



February 2023 Newsletter

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Well, I hope you made it through January without too much storm damage. Only lost power three times here. And the shed will need some repairs and the back fence will have to be replaced. But all in all, not too bad compared to some neighbors. And I was thrilled to see the rain and the reservoirs filling up for a change, and now we have some sun as well as the promise for some more rain in the future! Strong start to the New Year.

And speaking of the New Year, we will pick up where we left off last year. Nick "Connect This Wire Here" Leonard and Mark "Hammer Time" Zukowski are continuing with the Build and Maintain

Program every Saturday at the North Hangars with a bunch of young aviators, and Stan "Sparky" Lawrence is helping these future aviators with their private licenses. Good work gentlemen!

And through the efforts of Kim Owen, our Ray Scholar Coordinator, VAA 25 will again be requesting scholarship funds from the Ray Scholar Program to help these young aviators pay for their private training. We have been successful with our Ray Scholar applications for the past two years, and Kim is looking forward to more success this year.

Scheduling for future fly-outs is still up in the air at this time (yes, pun intended), but the Spring and Fall Young Eagle Introductory Flights are sure to take place. As soon as we have dates for them, I will publish them here. As before, I expect the events to be held at Yolo Airport, to be co-sponsored with EAA Chapter 52, and to have a pancake breakfast you won't want to miss.

One thing I do have definite dates for is our aviation safety program under the tutelage of Steve "Let's Fly More and Then Drink Beer" Lightstone. Steve has been running our VMC safety program for the past two years, and if you haven't attended in the past, your need to start now. Steve always has timely and useful safety information, and with his knowledge base is able to answer most any flying or safety related question. Meetings for the VMC Club are at the KSAC terminal building on the third Saturday of the month at 9 a.m. The next meeting will be on February 18th. See you there!

Well, that's it for this month. Before I sign off, I would like to thank all our volunteers who keep this organization strong and thriving. And if you are not already a member, this is a good time to send Stan (the treasurer man) a check for \$20 and join. (To paraphrase Alfred E. Neuman, "just \$20, worth more.") And if you are already a member, stop by on any Saturday morning and see what you can do to get involved.

In the meantime, stay safe, and keep the greasy side down!

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 13th St Sacramento, CA 95822**

We would like to receive all renewals as soon as possible so we can keep the chapter roster up to date. 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 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 and we can get you on the meeting schedule.

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 December 29, 2022: \$ 61,060.59

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December 2022

Wells Fargo Savings Account:

***Beginning Balance Dec 29, 2022:* \$ 58,302.71**

Deposits:

01/30/23 Dividend	\$	7.43
Total Income & Deposits:	\$	7.43

Withdrawals

01/30/23 Transfer to Checking	\$	1,000.00
<i>Savings Balance as of Jan 30, 2023:</i>	\$	57,310.14

Allocation of Savings Balance to Scholarship Accounts:

As of 01/30/23

<u>Ray Scholar</u>	<u>Scholarship Bal</u>	<u>Savings Less Scholar \$</u>
Savings Balance		\$ 57,310.14
Justin Kaysinger	\$ 635.00	\$ 56,675.14
Liam Robinson	\$1,136.00	\$ 55,539.14
Tyler Stump	\$ 161.00	\$ 55,378.14
Lilah Harris	\$4,337.00	\$ 51,041.14

May Conlin \$ 773.00 \$ 50,268.14

Rachel Long \$2,679.00 \$ 47,589.14

Savings Balance without Scholarship Funds \$ 47,589.14

Wells Fargo Checking Account:

Adjusted Beginning Balance Dec 29, 2022: \$ 2,762.88

Income & Deposits

01/06/23 Bruce Walters Dues	\$	20.00
01/11/23 Jim Jordan Dues & Donation	\$	100.00
01/17/23 Harry Ansorte Dues	\$	20.00
01/17/23 Sue Wisman Dues	\$	20.00
01/30/23 Transfer from Savings	\$	<u>1,000.00</u>
Total Income & Deposits:	\$	1,160.00

Expenses & Withdrawals:

01/20/23 Jonathan Bar DPE	\$	<u>900.00</u>
Total Expense & Withdrawals:	\$	900.00

Checking Balance as of Jan 30, 2023: \$ 3022.88

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Balance All Accounts Jan 30, 2022: \$ 60,333.02

Respectfully submitted,

Stan Lawrence
Treasurer

SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE

Greetings from the Ray Scholarship group! Well... Mother Nature has thrown us a bit of a challenge this past month. Although we are in need of the rain and snow, it does create some difficulties in preparing our Ray Scholars for upcoming check rides.

Unfortunately, we have already had to reschedule May for her check ride and are now in search of DPEs that have the time/space in their schedule to work with our Ray Scholars. I'll keep you posted on our future "new pilots". In the meantime, the following are thoughts from our current Ray Scholars:

- *This month has been exciting! I've had lots of opportunities to train and practice my skills in preparation for a checkride. I've completed 6.7 solo cross-country hours which gave me plenty of time to practice both pilotage and GPS navigation using Foreflight and paper charts. Paper flight planning was certainly a new and challenging experience, but I learned a lot about what type of planning goes into a successful flight without the help of modern technologies. Finding days to fly has been its own challenge with the many storms and inclement weather this past month. With some flexibility, however, I was able to get in good practice on crosswind landings especially with sometimes limited visibility. I was also able to learn more about what makes flights safe and what goes into a good go/no-go decision as a private pilot. Next up is preparation for my oral exam. It will be challenging with a new DPE, but I've had some wonderful help from Tenley, Lina, and Tyler. Looking forward to a checkride next month!*
- *May Conlin*

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

- *Rachel Long*

Respectfully submitted,

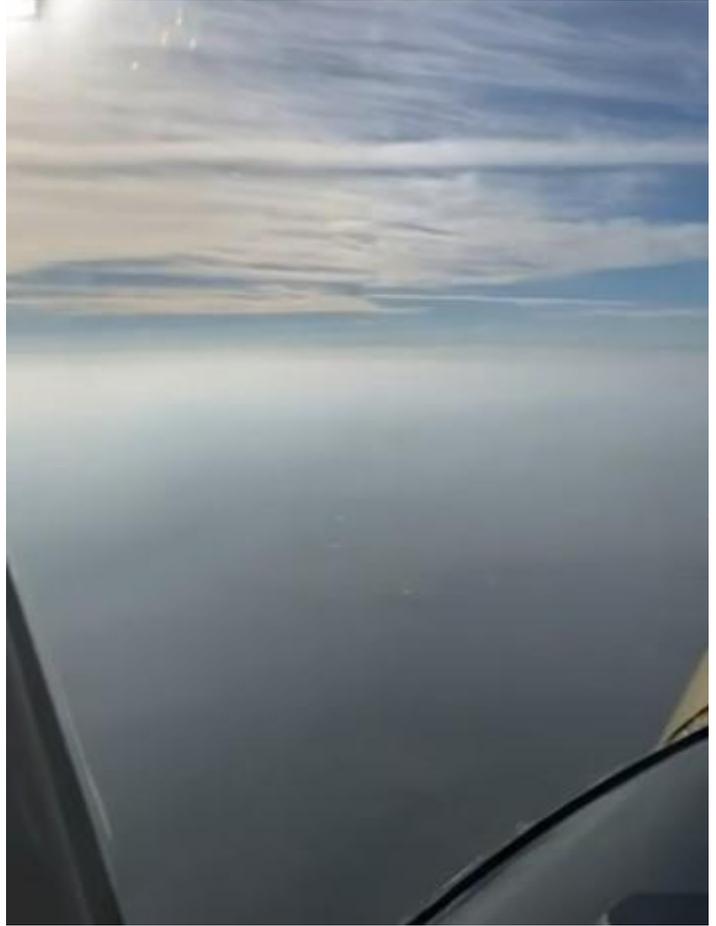
Kim Owen
Ray Scholarship Coordinator

January 15, 2023

My Third Month with the Ray Aviation Scholarship

Rachel Long | EAA Vintage Chapter 25

This past month has been very slow like December. The rainy and windy weather prevents Stan and I from flying, but on the days we can fly, we work in the KEDU and KSAC pattern. I am still working a lot on my radio communication in preparation for my supervised solo at KSAC. I have become more comfortable with communicating while other aircraft in the pattern and adjusting to any changes that tower gives me. I have also practiced a lot of flying in the wind. Compared to when I started flying in October, I think winter wind is more difficult to maneuver in than summer heat turbulence. However, Stan says that my reaction and correction while flying in the wind is really good, and I feel so too. For the rest of this month, I plan to complete my supervised solo at KEDU and plan my cross-country. I also need to study more for my checkride. We've lost a lot of flight time this past month because of the weather and I want to stay on track as much as I can.



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 meeting will be on **February 18 at 9am in the Terminal's 2nd floor conference room**. All meetings will be “in-person” at the Terminal.

Our meeting schedule for 2023 is:

Feb 18,
Mar 18,
Apr 15,
May 20,
June & July TBD
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

Everyone is back in school after winter break! With the interesting weather we had at the beginning of the month, it was difficult for anyone to get much flying in, so we've been having a lot of study days.

The young eagles attended the monthly VMC meeting, hosted by Steve Lightstone. They learned about airspace, running through real – life scenarios. In addition, they continued to work on the helicopter. In their free time, they have been cleaning the hangars.

The flight simulator hasn't been working, so Earl and Trenton have been working to solve the problems. The young eagles have also started attending morning Arduino sessions from Kyle Rodrigues.

What has everyone been up to?

Austin Thomas continues to study for this written test. **Trenton Welch** has been helping clean the hangars and attending Kyle Rodrigues's Arduino class.

May Conlin continues to work towards her private pilot license. She was going to take her checkride, but upon review, the Cessna 150 needed a couple of maintenance checks. May ended up doing a practice oral with the examiner. Her checkride has been pushed out to March, so she is continuing to study and attend the Saturday sessions.

Teddy Reynolds passed his third class medical and is still studying for his written test.

Matteo Trento and **Adam Kennedy** do not have any updates for this month.

Our Graduates/Mentors

Tyler Stump is attending college at Cal Poly SLO.

Liam Robinson has been helping mentor young eagles and keeping track of projects. He attended the VMC club meeting for the month. In addition, he has been working on the helicopter and helping clean hangars.

Tyler Pierson has been helping mentor young eagles with projects (especially airplane annuals). He is also helping them study for their written tests, while working on studying for his own instrument written.

Tenley Ong continues her instrument training. She has been working on panel plans for her RV-6 restoration project.

Justin Kaysinger, Angelina Angrisani, and Dylan Fricke have no updates for this month.

Other Updates

We are currently beginning the planning process for Oshkosh 2023! It will be held from **July 24th – July 30th**. We will be taking a few young eagles, depending on a variety of factors. Young Eagles – **get your written tests done** if you want to go!

Applications will soon be reviewed for both the Ray Scholarship, as well as the Build and Maintain Program.

Upcoming Events:

EAA Airventure Oshkosh 2023: The biggest airplane festival of the year will be held from **July 24th – July 30th**.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Tenley Ong
Board Member & Adult Eagle

CALENDAR - DATES AND EVENTS

EAA Vintage Chapter 25 Calendar for February 2023

February **Saturday, Feb 18**, at 9:00 a.m. **VMC Club Meeting**. See **Details** in **VMC Club Report**.

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