

EAA Chapter 96

# PENINSULA FLYER

South Bay

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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*

We continue to work on membership and now have sixty (60) confirmed and paid members. I wish to acknowledge the great efforts of Jim Lobue and Dennis Lord in their quest to research and locate names on our very old list of past members. To that end, I will have an abbreviated list of individuals we are trying to locate at this month's membership meeting. Please be prepared to look at it and help us out if you have any information that would help us reestablish contact.

At the June board meeting we had our first intense planning session for the September fly-in and model Expo. Dennis will update you at the June 21st general meeting. We still need you to get on Keith Spreuer's volunteer list. Just get your name to any one of the board members.

The hot issue for me this month is concerns over the security at the hangar, and the apparent access to the hangar and use of the tools by individuals who are not current members of the Chapter. We want to be good neighbors to other tenants at the airport and your friends, but chapter membership (and thereby national membership) is a prerequisite to be covered by our insurance policies. Without that coverage, we assume liability which we cannot afford. We have changed the lock combinations again and all tenants will be given the codes automatically. In addition, if you as a non-tenant member need access, just call Keith Spreuer or Dave Bristol. Lastly, please support our policy of supervising any guest you may bring, especially children. The purpose of bringing guests or family to the hangar at other than the general meeting should be for the purpose of helping you with your project.

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Again, we are actively looking for help in securing interesting and informative programs for future membership meetings. Everybody has at least one good story to tell, or knows at least one person whose story would be of interest to us. Please help us in this endeavor.

I hope to see you at our June 21st meeting.

## Treasurer's Report

*Richard Schleicher*

The month of May starting balance was \$9789.27. The ending balance for the month was \$11374.11. Our income/deposits in May was \$2895.00 and our expenditures were \$1310.16. Hanger rent payment every month of 3453.95 remains as our biggest expense. Mays hanger rent was paid at the end of April and therefore does not show up in May expenditures. Junes hanger rent was paid on the 3rd of June so will not be in May expenditures.

Hanger and tie down tenant income remains at \$2914/month. If all spaces were rented, our income would be an additional \$1904/month. We need to find other builders who value the resources and can support the hanger. Dennis, Jim, Dave, and others are working hard to increase our membership. However this is not our sustaining income for the association. The hanger rent is and we must continue to encourage those that have projects off site to come and support the hanger resources by renting a space. We continue to improve the facility and we are doing our very best to provide a safe and resourceful place to hang out, work on your project, use the tools, and socialize in the comfort of an open hanger with great used furniture. Speaking of which, anyone capable of listing some of the excess furniture on Craigslist, please do so on behalf of the association. We need to clean up the used furniture area and reclaim the work space so that potential hanger mates will see a professional work space.

I continue to make contact with some of the old outstanding renters and even though it is work to have to make contact each month, it seems to pay off(although slowly). Thank you to those responsible parties who are stepping up to their responsibility and helping us keep the hanger alive. We need to continue to collect from those who are delinquent.

PayPal payments continue to be the choice for new members to join. Dennis continues to empty the account into our bank account at the end of each month and I can reconcile with the notifications of new memberships and payment of hanger rents.

As mentioned in the previous months report, please send future rent payments and membership payments to:

Richard Schleicher  
9 Barkentine Road  
Rancho Palos Verdes, CA 90275.

Those of you who pay by automatic means can continue to do so to our Bank of America account with direct payment or you can have your institution pay to EAA Chapter 96 accounts receivable at my address.

## Hangar Report

*Keith Spreuer*

In may the hangar remained with the same vacancies, Basically 3 large spaces and the space occupied by the Bede 5. However, speaking of Bede 5's, a builder came to our last meeting and has tentatively rented a half large space for his Bede 5 project. H2O2 continued to make improvements to the lounge and kitchen. William actually repaired those ancient air conditioners to cool the kitchen and lounge. He says he wants to install a weather station too. Otherwise, the next months will start the preparations for the annual Flyin and Model Expo set for Sep. 27th. That will require cleaning out the accumulation of junk and general cleaning.

## Upcoming Events

Chapter General Meeting and BBQ  
Saturday, 21 June, 10:00

Chapter Board of Directors Meeting  
Saturday, 5 July, 09:00

4th Annual EAA 96 Fly-In and Model Expo  
Saturday, 27 September

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

## **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.*

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I am pleased to say that as an organization, we are growing and up 16 confirmed members this month to 61 plus 10 in our new Friends category. Friends of Chapter 96 can obtain that status through three ways; 1) they are members of another Chapter, 2) they live more than 25 miles away from CPM or, 3) Board approval. We are working hard to confirm our members and still have 100 old records to reconcile.

There may be some tenant changes in the hangar soon and I look forward to a report from Keith, our hangar manager. A surprise to even me, I might even be one of those changes should the stars align tomorrow. It's a long shot, but I am bidding on a short term project. Very short term as time is precious for me these days.

The next County Aviation Commission meeting will be held at POC in the Terminal Bldg. at 7 p.m. on June 25, 2014. June is usually the month we review the airport survey results and see what is on the mind of our tenants. Similar to this, our membership drive has resulted in a lot of feedback on the Chapter. In both cases, this drives change. Another item on the June agenda is hangar rent increases. If you haven't noticed, there have been no increases the past few years. While American Airports Corp. takes the heat for increases, primarily due to them being the billing agency, it is really the County that has driven it. Well, the County is changing its position and although rental increases are in the contract with AAC and passes these costs through, the County is not raising the rates. I look forward to this month's proposal. Come on out if you wish to be part of the conversation. Email me for an agenda a [VP@EAA96.org](mailto:VP@EAA96.org).

If you are intrigued with that email address, we are slowly dragging ourselves into the 21<sup>st</sup> Century around here. Thanks to the work of Craig Louis, we recovered the EAA96.org domain name. Next, we are working with Xavier Marshall who is hosting that domain name and created a mail server for us. Now, we have generic email addresses for the Board Officers that forward all emails to their personal addresses. For those concerned with email address security, their personal email address is not listed on the website. For me, I am less concerned as my personal address is already filled with junk but I set my account up to only allow those in my contact list to enter my Inbox. Sure, I need to peek into the Junk folder once in a while to be sure I'm not missing something new, but that isn't hard and the rest are deleted with one click.

Down the road of current priorities, we will convert to a new web presence using this domain name. Presently, due to the priority of rebuilding our member roster, we simply do not have the horsepower to delve into this just yet. Yet, in the membership world, things are getting simpler and people are starting to take notice. Need to make a payment to the Chapter? Simple. Do it on our existing website. Many do.

September 27, 2014 is our 4<sup>th</sup> Annual EAA 96 Fly-In and Model Expo! This is our single most important fundraiser of the year and we need all members to step up and participate, even if just for the one day. There is one critical position that needs to be filled and that is the Chief Cook position. Sounds ominous, but it isn't. There are two managers above this position who will make sure the Food Court is set up and stocked. The Chief Cook, while cooking, makes sure the process runs smoothly all day. It's basically a four hour job. Interested?? We could really use someone there. Email me. In addition, there are many day-of-event volunteer positions available that require a couple hours of work and most of it is very easy. Wives would be welcome to staff our EAA sales booth.

Our next monthly meeting is on June 21. 10 a.m. in the hangar. Rhon Williams has been working to provide meaningful programs and in between his escapades of "lighting up pigeons" on the hangar roof (yes, there is a story there!), he is doing a good job. Stick around for lunch afterwards for a donation of \$5 and see what is going on in the hangar.

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**Dennis is easily reached at [VP@EAA96.org](mailto: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.**

## **Ads**

*For Sale*

1948 Stinson 108-3



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Total time: 3214.3

Engine time since major overhaul: 978.7

Franklin 165 Heavy case engine

Turbotech oil cooler

Bodell/Adams brakes

Scott 3200 Tailwheel

Radio: King 155 w/glideslope, King transponder

Always hangared, original panel

Asking: \$22k

Net proceeds will go to EAA Chapter 96

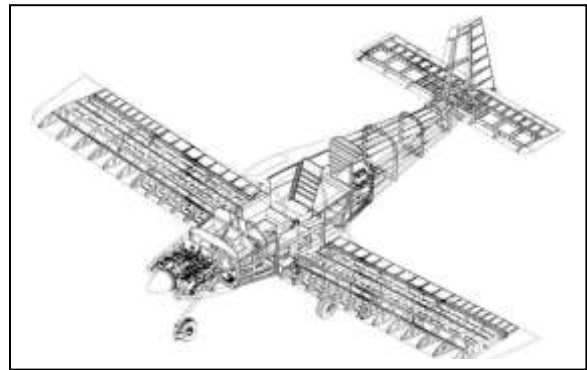
Call Chet at 310-722-0488

or Dave at 310-617-1481

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### *Wanted*

I am looking for someone in the L.A. area that can recover my J-3 Cub tail pieces. If you know anyone in your chapter that does fabric work, they can call me at 562-321-7131 or email at cubdrv@yahoo.com



### **NEWSLETTER IDEAS OR ARTICLES?**

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