



# NOV 2021



**Next Chapter Meeting**  
**ZOOM Nov 20th, 9:00 AM**

**VMC ZOOM – Nov 18<sup>th</sup>, 7:30 PM**

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## President's Message

November! Cooler weather and lower density altitude seem like an early Christmas present. I even had a tailwind for 3 hours the other day. And there's nothing wrong with the turkey on Thanksgiving either. The Chapter has persevered through the last 20 months or so in safety and in good spirits for which I am grateful. Members and visitors alike have been careful and caring of each other and all has gone well healthwise. As I look towards the end of this year, I see the opportunity to start having in-person meetings and events again. Starting in January with the Mooney and Villages Aviation Club lunches in our hangar, and the first in-person general meeting in the Admin building on the 29<sup>th</sup>, I'm hopeful of continuing to get together in person throughout 2022. The Covid-19 virus is not over by any means, and may be around for years to come, but with responsible people continuing to act with care and concern for those around them, we can learn to deal with it until it gets less and less likely to be an issue. If there is another large surge of infections due to Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Year's like last year we may have to make changes again, but only if needed, and hopefully not as drastic. We've got work to do this next year! Here's wishing everyone a happy Thanksgiving and holiday season! Be well and fly safe.

Tailwinds,  
 Steve

### CHAPTER ACTIVITIES

- 11/20/21 - Chapter meeting - Zoom
- 12/10/21 - **Christmas party** - Admin Bldg.
- 01/08/22 - Mooney Lunch - EAA Hangar
- 01/15/22 - YE Flight Day **Yay!**
- 01/22/22 - The Villages Aviation Club Lunch - EAA Hangar
- 01/29/22 - Chapter meeting - Admin Bldg



### Flying Quote

"You haven't seen a tree until you've seen its shadow from the sky."

Amelia Earhart

## EAA Chapter 534 General Membership Meeting Minutes

October 30, 2021



**Call to Order:** Steve Tilford called the meeting to order at 9 a.m.

**Attendance:** Steve Tilford, John Weber, Greg Nilsen, Joan Luebbers, Paul Adrien, Chloe, David Hopkins, Stan Carpenter, Gretchen Crecelius, Jim Goodspeed, Marc Morel, Reggie Thomas, Lou Helfer, Robert T., Penny Bowman, Maria Distefano.

**Minutes:** Minutes from the September General Membership Meeting were approved as written. M/S/P

**Treasurer's Report:** Greg Nilsen summarized the finances Motion to accept as presented. M/S/P.

**Announcement:** Jim Goodspeed successfully completed his check ride for a commercial license.

**Projects:** John Weber reported that the crew is working on the engine for the BK Flyer.

**SeaRey:** There are problems with the joint at the rear deck and hull. They're working on a fix using fiberglass and asking for help from a SeaRey expert.

**Murphy Rebel:** Since there are some tight areas on the frame, Chloe has been crawling in the plane helping with the construction.

**AirCamper** : Greg Nilsen reported that they are making progress on the wing. The leading edge shape has been attached to the nose ribs.

**701:** The condition inspection is done minus one brake that needs to be bled. It is ready to transfer to the Flying Club. Paperwork will be started.

**150:** Currently there is not sufficient space in the hanger for this plane, so there is little progress.

**Young Eagles:** We have 90 names of youngsters who want to participate in Young Eagle flights. Steve Tilford said that with Covid 19 rates coming down and a new vaccine available for young people, the YE program should be able to resume in January 2022.

**Ray Scholarship:** Chloe K. reported that she is preparing for her Cross-Country solo flight by flying more solo trips. Gretchen gave a brief review of the flight Joel Hargis arranged for Chloe last month. The purpose of the flight was to give Chloe new experiences especially having a chance to do radio work. The flight included going through Bravo airspace near Orlando Airport and flying over NASA Kennedy Space Center and a low pass over the 15,000-foot-long Space Shuttle Runway.

**2022 Ray Scholarship:** The application process for next year's scholarship begins on Nov. 1 and is due by January 31. The Chapter has not received materials yet. The Scholarship is awarded to a chapter with the end goal of member/mentors guiding a student through the process of getting a pilot's license. The Chapter does not have internal candidates yet since Covid 19 prevented youngsters from spending time at the hanger. There was discussion about widening our search for candidates to include other sources in Lake County and surrounding areas. More info and discussion to come.

**Flying Club:** Stan Carpenter reported that the club might have a serious problem securing insurance. The club is still hoping to get more members. The 701 is ready to be transferred to the club by the Chapter and forms need to be completed and sent to the Internal Revenue Service. A Flying Club in Tampa recently received a donated AirCamper and they could be contacted about IRS forms and insurance.

**January Membership Meeting:** An in-person meeting is planned for January 29, 2022, and Paul Adrien will arrange for a speaker.

**Old Business:** The Christmas Party/Dinner is scheduled for Dec. 11 and 21 people have indicated an interest to attend. Jim Goodspeed said he has an acquaintance who caters meals and has volunteered to prepare the meal at cost for the Chapter. Steve asked Jim to work with Paul Adrien and accept the volunteered offer.

**New Business:** A Board Meeting will be set for Nov. 17 or 18. The next General Membership meeting will be Nov. 20 on Zoom.

### January 2022 Calendar:

1/8 Mooney Lunch

1/15 Young Eagles

1/22 Villages Flying Club Lunch

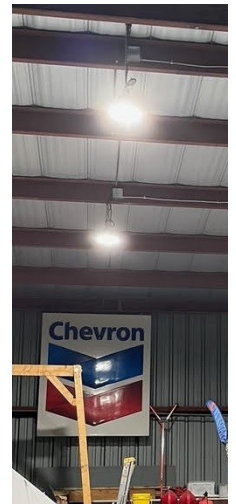
1/29 General Membership Meeting (in person)

**Adjournment:** The meeting was adjourned at 10:03 a.m.

Minutes submitted by Joan Luebbers, secretary

## Notes:

1. Breaking news!  
11/19/21 New LED lights were installed in the front working area of the hangar today! Many thanks to the volunteers who helped this morning and to Tracey for putting the lights in the budget. It makes a huge difference in the hangar. Edit as needed, Ted has pics.
2. 11/19/21  
The compressor donated by Day Keys in Fernandina Beach with the CH 601 projects was also installed today. It runs great, is quieter and with less vibration than the old one. It should last for a long time. Some plumbing will be done tomorrow but it's in working order and a nice addition. Thanks again to the guys who pushed it around this morning. Edit as needed, Ted has pics.
3. EAA 534 Website now has "donate button" which can be used for donations and possible dues. Try it out!
4. Fly in restaurants/events: *(always call first)*
  - a. **Olive tree restaurant** Crystal River closed now closed Mondays
  - b. **Highjackers** at Flagler now closed Sunday and Mondays
  - c. Ocala new restaurant (**Elevation 89**) now open and very good \$\$\$
5. **2021 dues are due** - \$20 make check out to EAA Chapter 534 **Mail to:** Greg Nilsen, 2856 Apache Ct, The Villages FL 32163
6. John Weber tells us about an easy way to help the chapter today. Any of us that shop through Amazon can help the chapter financially a little. Go to **smile.amazon.com** and search for **Mid Florida Chapter 534** Experimental Aircraft Association. Add this and shop through **smile.amazon.com** and the chapter will receive 0.5% of your purchase.
7. **Flying Club** Stan says the Flying Club(Squadron Aeronautics) is now looking for commitments (call John or Frank)



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## Inspection covers UPDATE:



### New test flights

- (2) Rans 7
- Fairchild 24
- Super Decathlon owned by Patty Wagstaff

### Old tests:

- John W plane, new cover style looking good
- Piper cub looking good

*Waiting for new style recessed covers for future testing*

Probably get cranked up again packaging kits with the youth in January



## SAFETY

Why I never fly recommended VFR altitudes and pattern altitudes  
Martin Harris 1400 hr VFR pilot

**Near-miss event in landing pattern** at Williston last month for BBQ, I usually fly +100-200 feet of recommended altitudes and it saved my bacon flying in with **100 planes** at Williston. Several pilots from Woods and Lakes flew in. Mike Robbins was ahead of us but was cut-off once and extended his pattern. I set up a std 45° pattern at **1200 feet**. My pilot passenger and I heard a crosswind call from a red RV when I was 5 miles out, but we couldn't see him as we were still far out. Never heard from him again.

When I called out mid-field downwind, we were both shocked when a **red RV flew diagonally under us with about 100 feet** clearance. He then made a sweeping descending turn base to final in front me and Mike and landed. Mike had to S-turn for spacing. We did another go at the pattern and by the time we landed there were so many red RV's we could not identify the guy. Mike, my passenger and I were pretty upset about this sequence of events. **Positional radio calls and eyes outside the cockpit important.**

(Note: I-FLY ADSB-in was active, but with so many planes hard to see)

