



January 2023 Newsletter

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Happy New Year to you! I hope Santa was generous to you over the Christmas Holidays, and you enjoyed your Holiday visitors and treats.

For those who made it to our Annual Holiday Breakfast and meeting, thanks for the effort. It was raining “cats and dogs” and blowing stink out there, but we still had a good turnout despite the weather. After a short meeting, we all enjoyed a hearty breakfast compliments of VAA 25. Just a short note to those that didn't make it out, it's time to renew your membership for 2023! Dues for the year are still only \$20, so get your renewal checks to our treasurer,

Stan Lawrence. Also, the Chapter has created various swag for our members. It's also available through Stan, and includes VAA 25 patches, branded short sleeve and collared shirts, and caps, all reasonably priced.

One of the purposes of our Annual Holiday meeting is to celebrate our successes during the year. And these successes would not be possible without the hard work of our many members and volunteers. I thought I would recognize the many members who receive award and certificates at the meeting in the Newsletter. In addition to my work as chapter President, the following members were also recognized for their work:

Esteban Nava	Vice President
Scott Pierson	Secretary
Stan Lawrence	Treasurer
Red Hamilton	Young Eagle Coordinator
Kim Owen	Young Eagle Coordinator
Stan Lawrence	Young Eagle Coordinator
Esteban Nava	Young Eagle Coordinator
Stan Lawrence	Young Eagle Flight Leader
Jim Jordan	Newsletter Editor
Dave Magaw	Web Editor
Kim Owen	Scholarship Coordinator
Stan Lawrence	Technical Counselor
Mark Zukowski	Technical Counselor
Nick Leonard	Technical Counselor

Stan Lawrence	Flight Advisor
Nick Leonard	Flight Advisor
Steve Lightstone	Flight Advisor
Steve Lightstone	VMC Program Coordinator

In addition to this this group of volunteers, I would also like to thank Dave Magaw, who is retiring from his role as Web Editor, and extend a warm welcome to Tyler Pierson who is taking over for Dave. Welcome aboard, Tyler! I am hoping we can use Tyler's talents to expand photo section on our website. So, all you photographers out there, get your cameras ready at our next flying event and plan on contributing your best shots to the photo section of our website! And before I close this “atta boy” section, I would also like to give a shout-out to Earl Johnson, who donated our three-screen flight simulator and hangar flies with the Young Eagles on most Saturdays, and to Tenley Ong for her help this year coordinating fly-outs as the Chapter's Young Eagles Liaison. And last but not least, I would like to thank our friends at EAA Chapter 52 who partnered with us on the two successful Yolo County Young Eagle flights festivals this past year. Thanks. It was great working with you!

Finally, looking ahead to the New Year, January is just around the corner so it's time to restart our monthly VMC Club Safety meetings. Unless otherwise noted, they are in-person on the third Saturday of the month at 9 a.m. in the north hangar. Be there, and improve your flying knowledge!

So that's it for this month. Stay tuned for announcement in future newsletters about our flying-out plans for the coming year.

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

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

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December 2022

Wells Fargo Savings Account:

Beginning Balance November 28, 2022: \$ 58,299.55

Deposits:

12/28/22 Dividend \$ 3.16

Total Income & Deposits: \$ 3.16

Withdrawals

None \$ 0

Savings Balance as of Dec 29, 2022: \$ 58,302.71

Wells Fargo Checking Account:

Beginning Balance November 28, 2022: \$ 5,495.87

Income & Deposits

12/05/22 Lynn Heffelfinger Dues \$ 20.00

12/05/22 Earl Johnson Dues \$ 20.00

12/12/22 Michael Gilbert Dues \$ 20.00

12/12/22 Gill Wright Dues & Donation \$ 40.00

12/12/22 Jennifer Snell Dues \$ 20.00

12/12/22 Cash received for shirts, caps, and patches \$ 446.00

12/14/22 MK Tammi Dues \$ 20.00

12/14/22 Hal Pattenaude Dues & Donation \$ 100.00

12/19/22 Brett Robinson Dues & Donation \$ 100.00

12/27/22 Kim & Mike Owen Dues \$ 20.00

12/29/22 Bob Angrisani Donation \$ 20.00

Total Income & Deposits: \$ 826.00

Expenses & Withdrawals:

12/16/22 Calendar Shipping \$ 19.99

12/23/22 Jim Sobolewski \$ 683.00

12/27/22 Stan's Primary Flight School \$ 2,861.00

Total Expense & Withdrawals: \$ 3,563.99

Checking Balance as of Dec 29, 2022: \$ 2,757.88

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Balance All Accounts Dec 29, 2022: \$ 61,060.59

Respectfully submitted,
Stan Lawrence
Treasurer

SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE

Happy New Year to all! Whew... it's a very exciting start to 2023 as we have two Ray Scholars finishing up their training and planning on check rides soon. May will be taking her check ride, weather permitting, in January and Rachel should be ready for her check ride in February. This would round out our 2022 Ray Scholars and provide a fantastic start to 2023.

Here are some comments from our current Ray Scholars:

December has been off to a great start! I've worked a lot with Stan on landings, learning how to control full flap approaches. Most recently, we worked on crosswind landings at Yolo, practicing lowering one wing and getting comfortable with using a crab. I also learned how to control the ailerons on takeoff in a crosswind and "yank" the plane off the ground as Stan likes to say. I also went on a couple of long flights this month; one happened during inclement weather which made a flight over the mountains difficult, but it was a great learning experience in what sort of weather I can and cannot comfortably fly in. Another happened at night while Stan was traveling with family, so Tenley was kind enough to take me up in the 150 for some awesome practice in locating airports in the dark! We even utilized NorCal approach along with some (definitely faster) Southwest planes! I had a couple of solo flights this month; one of which gave me the opportunity to meet our new DPE at Yolo airport. He seems to be a great examiner, and is excited to see both Rachel and I in the New Year. This next month will be very busy, but also exciting as I work towards my check-ride in January!

- May Conlin

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

- Rachel Long

December 17, 2022

My Second Month with the Ray Aviation Scholarship

Rachel Long | EAA Vintage Chapter 25

Since November 15, I completed my supervised solo at Rio Linda (L36) and am now focused on my supervised solo at KSAC. In a month, I am typically scheduled for 8 flights total, one on Friday and one on Saturday every week, disregarding holidays and, of course, IFR flight conditions. However, between Thanksgiving, stormy weather, and college finals, I've had less flying time than normal. In the time that I have been able to fly, I joined the EAA Vintage Chapter 25 fly out to Watsonville, completed my supervised solo at Rio Linda airport, and practiced for my last supervised solo at Executive airport.

During the fly-out, I was surprised how fast we could get to Watsonville. The 45-minute flight would've taken 2 and a half hours to drive. From Watsonville, it's only a 20-minute Uber to Santa Cruz Beach Boardwalk. This realization made me even more excited to earn my private pilot license. Maybe this summer I can plan a day trip to Santa Cruz!

At Rio Linda, I was able to get in some good practice before soloing. Some of the practice flights had a crosswind, so I was able to practice crosswind landings too. When it was time to solo, both my parents showed up to support and I made four good landings before flying home.

After soloing at Rio Linda, I began practicing for my supervised solo at KSAC and worked on basic maneuvers for my check ride, including steep turns, slow flight, turns around a point, and power off stalls. When practicing for my supervised solo at KSAC, I lack the experience and skill to have clear communication with ATC. To work on developing this skill, I have listened to the tower through LiveATC.net and will be asking my friends to help me practice talking. I hope to complete this step by the end of December, completing Phase I of my private pilot training.





Aviation scholarships available up to \$14,000— But time is running out!

Many scholarship opportunities are available to AOPA members through the AOPA Foundation, from primary training to pursuing a career in aviation, totaling over \$1 million. These include eighty \$10,000 scholarships for high school students to train for their private pilot certificate.

[Pass on the word](#) if you know someone who would benefit from financial assistance to pursue their aviation dreams. There may be a scholarship opportunity for you!

The deadline is February 10, 2023, at 11:59 EDT. That's less than two months away. Go online today to learn more about our available scholarships and eligibility requirements.

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In addition, the page following Rachel's comments is the AOPA advertisement for their scholarship program.

Wishing all of our members a fantastic 2023 with time to enjoy the skies!

Respectfully submitted,

Kim Owen
Ray Scholarship Coordinator

WEBMASTER REPORT

I wanted to thank everyone for all your assistance with the website during my years as Webmaster. I know Tyler Pierson will do a great job as our new Webmaster,

Thank you,

Dave Magaw
Webmaster

YOUNG EAGLES - COAST

No Report this Month.

Red Hamilton
Young Eagles – Coast

VMC CLUB REPORT

The next meeting will be on **January 21 at 9am in the Terminal's 2nd floor conference room**. All meetings are "in-person" either at the Terminal or in our Hangar. We will let you know in each month's Newsletter where we are planning to hold the meeting. I am looking forward to seeing everyone at our next meeting.

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

Steve Lightstone
VMC Program Coordinator

YOUNG EAGLES - SACRAMENTO REPORT

The Young Eagle Build, Maintain and separate Flight program have continued to meet every Saturday in December except for Christmas Eve. They are planning to meet this coming Saturday New Year's Eve.

It's been an exciting year with three Young Eagle Ray Scholars acquiring their Private Pilot Certificate; Justin Kaysinger, Liam Robinson, and Tyler Stump. Justin and Liam have funds available for further training and are working on their Tailwheel endorsements. Tyler Stump is enjoying a great start on his college career at Cal Poly. It was great to see him Saturday the 17th during our gift exchange and Christmas party.

Our 2022 Ray Scholars May Conlin and Rachel Long are progressing well on their way to acquiring their Private Pilot Certificates. May has her check ride scheduled for January 16, 2023. Rachel is scheduled for mid-February. However, the weather conditions in the month of December and during Christmas break from school and college have been problematic. They had intended on cramming in a lot of flying during the break but the weather Gods are not cooperating. I suspect Stan will have to reschedule the rides for later dates especially if the predicted weather holds true. We need the rain in our state but it's interfering with flight training this year.

We have another two Ray Scholar slots for 2023 that will be needing to be filled with the most qualified Young Eagles 🦅 in our Saturday

BM&F program. Competitive Applications should be offered soon for those who have passed their Private Pilot Written Exams.

Nick Leonard, Mark Zukowski, Earl Johnson, Kyle Rodrigues and Stan Lawrence have been working with several of our current BM&F members to include our probationary Young Eagles.

Kyle is leading a super interesting project, where the kids are learning about programming in C/C++ using Arduinos. The Arduino is a programmable development board that they can upload their code to and then run their code. They will be combining an Arduino board with a GPS receiver, SD card reader, and a barometer to create a data logger to record their flights. The end goal is to be able to view their flights as a 3D trace in google earth, showing their position and altitude. We have talked about adding additional features in the future to include accelerometers and gyros to record flight attitude and G forces. Two of the students also learned how to solder by assembling the data logger boards.

Nick has been teaching a little practical electrical theory with the use of multimeters. Again, Nick used his own funds to purchase a multimeter for each participant. Thank you so much, Nick!!!

Mark has had a cleanup crew cleaning and organizing hangars. Some toolbox building is still in progress and Mark has been busy supervising their efforts to complete them.

Earl continues with his Flight Simulator training. I must say it's been very beneficial. Stan has noticed that students are really understanding the final approach and flare. Stan mentioned that Austin Thomas seems to have benefited a lot from his Flight Simulator training because with less than 5 hours logged, he is making safe landing in the Cessna 150/150 unaided by his flight instructor.

Most Saturdays so far this month have not been the best for flying, so Stan has been supervising a crew working on the N2245J the green Cessna 150/150. We are still working on getting it registered. Jim Sobolewski is doing all the leg work with the FAA.

We really only have had two actual working days in December at least full days. On Saturday, December 10 we had our annual EAA Vintage Chapter 25 Christmas meeting and party. Almost all the Young Eagles were present. And a good time was had by all. On Saturday December 17, we had our Christmas gift exchange, during the lunch hour, after which we called it a day.

Some of graduated Young Eagles and Tenley Ong, our newest board member, have really been working hard to further their careers in aviation.

Tenley Ong is working full time at Axis Jet as a flight coordinator. She passed her Instrument written with a score of 87 and is flying instrument lessons with Sunshine Flyers funded by the \$10,000 scholarship she won in early 2022. She is trying to stretch her scholarship funds to include complex time in a Piper Arrow along with her multi engine rating. If that's not enough to keep her busy she is continuing to work on her RV-6 project which also includes saving money for her glass panel! Oh, and did I mention, she is also a ski instructor.

Tyler Pierson is currently a student at Sacramento City College and a member of the Flying Panthers Flying Club. He is receiving instrument flight training from the head flight instructor.

Angelina Angrisani is also at Sacramento City College. She is flying with Stan for her commercial training in the RV-14 and studying to pass her commercial written and instrument written. All while building time in her Cessna 140.



Christmas meeting December 10, 2022 Aviators Restaurant



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May's dual cross country to Chico, Santa Rosa, and back. Mountain obscuration required May to divert to Nut Tree. No time for Milkshakes at Fentons 😞



Rainbow viewed while tracking to the VOR and back to KSAC ending May's successful dual cross country. 12/04/22



Tenley's RV-6 restoration project! How to wet sand the belly and bottom of the wing with sanding muck in your face! 🎉



Clouds and rain showers caused diversion to Nut Tree.

Happy New Year, Everyone!

Respectfully submitted,

Stan Lawrence and Tenley Ong

CALENDAR - DATES AND EVENTS

EAA Vintage Chapter 25 Calendar for 2023

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

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