



## **December 2022 Newsletter**

### **PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

Well, the Holidays are upon us, and although the days are getting shorter, it's getting brighter out there with all the Christmas light starting to appear around the neighborhood. So, it is time for our annual Holiday breakfast and meeting to celebrate another successful year and make plans for the future.

And there is cause to celebrate as this year has been very successful. Due to the generous support of our members, VAA Chapter 25 is on sound financial footing as we close out 2022. Equally important, VAA Chapter 25 is also in great shape thanks to the hard work of our many volunteers. The list is extensive and

includes Nick and Mark who work with the many young members who come out every Saturday, Earl who donated a great flight simulator and flies the sim with many of the youth, Stan who donates his time and I don't know how much gas to train our future pilots, and Steve who puts together a great monthly VMC Club Safety meeting.

This year VAA Chapter 25, working in conjunction with EAA Chapter 52, also successfully ran the spring and fall Young Eagles Flight Day at Yolo Airport. More than 150 kids were taken up for an introductory flight thanks to the many volunteers at Chapter 25 and Chapter 52 who made it happen, and the many pilots who donated their time, planes and fuel to take the kids “up and around the patch.”

So on to party. Stan has reserved the back room at the Aviators Restaurant at Executive Airport for Saturday, December 10<sup>th</sup> from 10 a.m. to noon. Come on out and enjoy a hearty breakfast and celebrate another successful year with your fellow pilots. We will have a short meeting after breakfast to hand out awards and plan for the coming year. This will be our final event of the year. (Because of the Holidays, our December VMC Safety meeting is canceled until January.)

Well, that's the news for another month and another year. I hope you have a very Merry Christmas, and that Santa leaves a nice present for you under the tree.

Jim Sobolewski  
President

## **SECRETARY'S REPORT**

It is renewal time for Vintage Chapter 25. You can either pay in cash or check in the amount \$20 to Stan at the North Hangars or

you can mail a check made out to Vintage Chapter 25 to the following address:

- **5800 13<sup>th</sup> St Sacramento, CA 95822**

We would like to receive all renewals by the end of the year so we can keep the chapter roster up to date and current. I will be sending out a couple of reminder emails over the next few weeks to those that have yet to renew. The emails will be coming from [VAA25secretary@gmail.com](mailto:VAA25secretary@gmail.com) so please check your spam folder as well.

If you do not plan to renew, please let us know so we can keep our EAA roster database as up to date as possible as the roster is monitored and maintained by EAA.

We have monthly chapter board meetings to discuss/plan our schedule of events as well as tasks and future plans for the Chapter. If you would like to attend one of our board meetings to discuss ideas or thoughts, please email me at [vaa25secretary@gmail.com](mailto:vaa25secretary@gmail.com) and we can get you on the meeting schedule.

Scott Pierson  
Secretary

## **TREASURER'S REPORT**

**Balance All Accounts October 28, 2022:   \$ 62,177.49**

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**November 2022**

### **Golden 1 Savings Account:**

***Beginning Balance October 28, 2022:       \$ 53,299.10***

***Deposits:***

11/07/22 EAA Mobile Deposit Transfer from Checking	\$	5,000.00
11/28/22 Miscellaneous	\$	.45
<b>Total Income &amp; Deposits:</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>5,000.45</b>

***Withdrawals***

None	\$	0
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***Savings Balance as of Nov 28, 2022:***      **\$ 58,299.55**

**Golden 1 Checking Account:**

***Beginning Balance October 28, 2022:***      **\$ 8,878.39**

***Income & Deposits***

11/01/22 Steve McKibben Dues	\$	20.00
11/01/22 Paul Irvine Dues	\$	20.00
11/02/22 Bob Angrisani Dues	\$	20.00
11/07/22 Mark McElroy Dues & Donation	\$	50.00
11/07/22 Marilyn Boese & Red Hamilton Dues & Donation		200.00
11/07/22 EAA Mobile Deposit Scholarship	\$	5,000.00
11/07/22 Douglas Johnson Dues	\$	20.00
11/09/22 Kim & Mike Owen Dues	\$	20.00
11/17/22 Stan & Michele Lawrence Other	\$	100.00
11/17/22 Marilyn Boese & Red Hamilton Other	\$	60.00
11/28/22 Bob Angrisani Donation	\$	20.00
<b>Total Income &amp; Deposits:</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>5,530.00</b>

***Expenses & Withdrawals:***

11/04/22 Stan's Primary Flight School	\$	1,870.00
11/07/22 EAA Mobile Deposit Transfer to Checking	\$	5,000.00
11/08/22 AIA	\$	2,042.52
<b>Total Expense &amp; Withdrawals:</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>8,912.52</b>

***Checking Balance as of Nov 28, 2022:***      **\$ 5,495.87**

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**Balance All Accounts November 28, 2022: \$ 63,795.42**

Respectfully submitted,

Stan Lawrence  
Treasurer

## **SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE**

As we glide into the holidays our Ray Scholars continue to use the good-weather days to sharpen their piloting skills and learn new facets of flying. On the days that are a little dreary for flying, they are busy studying for their check-rides. We are anticipating both May and Rachel will be scheduled for their check-rides over the first few months of 2023.

We are also pleased to announce that we have applied for an additional 2 scholars for the 2023 year. We have been fortunate to enjoy many successes from this incredible EAA opportunity.

A few words from our scholars...

*November has certainly been exciting so far! I've been working with Stan quite a bit on several types of landings (short field, soft field, and spot) and takeoffs (short field and soft field). The challenge has definitely picked up with the increased winds in these winter months, but practicing in crosswinds has been a great learning experience. A main focus for me has been trying to take control of the airplane rather than letting it control me, which has been an especially important concept in these weather conditions. I also had the opportunity to go along with Stan to the Watsonville flyout in the RV-14! This was my first time flying in the left seat of this plane, and it was definitely a learning curve. I loved how fast it was, and the entirely new environment of the glass cockpit. It took some getting used to, but I look forward to more opportunities to fly in this amazing plane!*

*- May Conlin*

*Since receiving the Ray Aviation Scholarship on October 8, 2022, things have been very busy (but in a fun way!)*

*First, I continued my flight training with Stan Lawrence in his Cessna 150/150. We probably did upwards of 50 laps around Franklin Field in preparation of my first solo. My biggest problems were maintaining proper airspeed (keep it at 80!) and keeping my wings level on landing. After lots of practice, I not only learned to prevent these problems but also how to fix them. On October 29, I had my first solo. As I completed my first solo lap, I did not need to do any extra corrections and made a great landing. With excitement and confidence, I completed 3 more landings, proper radio communications and all! Here is a picture of Stan and I once I got out of the airplane.*



*Once we got back to KSAC, I had my Shirt-Cutting Ceremony to cut my “wings” (which is a giant hole in the back of my shirt). I was greeted by lots of love from all my friends at EAA Vintage Chapter 25.*



*After my first solo, I completed my essay for the Ray Scholarship Lightspeed Headset and reflected on the things I’ve learned since receiving the scholarship. One of the most positive experiences of being a scholar besides learning to fly has been*

*spending time with other aviators, being able to learn, celebrate our successes, and fly together.*

*After a couple of cloudy days, the sky was finally clear enough for me to complete my next solo at KEDU (My school!). Once we arrived at the airport, there was a slight tailwind on runway 17, so we switched to a left pattern on runway 35. The tricky part about this pattern was turning to crosswind sooner than normal to avoid the residential area. We practiced this new pattern 2 times then it was time for my solo. My first landing was a little rough, but the next 3 went very well and I felt very confident. Now, it's time for a solo at L36!*



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

*- Rachel Long*

Respectfully submitted,

Kim Owen  
Ray Scholarship Coordinator

## **WEBMASTER REPORT**

No Report this Month.

Dave Magaw  
Webmaster

## **YOUNG EAGLES - COAST**

No Report this Month.

Red Hamilton  
Young Eagles - Coast

## **YOUNG EAGLES - SACRAMENTO REPORT**

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 has completed three out of her four solos!! She will be doing her final solo at KSAC sometime during this next month!

May Conlin is preparing for her short solo cross-countries. She has been hopping around between local airports, getting lots of practice in entering and navigating airport traffic patterns. She also got some good night flying practice done!



*1. A very clean hangar, courtesy of Liam Robinson!*

## **KWVI Fly-Out**

On November 12, 2022, we had the final fly-out of the year to Watsonville, CA!

It was a gorgeous day, with a few clouds on the way to the coast. By the time we got to Watsonville, it was clear and gorgeous over the ocean. There were five planes (a Cessna 140, an RV-14, two RV-4s, and an RV-8). We had lunch at Ella's at the restaurant and then returned to Sacramento in the afternoon.

If you want to attend the fly-outs, you need to RSVP, be a current EAA member, as well as a Vintage Chapter 25 member. Also, due insurance reasons, moving forward there will be some restrictions in place. Only private pilots, people over age 18, and students flying with a CFI will be allowed to attend fly outs. If you have any questions, please contact Tenley Ong.



*2. Rachel Long's view from the back of the RV-8, flown by Justin Frei.*



*3. Tyler Pierson's view of the two RV-4's and Lina's Cessna 140 on the ramp at KWVI.*

Tenley Ong  
Adult Eagle

## **VMC CLUB REPORT**

The meetings are now in-person meetings at Hangar 154. VMC safety meetings are scheduled for the third Saturday of each month at 9 a.m. There **will not** be a VMC Club meeting in December.

The January 2023 Newsletter will provide the dates and times for the 2023 meetings.

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

Steve Lightstone  
VMC Club Leader

## **CALENDAR - DATES AND EVENTS**

### **EAA Vintage Chapter 25 Calendar for 2022**

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**December**     **Saturday, Dec 10, Holiday & Planning meeting** at Aviator's Restaurant KSAC (10 a.m.)

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