

DEC 2020



Next Chapter Meeting
None scheduled for December
VMC see below

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+ Youth activities + VMC ZOOM (Visual Meteorological Conditions)		
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President's Message

I want to thank the Officers and Membership of the Chapter for giving me the opportunity to be your President for the next two years. I look forward to it. Chapter 534 has had the benefit of good past leadership in the form of past Presidents Arnold Holmes, Joel Hargis and Jodie Soule. They have all pushed the Chapter forward with a positive impact locally and nationally for experimental aviation and the aerospace industry in general. Our Youth Program has turned out to be a great experience for our youth and their mentors and helps us to spread our interest in all things aviation. We've represented Leesburg Airport well, and with help from EAA National we've been able to generate a number of new private pilots in the last two years via Ray Scholarships and private donations. We have a lot to be thankful for, and I hope to be able to keep our momentum going. I welcome any comments you may have about the Chapter. We can only get better with good communication, so let me know what you think. Our Chapter also gets better with participation. You can see it at work in the 4 projects in our hangar, a couple waiting in other hangars and a flying club being organized. And we've had some valuable help from Members and non-Members in the form of donations this year. I also want to urge everyone to take extra care over the Thanksgiving to New Year holidays and to continue with the Covid-19 precautions you're taking. The vaccines won't be able to flip a switch and make everything happen instantly, so please keep thinking about protecting those around you and yourselves. It will get better soon, but only if we can tough it out a while longer. Stay Safe & Merry Christmas!

Steve

VMC WORKSHOP: We will have our VMC ZOOM workshop Thursday Evening, 7:30, December 17th

Contact John Weber to get invited and we receive WINGS credits with FAA

CHAPTER ACTIVITIES

Due to Corona Virus, all Youth Meetings are cancelled

- 12/17/2020 – VMC meeting on ZOOM @ 7:30 PM
- No December meeting planned
- Young Eagles – Cancelled till further notice

Flying Quote:

“When everything seems to be going against you, remember that the airplane takes off against the wind, not with it.” – Henry Ford



The meeting was called to order by the President at 9:05 am. 16 members present via Zoom.

Welcome and recognition of guests: Joel - There were no new guests to welcome today.

October Minutes Approval: Joel

After a call for corrections and MM&S the October minutes were approved as submitted.

Treasurer Report & Outstanding Dues: Mark

A detail copy of the November Report is available on request to any Member. Please contact Mark if you need one. He also advises for 2020 we have 57 dues paid and for 2021 we have 15 dues paid. If you haven't paid one or both, please do so by January. Mark also has a name tag waiting for George May.

Election of new officers: Joel asked Paul Adrien to list the slate of Chapter officers nominated to serve for 2021 & 2022. Paul did so as follows:

Officers – President Steve Tilford, Vice President John Weber, Secretary Joan Luebbers and Treasurer Greg Nilsen.

Appointed Officers – Spokesman for City Affairs Joel Hargis, Young Eagle Coordinator Jodie Soule, Chapter Newsletter Editor Marty Harris, Membership Chairman Marc Morel, PIO Ted Luebbers, Website Laura Vaughn and Tech Counselor/Flight Advisor/Program Chairman Paul Adrien.

Directors – Paul Adrien, Mark Banus, Dale Cornelius, Jim Goodspeed, Joel Hargis, Marty Harris, Ted Luebbers, Marc Morel and Jodie Soule.

(Other nominations were solicited but none were put forward and after MM&S, the slate as listed was adopted by unanimous voice vote.)

Special Awards or announcements – Annual Chapter Awards:

Joel says he has some Chapter Awards but it seems odd to not be able to hand them to their recipients face to face. He will pass them along to the new President and urge him to present them in person at his discretion.

Hangar Report:

C-150 Update on parts, engine & funds

Steve Tilford reports he and Paul Adrien finished the engine rebuild about two weeks ago. The engine is on a stand and needs only fresh oil and one more magneto to be runnable. They also looked at the uncowed firewall of the 150 and besides being dirty; it seems to be in very good shape. It may need a few parts like a starter and master solenoid, or vacuum valve, but overall it looks good. There is also no evidence of a bent firewall or damaged nose gear minus what might be a leaky fluid seal on the nose strut. Also, the engine mount proper looks very good. It will be removed and blasted to get a closer look but again, no obvious damage. Funds are available to rebuild both mags when we get the second one and feelers are out to a couple of places on getting the second core so we can start on them. Joel reminded Steve about Skybolt offering us a set of cowl fasteners for the 150 during our engine fundraising. We will talk with them about it soon. John Weber described a forthcoming donation from John Minatelli to the Chapter that is going to provide more funds due to the sale of an engine he owns. After discussion it was proposed that those funds be earmarked for the 150 project. After MM&S the proposition was accepted by voice vote.

Other Projects - Hangar Monkey Update

John Weber reports that the Piet tail feathers are covered with aviation quality Dacron and approved adhesive has been used. Stitching is about complete. Once they have been properly filled he is planning to use a latex topcoat.

Young Eagle Report: Due to the pandemic Joel reports there are no Young Eagle events on the calendar.

Squadron 534 Training Reports:

Gretchen was traveling so updated training details for YP flyers are unknown. John Weber advises that Ted has been shouldering the load and working on the Aircamper's tail feathers.

Ray Scholarship Update - Gretchen is drafting our yearly Chapter Approval submittal which is needed before pursuing a Ray Scholarship. It will be submitted in plenty of time for review. Our track record of successful recipients should help our chances.

Flying Club Update:

Stan reports that the club formation is making progress. He's been talking to any number of people both EAA and other for info and data that will help him make decisions about how the club is incorporated. It's important to get it right the first time. Keep up the good work Stan. He's been getting some help from the hangar monkeys on CH 701 fixes. The nose gear bungee has been replaced and George May is burning thru other improvements including a back-up fuel pump, new fuel caps, a real gascolator, getting right side brakes added and an ADSB unit on the way!

Activity Report: Paul

Paul says not much to report. Everyone is still near lockdown due to the virus and speakers are difficult to get. Jamie Beckett was targeted for today's meeting but he had a conflict and couldn't make it. Paul also says Mr. Beckett will do his thing for us early in January.

Old Business: Joel

Lease - As Joel is our Spokesperson for City Affairs he will be pursuing our next new lease on the EAA Hangar. He's optimistic but working diligently with a number of involved people to help us get another 5 year lease put together.

Face to Face Meetings - Due to the pandemic situation, none are scheduled. Joel suggests we table the discussion temporarily and see what changes have happened by January.

New Business: Joel

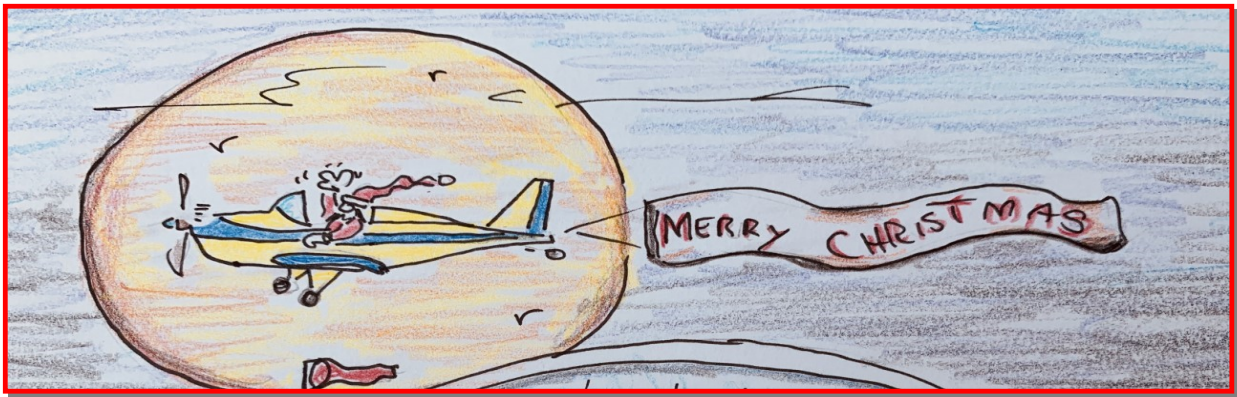
Lee Helfer asked who the new City Commission's members may have appointed to the Airport Advisory Board. It was suggested he keep an eye on the City of Leesburg website as they will be listed, but may not be listed quickly. Attendance at the upcoming AAB meeting set for December 10 could answer the question. No reason to pack the building, but a few EAA attendees is never a bad idea.

Steve Tilford reports that the Chapter's Annual Renewal Report for National is due by the end of December. He's working on it now and suggested he'd do it this year, having done it for a couple of years now. He also mentioned the report is accompanied by the Chapter's yearly fees to National. After some discussion it was proposed that he do so and also be authorized to the amount of the fees paid. With MM&S, the proposal was accepted via voice vote.

There being no further business put forward, the meeting was adjourned at 10 am.

Respectfully,
Steve Tilford
Secretary

P.S. These are my last minutes as Joan Luebbers will be taking over my duties for the next two years. It has been a pleasure to work with all of you and I look forward to continuing to do so as President. Thank you for your support.



Twas the night before Christmas
And it may seem kind of funky
That all thru the hangar
The place was void of a single "monkey"



The bare airplane parts were hung by the chimney with care
In hope that **Santa Weber** would soon be there

Then I knew I had nothing to fear
When what to my wondering eyes should appear
A miniature LSA pulled by monkeys
dressed like reindeer



A little Vet dressed in Santa clothes
Spending money on planes
to put them together
I knew in a moment it was **Santa Weber**

More Rapid than F16's they flew
with the LSA full of parts and **Santa Weber** too

"On Paul, Ted, Mike, Steve, Greg, Jim, Gretchen & Mark"
He hailed to his monkeys, on our roof they should park

Down the chimney he fell with a terrible thump
But he never suffered not even a bump

He really seemed quite jolly
As he quickly covered all the bare wings with poly

Wasn't sure if it was in the budget
But he knew **Mark** could fudge it

Like the energizer bunny up the chimney he flew
As he reassembled his disorganized crew

Then I heard him exclaim as he drove out of sight
"Merry Christmas to our EAA flight
And to all a Good Night!"



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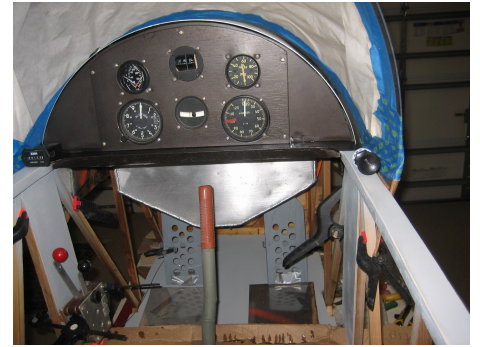
Taylor Monoplane Project, Sport or military style



Fuselage framed up with instrument panel, rudder pedals, control stick, windshield, firewall, main landing gear included with wheels, tires, axles, struts, and brakes, steerable tailwheel mounted, bottom sheeted, spare ply sheets included for covering sides, everything seen in photos on the project is included plus cables and hardware as well as, full size rib patterns. Normally VW engine used, Located in Mount Dora,



Florida. Great value at \$800 contact Lou Bouffardi patloubuf@gmail.com



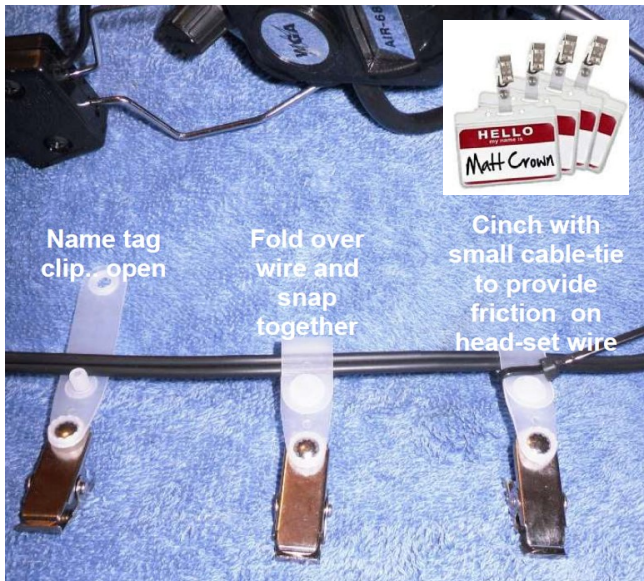
AME list for 1st thru 3rd Class FAA physicals

Stacy J. Berckes	111 WATERMAN AVENUE	LAKE	MOUNT DORA	FL	32757	352 735-3313
Bruce M. Weaver	3631 WEST BURLEIGH BLVD., US HIGHWAY 441	LAKE	TAVARES	FL	32778	352 742-0025
John Hocutt	280 FARNER PLACE	SUMTER	THE VILLAGES	FL	32162	302 475-7800
Carlos Rodriguez	2230 SW 19TH AVENUE RD	MARION	OCALA	FL	34474	352 237-4133
Thomas Chambers	1150 Spinner Lane	Seminole	Sanford	FL	32773	407 585-3756
Anita Gupta	3300 W. LAKE MARY BLVD. , SUITE 220	SEMINOLE	LAKE MARY	FL	32746	407 321-7111
Scott J. Redrick	582 SE 7TH AVE	CITRUS	CRYSTAL RIVER	FL	34429	352 564-8245
Thomas J. Gallagher	4701 NE 40th Terr	Alachua	GAINESVILLE	FL	32609	352 494-5336

Helpful Hints: New section! *send me ideas*

Need a shirt clip for your headset wire?

Start with a simple trade show/conference clip



Clip to your shirt

SAFETY NOTE

Be sure to remove the snow from your wings



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Fly Safely