

Next Chapter Meeting
May 25, 2019 + Flying Start
9:00AM KLEE Admin Building

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MAY 2019

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+ Youth activities

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President's Message

As we roll into May we have two important events.

Our May Young Eagle day will be the 18th and the last day we will fly until September. We are expecting a group of Cadets from Sarasota, yes Sarasota! The word about our Young Eagle Program sure gets around.

On the 25th we will host the Flying Start program. This is an EAA National program to encourage adults to get their Pilot License. We will have guest speakers like Nick Larson the Chief Flight Instructor from Sun Air to share the different Pilot training they offer. After the presentation we will take all of the attendees for a extended Eagle ride so they can discover what we are all so excited about.

I hope to see everyone at these events.

Joel

CHAPTER ACTIVITIES

05/18/19 - Young Eagles 9:00 + Youth program 11:00-2:00 w/lunch

05/25/19 - FLYING START PROGRAM - for adults!

06/29/19 – Monthly meeting / please send suggestions to Paul, or volunteer to present!

07/27/19 – Monthly meeting / may need decision about having a meeting this month.

EAA Chapter 534 Meeting minutes

April 27, 2019

The meeting was called to order by the President at 9:04 am.

Joel Hargis deferred the business portion of the meeting until after our speaker and introduced Mr. Mark Laughridge from the FAAST Team.

Mr. Laughridge spoke for about an hour on Aging Aircraft and provided some good links and info on how to treat our aging aviation machines. As an adjunct to the aging of our aircraft he spoke for a bit about the aging of the pilot population and talked about some of the things that get better for older pilots and some of the things that get worse. Unfortunately, the 'gets worse' column in a bit longer that the 'gets better' column. It was very informative and we thank Mark for taking the time to come and speak to us. The FAA presentation can be found on the FAAST Team website at: https://www.faasafety.gov/search/default.aspx?keywords=aging+aircraft&submit=Search or searching on Google for: "Aging aircraft best practices guide".

The business portion - <u>Joel</u> announced that The Villages Aviation Club, which had been graciously providing \$50 monthly donations to help fund our Youth Program had given our Chapter a check for \$500 for the Youth Program to cover the rest of the year. The check was presented by Jim Waymire, TVFC President to Joel a week ago during our Young Eagles event. TVFC received a loud "thank you!" from the Chapter.

<u>Joel asked new people</u> to introduce themselves and we had one. Andrew Skattum who has been around the airport for a couple of years but had not joined until this morning. He formerly lived in the Toledo, OH, area and flies a Piper Arrow(with Scott Charlton) now hangared at KLEE. Welcome Andrew!

Previous meeting minutes were accepted via MM&S and voice vote.

Treasurer's report was not available as Mark Banus was unable to attend the meeting.

Activities Report – Paul Adrien

Today – Mark Laughridge presented FAAST talk on Aging Aircraft

5/18 – Young Eagles flights. Last ones before summer shut down. The Youth Program will continue over the summer months.

5/25 – Flying Start program for adults interested in learning to fly.

6/29 – Membership meeting. Program Open. Ideas to Paul please.

7/27- Given the proximity to Airventure, and travel during the summer for many Members, after MM&S and approved, there will be no Membership meeting 7/27.

8/31 – August meeting presentation is Open as well. Again, idea's to Paul please.

9/28 – Traditional Fly-In Breakfast for Chapter. More details to follow.

Anyone who would like to speak, or knows someone who would be a good speaker, please let Paul know. Help is appreciated.

Young Eagles Report - Jodie Soule

Jodie reports that last week's YE event had 13 participants. All were able to fly in Han's helicopter and 12 of the 13 were also able to fly in a fixed wing aircraft in addition. We will get the chance to fly the individual who missed their fixed wing flight on 5/18.

According to Jodie she has 10 YE signed up for 5/18, and Joel confirms he's got a group of 15 who are coming from Sarasota to be here. Jodie also wanted to advise everyone to get their needed info to Jodie about insurance, pilot info and EAA Personal Protection paperwork. This will be a big group to fly and we'll need the airplanes and pilots.

Youth Program – John Weber

MiniMax-John reports the Max is getting its weight & balance by Arnold this morning and should be ready for inspection by next week! Great news and good work YP participants, kids and adults!

John had one potential buyer come and look from Gator Field, but it was not a good fit of airplane and pilot...Literally. It is a small cockpit, and it just wouldn't work. There is a second interested party that John talked with who is from Atlanta. We will see if that pans out. John will most certainly continue to scour the web for likely buyers. There was also supposed to be a tower controller to talk to the



YP participants, but some communications got crossed up and he wasn't available. He will be speaking next week at the Youth Program. The tower Controller who was supposed to speak at the YP later suggested to Joel maybe setting up a program where 2 YP participants at a time could 'shadow' the tower controllers at work for a longer period of time to get a feel for all the things they do besides talk on the radio. He told Joel it's been approved by the tower manager. Joel will find out more and advise.

The BD-6 continues to move slowly forward. Mike Smolen got some good work done on Thursday by locating the wing spar crossover tube where belongs. Assembly of some of the uprights on the pilot cage can now be done. Still lots of questions though. A Chapter in Lawrenceville GA is also building one and they're having similar problems.

The Apopka EAA Chapter is thinking of starting a Youth Program of their own and John reports they'd like to send a representative up to visit to see ours. Way to go John, spreading the word. He also put forward a resolution to give the Apopka Chapter one or both of the Thatcher projects we have as a donation should they choose to start a program. The motion passed after MM&S by voice vote.

The Pietenpol Air Camper continues to progress as they've now got a good tailwheel and will be trying to finish up the main gear weldment and wheels/tires so the airplane fuselage can get off the bench and stand on the floor. It will make it easier to move around. Also, the main spars have been received and the aileron spars have been milled to size and are in the hanger. Ted Luebbers is traveling a bit this summer so progress may not be as fast, but it will continue. New Member Andrew's old Chapter in Toledo rebuilt a Piet and he's willing to make contact if we run up against problems.

Ray Scholarship Program – Gretchen Crecelius

Gretchen reports that Mateo now has his student medical! Good job! And school is out for Mateo now so he can work on his paperwork for submittal. Gretchen also asked for the banking information she needs to deal with funds associated with getting a scholarship. She will contact Mark Banus.

Sponsorships – Joel Hargis

Joel has put some thought into the idea of a sponsorship program for our Chapter as a way to generate donations from local businesses who would get publicity in our hanger, our Newsletter and quite likely in some of Ted's writings as having helped the Chapter out. If you have thoughts about the idea, please drop an email or speak with any board member about it.

Flying Start Program – Joel Hargis

Joel, John & Jodie report there are now 12 people signed up for the Flying Start program on 5/25. This was the original limit but interest has been good and a discussion was had about increasing the number to 20. One of the reasons for keeping it small is to allow more time to each individual for questions and more 1 on 1 flight time during their rides. Being able to make the ride more useful and informative than it might be if shorter. The reason to make it



a larger group is to fill in spaces for people who may not be able to make it, and go as big as we can and still give each person the amount of attention they need. After talking about it the group decided to up the number to 20 and help take some of the flying stress off due to potential weather or other problems with flying 20 adults in one day, by offering rides during the week when some schedules might match better for participants. More to come on this as the date nears.

There being no further business before the Board, by MM&S and approved by voice vote, the meeting was adjourned at 10:53 am.

All errors or omissions belong to the author. Let me know if corrections are needed.

Respectfully,

Steve Tilford Secretary

Note from Newsletter Editor:

There has been some interest in m newsletter and I am happy to do so



- Must be aviation related
- Photo helpful
- Brief description
- Price
- Contact name/number/email
- Send to harpag@hotmail.com

FLY-OUT ACTIVITIES & places to eat

(Always call to be sure of event or to make reservations)

Reoccurring Events:

1st Sat – Albert Whitted Airport (SPG), St Petersburg. Airport Preservation Society fly-in pancake breakfast. 727-822-1532 or awaps.org.

2nd Sat – Space Coast Regional Airport (TIX), Titusville. Valiant Air Command Warbird Museum ramp. Pancake breakfast with omelet station, 8-11 a.m. RSVP at least 2 days prior with number in party. \$8 free museum admission for fly-in pilots and passengers. 321-268-1941 or vacwarbirds@bellsouth.net.

2nd Sat - Sebring, FL - EAA 1240 Pancake breakfast (863) 273-0522 or jhr@strato.net

3rd Sat - Valkaria Airport (X59). EAA and airport association-sponsored breakfast. 8 -11 a.m. \$5. Steve Borowski: 321-952-4590 or steve.borowski@brevardcounty.us.

3rd Sat – Flying W Air Ranch (9FL1), Bushnell. 8-11 a.m. EAA Chapter 1489 pancake breakfast. Steve Bensinger: 352-235-9598 or foolzinfo@flyingfoolz.org.

3rd Sat – Live Oak Airport (24J). Regular 2nd Saturday fly-in breakfast. 8:30 a.m.

SAFETY CORNER- Next time you are in the pattern and abeam the numbers on downwind, pull the carb-heat and power. Can you make the runway safely without adding power? NOT MANY, I BET!

I see too many pilots flying very low patterns, well below the 700-800 AGL prescribed, then drag it in on final. Many fly a very wide pattern with an extended downwind leg.

Practicing this power-off approach is critical for three reasons:

- 1. Emergency off-field landing accuracy
- 2. If you are going to have engine/throttle problems, it will be when you fiddle with the throttle while reducing speed for landing at the end of your down-wind leg
- 3. If you are too low and slow with steep turns at a high angles of attack, you will have very little altitude safety-buffer to mitigate loss of altitude while maneuvering.

Marty

Fly-out Restaurants:

Ocala OCF - Tail Winds Café (352) 873-3211

Bartow **BOW** – Re-opened NEW

Cedar Key CDK – call cab on 122.9 (Judy) many choices for dining

Crystal River CGC - Olive Tree Restaurant (352) 563-0075

Everglades X01 – Triad Seafood, great stone crabs (239) 695-0722

Deland **DED** – Airport Restaurant and Gin Mill (386) 734-0722

Flagler XFL – Highjackers (386) 586-6078 (lunch and dinner)

New Smyrna Beach EVB - Airgate Café (386) 478-0601

Ormond Beach OMN - River Bend Golf Club (386) 675-0893

St. Augustine SGJ - Call FBO (800) 840-1995 -buy gas get courtesy car

Williston X60 – Pyper Cub Restaurant (352) 528-0376

Winter Haven GIF – Great food

Tampa North X39 – Happy Hangar Café (813) 973-3703

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