

EAA Chapter 96

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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

I hope everyone reads the newsletter this month because the most important announcement is that the board has decided to cancel the membership meeting this month because several members who are regular attendees at our meeting want to attend the September 20th AOPA Regional Fly-In at Chino. There will however be a mandatory meeting of all Expo managers on the 20th at 9am. I look forward to seeing the rest of you all on Saturday, October 18.

The Fly-in and Model Expo is almost here, less than two weeks away. We still need volunteers for perimeter security and in the food court. Every active chapter member should now be on Keith Spreuer's volunteer list. Volunteering for two hours gets you in the event free, and volunteering for four hours gets you a free lunch. Just get your name to Keith.

There are 2 events left for Young Eagles this year: October 4 at TOA and November 15 at CPM. These are both on Saturday and, as usual, the program starts at noon and the flights at 1:00 PM. This is our other major community support activity and we need planes and pilots! I know gas is expensive but we need to continue to support this important activity. So if you haven't already done so, please call Glenn Parkison parkisong374@gmail.com (ed) and offer to fly our youth on one or both of those days.

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Financial Report

Richard Schleicher

The month of August starting bank balance was \$9172.27. The ending balance for the month was \$7369.72. Our income/deposits in July was \$2450.20 and our expenditures were \$4109.54. Break down of expense for the month:

Hanger rent	\$3493.46
Edison	\$139.50
Kitchen remodel	\$204.95
Water	\$103.96
BBQ/EAA	\$107.67
Janitorial	\$ 60.00

The short fall for the month is \$1659.34. The Aug invoices amounted to \$3212.00. Of those invoices, 7 tenants have yet to pay for Aug rent. There are a total of 9 outstanding members who have a debt with the association.

Ira Munn advised that he would try and make a payment against his debt. He continues to request that we try to offer for sale his ballistic chute and from the proceeds pay off his debt and retain the remaining amount on credit against his storage.

I had sent out another demand letter to all of those tenants that have an outstanding balance over 2 months. I have received 1 positive response. It is obvious that none of the outstanding tenants will volunteer to pay their debt on their own. I requested help with this matter in July and continue to need help with collections. If anyone can assist with this matter, please contact me. I will continue to send demands for payment each month unless someone has another suggestion for collections.

PayPal payments have been 0 for the past 3 months.

Thanks.
Rich

Meeting Cancelled

September general membership meeting is cancelled due to chapter participation in the AOPA fly-in at Chino on the 20th. See you there and at the Expo on the 27th at Compton.

Hangar Report

Keith Spreuer

. In Aug there were 2 additions. Jim Lobue upgraded from a half space to a full small space. And the Stinson moved into a full large space. Rich is still going to Chino but as it turns out only for a few days. He is talking with John Lundberg to share a large space. If that happens we will lose 2 small rents and gain one large, so a net decrease of \$200. I'm meeting with Tomas Martinez on Sunday to rent a half large space which will make up that \$200. I hear a rumor that the Stinson may be sold and the owner may keep it in the hangar. That would account for another large space+. I also rented some of the side yard space for storage to Robert from the paint shop for \$100. H2O2 has the kitchen floors completed and installed some tables and decor. Looks very nice. The weather station is mounted and is set. We need to start preparing for the Expo which is Sep 27th so that the hangar looks professional to our guests.

Upcoming Events

AOPA Fly-In @ Chino (CNO)
Saturday, 20 September

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

Chapter Board of Directors Meeting
Saturday, 4 October, 09:00

Young Eagles @ Torrance (TOA)
Saturday, 4 October, Noon

Chapter General Meeting and BBQ
Saturday, 18 October, 10:00

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.

There has been a good deal of email bouncing around about the FAA regulations on hangar use. After 27 years as a governmental affairs manager, I've found that the devil is always in the details in my dealings with cities, counties, and agencies. So, I read and read and read seeking what is new, what is changed, and remind myself there are three kinds of people; Those that make things happen, those that watch things happen, and those that say "what happened?".

I do not discount the fact that there is an underlying mistrust of anything government out there. Golly, even I am targeted as a County Aviation Commissioner by some who do not believe I have the best interests of the airport in mind. But, change occurs through the electoral process and I won't get on my soapbox about how few participate in that process. Indeed, there are people out there that rely upon that fact that the electorate doesn't participate. But, enough of that or I will run out of space here.

The first round of the FAA hangar policy was a mess as a result of an unclear letter to an AZ airport. Okay, one way to capture someone's attention is for an agency to send a confusing letter. They did that and it was clear to some that they need some education about how things work. EAA (HQ) and AOPA, among others gave them an earful.

Round Two. A second draft comes out and changes were made. However, the emails started up again with the arguments that were made in Round One! Goodness, did anyone read the changes?? EAA did. See their comments at <https://www.eaa.org/en/ea/news-and-aviation-news/ea/2014-07-24-faa-releases-new-hangar-use-policy>.

The bottom line is pay attention to the process and the changes. Don't work with past versions of items and don't guess at what it says, read it! As a matter of policy, I do not forward complaining emails on anything unless I have reviewed the issue and personally know it is factual. If I find that an author of an email is out of sync with the process, I will reply to them only; no Reply All. This is about education, not embarrassment.

So, how does this apply to CPM? When I came back to CPM in 2000, I looked for a hangar after a year or so and wondered how to get one. It seemed very obscure. Finally, I was told to "go see Pete" in the D row and he'll provide you a hangar. I did, paid him, and T-30 (no longer exists) was mine; for one month.

Well, two things happened that month. 1) I kept asking "Pete" where my contract was and his response was "just pay me". Well, being knowledgeable about contract law I knew that placed me at a significant disadvantage. 2) After Supervisor Yvonne Burke saw me at a Young Eagles rally, she appointed me to the Commission that month. You should have seen the look on "Pete's" face when he learned I had just become the Commissioner!

After gaining the seat, one of my objectives was to make the hangar acquisition process open, transparent, and aviation oriented. Over the next two years, we did that. Today, despite economic changes since 2008, there is a hangar waiting list and anyone can place their name on it. At CPM, it is posted in the Terminal in the glass covered box on the wall by the AWOS display. You can ask for a specific hangar, or a specific type of hangar. If you have an airplane and there is an opening, you're in.

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I get tons of questions about non-aviation use in hangars. Here is how it is treated. If there is no aviation (airplane) demand for that hangar, it is available for non-aviation use. All hangar leases, except the three large FBO hangars at CPM are month-to-month leases and either party can terminate the lease on a 30 day notice. Therefore, should an aircraft become available and requests a hangar category that may be filled by a non-aviation use, then the last non-aviation tenant in will be terminated and that hangar will become aviation use. We are clear to non-aviation tenants that we are an airport, not an industrial park.

It is also worthy of note that non-aviation use pays a 30% premium to rent a hangar and it also worthy to note there has been no hangar rent increase in the past three years for aviation use. While I doubt that will last indefinitely, it is our policy to recommend to the County Supervisors the best alternatives to keeping the airports operational.

The Expo is on September 27th. I refuse to beg, as this is for you, and there is much to do. If you are a member, I trust you are supporting this fundraiser for the Chapter's programs by volunteering. There are many types of positions available and we need some cooks on the grills. Wives are welcome and needed. Please see, call, or email Keith Spreuer. He has a new email address at kspreuer@gmail.com.

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.

For Sale/Wanted Ads

Sale Pending

1948 Stinson 108-3

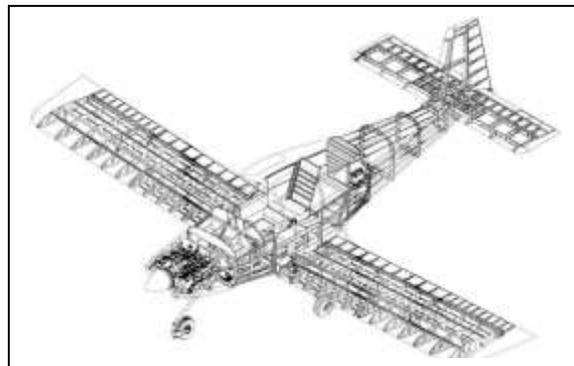


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Total time: 3214.3
Engine time since major overhaul: 978.7
Franklin 165 Heavy case engine
Turbotech oil cooler
Bodell/Adams brakes
Scott 3200 Tailwheel
Radio: King 155 w/glideslope, King transponder
Always hangared, original panel
Asking: \$22k
Net proceeds will go to EAA Chapter 96
Call Chet at 310-722-0488
or Dave at 310-617-1481

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



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