



**January, 2016
Next General Meeting
January 27th**

EAA Founder’s Innovation Prize

Introducing the Founder’s Innovation Prize! The goal of the prize is to keep the spirit of innovation alive in the EAA community and leverage its creativity toward solving specific challenges facing the general aviation community. The top finishers will receive a cash grant toward developing their product and prominent exposure at AirVenture.

The 2016 Challenge

The 2016 EAA Founder’s Innovation Prize is a contest to solve the problem of fatal loss of control accidents in amateur-built aircraft through innovation. The contest is intentionally open-ended, with the only stated goal to reduce fatalities from this type of accident in amateur-built aircraft dramatically over the next decade - 25% in the next five years, 50% in the next ten.

Individuals and teams of EAA members (membership is required) can **sign up on the EAA National Website: www.eaa.org. Initial applications will be accepted through June 1st, 2016 and final submission of all materials for consideration are due July 1st.**



President’s Notes January 2016

By Bill Bower

This will be my first Presidents notes as your new chapter President. So hopefully, they will not show my newness as I try to learn the new position. I will never try to say that I am a writer but will do my best.

As we start this new year, I look back at what has been accomplished over the last 6 years. We went from a room on the east side of the airport to our current clubhouse that we can call home with the other organizations who also use the facility. Through the hard work of our members we have truly found a place of our own. Luckily the recent threat of losing the clubhouse due to development has passed but is not entirely gone. There is nothing that seems to be planned but that could change at any time. Stephen Tucker, Harvard Holmes and myself met with the airport staff and had a good discussion about what would be our options if another developer was to show up with a plan. It was a good discussion and there are multiple options that will be available if that was to occur. So, for now, we are in good shape but must always be vigilant.

We have a great year ahead of us with Young Eagles and hopefully, we can break our record year that we had in 2015. We have a new YE coordinator with Stephen Tucker stepping forward to take over from Renee who is stepping down after a tenure, that with her knowledge, brought great changes and making the process so much more efficient. We owe her a great amount of gratitude for all her hard work. Jack Davi has graciously agreed to remain as assistant and help coach Stephen as he learns the job.

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My main goal over the next year, working with the other new board members VP Ron Lem, Treasurer Harvard Holmes, Secretary Pete Mitchell and our new newsletter editor Debbie Kuhnle, is to work on building up our membership. I am hoping to build the membership to 75 members by the end of 2016. There are other things, such as continuing to improve the clubhouse, over the next year as well. Thank you Debbie for taking over as the Newsletter Editor. Pete Mitchell is still looking for someone to take over his position as Secretary. So please if you are interested let me know.

We have a great meeting planned this month with a great dinner as usual by the master chef Rick and Ron Lem has set up a webinar with a group that is developing a new road able aircraft called the Switch Blade. Should be an interesting night.

If you have any suggestions or ideas to make our Chapter better or help to build the membership, please feel free to give me a call. I can be reached at (925) 813-5172 or through the chapter e-mail.

So I hope to see everyone at this months' meeting. Bring a friend or a family member.

Don't forget that Chapter 393 is on the Amazon Smiles program so part of your purchases get contributed back to the chapter.

Bill Bower
President
EAA Chapter 393

393 Board Meeting Notes January 6th 2016

Our incoming president Bill Bower was absent, attending his fathers' funeral. The board requested outgoing President Bill Reining handle the board transition. Bill called the meeting to order at 19:00 in the clubhouse great room.

Present, Ron Lem Vice-president, Pete Mitchell Secretary; Harvard Holmes Treasurer; Renee Robinson Web Master; Rich Bourgeois Dinner Coordinator; Scott Achelis Eagle Flights; John Davi, Rich Sperling, Guy Jones, Stephen Tucker Young Eagles; Bill Reining, Bob Belshe and Debbie Kuhnle. Absent Vi Jenkins.

Bill Reining gave Bill Bower a CD with chapter related documents. Our web page, the airport staff, and EAA national have been updated with current officers and email addresses. Bill also updated our Bylaws/appendix with our current meeting location and dates. (EAA393.org/About Us/The Board/ footer) Bill will confer with national about extending insurance coverage thru December.

Vic-President - Ron Lem

Ron has booked a webinar for our February meeting. We need to audit our audio/visual equipment needs, including a camera. Speakers have requested this capability. Ron is interested in a light sport aircraft kit for a club project. A completed project could be owned thru a separate flying club.

Secretary - Pete Mitchell

We have 60 members, with a new member Bill Soto, 35 have paid for 2016, 25 are still due. Dues are due January 1st...we need a dues reminder in the January Cleco. The board approved a request from the airport staff for a first/last name roster. Used for security and gate passes. Our Chapter is now listed on Amazon Smile. Approved (most) purchases will include a .5% donation to EAA393. Log into AmazonSmile: Start with "Supporting" **Experimental Aircraft Association Chapter 393 of Concord Ca.** Then continue to Prime or your usual destination. EAA393 will receive a quarterly donation of ½ percent of qualifying sales.

Treasurer - Harvard Holmes

Harvard is scanning 2015 documents, plans on going "paperless", his audit is in process, "getting used to Quicken". We have \$10,000 plus bank balance. Auction results \$450, holiday party income \$1,370. Expenses Rick spent \$865; one hundred of that was for silverware and glasses

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which will be used in the future. Tracy spent \$200, decorations were \$50 split with MDPA. Harvard is working on a 2016 budget. Bob Belshe has given his mailbox key to Harvard. Bill Bower and Ron Lem need to be added to Wells Fargo signature card.

Clubhouse - Scott Achelis

The future of the clubhouse looks good. There are no development options in the near future. The airport, MDPA, and 393 are interested in the installation of a commercial garage door/man door. Bill Reining motioned the County provide a garage door, 393 would provide the labor, the board affirmative vote was unanimous. Scott will convey our and MDPA's decision to the airport staff. The front entrance paving is uneven and floods during heavy rains. Scott is looking into cost-effective solution. Bill Reining suggested that we list the chapter tools (photos) available for loan on our website. Stephen is investigating additional aircraft paving for young eagle events, could run \$150,000. Club presidents need to report volunteer hours spent on clubhouse to airport staff.

Young Eagles - Stephen Tucker

Stephen volunteered to be Young Eagles coordinator. The board accepted his offer with a unanimous vote. Insurance needs to be ordered for April. A new banner needs to be designed/ordered \$375 (Tracy), installed by March. Scott will get permission and install banner. Renee has 300 Young Eagle forms on hand.

January 27th meeting menu - Rich Bourgeois
Minestrone Soup, Salad, Dinner rolls, Dessert,
Coffee and drinks.

January's speaker will be Sam Bousfield CEO of Samson Motorworks. Sam, via our first webinar, will present his new design of a flying car which is currently in the preproduction stage. Sam is a graduate of Cal Poly San Luis Obispo.

<http://www.samsonmotorworks.com/switchblade>

Fundraising...deferred to future meeting.

Meeting adjourned 21:10

Pete Mitchell, Secretary

2015 Holiday Party

This was absolutely a wonderful party! We have great appreciation and gratitude for all our volunteers who put their time and effort into making the Holiday Party a great success. In recognition:

- The themed decorations were created by George Achelis and her angel helpers.
- The divine meal was cooked by Rick Bourgeois, Tracy Peters and Rick's daughter, Simone. They did a marvelous job of feeding everyone. The food was divine Tracy's wife, Bridget, was also on hand to help with the drink cart and serve the desserts (Alpine Bakery donated half the costs of the desserts).
- We owe a big thanks to Pete Mitchell, Rick Bourgeois and Tracy Peters who spent 2 days cleaning up after the Holiday Party was over. We take our hats off to them.
- Scott Achelis and his crew deserve a big show of support for the major cleanup done 2 weeks after all the parties in the clubhouse were over.

Awards were given out for EAA Volunteers:

2015 Young Eagles Pilots

Scott Achelis, David Anderson, Tim Bloodgood, Bruce Baldwin, Steven Bradford, Howard Chien, Scott Davis, Alex Di Sessa, Mark Fridell, John Gottschalk, Bryan Greene, Tom Hammitt, Chris Hanson, Harvard Holmes, Richard Johnson. Drew Kemp, James Lawson, Michael Naylor, Scott Newman. Bill Reining, Bill Robinson, Renee Robinson, Stewart Schuster, Will Segerstrom Douglas Smith, Donald Snock, David Thacker, Tony Tiritilli, Robert Tucknott, Robert Weiss, Douglas Ulrich

2015 Young Eagles Ground Teams

George Achelis, Tom Barlow, Jane Todd, William Bower, Simone Bourgeois, Richard Bourgeois, Robert Belshe, Jack Davi, Viola Egli Jenkins, John Ewins, Tyler Freitas, Sara Holmes, Renee Robinson, Guy Jones, Norma Kelley, Armando Holmes-King, Peter Mitchell, Bruno Motta, Richard Otto, Tracy Peters, Richard Sperling, Marilyn Sperling, Daryl Smith, Eric Schuldt, Stephen Tucker

Perpetual Trophy

Pete Mitchell received the Perpetual Trophy, the annual award for the most outstanding member of the past year. Congratulations, Pete!

Dues are due January 1, 2016

Please remember to give the \$30 to Harvard Holmes or any Board Member in person at the General Meeting or via mail. Thank you!

Young Eagles Pilots: Complete Youth Protection Plan Requirements



January 21, 2016 - As EAA approaches the 25th anniversary of EAA's Young Eagles program, we can celebrate the success it has been for nearly 2 million young people. One of the biggest reasons for this success is by volunteers making the flight experience a positive, memorable one.

Continuing that positive legacy means maintaining EAA's high standards that have been part of the organization since Paul Poberezny founded it 63 years ago. Last week, Young Eagles volunteers were sent information regarding some administrative changes that

keep EAA in step with best practices that are common in youth education and recreation programs throughout the nation, ranging from scout programs to youth sports leagues.

The new Youth Protection Program, which was first introduced as a concept in newsletters during 2015 to Young Eagles chapter coordinators and pilots, as well as at AirVenture 2015, will involve many EAA volunteers who work with young people. It will include online best-practices training and a basic background check to create the safest environment possible for young people in our programs and to protect our volunteers.

This training is available to all EAA volunteers who work with youth and Young Eagles pilots, chapter coordinators, and field representatives, free of charge, at www.eaa.org/youthprotection. We encourage you to participate early, as we will require that all participants in EAA and EAA chapter activities that serve youth to have successfully completed the training by May 1, 2016. After that date, EAA and chapter programs for youth will require full compliance with the training and background checks.

If you're wondering whether your volunteer activities should comply with the training and background check, review the Frequently Asked Questions sheet at the website mentioned above. In the first few days of access to this website, nearly 1,000 EAA volunteers have already completed the training and background check process, and we appreciate their prompt action.

The company working with EAA in this process, AmericanChecked, is among the leaders in the industry and works with many colleges, school districts, and governmental agencies. A top priority of the exhaustive process to select the right company to work with EAA and its volunteers was the safety and security of any data collected. More information on that is available on the FAQ webpage, and we welcome questions and suggestions at any time at feedback@eaa.org.

EAA's programs have earned an outstanding reputation because of the volunteers and our organization. We aim to maintain that reputation and instill the youth protection guidelines and culture that parents and guardians seek in all programs for their kids.

January's General Meeting Speaker Sam Bousfield CEO, Samson Motorworks

At the January 27th Chapter 393 meeting, the guest speaker will be Sam Bousfield, designer of the Switchblade Kit Flying Car and CEO of Samson Motors.

Sam will be presenting remotely via an online meeting format allowing him to share images and video clips on the clubhouse screen. He and his team are very busy with the Switchblade prototype build in Central Oregon, so this is the next best thing to being there together in person.

- Sam Bousfield is an aviator, designer, writer, and outdoorsman.
- Born as fourth generation on a small ranch in Northern California, Sam graduated in 1979 with a Bachelor of Science from Cal Poly, San Luis Obispo.
- Sam has been granted multiple patents, both domestic and international.
- After spending ten years as a Boy Scout Scoutmaster, Sam remains a father of three and a husband of one.



His presentation will cover why and how he designed a flying car in the first place, and what Samson's purpose is for the Experimental class Switchblade.

He will discuss the future of transportation and the increasing role of transformational aircraft such as this. Design evolution will be covered (including wind tunnel testing and the ground prototype testing) as well as recent milestones reached in the building of the conforming prototype. In their eighth year of development, Samson plans to fly later this year.



Samson Switchblade brochures will be available at the General Meeting.

Dinner Menu For January 27th General Meeting

By Rick Bourgeois

Dinner is served at 6:30pm – Donation is \$7:

- Minestrone Soup
- Salad
- Dinner Rolls
- Dessert
- Coffee and drinks (water & soda)

Let Rick know your suggestions for future meals.

Certain tools are now available on loan from EAA Chapter 393 (look for the list on our website shortly)

The list of available tools that can be borrowed (free of charge) are: electronic borescope, scales, propeller stand, engine hoist, etc. If interested, please contact: Harvard Holmes treas@eaa393.org (510) 526-5347

Wednesday Fly-Outs

By Harvard Holmes

To maintain our proficiency, a number of pilots get together on Wednesdays and fly somewhere for lunch. Many of the aircraft owners in the chapter participate. Passengers are always welcome. Not only is it a great way to see the Bay Area, it's also fun to see and ride in our members' aircraft. The email address is WedFlyOut@eaa393.org You may contact HarvardHolmes@comcast.net or Renee Robinson webmaster@eaa393.org to be added to or removed from this list.

Generally, someone who wants to go flying will send a suggestion to this list a day or two before. Those who can go will respond, and a destination gets selected. Recent destinations have included: South Lake Tahoe, Half Moon Bay, Petaluma, Santa Rosa, Ukiah, Boonville, Shelter Cove, Willows, Auburn, Sacramento, Lodi, Stockton, Merced, Watsonville and Salinas. If the weather is poor, a destination may be selected as late as Wednesday morning.

The most active pilots on this list are Harvard Holmes, Bill Reining, Renee Robinson, Stu Schuster, Clint Beacham, David Thacker. Pilots sometimes advertise that they have empty seats, but not always. Harvard Holmes, Bill Reining and Stu Schuster are most likely to have extra seats (4 seat aircraft). My advice is to contact a pilot in advance to make sure they have room and to get directions. Typically, you'd get to the airport by 11:30am and return by 3:30pm.



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Meeting and Event Schedule - 2016

- Jan 27 - Chapter 393 General Meeting
- Feb 03 - Chapter 393 Board Meeting
- Feb 24 - Chapter 393 General Meeting
- Mar 02 - Chapter 393 Board Meeting
- Mar 23 - Chapter 393 General Meeting
- Apr 05-10 - Sun N Fun (Florida)
- Apr 06 - Chapter 393 Board Meeting
- Apr 16 - Young Eagles
- Apr 27 - Chapter 393 General Meeting

Our meetings are open to the public. Join us for dinner at 6:30 pm (\$7 donation) with the general meeting at 7:30 pm on the above dates in the Club House 200 Sally Ride Dr. Chapter 393 fly-outs are open to chapter members and guests. See the newsletter for arrangements

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