



September 2024 Newsletter

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Well, this year continues to churn relentlessly on. Here we are in September already, summer vacations are over, it's Labor Day (early this month), and school has returned! This year I flew back, commercial of course, to Chicago for a great family reunion. For a change, it was cool in the Midwest rather than hot and humid, and the mosquitos weren't really out. Nice surprise. Of course, it was Sacramento-hot when I got back, but I'm not complaining. There is a reason I moved from Chicago years and years ago, not to return except for occasional visits.

Now that things are returning to normal, what's on the schedule for this month? Well, to help cover the Oshkosh expenses, we are hosting another annual Beer and Brats Fundraiser! It will be on Saturday, September 7, at Hangar 102 from 4-7pm. Our monthly VMC Club meetings are returning for the rest of the year. They are regularly held on the third Saturday of the month at 9:00 a.m. in the airport meeting room. They usually last about an hour and are quite informative. September's meeting is scheduled for September 21st, so mark your calendar now and be sure to show up!

And while we are on the subject of aviation safety, I see that the FAA Safety Team (FAAST) has a really cool and complete weather resources page on-line for GA pilots. Just google "faa in-flight-weather-resources" and check it out.

As mentioned last month, one of our kind benefactors and supporters donated a tails kit for a Sonex Onex. Stan will have the Young Eagles in our Saturday Build and Maintain Program putting that together in no time at all. And talking to Stan, they may not stop there. Stan recently mentioned getting an airframe kit so there will be something to attach the tail to! The Onex is a single place aerobatic plane with folding wings. Sounds intriguing. With all the planes in the Young Eagle's hangar already, the folding wings may be a necessity.

And just a gentle reminder, our Fall Young Eagles Rally is right around the corner. Look for future announcements about a firm Sunday date in October. As always, we will work with our sister EAA Chapter out of Yolo (Chapter 52) and host the Rally out of its facilities at the Yolo County Airport. Please volunteer your time and flying ability to continue to make this event as successful as it has been in the past.

Finally, a bit of a sad note. Kim Owen, our Ray Scholar Coordinator and VAA 25 Secretary extraordinaire recently lost her father, Hal Pattenau. Hal was 93 when he passed away at his home in

Elk Grove. Although I didn't know him personally, he led an interesting life and sounded like the kind of person you would like to know and hang around with. After retiring from Aerospace industry, Hal built a 38-foot sailboat, which he and his wife used to sail on San Francisco Bay, and then down the coast to Southern California and eventually to Mexico. After retiring from boating, Hal searched for his next project and eventually landed on aviation. He obtained his private pilot's license in 2007, built an RV-6, and flew it twice to Oshkosh. In addition to Kim, Hal is survived by two sons, 9 grandchildren, and 8 great-grandchildren. A life well lived!

Well, that's it for another month. Hope your fall gets off to a great start and be sure to enjoy some stick time while the warm weather is still with us. And as always, fly safely, and keep the greasy side!

Jim Sobolewski
President

SECRETARY'S REPORT

No Report this Month.

Scott Pierson
Secretary

TREASURER'S REPORT

Balance All Accounts *June 30, 2024*: \$ 63,715.63

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July & August 2024

Wells Fargo Savings Account:

***Savings Balance as of June 30, 2024*: \$ 47,044.45**

Deposits:

07/31/24 Interest Income \$.40
08/28/24 Transfer from Checking \$ 15,000.00

Total Income & Deposits: \$ 15,000.40

Withdrawals:

Total Expense & Withdrawals: \$.00

Savings Balance as of August 28, 2024: \$ 62,044.85

Wells Fargo Checking Account:

Checking Balance as of June 30, 2024: \$ 16,671.58

Income & Deposits

07/31/24 Net July Checking Activity \$ 2,932.00
08/28/24 Bob Angrisani Donation \$ 20.00

Total Income & Deposits: \$ 2,952.00

Expenses & Withdrawals:

08/28/24 Transfer to Savings \$ 15,000.00

Total Expense & Withdrawals: \$ 15,000.00

Checking Balance as of August 28, 2024: \$ 4,623.58

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Balance All Accounts August 28, 2024: \$ 66,668.43

The Treasures Report includes the balances of our Ray Scholars. I have separated their balances from the chapter's funds to reflect the actual Chapter's Bank account balances in both the checking and savings accounts.

Allocation of All Account Balance to Scholarship Accounts:

Ray Scholar Scholarship Bal Savings Less Scholar \$

Balance All Accounts August 28, 2024: \$ 66,668.43

Lima Robinson	(\$1,100.00)	\$ 65,568.43
Emilio Martinez	(\$8,250.00)	\$ 57,318.43
Austin Thomas	\$. .00	\$ 57,318.43
Adam Kennedy	(\$6,250.00)	\$ 51,068.43
Jessie Davidson	(\$4,000.00)	\$ 47,068.43
Mathew Howell	(\$3,300.00)	\$ 43,768.43

Chapter Balance without Scholarship Funds \$ 43,768.43

Respectfully submitted,

Stan Lawrence
Treasurer

SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE

Summer skies and beautiful weather are giving our Ray Scholars time to get up and practice their skills as they prepare for their check rides. We now have three Ray Scholars, one from late 2023 and 2 for 2024, which are keeping our flight instructors busy. Our latest scholar, Matthew, is working his way through the simulator modules and will soon be making his way into the trainer airplane. The following are thoughts from our Ray Scholars:

My flight training is going, well it's better than before! I had the opportunity to fly to Oshkosh! And while going home from Oshkosh I did some flight training in the rv14! I am looking forward for the Cessna 172 to come out of maintenance!

- Adam

I am so thankful to have been awarded the Ray Scholarship! I started flight training at the beginning of July on a flight simulator from the EAA as part of their new beta testing program. I have completed ten of the twenty scenarios in the simulator course. In addition to receiving the scholarship, I got to go to Oshkosh this year, and it was awesome! During most of the trip, I was a passenger in the RV-4 with Stan piloting. At Oshkosh I enjoyed watching fighter jet demonstrations and looking at the different Warbirds and experimental aircraft. I can't wait to finish the simulator and begin training in a real airplane.

- Matthew

For this month I was able to fly more. On the 4th and 6th of July I went over stalls and emergency procedures with my instructor. On the 9th I flew my solo cross country to Woodland and worked on some pattern work. On my way back to Sacramento Executive airport, I landed in Stockton and Rio Vista airport. I also did all my required IFR hours for my PPL. The 16th was a challenging day since I had some trouble navigating. The day after, July 17th, I went through what I messed up with and perfected it. My instructor was satisfied.

- Emilio

Respectfully submitted,

Kim Owen
Ray Scholarship Coordinator

YOUNG EAGLES – COAST

No Report this Month.

Red Hamilton
Young Eagles – Coast

YOUNG EAGLES - SACRAMENTO REPORT

Wow, what an awesome few months! Our young eagles went to Oshkosh! The planes and people included Stan Lawrence and Matthew Howell in the RV-4, Tenley Ong and Jessie Davison in the RV-14, Tyler Pierson and Adam Kennedy in the Cherokee 180 (thank you Bill Lagrassa for lending it to us!), and Kyle Rodrigues and Teddy Reynolds in the Cessna 150-150.

We headed to Oshkosh via Apple Valley (APV) and Sedona (SEZ), then stayed the night in Sedona! We found a river in Sedona and Tenley, Jessie, and Stan went swimming in their clothes! After driving around, catching a gorgeous sunset, and doing a little shopping, we went to sleep at the Sky Ranch Lodge and got ready for an early start to avoid density altitude (which we may have encountered on the way in).

The next day we set off early for Dumas (DUX) and stayed the night in Concordia (CNK), piling into the clown car, eating some midwest pizza, playing cards, and then passing out in a Super 8. Classic Oshkosh!

The next morning, we went to EZZ, C35, and then Osh! At C35, they had food out and ready for anyone stopping by!

We spent an awesome week at Oshkosh, staying for the full week and checking out the various booths, both night airshows, SOS tent, vintage aircraft, seaplane base, warbirds, finding free stuff, networking, and looking for more scholarship opportunities. It was awesome!

We headed out on Sunday and stopped at 63C, then MDS and HSR. We stayed the night in HSR and watched some movies, wandered around town, and got some amazing ice cream at Two Cows Creamery!

The next day, we took off for WRL, then LGU for quick fuel stops, then onto BAM and home! So we made it home in two days! It was awesome and tiring but super fun!



1. Night Airshow!



2. Tyler Pierson and Adam Kennedy flying the Cherokee!



3. The Canadian Snowbirds!



4. Sedona, AZ



5. The RV-14, Cherokee, and RV-4 flying formation off the Cessna 150-150



6. The squad at the Oshkosh brown arch!



7. Stan, Kyle, and Mr. VansGrunsven!



8. Tenley and Stan at Wendt's on the Lake!



9. *Night Airshow!*



10. Drones at the night airshow!

PRIVATE

Emilio Martinez, finished his navlog for his night cross country. He plans to complete that flight, along with his towered solo, this month. He hopes to take his private pilot checkride this summer/fall, dependent on DPE availability. Afterwards, he intends to work on his instrument rating and join the Air Force!

Adam Kennedy has taken a break from training due to the Flying Panthers Cessna 172 being down for maintenance over many months. We are currently looking into other flight school options for him with Tenley still as his CFI.

Jessie Davison passed her written test and continuing her flight training, gearing up for her checkride in September!

Matthew Howell has been completing an online simulator program and plans to start flight training in September!

Amanda Hicks, Claire Nordstrom, Sam Murray, Leilany Martinez, and Teddy Reynolds are all still preparing for their written tests to be eligible for the Ray Scholarship.

TAILWHEEL

Liam Robinson is working on his tailwheel endorsement, including practicing wheel landings and polishing up crosswind landings.

INSTRUMENT

Rachel Long has been attending school at UC Davis, working part time, and plans to work on her instrument rating soon. She is also continuing to stay current and has been continuing to be a wonderful mentor.

OTHERS (GRADUATES/MENTORS)

Tyler Stump is at school at Cal Poly in San Luis Obispo and **Justin Kaysinger** moved to Tennessee. **Dylan Fricke** moved to Texas. **Hayden Schaufel** is working for the police department. And, **May Conlin** just left for the Naval Academy this summer! **Austin Thomas** is off to college at California Baptist University! And **Nick Theodorovic** earned his tailwheel endorsement and is now off to Middle Tennessee State University for school! We miss our graduates very much!

Tyler Pierson has been gearing up for his final year at Sac City College, in addition to helping out around the airport and flying whenever he can. He has been an integral part of the Saturday program and keeping everyone on task and organized.

Kyle Rodrigues has been continuing his hard work at Precision Flight Controls while starting another year teaching at Sac State. In his free time, he is either working on his Piper Cub, tutoring the young eagles, flying, or working on one of his many other hobbies!

Angelina Angrisani has been travelling and studying for her Certified Flight Instructor Certificate (CFI) through SkyRise

Aviation. She plans to take her CFI checkride with DPE Rob Davids at KCPU in September 2024!

Tenley Ong has been travelling over August and now is back and ready for more flying. She will be mentoring young eagles and working on building her multiengine hours. Her next batch of private students include Emilio Martinez, Jessie Davison, Adam Kennedy, Greg Young, Jierel Almario, and Matthew Howell.

Other Updates: Beer and Brats Fundraiser!

To help cover the Oshkosh expenses, we are hosting another annual **Beer and Brats Fundraiser!** It will be on **Saturday, September 7,** at **Hangar 102** from **4-7pm.** Please bring \$10 and wear your best “Oshkosh” attire – Hawaiian shirts, Oshkosh merch, and anything else you think is fitting!

Tenley Ong
Vice President, CFI/CFII

FLY OUT REPORT

No Report this Month.

Tenley Ong
Vice President, CFI/CFII

VMC CLUB REPORT

The next VMC club meeting will be **September 21st at 9 a.m.** The meeting will be held in the KSAC terminal conference room.

I am looking forward to seeing everyone at the meeting.

Steve Lightstone
VMC Program Coordinator

WEBMASTER REPORT

No Report this Month.

Tyler Pierson
Webmaster

CALENDAR - DATES AND EVENTS

Saturday, Sep 7 Meeting at KSAC for Corn & Brats BBQ (4 p.m. to 7 p.m.). **Details** above.

September **Saturday, Sep 21**, at 9:00 a.m. VMC Club Meeting. See **Details** in VMC Club Report.

October **Saturday, Oct 19**, 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**. Location TBD

November **Saturday, Nov 16**, at 9:00 a.m. VMC Club Meeting. See **Details** in VMC Club Report.

December **Saturday, Dec 14**, Holiday & Planning meeting at Aviator's Restaurant KSAC (10 a.m.)

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