EAA Chapter 302





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Newsletter

MEETING NOTICE APRIL 8TH, 2023, 10:00 AM

See the last page for a map to the meeting

IMC/VMC MEETING



Thursday.
April 13th
7-8:30
Galaxy



Mastering IFR

THIS MONTH'S PROGRAM

News from HQ

Wave Rider

Hints: Welding Tubing at Various Angles

Angey Cooler

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MARCH 11, 2023 MEETING MINUTES

Call to Order: President Joe Waltz welcomed approximately 67 members at 10 AM in the Galaxy FBO meeting room.

Pledge of Allegiance: Jake Reynolds led the chapter pledge.

Treasurer's Report: Beginning balance February 1, 2023: \$11,570.88 + \$200 cash on hand. Ending balance February 28, 2023: \$12,057.54 - \$200 cash on hand. Highlights include: Membership Dues Income \$425, Swindle income \$128. Rent Expense \$200.

Chapter Shirts: Vickie Croston briefed a plan for new polo shirts that's to be offered soon. Expect price point \$25 +. Get your orders to Vicki ASAP and pay on EAA Chapter 302 website store. Hope to have ready for AirVenture 23.

Safety Minute: The FAASTeam (FAA Safety Team) program manager Phil Dixon says more than 17% of all general aviation accidents are "controlled flight into terrain" (CFIT) accidents. In CFIT accidents, the aircraft is in proper working order, but it's commonly pilot error, such as poor planning and loss of situational awareness, that leads to a CFIT accident. Search YouTube: *Strategies to Avoid Controlled Flight into Terrain in 57 Seconds*

This Day In Aviation History: Mar. 6, 1990, SR71 Blackbird S/N 61-7972 made its final flight from AF Flight Test Center Plant 42 in Palmdale, California, to Washington DC to be retired and put on display at The Smithsonian's National Air and Space Museum in 64 minutes and 20 seconds, averaging 2,124 MPH.

Project Updates: <u>Jose Ruiz</u> / Porter HS RV12 = Vertical fin and stabilizer completed. Previous build flight testing complete. Soon students will get flights.

Ernie Brown / RV14A = Long wait for quick build components. Baggage area complete, fuel pumps & lines installed. Wing tank leak test all good. Long supply chain delay for engine...almost two years.

Bob Fay / RV14A = Fuselage sections joined, doing his own wiring for - G5 / G3X panel. Wheel pants finished. Lycoming Thunder Bolt EXP engine ordered Dec 2021. Waiting.

<u>Bob 'The Unknown Builder' Schmanski</u> / Fisher Super Koala = Varnished "750 sticks" that make up the wing in 10 hours of work. Never know what Bob may tell us, but as Chapter 302 'Glue Master' he is planning to build a wooden space station with 2 part epoxy!

Hints for Homebuilders: Brian Carpenter from Rainbow Aviation Services demonstrates a way to permanently eliminate frayed cable ends. Search EAA Website Videos: *Cable End Treatment*

Air Academy Candidates: We had reserved one slot to Basic and one slot to Advanced AirAcademy Camp. Both applicants we received were age eligible for Basic Camp. President Joe Waltz was able to negotiate a change to two slots to Basic Camp. The Board of Directors have awarded the scholarships to Jake Reynolds and Kendryck 'Tank' Parrish. Congratulations to both of our scholarship winners.

News and Reports:

- --IMC/VMC Club meets second Thursdays at Galaxy FBO 7-8:30PM.
- --Young Eagles Rally March 25 scheduled to fly 37 Young Eagles!

Adjourn:

- --EAA 302 hats still available thru the website store.
- --AeroShell products available for a contribution on our website store.
- --Fly-out Lufkin (KLFK) for lunch at Angelina County Airport Cafe
- --After the meeting consider lunch at McKenzie's BBQ at 1501. N Frazier St, Conroe at 12 PM.
- --Remember before each meeting some gather at about 8:45 AM upstairs at Black Walnut Cafe for breakfast.



From Tommy Fankhauser IMC Director



EAA Chapter 302 IMC/VMC Club 09/08/22 Meeting

Keith Pache will lead the discussion after watching a portion of the IFR Mastery DVD by PilotSaftey.org (Gary D. Reeves, ADT, MCFI).

"Mastering IFR is really only 4 simple steps:

Work on the Basics

Train with an Expert

Practice

Repeat

Any pilot who does this will be a master"

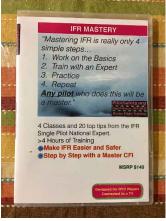
DVD videos include:

Mastering the IFR Basics

IFR Made Easy

Advanced IFR Tips

Mastering GPS Procedures





EVENTS COMMITTEE UPDATE

Keith Pache

- 1) 10:00am-?? Monday Donuts & Coffee (Hangar 17E Taxiway D).
- 2) 10:00-11:30am Sat. April 8th Chapter Meeting (Galaxy FBO).
- 3) 11:30am-?? Sat. April 8th After Meeting Fly-Out to the Wings & Wheels Fly-In and Car Show in Minden, LA (see Newsletter flyer for details).
- 4) 7:00-8:45pm Thu. April 13th IMC/VMC Club Meeting at Galaxy FBO (see Newsletter for details).
- 5) Flying Event Links:
 - a) Fun Places to Fly = https://www.funplacestofly.com/funflyeventbyzip.asp
 - b) Social Flight = http://www.socialflight.com/search.php
 - c) EAA Webinars = https://www.eaa.org/eaa/news-and-publications/eaa-webinars
 - d) FAA Safety Webinars = https://www.faasafety.gov/SPANS/events/EventList.aspx
- 6) Events Calendar: Here's a partial list of upcoming events. You'll find many more (with working hyperlinks) by going to our website and clicking on Flying Events under Our Chapter: https://eaa302.org/flying-events/

Date	Description	Location	CXO Dist.	Website	Contact
4/8/23	Wings Over Pegasus Airshow	71XA Red Star Airport Murchison, Texas, USA	121 nm	https://www.funplacesto fly.com/aviation-event- details.asp?EventID=255 97	Mike DeCanio 903-707-5866 mdecanio@mac.com
4/15/23	8:30am-4:30pm Airplanes and Coffee Houston Fly-In	KEFD Ellington Airport Houston, Texas, USA	47 nm	Facebook - Airplanes and Coffee	None
4/15/23	Fly-In/Drive-In Pancake Breakfast	8T8 San Geronimo Airpark San Antonio, Texas, USA	184 nm	fly.com/aviation-event- details.asp?EventID=256	Chuck Fisher president@eaa35.org
4/15/23	10:30am-1:30pm Weiser Field Fly-In	KAGO Ralph C Weiser Field Airport Magnolia, Arkansas, USA	206 nm	https://www.funplacesto fly.com/aviation-event- details.asp?EventID=255 42	Jake Ripley 870-904-6731 fbomagnolia@gmail. com
4/19/23	7:00pm FAA Safety Seminar: Emergencies - Keeping Cool in the Cockpit	KSGR Sugar Land Regional Airport Houston, Texas, USA	46 nm	v/SPANS/event details.a spx?eid=121121&caller=/ SPANS/events/EventList.a	Sally S. Sims 713-248-2011 sssims@mac.com
4/22/23	9:00am-2:00pm Annual LBX Fly-In (planes, trains, automobiles, tractors)	KLBX Texas Gulf Coast Regional Airport Angleton/Lake Jackson, Texas, USA	75 nm	https://www.funplacesto fly.com/aviation-event- details.asp?EventID=255 21	Herb Ross 979-480-7192 HLRossJr@comcast.n et
4/22/23	EAA 1607 Pancake Breakfast (4th Saturday each month)	KRYW Lago Vista TX/Rusty Allen Airport Lago Vista, Texas, USA	133 nm	http://www.eaa1607.org/	Lance Clinton 512-897-7815 president@eaa1607. org
4/29/23	8:00am 5th Saturday Fly-In Breakfast	KCPT Cleburne Regional Airport Cleburne, Texas, USA	158 nm	None	None
5/5-7/23	Critters Lodge Spring Fly-In (weather date 05/12-14)	TE01 Dillard Ranch Airport Centerville, Texas, USA	60 nm	http://www.critterslodge. org/	Wendell 903-536-7000 critterslodge.tx@gma il.com
5/6/23	9:00-Noon Breakfast Taco & Pancake Shindig (1st Saturday each month)	50R Lockhart Municipal Airport Lockhart, Texas, USA	121 nm	None	None
5/6/23	9:00am-4:00pm Wings & Wheels	85TE Old Kingsbury Aerodrome Kingsbury, Texas, USA	132 nm	https://pioneerflightmus eum.org/	Charlotte Parker 832-392-8077 parker.charlotte52@h otmail.com
5/6/23	EAA 614 Fly-in Pancake Breakfast (1st Saturday each month)	2L0 Pineville Municipal Airport Pineville, Louisiana, USA KTKI McKinney National	165 nm	Facebook - SE Texas Aviators	None
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YOUNG EAGLE RALLY Saturday May 20th Please consider volunteering For a Young Eagle Event



SPRING IS HERE! Last chance before the Summer heat It's time for another Young Eagle Rally

We have picked Saturday, May 20th to hold another rally. Location will be at the Airport Office Building. Members can volunteer for ground or flight positions. **We especially need pilots/airplanes**. Please use the checklist on the following page. (Reference only, you don't need to turn in) If you need to be qualified for the Youth Protection Program, (YPP) please go to:

https://www.eaa.org/eaa/youth/youth-protection-policy-and-program.

Volunteers need to show up at 8:30 for setup with plans to start flying at 9:30. Please contact Dean Marcott, text or email at 815-382-2220 or deanmarcott@yahoo.com.





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EAA 302 Young Eagles Pilot/Aircraft Qualifications - Self Verification

Pilot Name:	
Aircraft Type:	Tail Number:
EAA Membership Number:	
Pilot Phone Number:	
Email:	

Item	Requirement	Expiration / Next Due Date	Self Verification Initials
Current EAA National Member	Member of EAA (Chapter membership not req.)		
Aircraft Passenger Liability Insurance	\$100,000 per seat - minimum		
Pilot License	Sport Pilot or Better	N/A	
Medical or D.L. (Sport)	Current		
Currency	3 Take Off and Landings in 90 days (add 90 days to last 3)		
Flight Review	Within 24 months (add 24 months to last)		
Aircraft Airworthiness Cert	On Board	N/A	
Pitot Static / Transponder Check	Current – every 2 years		
Aircraft Registration	Current and On Board (expires every 3 years)		
POH / Operating Limitations	On Board	N/A	
Annual or Condition Inspection	Within 12 Months (add 12 months to last)		
EAA Youth Protection Certification (video training)	Required every 3 Years (https://www.eaa.org/en/eaa/account/accountlogin#/login / My Account / scroll down to Go to Training		

Pilot Signature:		
Date:		

MARCH 25TH YOUNG EAGLES





Some of the eleven planes that showed up

Landon Kruse and Jim Sackreiter ran the static display



Joe Waltz bargaining with an 8 year old



Steve Havemann and his RV-14



Joe Waltz brought his RV-10 Mike Meadows from Dry Creek with his Cessna 172 Photos by "Tank" Parrish



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Miles Demster and the Flying Club Cherokee 6



Steve Lutte and his recently finished RV-10



Steve lacoviello and his RV-9A



Perfect day and blue skies—31 YE's!



AWARDS

At the Regular March meeting, awards were handed out to club officers. Missing at that meeting was Rick Oliver—Membership, but also all-around helper. Rick was recovering from our buddy covid or he would have had the room set up early as usual.

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CAF WARBIRDS AT KCXO



Saturday, April 1st was the first airshow put on by the Texas Commemorative Air Force since the loss of the B-17 and P-63 at Dallas. It was held at General Aviation Services and featured some of the Texas Wing's big planes, like "That's All Brother"--the C-47 left, and the "Yellow Rose"--the B-25 below. Riders enjoyed perfect weather.

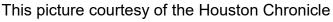














Charter 302 member Ray Coker's daughter

OSHKOSH AIR ACADEMY CAMPERS



Kendryck 'Tank' Parrish and Jake Reynolds

At the March Regular Meeting, we introduced our two winners of the Basic Air Academy Camp Scholarship. This is a 6 day summer camp in Oshkosh, Wisconsin just prior to Airventure 2023, worth \$1300. It includes lodging, meals, and a near week's worth of activities . Included are aeromodelling, classes, ground school, technical workshops, plus touring the EAA AirVenture Museum, visiting Pioneer Airport, watching flight demonstrations and experiencing the thrill of flight in both an airplane and helicopter.





Your future "home" at the Ray Lodge



Make sure that you see everything!!

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EAA 302 SHIRTS



Just in time for Oshkosh! We'll be ordering new Polo Shirts with EAA 302 proudly displayed! All sizes are \$28 and must be ordered in advance. EAA 302 will only order enough shirts that orders have been submitted for. There will not be extras

You can order your shirt between now and May 13. Shirts will be distributed at the June and July Monthly Chapter Meeting.



FREE AIRPLANE

Well.....truthfully, there is no such thing as a free airplane. Mick VonTour took this picture of his wife's "new" airplane and helpers Clay Watters and Denny Irvine. The plane belonged to Mick's father-inlaw who decided to guit flying eight years ago. The RV-10 has sat on the Sugarland ramp since then. Rather than rehab the plane up to the point of a ferry permit, the decision was made to disassemble it and transport it by highway to Conroe. It will remain on the "Hill" and undergo a complete restoration.

Critter's Lodge ~ An Aviation Preserve

Critters Lodge Spring Fly-In May 5, 6, & 7, 2023
Rain Date: May 12, 13 & 14, 2023
Mark Your Calendars - Let Your Friends Know



Join us in our overnight Fly-In and camp out!! Event will BEGIN on FRIDAY EVENING with our Kick Off Dinner at 6:30. Fly-in will end SUNDAY MORNING AFTER BREAKFAST.

For those who like to camp out we offer camping facilities with restrooms (No Port-O-Lets), solar outdoor showers, firewood, Wi-Fi, and LOTS OF GOOD FOOD. Reserved camping spaces are limited. Trailers and RV's must not exceed 34 ft. in length. Reserved trailer and RV parking with 30 amps hookups are \$20.00 and \$10.00 for 20 amps. To make a Reserved Parking Space contact NEW EMAIL address: us at our Critterslodge.tx@gmail.com or call us at 903-536-7000. (Please leave a message if no answer). Unreserved trailer and RVs without facilities are \$10.00. For camping with your tent and/or airplane it is on a first come basis along the runway. Additionally we offer 30+ acres of pasture parking (adjacent to the runway) at no fee.

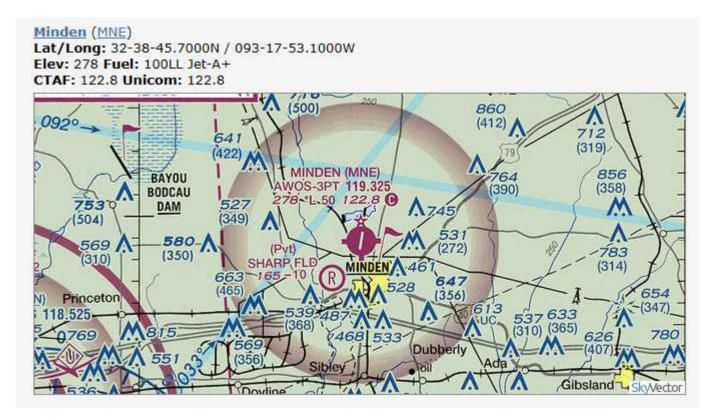
Critter's Lodge is located on the Houston Sectional Chart near the 30 degree radial out of Leona identified as "Dillard Airport" (TE01). Runway is Packed turf, 3,100 foot lighted runway, elevation 255 ft. We MONITOR 122.9 ~ Land and taxi at your own risk, trees on both sides and end of runway. The runway is suitable for piston driven aircraft 12,500 pounds or less. Taxi and follow signage to proper parking area to avoid back taxi. taxi and park in mowed areas only.

If you have an unusual aircraft (warbird, etc) or would like to locate near a special friend(s) please let us know in advance. We will do all we can to help to accommodate you.

To contact us please call 903-536-7004 Hangar or 903-536-7000 Home

SATURDAY FLYOUT





CLASSIFIED ADS

Ads are free to any EAA member. They will run for 6 months, or until you pull them out of classified. Text or Email to dirvine1945@gmail.com



For Sale: 1/3 share of very nice 1978 Piper Lance II. Hangared at CXO on "The Hill" where it will remain. \$54k. Fresh annual, TT-6179, 6 seats/club seating, LoPresti speed mods, LED lights, 2 G5s, and more. Well-maintained. For spec sheet, photos and more info, please contact Merwyn Croston @ 832-541-9302 after 5:30 PM, or Victoria Croston 832-585-3886.



For Sale—Mobile gas tank, 50 gallon capacity, has a filter, electric pump and hose with nozzle so you can bring mo-gas to your plane. Asking \$400 or best offer. Call or text Gerry White: 713-504-1385 or gwhite@gmail.com 04/23

FOR SALE—Cleaning out the hangar





New Slick-Champion Aerospace 6350 Magneto For Lycoming IO-540 -(Non-Impulse/right side) -\$1,500

A/C blower (floor fan project) - \$20





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We now meet in Galaxy FBO's building on the South Side of the Conroe-North Houston Airport. Use the South Entrance, 1st floor. Meetings start at 10:00 AM.

You cannot access the FBO by the old Airport Parkway. You need to use Loop 336 and turn at Hawthorne Drive. This road has an Airport Entrance sign which mentions Galaxy FBO and the Black Walnut Restaurant. This is just southeast of the Roller Skating Rink.

See you there.

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