator's Restaurant KSAC (10 a.m.) |

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