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Editors Corner

Jim Lobue

I'm always looking for member written and submitted articles for **your** newsletter. Please email me with articles, suggestions, and/or comments. Thanks.

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President's Forum

Merrill Eastcott

News flash – as of today we still do not have an applicant to send to the summer EAA Air Academy at Oshkosh. We have reserved one space for the senior group (male - ages 16-18). The dates are July 24 thru Aug 1, 2015. If you know of a deserving young man already interested in aviation, please get his name to Keith Spreuer so that he can forward an application to him. The chapter will pay for the tuition (includes meals and lodging), but the chosen individual will be responsible for the transportation to and from Milwaukee. Free transportation is available from there to Oshkosh courtesy of EAA.

The Compton Airport open house Saturday, May 9th is almost upon us. We need volunteers to fly in the Young Eagles program, and a few to interface with the public who find their way to our open hangar. Please let Keith or any board member know that you can help out.

Next month we will start the Fly-in and Model Expo planning in earnest. Most of you will be asked to help out in one way or another. As a suggestion, pick an area of interest and volunteer early and avoid the rush!!

Your board is working hard on improving the professionalism and legal soundness of our tenant agreements. If you are a tenant inside or outside our hangar, please bear with us as we try to complete our file system.

Lastly, since most of us are getting up in years, check out this story of a pilot, Peter Weber Jr., setting the Guinness record for the oldest actively flying pilot: <http://a.msn.com/r/2/AAaoXsK?a=1&m=en-us>

I will be in South Carolina this Saturday, but Dennis will be on hand to chair the meeting. The presentation, featured elsewhere in the newsletter will be a special treat that none of you will want to miss. I will see you again in May.

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Financial Report

Richard Schleicher

Beginning bank balance: \$13150.96 Pay Pal
balance: \$252.00(\$245.86 – costs)
Ending balance \$11899.39
Income/deposits \$ 2691.00
Expenditures \$ 3904.57

Break down of expense for the month:

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| Hanger rent | \$3493.46 |
| Feb BBQ | \$ 124.83 |
| Edison | \$ 134.68 |
| Hanger maint. | \$ 21.59 |
| Trailer repairs | \$ 64.05 |
| Water | \$ pending bill |
| Mar BBQ | \$ 65.96 |

Paypal transfers to bank account cost about 3% of the received funds.

For March, we had a negative cash flow for the month due to pending receipts for hanger rent. I have been notified by one of the old outstanding hanger renters that he will pay all of the past due rents(Gleeson). This will reduce our outstanding invoices by \$2500. The current outstanding collections is \$7416.00 With the pending sale of the BD4 assets, we hope to recover 50% of this in addition to collection efforts for balance due accounts.

For any detailed reports or specific inquiries of any income/expenditures for the association, please send your inquiries to ops@actsworld.com

As reported by:
Rich Schleicher EAA Treasurer

Current bank balance as of 2/06/15: \$13150.96

P.S. As of April 13, collected the old balance due for hanger rent. Will be in April report!

Hangar Report

Keith Spreuer

The hangar tenancy rate remains the same. The non paying spots in the hangar now are the tool space, the BD5 half space, space 9, space 4, half of space 5, half of space 6. The total billable for the hangar is \$3470. I spoke to a gentleman that is interested in a small space to start and RV-10 project. I hope to hear back from him soon. He has built several projects and would be a great addition to the hangar. I'm in the midst of a major clean up of my space which has accumulated 14 years of excess material. The hangar lighting is proceeding well. Probably the most urgent work to do is to update our leases and to get all tenants to sign the updated forms. Dennis and I are working to make the leases conform with California code and EAA insurance requirements.

Upcoming Events

Chapter General Meeting and BBQ
Saturday, 18 April, 10:00
Open to everyone.

Chapter Board of Directors Meeting
Saturday, 2 May, 09:00
All members welcome.

EAA Chapter #96 Meetings are at CPM.
1017 Alondra Blvd
Compton, CA 90220

Tribute to Louis Zamperini
Torrance Airport, 4-6 May

Compton Airport Open House
and Young Eagles
Saturday, 9 May

Chapter Chatter



Dennis Lord is our current Chapter 96 VP, executive producer of the EAA 96 Fly-In and Model Expo, and a member of the LA County Aviation Commission overseeing five County airports including Compton.

If you missed the USAF Thunderbirds at Fox Field in March, simply know that 140,000 others did not miss it! I've invested over 20 years of advocacy to bring them to Los Angeles and while it didn't happen exactly as I envisioned it, it HAPPENED! Watching their first takeoff was pretty emotional after all that work. Set goals, but sometimes they take a long time to achieve.

Next up is the Collings Foundation appearance that Chapter 96 is supporting. May 4-6 are the dates at TOA. B-17, B-24, B-25, and P-51 rides are available and so are volunteer positions. Sign up at <http://www.wmof.com/collings-volunteer.html>. Make your Chapter proud!

May 9 is the Compton Open House event. The Chapter Hangar will be open for visitors and volunteers are welcome to assist in impromptu tours of what we do.

A kickoff meeting for the Expo will occur on May 16 at 0830 prior to the General Members meeting. Volunteer Managers are already signing up. This is our 5th year!

Advocacy: Are you aware of the lawsuit filed by the Center for Environmental Health over lead in 100LL? Based upon the California Safe Drinking Water and Toxic Enforcement Act (Prop 65), the settlement requires signage at the airport and a letter to all residents within a kilometer (.6 miles) of the Airport. While two County Airports were targeted in the lawsuit (among many others), the County is going to implement the notifications at all Airports. The signage, and the letters, will state:

WARNING

The area within one kilometer of Compton Airport contains lead, a chemical known to the State of California to cause cancer, birth defects or other reproductive harm. Lead is contained in the aviation fuel ("Avgas") that is used by small piston engine aircraft that take off and land at this airport. People living, working, or traveling near this location will be exposed to lead as aircraft take off and land.

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Be aware that these attacks will continue to erode our relationship with our neighbors and damage our reputation with local officials. Constant vigilance for statements, press releases, and concerns is warranted in order to educate those concerned. If you see, or hear of anything, please let us know. These letters are expected to go out before the end of April.

It has been reported that over 200 of the new gate cards have been issued. Now, if the readers will just show up, we can switch to them. We've been reporting this change for months. Sooner or later, it will happen.

If your membership has not been paid for 2015, this is your last newsletter. As of April 1, member privileges have been rescinded for memberships in arrears. Should you be among them, we'd love to have you back. If you are current, we applaud your support as it assists us in covering the insurance needs of the Chapter. We cannot do it without you.

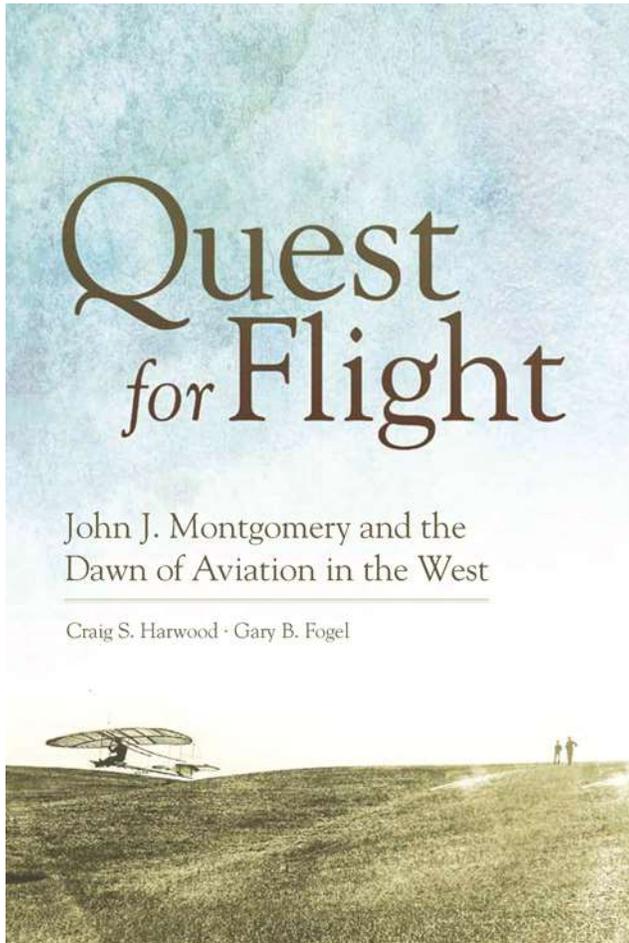
Speaking of insurance, your Board continues to work towards ensuring that we are securing the best value in our coverage. There are three required policies; liability, hangarkeepers, and hangar replacement. As stewards of your funds, we need to make the best choices.

As always, your feedback is welcome.

Dennis is easily reached at VP@EAA96.org or at 310.612.2751 and he looks forward to hearing from members. Comments and materials received may be used for future columns or responded to privately upon request.

Meeting Program

Rhon Williams



As the nineteenth century drew to a close, a lone inventor (John Montgomery) struggled to solve one of the great scientific challenges of the ages – the “impossible art” of flight. “Quest for Flight”, an award winning book serves as the basis for an entertaining talk by author Craig Harwood. Join him as he weaves the fascinating story of how Montgomery and a handful of his Californian peers collectively transformed science fiction into reality, impacted societal attitudes toward this visionary science and inspired a generation of Americans to take to the skies. The book establishes for the first time in the literature, a basis for understanding the very foundation upon which California’s burgeoning aviation industry of the 1920’s and 1930’s formed. Copies of this book, winner of the Great Southwest Book Awards and honored in the Southern California Book Awards will be available for purchase and personal inscription by the author, the great grand nephew of John Montgomery.

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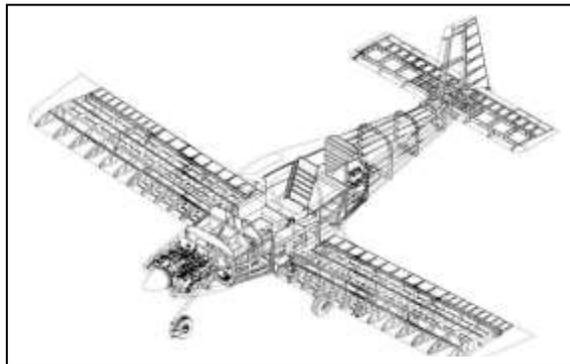
Airport: Compton
Airport (CPM)



Monthly Meeting:
Third Saturday of the
month at 10 a.m.
Compton Airport
Chapter 96 Hangar
1017 West Alondra Blvd.
Compton, CA 90220



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