



# CHAPTER 25

SACRAMENTO, CA

## February 2021 Newsletter

### PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Well, it's hard to believe we are through the first month of 2021 already. As we soar further into 2021, we are continuing to build on our successes of the past year, with Stan Lawrence teaching several of the Young Eagles to fly and Nick Leonard and Mark "Torque" Zukowski teaching the Young Eagles different aspects of aircraft maintenance every Saturday. Interestingly, aircraft maintenance sure seems to involve a lot of greasing wheel bearings! And Steve Lightstone got our VMC Club meetings off to a great start in January with a nice turnout.

Our plans for the future are still a work in progress and will depend on how quickly we clear the pandemic hurdle. Right now, there is promise of returning to some semblance of normalcy this summer. With this in mind, Stan and Nick are planning their annual migration to Oshkosh in July. Check out Stan's column for more details on these plans.

And things are picking up on our plan for a flight simulator! So far we have a large monitor at the hangar, and have promises of a desk, computer, and cables for the sim. We are down to needing a set of flight controls. If you have a spare set of controls you can donate or know a screaming deal on a new or used set, let one of the Chapter officers know or send an email to our email address. Hopefully, we can be “flying” by the end of February.

Finally, before I sign off, I would like to extend a big thank you to all the members who donate their time and effort to make our Chapter the success it is, and to all the members who support our Chapter with their dues and donations. Truly, you are the life blood of this organization. And if you haven't renewed your membership for 2021, now is the time to do it! Just send our Treasurer, Stan Lawrence, a check for \$20.

Well, that's it for January, kind of short and sweet. Stay safe, and as always, keep the greasy side down!

Jim Sobolewski  
President

### **SECRETARY'S REPORT**

Nothing new to report for the secretary portion other than if you haven't renewed your Vintage Chapter 25 membership, please send renewal in soon.

Thank you,

Scott Pierson  
Secretary

### **TREASURER'S REPORT**

**Adjusted Balance as of December 31, 2020      \$16,998.60**

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#### **December 2020**

##### ***Income***

01/04/21	Miscellaneous	\$	4.14
01/04/21	Bob Angrisani Dues	\$	10.00

01/04/21	Al Redd Dues & Donation	\$	25.00
01/08/21	Dan West Dues & Donation	\$	120.00
01/08/21	Bill LaLagrassa Dues & Donation	\$	50.00
01/08/21	John Montmerecy Dues & Donation	\$	45.00
01/08/21	Steve McKibben Dues	\$	20.00
01/14/21	Hal & Ruth Pattenaude Donation	\$	100.00
<b>Total Income</b>		<b>\$</b>	<b>374.14</b>

***Expenses***

<b>Total Expense</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>.00</b>
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**Balance as of January 26, 2021** **\$ 17,372.74**

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Respectfully submitted,

Stan Lawrence  
Treasurer

**YOUNG EAGLES SACRAMENTO / DGA REPORT**

Congratulations to Dylan Fricke who is progressing well towards his goal of acquiring his Private by his 17th birthday month March 2021. Though we remain flexible as to the exact month and day due to COVID-19 and the winter weather. We have seven Young Eagles 🦅 attending our Weekly Saturday Build, Maintain, and fly program. When they aren't flying, they are helping to build a Safari Helicopter, currently maintaining a Yak-52 performing the Condition Inspection (I keep forgetting to take pictures of them at work). This Saturday they were busily working on the giant propeller blades on the Yak, which requires removal of each blade, cleaning, and repacking the grease in each double set of bearings. Then reassembling the propeller, a big job to say the least.

As mentioned earlier Dylan Fricke our second Ray Foundation Scholar has soloed. Now busily studying for his FAA written, planning his dual cross country from KSAC, to Chico, then to Santa Rosa, and back to KSAC with a stop for refueling at the University Airport Davis. Last Saturday he flew solo perfecting his landings and gaining confidence with his radio communications.

Tyler Stump, Liam Robinson, Tenley Ong, are in their primary phase, pre-solo flying each and every Saturday. Hayden Schaufel who received his Private last year and Tyler Pierson our first Ray Scholar to receive a Private Pilot Certificate

are working on their Tailwheel Endorsements along with their Commercial Pilot Certificates, flying my RV-14. The newest member of our Saturday Build, maintain, and fly Young Eagle group is Angelina (Lina) Angrisani who started flying at Executive Flyer's before asking to be a part of our group. She is going for her Check Ride January 26th, weather permitting, and by the time you receive this newsletter she will be a freshly minted Private Pilot flying a Cessna 172N. I've flown with Lina giving her a thorough phase check and she will not have any problem passing her Check Ride.

We are in the process of setting up a Microsoft Flight Simulator at the Chapters Hangar site for the Young Eagles 🦅 to sharpen their procedural and flight skills. To date we have a computer, Flight Simulator Program, and a 36" TV. Scott Pierson donated the computer and program. I donated the TV. We are looking for donations of computer desk plus yoke, throttle, and rudder controls. So, please let us know if you have some these items you are using anymore or have upgraded to a newer version.



### **Microsoft Flight Simulator 2020 X-Cub landing on RWY 20 at KSAC**

We are optimistically planning our annual trip to Oshkosh volunteering at the Week's Museum hangar, Oshkosh and attending AirVenture. Still in the planning stage but out of necessity we are reserving rooms in Oshkosh and the planned stops along the way. We have reserved rooms at the University of Wisconsin at Oshkosh dorms. And the week before AirVenture while volunteering we will be

staying in beautiful historical Neenah, WI at the Hilton Double Tree on Lake Winnebago.

Tyler Pierson who had applied and we had sponsored last year is going to attend the AirAcademy Advance Camp this year, which begins July 21 thru July 28th. AirVenture begins July 26 - August 1st.

So far, we have all seven Young Eagles planning to join us. Nick Leonard, Sue Leonard, Mark Zukowski, Kim Owen, Mike Owen, and Stan Lawrence are making plans to attend. That is 13 total so far. The airplanes include the RV-10, Comanche PA-24, RV-14, and RV-6A. That's a total of 12 seats and 13 passengers. Needless to say, we could use another four-place aircraft. As always, we must stay flexible as things change over time.

Our planned route there and back still in the very early and flexible stage is to depart on Friday, July 16 arriving the late afternoon of Sunday, July 18 or 19. Starting back on Friday, July 30, and back home on Sunday, August 1 or Monday, August 2.

The route there would be an overnight in Sedona, an early morning departure with a lunch stop in Delhart, TX. An overnight in Marshall, MO with a midday departure to Oshkosh. While in Sedona we will rent a couple of vehicles and do a driving tour of the beautiful Sedona, AZ area. During the overnight in Marshall, MO we are planning a private tour of the Nicholas-Beazley Aviation Museum, before departing for Oshkosh.

The return route will include overnights in Granite Falls, Minnesota and a tour of the Fagan Fighter museum. Then Custer, SD and Mount Rushmore. From Custer we will need at least one fuel stop unusually in Logan, UT, before arriving home in Sacramento.

Respectfully Submitted,

Stan Lawrence  
Valley Young Eagle Coordinator

## **VMC CLUB REPORT**

Fellow Aviators here is the ZOOM link for the VMC Club meetings thru the summer. There has been some confusion with google trying to hijack the meeting. This link will remain the same for the foreseeable future. Thanks. See you on the third Saturday of each month..

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87150924002?pwd=dk9nV0tTQjZSaldpaElKNGEwS2pHUT09>

Meeting ID: 871 5092 4002

Passcode: vaa25

Topic: vmc club

Time: February 20, 2021 09:00 AM Pacific Time (US and Canada)

Every month on the Third Sat, until Jun 19, 2021, 5 occurrence(s)

Feb 20, 2021 09:00 AM

Mar 20, 2021 09:00 AM

Apr 17, 2021 09:00 AM

May 15, 2021 09:00 AM

Jun 19, 2021 09:00 AM

Please download and import the following iCalendar (.ics) files to your calendar system.

Monthly: [https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/tZMscumhrD8qGtbvw\\_HBK2OP6hGEOtnQBOVR/ics?icsToken=98tyKuGvrz4qE9aRsBmFRpwEBY\\_4c\\_PzpilfjbdfigiaKwJ4MCzGYOpIF51rHuny](https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/tZMscumhrD8qGtbvw_HBK2OP6hGEOtnQBOVR/ics?icsToken=98tyKuGvrz4qE9aRsBmFRpwEBY_4c_PzpilfjbdfigiaKwJ4MCzGYOpIF51rHuny)

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Steve Lightstone

VMC Club Leader

## **SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE**

Greetings to all! We are thrilled to be moving into our second Ray Scholar. But first, a hearty congratulation, one more time, to Tyler P. for passing his check ride and being an amazing first Ray Scholar for our Chapter. Tyler's passion and dedication to aviation is exemplary and contagious!! We will enjoy watching Tyler continue to participate in our Chapter 25 events, Saturday builds and encourage his forward progress in all things aviation.

Further, it is with great excitement that we welcome Dylan as our second Ray Scholar – made possible by excess funds left over from Tyler's scholar award. Dylan has been a long-standing, active member of our Saturday youth program and has been building, maintaining and flying with the group for a few years. He is excited to have the opportunity to focus on obtaining his check ride. He quickly achieved his solo status and is now flying and working hard preparing for his written. We are so fortunate to have a dedicated group of pilots that work with our youth EVERY Saturday and lucky to have some fabulous, aviation interested youth that make it a priority to attend every week for more aviation activities. Vintage Chapter 25... what a grand place to be at this time!

Finally, I wanted to let the Chapter members know we have submitted our application for another Ray Scholarship for 2021! We are keeping our fingers crossed that we receive another scholarship and can continue training young pilots at our current rate! We are grateful for the opportunity to apply for the scholarship and should know more by the end of February/beginning of March. Stay tuned!

A few thoughts from Dylan.....

*Over the past couple weeks, I have done some amazing things. I have also learned more new things and have relearned some things too. Something really big happened for me last week, I did my first solo flying from my home airport to Franklin airport. It was so amazing to have someone trust me and be able to put all the things I have learned to the test like how high to fly at altitude and how to talk to tower and not be scared or nervous and make some pretty good landings, if I do say so myself. Another thing is I just hit my second year of learning how to fly with my amazing friends and learning*

*from the amazing instructors and they have helped me so much by helping me with things I have learned a long time ago or even new things so I will be prepared for anything, but it has just been an amazing couple of weeks and definitely two years.*

*Dylan F.*

Respectfully,

Kim Owen  
Ray Scholarship Coordinator

## **WEBMASTER REPORT**

The only new thing on the website is that one can now pay membership dues to the Chapter or contribute to the Chapter's Young Eagles program via a link to PayPal. The links were added a couple of weeks ago, but I don't know if it has been used.

Dave Magaw  
Webmaster

## **CALENDAR - DATES AND EVENTS (Tentative – Subject to Change)**

February	Saturday, Feb 20, at 9:00 a.m. VMC Club Meeting by Zoom ID# 871 5092 4002 PW vaa25
March	Saturday, Mar 20, at 9:00 a.m. VMC Club Meeting by Zoom ID# 871 5092 4002 PW vaa25
April	Saturday, Apr 17, at 9:00 a.m. VMC Club Meeting by Zoom ID# 871 5092 4002 PW vaa25
May	Saturday, May 15, at 9:00 a.m. VMC Club Meeting by Zoom ID# 871 5092 4002 PW vaa25
June	Saturday, Jun 19, at 9:00 a.m. VMC Club Meeting by Zoom ID# 871 5092 4002 PW vaa25
July	Friday, Jul 16, Stan, Chapter Leaders, and Young Eagles depart for Oshkosh and AirVenture Monday, Jul 26 to Sunday, Aug 1, AirVenture
August	Saturday, Aug TBD, Meeting at KSAC for Corn & Brats BBQ (11 a.m. to 1 p.m.) Saturday, Aug 21, at 9:00 a.m. VMC Club Meeting
September	Saturday, Sep 18, at 9:00 a.m. VMC Club Meeting
October	Saturday, Oct 16, at 9:00 a.m. VMC Club Meeting
November	Saturday, Nov 20, at 9:00 a.m. VMC Club Meeting
December	Saturday, Dec 11, Holiday & Planning meeting at Aviator's Restaurant KSAC (10 a.m.)



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