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Presidents Pitch

By: Greg Huseth

Greetings, Chapter Members,

It is great to get out and enjoy spring this year! EAA 690 members joined in many activities and aviation opportunities this month. The great presentation about UAV and drones at breakfast on March 2nd was well received by an almost full house. Questions ran well into the afternoon for the presenters and were well handled and informative. My key takeaway from the presentation is the speed of technology development with miniaturization of the sensors, cameras and propulsion systems. The blending of these technologies in site planning, infrastructure analysis and inventory, as well as the beautiful artistic work in the visual media was a high point in the presentation. It is fantastic to see what has happened in the last few years in this aviation arena and the continuing development at an increasing rate. Thanks to Cliff Whitney owner and founder of UAVExperts.com, UAVExpertnews.com and AtlantaHobby.com and his team for this outstanding update. With the rate of change in this aspect of aviation, I suggested to Cliff that EAA 690 members will want to hear and see regular updates.

The chapter Spaghetti Dinner on March 16th started with a delicious salad and then Past President Steve Ashby's grandmother's recipe for spaghetti sauce and meatballs, definitely "top flight!", and topped off by creamy cheesecake decorated with a chocolate airplane. Super turnout by members and guests with many new friends helped the event to be a great time! A special thanks to all who contributed to this event in preparation, delivery, donations, communications, and venue support.

Wow! The clouds have parted over Georgia and the sun has been regularly sighted over the northern hemisphere. VFR broke out in March and Young Eagles and Eagle Flights have resumed! What a good report of Young Eagles and an Eagle Flight this month, 48 total. EAA 690 pilots and support team are stepping up to meet the pent-up demand, and are looking for other members to join in! Contact the Young Eagles and Eagle Flight team members to see how you can contribute to the upcoming flights.



Pancake Breakfast Fly-In

Saturday Apr. 6th 2019
Breakfast begins @ 8:00AM

Chapter Business Meeting

Thursday Apr. 18th 2019
6:00 PM-8:00 PM

Young Eagles

Saturday Apr. 20th 2019
8 AM—12:00 Noon

Chapter Events and Happenings

Chapter Calendar

Rich Programs, Rewarding Experiences, come join us.



April 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
31	1-Apr	2	3	4	5	6
				4:30pm Thursday Dinner 6pm Trustees Meeting		7am Pancake Breakfast
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
		6pm GARS		4:30pm Thursday Dinner 6pm BoD Meeting		(11:00am) GARS - Georgia QSO Party - Hangar #1
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
GARS Georgia QSO Party Hangar #1		6pm GARS Workshop		4:30pm Thursday Dinner 6pm Chapter Meeting		8am Young Eagles Rally
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
				4:30pm Thursday Dinner		7:30am Young Eagles Rally Makeup day if needed
28	29	30	1-May	2	3	4
				4:30pm Thursday Dinner 6pm Trustees Meeting		7am Pancake Breakfast

Visit the chapters Social Media Sites for the latest updates and information.



<https://www.facebook.com/groups/ea690/>



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Pancake Breakfast April 6th 8 to 10 AM

Everyone Welcome!

Guest Speaker 10-11 AM

Robert Lee Jones; A Pilot's Pilot

If you read the article on Mr. Jones in the February issue of the NavCom you already understand something about his wonderful carrier in aviation. Don't miss out hearing from Bob in person at our upcoming Pancake Breakfast. It's sure to be entertaining and informative.

EAA 690 Pancake Breakfast & Program

Pancakes, Biscuits & Gravy, Sausage, Orange Juice and Coffee

Only \$7.00

Join us for great food, good company and entertaining programs

Next Event Saturday Apr. 6th at 8 AM 2019

One of Chapter 690's Young Eagles

This is Steven Agudelo a determined former Young Eagle, pilot and charter member of our chapters Youth building program. He earned his private license with AeroVentures here at KLZU using earned credits and EAA 690 scholarships. He is now in Pensacola Fl in Navy Flight School and loving it.

Congratulations Steven, keep up the good work.



March 2nd Pancake Breakfast guest speaker Mr. Cliff Whitney, owner Atlanta Hobby / UAV Experts

Cliff did a Drone presentation for our chapter a couple of years ago and this time gave us an update on the industry. He covered both the hobby and industrial/commercial sides of his business. Wow, the changes have been dramatic.

Cliff touched on regulations, safety, new technology and the expanding commercial applications arena. This was a very informative presentation and entertaining as well. Thanks Cliff.

Of course, it is a requirement that our guest speaker receives the coveted Chapter 690 speakers mug, happily presented here by our President Greg Huseth.



SUN 'n FUN International Fly-In & Expo

April 2-7, 2019 Mark your calendar...

The US Navy Blue Angels return to SUN 'n FUN - Lakeland!!
SUN 'n FUN Fly-In, Inc. 4175 Medulla Rd., Lakeland, FL 33811
Located on the Lakeland Linder International Airport (KLAL)
Admin Phone: 863-644-2431 General Email: fly-info@flysnf.org



EAA 939 Wings and Wheels, Southport, NC

Saturday, Apr 27, 2019

Cape Fear Regional Jetport (KSUT), Southport, NC

Sixth annual aircraft car display. Class awards, top 30 specialty trophies. Car registration \$10. Car awards at 2pm Pancake Breakfast \$6

Phone: 3018013725

Website: <http://eaa939.org>

Gwinnett County - Briscoe Field (LZU), Lawrenceville, GA is 337 statute miles from
Cape Fear Rgnl Jetport/Howie Franklin Fld (SUT), Oak Island, NC.

Chapter Spaghetti Dinner March 16th

By Randy Epstein:

We had a great time Saturday night, enjoyed great spaghetti and a lot of good conversation.



Thanks to all of those that volunteered to help with the meal preparation and setting up the tables. It was nice to see Jill and Lauren, back to help, and Terry did a wonderful job



coordinating things in the kitchen. Thanks to Jeri and Grace for making the table center pieces and for getting the table cloths so we could have beautifully decorated tables. Special thanks to Steve Ashby for providing his (as usual) great sauce and meatballs. If you could not make it, we missed you and hope to see you at our next event.



Editors Note:

In addition to dinner we had a Silent Auction for a “Century of Flight Monopoly” game signed by Dick Rutan and a beautiful original Sam Lyons print of a “Staggerwing. Highest bidder on the Stagger Wing print was Joel Levin @ \$250 and for the Monopoly set it was Tom Hilborn @ \$30.

**Going out for Lunch or Dinner
A Visit to the Flying Machine is a must!**

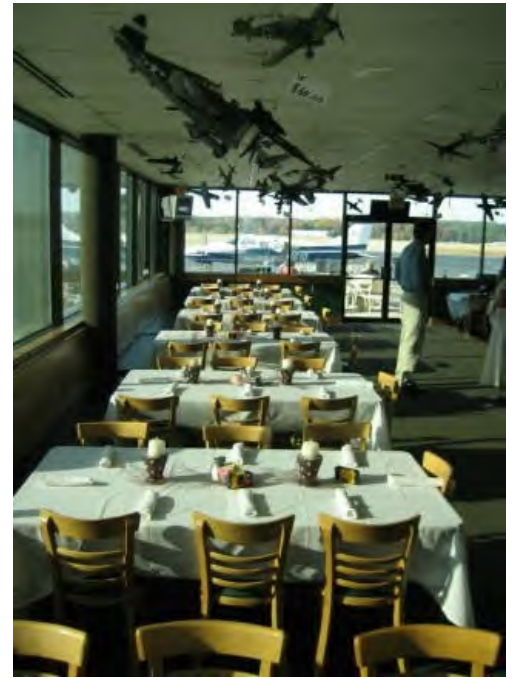


Located at 510 Briscoe Blvd, Brisco Airport,
Lawrenceville, GA, 30046

Hours Tuesday - Thursday 11 AM to 9 PM

Hours Friday - Saturday 11 AM to 10 PM

Closed Sunday & Mondays



The Flying Machine dining room offers flexible seating options with a great view of the Gwinnett County Airport runways. A stage is available and entertainment can be provided or do you own karaoke review.



Trustees at work.

Not sure that is how those things are
supposed to be used!

This is John installing the John....



Time to Refresh Your Ward Robe

By: Kathi Parks

Greetings, Chapter Members!

Spring is here and so are a lot of special events! Sun n Fun, Oshkosh, Triple Tree, Young Eagle Rally's, and 690's Summer Camp, just to name a few! Let's show our chapter pride when attending these events. EAA corporate has recognized us for our chapter's accomplishments. Let's sport our colors! We have various sizes of our cobalt blue Polo Shirts with our logo on the left side available for \$27.00. These are products of Lands End. If your size isn't listed, I can order it for you.



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Men's Size M

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Women's Size L

Women's Size M

Women's Size S

Contact me at kmp9611@gmail.com or 404-797-5725.

Shirts are available in Hangar 1, behind the glass counter next to the stage.

Aviation Summer Camp 2019

By: Gay Roberts,

Do you have or know a young person or persons ages 12 – 18 interested in aviation as a career or hobby? EAA 690 has a one-week hands-on STEM oriented summer camp for such young folks!

This will be our 8th year holding this camp. Our Alpha Camp is for 12 and 13 years old, Bravo Camp for 14 and 15 years old and Charlie Camp for 16, 17 and 18 years old. The dates for this year's camps are June 10- 14 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. We are now processing applications for our camps so please sign up soon!



You can find more information about each camp by going to our Chapter website:

<http://joomla.eaa690.net/index.php/aviation-summer-camp>

or by calling Gay Roberts at 770-630-8567.

EAA Golden Age of Aviation Weekend Retreat

EAA Ford Tri-Motor Wing Fundraiser

By: Randy Epstein

With the board's recent vote to commit our chapter to the \$10,000 or Platinum level for the Ford Tri-Motor Wings Fund Raiser, one member of the chapter will be chosen to have the opportunity to participate in the Golden Age of Aviation Weekend Retreat to be held in Oshkosh August 9 – 11.

The board determined that for each \$100 (one-hundred-dollar) donation made by a member to the fund raiser, that person's name would be entered into the drawing. As an example, you decide to make a \$1,000 (one-thousand-dollar) donation, your name would be entered ten times. We have not yet determined the cutoff date for these entries so, get your donations in early.



Below is the schedule for the Weekend Experience:

Friday, August 9, 2019 (Optional)

6:30 pm Welcome Dinner in the Lodge

Saturday, August 10, 2019 (All flights weather dependent)

8:00 am Arrival/Welcome

At Pioneer Airport – Short Talk on Early Stage of Mail Delivery/Bi-Planes/Etc.

8:30 – 10:30 am Bi-Plane Ride or Helicopter Ride

11:00 am – 12:00 pm Lunch at Lodge

12:00 pm – 2:00 pm Ford History/Ground School (lodge Basement)

Cody Welch to provide history of the Tri-Motor with ground school

3:00 pm – 5:00 pm Tri-Motor Flight

Up close time with Ford

35-45 minute flight with every passenger being allowed a right seat opportunity during flight

Takeoff from Pioneer Airport

5:00 pm Catered Dinner at Lodge

7:00 pm Movie at SkyScape Theater in Museum

Sunday, August 11, 2019 (All flights weather dependent)

8:00 am Breakfast at Lodge

9:00 am – 10:30 am Bi-Plane Ride or Helicopter Ride

11:00 am Departure

Transportation cost to Oshkosh will be the winner's responsibility.

We've set up a donation item at the Square Marketplace for you to make your donation.

<https://mkt.com/ea690/item/ford-tri-motor-wings-campaign>

To follow the progress of the project you can go to <https://tingoose.eaa.org/>

EAA Chapter Leaders Seminar

Hosted by Chapter 690 Saturday March 23rd

By: Tom Hilborn

This was a one day condensed version of the two day EAA "Chapter Leadership Academy". The event was conducted by EAA staff members Mr. John Egan, Mr. Kyle Voltz and IMC Club representative Mr. Radek Wyrzykowski. As you can imagine, condensing two days of information into a one day session is not only challenging for the presenters but it required the audience to pay close attention and take notes.

In attendance there were 45 people from 22 chapters and 6 different states. Of the 45 folks taking the class 7 were EAA 690 members, (Steve Mersal, Louis Pucci, Kathi Parks, Tom Hilborn, Duane Huff, John Kimmons & Rich Hopkins). Brian Michael and Greg Huseth were also there to provide support for the EAA presenters. I am sure they all felt, as I did, that the day was well spent and valuable.

The chapter provided a continental breakfast, sandwiches for lunch and a tour of the Bishop Education Center (Hanger 6) where some of our youth and their mentors were busy working on their projects. Lunch was prepared and served by several chapter members, Charles Harker prepared Kalua Pork, and Jeri and Grace Huseth prepared sloppy joes. Additional kitchen services were provided by Terry Hurst and Jill East. A special thanks to our dedicated volunteers for providing yet another great experience for our members and chapter visitors.

If you would like to know more about EAA's chapter leadership training please visit their web site at www.eaa.org/eea/eea-chapters/chapter-leadership-training.

Below are a few pictures from the event.



EAA 690 Membership Report

March 2019

By Randy Epstein, Treasure

As of this writing we have **231** folks in the chapter comprised of:

79 individual

57 family

13 free student memberships

People sometimes ask how membership works. For new members, dues are prorated through October of each year. Once we reach October a new member pays the full yearly amount and will be paid up through the next fifteen months. All member renewals are due the first of the year. Family dues are forty dollars, individuals are thirty dollars and student dues are ten dollars. If you have not yet renewed, you will need to do so online at <http://www.mkt.com/ea690> and scroll down to the renewals.

We recently sent out notices to those that have not renewed. As mentioned in the last newsletter I will be moving those that remain unpaid at the beginning of April to the Non-Members List. This means you will no longer get member only NOTAMS that include such things as the current gate code. Down the road non-members that do not appear to be active in any way with the chapter will be purged from all lists and will no longer receive our mailings. Through Mail Chimp we are able to gather fairly comprehensive information on who is viewing the NOTAMS we send out.

Chapter membership is \$30 a year for individual, \$40 for family and \$10 for students over the age of 18. Students under 19 are free. New member's membership fee is prorated by month, which is listed on the back side of membership application. We encourage membership in EAA National Organization, dues are \$40 a year for individual memberships and \$50 a year for family memberships.

If you have any questions or comments please send via e-mail to info@ea690.org.

GONE WEST

By: Brian Michael

I received this late, but thought I'd post it to let everyone know. Dr. Eugene Hutchens passed away on Tuesday March 12. He was 89 years old. His funeral was held on March 16th in Gallant Alabama (his home town).

Dr. Hutchens was a chapter member and regular attendee of our pancake breakfasts and would drive from his home in Alabama to attend. His son, Dr. Wayne Hutchens, is a chapter member who also is a regular attendee of our breakfasts.

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In addition to activities of the chapter, lots of planning is going on with the Board of Directors, Board of Trustees, and other chapter leaders for special events going throughout the year. I want to ask members and potential members to take the opportunity to update or create their EAA 690 and EAA memberships early this year. We are approaching the quarter century mark in membership this month and your membership participation will help the chapter continue the almost 40 year history of being in the forefront of aviation activity and encouragement.

On Saturday March 23rd. I was humbled to hear the comments made about EAA 690 by about forty EAA Chapter leaders from all over the southeast, including at least six states. These leaders traveled as much as twelve hours to come to the Chapter Leaders Bootcamp held on March 23 and hosted by EAA 690. All were kind and many voiced how inspired they were by the investments that EAA 690 chapter members have made over the years in programs, facilities, and people. The attendees also expressed extraordinary support of the program and our Chapter through contributions (covering almost triple the EAA 690 cost) for the food and housing of the session. One impressive young President (19 years old!) from a sister chapter, instilled renewed confidence in me for the future of EAA chapters and aviation in general. Our team of current EAA 690 leaders and some considering leadership opportunities attended the Bootcamp and all expressed how timely and inspiring it was to attend and share with other leaders. EAA supplied the materials and Bootcamp seminar leaders as part of their expanded and impactful Chapters program operating out of Oshkosh, WI. Chapters are the foundation piece of the EAA mission and "EAA's local chapters are about people, bringing together individuals interested in learning more about aviation as well as sharing their own knowledge." - <https://www.eaa.org/ea/eaa-chapters>

Space in this letter doesn't do justice to covering all the upcoming events planned for the upcoming months. Our calendar on www.eaa690.org is a great place to see times, dates, places, and content on the myriad of activities we look forward to. Come and be part of that FUN!

Some EAA 690 folks will be traveling to Sun 'n Fun (<https://www.flysnf.org/>) in Lakeland, FL in early April. It is great start to the spring flying season and a good solid cross country trip for aviators, and enhanced when you can travel with folks that share your passion of aviation! I hope to go again soon, and will look forward to hearing all the great stories and returns from those on missions there this year.



Progress Report

EAA Chapter 690 RV-12 Project

The Chapter RV-12 is currently for sale. If you are interested, or know someone that is, please contact Randy Epstein.

Editors Note: A very special thanks to Mr. Steve Champness for providing Chapter 690 ad space in the latest "Trade A Plane" issue to advertising our RV-12 project for sale.



Progress Report Youth Build Program

Our youth, with the guidance of our volunteer mentors, are learning and applying their new knowledge to their various build projects. Please take the time to come out and see great work being done.





Young Eagles Report March 2019

By Duane Huff & Wes Riddick, Young Eagle Coordinators

Finally we had a beautiful weather day for Young Eagles.

Ten pilots flew **47 Young Eagles**. The pilots were; Bill Bell 3 YE, Francios de Fromont 3 YE, Pat Bratton 5 YE, John Kimmons 6 YE, Alex Kirkland 8 YE, Brian Michael 2 YE, John Morgan 5 YE, John Post 6 YE, Mark Sirull 2 YE, and Chris Serra 6 YE.

Alex Kirkland and John Morgan also flew one Eagle Flight on this day.

The Ground Crew were Ben Davis, Jeff Coffey, Tom Hilborn, Wes Riddick (flight sims) Paul Kyser, Jimmie Rickerson, Harrison Curry, Jonathan Mesfn and Duane Huff (Pre-flight Briefings). Our Admin staff was Barbara Epstein, Kathi Parks, Brian Michael and Francios de Fromont (Franciosi doing double duty piloting as well).

Many Thanks to all who volunteered for this rally.

Pilot Bill Bell conducting a post flight de-brief and presenting options and opportunities in aviation for our Young Eagles.



Here we have a Young Eagle trying their hand at flying one of our many simulators.

AeroVentures

Flying Club

Established in 2012 at Gwinnett County airport (LZU) with a 1977 Cessna 172 Skyhawk. Three of the founding members are flight instructors and voted to open the club to associate members that were wanting to learn to fly or add a rating or just fly the club aircraft. In 2015 a beautiful C-150 and a pristine Piper J3 Cub were added.

The Cessna Skyhawk, being the single most popular training aircraft, makes for the ideal trainer for primary students or advanced students seeking a commercial license or an instrument rating. It is economical, safe and fun to fly. AeroVentures has members of all ages and backgrounds. The club

members range from airline/corporate pilots, commercial multi-engine pilots, private and instrument rated pilots, flight instructors, and student pilots. Our five members who are independent Certified Flight Instructors (CFIs) are available for all of your training questions and needs.

Our instructor members may be available to help you with your Private, Instrument, Commercial and Multi-engine rating. Only club members are able to rent aircraft from the club and all instructors must be members and approved by our chief flight instructor

Located at Gwinnett County Airport KLZU since 2012.

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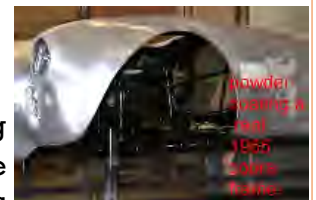
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Steen Skybolt for Sale

For Sale: Recently completed Skybolt by award winning builder/owner @ Whispering Pines Airpark. 180HP totally rebuilt Lycoming O-360-A1A with 30 min runtime to date., Hartzell constant speed prop., fuel injection, clam canopy and windshields for open cockpit flying, polyfiber covering rear fuselage and Steen Skybolt wing kit wings. FAA inspected/airworthiness cert. issued February 2019. Must see to appreciate quality workmanship and looks. Moving, will sell way below cost @ **\$65K** OBO. Contact Eric Ashman: eashman893@yahoo.com



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Send your info to: Tom Hilborn editor@eaa690.net

Please Include:

High Res Pictures in tiff, bmp, or jpg

Description of item(s)

Your Name, Phone Number and Email address

A Donation to 690 would be appreciated

About EAA 690



EAA 690 is a chapter of the Experimental Aircraft Association, located at Briscoe Field (LZU) in Lawrenceville, Georgia. A diverse chapter with over 250 members we offer a wide range of aviation-related activities. While the Pancake Breakfast and our monthly meetings are the norm we regularly conduct fly-ins and are heavily involved in youth education through EAA's Young Eagles program, youth aircraft build projects, summer camps, ground schools and simulator instruction. We frequently host historical aircraft such as EAA's B-17 "Aluminum Overcast", the Ford Tri-Motor and DC-3 to benefit, educate and entertain the local community.

Our technical counselors are some of the best in the industry, and willingly donate their time to our youth builder programs and homebuilders as they progress through the various phases of constructing an aircraft. We have pilots with a wide variety of experience from former airline and military pilots to general aviation pilots with private pilot certificates. "Hangar flying" is a fun part of the mix and our facility is often used for aircraft annual inspections, meetings, special events, and training. We also have an extensive array of aviation tools for loan to members and, a library full of aviation information.

Come join us on the first Saturday of every month at the hangar to enjoy a \$7 Pancake Breakfast and, to learn more about EAA 690 please visit our web site: www.eaa690.org

Directions to EAA 690

I-85 North to GA-316, Take GA-316 to Hurricane Shoals Rd NE and Turn Right
Go to Airport Rd NE and turn left, Go to 690 Entrance on the right



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