

EAA 1373 NEWSLETTER

SEPTEMBER 2022

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THE SEPTEMBER EAA MEETING

Saturday, September **10**, 2022

10:00 AM

EAA1373 Hangar

870 1575 Rd

Delta, CO 81416

*We will not meet September 3 due to
Labor Day Weekend*

CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS

Sept 3 EAA 1373 Regular Meeting

Sept 24 Poker Run

September 17 Four Corners Fall Fly-In

October 22 Young Eagles Rally

FOUR CORNERS FALL FLY-IN



Cortez Municipal Airport
Saturday, September 17, 2022
10 am to 5 pm

Come on down to the airport for the second annual Four
Corners Fall Fly-In featuring AIRCRAFT DISPLAYS, CAR SHOW,
FOOD TRUCKS, ICE CREAM, SIGHT SEEING FLIGHTS and more!

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PILOT'S CORNER

OSHKOSH, BY GOSH!

Despite the great weather it was still a pleasure to have Lowell's Sperocco in the Homebuilt Hangar. My personal favorite was a highly polished Cessna 195. Following the interview by the EAA video crew, Lowell and Alan took the Sperocco up for a photo shoot with two Sport Aviation planes for air to air photos. Kent's daughter Brittany took me to the Sea Base. What a change from all the concrete, roar of engines and crowds of people! There were tall shady trees, cool breeze off the water and a steel drum playing, along with a few of the sea planes taking off and landing. Felt more like a tropical island. Leonardo Da Vinci had it figured out many, many years ago. Our last evening at Oshkosh we all went out to dinner at a favorite restaurant from last year. Here are a few photos. *(Story submitted by Deidra Manary)*





Photo: Taken by Bill Houze

Ray Veatch loves getting his picture in our newsletter, but the real purpose of the picture is to capture the smile on a happy passenger.



Fun-Fly Poker Run

Saturday September 24, 2022

KAJZ - Delta CO

Hosted by EAA Chapter 1373



Mission

- Fun-Fly event to gather regional Aviation Enthusiasts.
- All Proceeds to benefit EAA Chapter 1373 Aviation Outreach Programs, focused on Area Youth.

Event

- Best Poker Hand of 5 cards wins 50% of purse.
- Random card draws. First at KAJZ start, then 1 at each landing for 5 total.
- All aircraft have equal odds, regardless of speed.
- \$50.00 per poker hand. Multiple hands per aircraft encouraged.
- Registration at KAJZ, 8:00 to 11:00. Early registration recommended.
- Staged departures from KAJZ: 9:00 until 12:00.
- Hamburgers and Hot Dogs available upon completion of Poker Run at KAJZ. Donations appreciated.

Route (225 NM)

1. KAJZ Delta-Blake Field, Delta CO (Registration and Start)
2. KAIB Hopkins Field, Nucla CO
3. U64 Monticello UT
4. KCEZ Cortez CO
5. KAJZ Delta-Blake Field, Delta CO (Finish, Lunch and Awards)



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COME TO CORTEZ!



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Looks like Merle Lynch got himself another project.



Rod Smith
August 20 at 8:34 PM · 🌐

Scrubbing off two years worth of hangar grime before it goes into the paint booth for the final UV coat and the top coat. With a west facing hangar door everything gets an impressive layer of dust.



At the Aug 6th meeting, Chuck Clemen promised to make a list of items needed to complete the Young Eagles Engine Workshop tool box. Please consider donating. Here is the list of items still needed. Contact him at: chuck.clemen@yahoo.com

- Rubber mallet
- Ball peen hammer
- Screwdrivers (flats - large, medium & small, Phillips #2)
- Pliers (regular, needle nose, channel lock, cutter)
- Safety wire pliers
- 1/2" drive breaker bar
- 3/8" drive breaker bar
- 1/4" drive ratchet handle and breaker bar
- Sockets:
 - 3/8" drive: 7/8" deep (for spark plugs), 5/8", 9/16", 1/2", 7/16"
 - 1/4" drive: 7/16" u-joint socket (for intake manifold nuts)
- Socket drive adapters: 3/8" to 1/2", 1/2" to 3/8"
- Torque wrench 3/8" drive 0 to 600 in-lb
- Combination wrenches: (one end box other end open) 3/4", 5/8", 9/16", 1/2", 7/16"
- Picks straight and bent (for removing and installing valve spring keepers)
- 3/16" or 1/4" drift
- Small magnet on a long or extendable handle
- Feeler gauge set (to measure ring gap and valve tappet clearance)
- Safety wire .032"
- Engine assembly grease

EAA Chapter 1373
Chapter Meeting
August 6, 2022

Introductions and updates:

Tim Heavers - Newsletter editor, send Tim any pictures or information for the newsletter at eea1373news@gmail.com

Chuck Clemen - Working on condition inspection for his Sonex.

Bill Houze - Working on his Highlander project. Has converted from taildragger to tricycle gear. Needs to build the wings next. Ray and Lowell have been helping.

Don Geddes - Sold his Comanche and his Cessna 150. He still has the Smith Mini Plane and is currently working on it's tailwheel. Don also has a few remaining copies of his mountain flying book for \$20 each. He is not planning to print any more. (Sold out by the end of the meeting.)

Mitch Larson and his daughter Chossa - First time attendees, Chossa is interested in our Young Eagles program.

Antonio Fuller - Involved in our Young Eagles program.

Andrew Be - Almost ready to fly his Challenger II.

Chuck Richey - was a project engineer for the Beech Starship project at Scaled Composites, working for Burt Rutan. Later worked for Elon Musk. Currently working on an original design gyroplane.

Ric Lynch - Recently bought a weight shift aircraft project. It is an original design aircraft. Ric is interested in any advice other members might have on filling out the FAA checklist to certify the project meets the 51% rule. He is also interested in counseling and advice from any members with weight shift aircraft experience.

Malala Randria attended with her kids who have flown with us on Young Eagle flights.

Chris Lindel - just got back from Oshkosh.

Gene Lincoln - hoping to have a technician from Freedom Avionics working on his transponder this week. Once he has the transponder working his ADS-B out should be functional.

Andrew Weaver - Just bought a Zenith 601. The airplane is complete but has not flown for a couple of years. There is some minor damage to repair and the registration has expired. Andrew has submitted the paperwork needed for the registration and hopes to have it ready to fly in a few months.

Mike Berry - Mike has enrolled in the King ground school and is just starting that course. Mike is available to help with Light Sport maintenance. He is also looking for an engine stand if anyone has one available.

Bruce Thieking - Just completed his tail wheel endorsement. Congratulations Bruce!

Chuck Clemen, review of Engine Workshop:

We just completed the trial run of our new Engine Workshop. The workshop consists of disassembly and assembly of a Continental A-65 engine. The first workshop attendees were: Alyssa LeMaster, Byron LeMaster, Bruce Thieking, Gene Lincoln, Ray Veatch and Tom Jones.

Everyone was very interested and seemed to have a good time taking the engine apart, seeing what is inside and how it works and putting it back together. The process took five, 4 hour sessions to complete. This amount of time seemed to provide plenty of time for questions, discussion and supplemental subjects like carburetors and magnetos.

The trial run of the workshop was deemed a success by the participants and we will be working on setting up an area in the EAA hangar to do the workshop on an ongoing

basis. Ray is planning to build a work bench to use in the hangar.

There are a number of hand tools we will need to complete a tool kit for the workshop. I will put a list together of the tools we need and get it to Tim for publication in the next newsletter. If anyone has extra of any of these tools and can donate them to the workshop tool box it would be very much appreciated. Look for more information in the next newsletter. The only large piece of equipment that we don't have is an engine hoist. We have a workable solution though, Marc Waterman has indicated that we can use his for the times that we need a hoist during the workshop (when we are attaching the crankcase to or removing it from the engine stand).

Alan Collins and Lowell Manary, reviewed their experiences getting to and from and at Oshkosh:

Lowell and Alan both approached Oshkosh on Sunday, July 31 a few hours apart and found very different traffic situations.

Allan's route to Oshkosh went from Delta (Westwinds) to Sidney, NE to Columbus, NE to La Crosse, WI. At La Crosse he found out that arrival traffic at Oshkosh was saturated and he decided to divert to Appleton, WI. It turned out that many others were also deciding to divert to Appleton and he had an hour of holding before he could land.

Lowell's route went from Delta Blake to Maryville, MO on Saturday, then to Oshkosh on Sunday. Lowell arrived in the Oshkosh area earlier than Alan and weather was blocking the arrival of aircraft coming from the east. Lowell flew the published arrival and only saw one other airplane while he was approaching Oshkosh. After he landed the weather to the east improved and a flood of airplanes started arriving causing the congestion that Alan found a little later.

As last year's Gold Lindy winner, Lowell's airplane was treated to an EAA hangar at Oshkosh. There was some communication

confusion getting to the hangar but it eventually got resolved.

The EAA did a video interview with Lowell about his airplane and building it. Alan and Lowell have been working with the staff of Sport Aviation on an article about the airplane and it is expected to appear in the October edition of Sport Aviation. Alan and Lowell have sent about 2000 words of text and 150 pictures to Sport Aviation for the article. The EAA wanted to take some pictures themselves though and asked Lowell to attend the flight briefing for air to air photos. Lowell, Dee and Alan attended the briefing and Alan ended up flying with Lowell for the air to air photography. When the article does appear in Sport Aviation, Lowell would be very appreciative of any copies that members do not want to save.

Alan showed a few pictures of the air shows, a gathering of 1373 members at the Fox River Brewery and the RV-15. He said the EAA has over 3000 pictures on their web site for those looking for more pictures of the event. There were 650,000 people and over 10,000 aircraft at Oshkosh this year.

Lowell mentioned that he thought the weather getting to and from Oshkosh this year was the best he had ever experienced. He recommends arriving on Saturday next year if you want to get a parking space on the field at Oshkosh.

Bruce Thieking, update on upcoming activities:

Tool box builds and Young Eagle flights for Western Slope AeroLab kids will begin in the Fall after school gets started.

We are planning a Poker Run on September 24. The route will be Delta to Nucla to Monticello to Cortez to Delta.

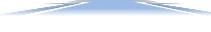
Our next planned Young Eagles Day will be on October 22.

There were hamburgers and hot dogs after the meeting.



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