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Flabob Aero Club is ready for take-off!



The Christen Eagle owned by Conrad Nordquist and Ray Key recently got a new set of wings and wing fabric. With a beautiful paint job by AeroCraftsman, it is back in the air after being grounded for several months.

Where can you get the opportunity to fly historic aircraft out of an historic airport? Only at the Flabob Aero Club!

The newly formed club is up and running and accepting new members. The club's charter is drafted, the Board of Directors has been selected, insurance is in force, and about a dozen members have already paid their annual dues. Four airplanes are on the line and ready to fly, and instructors are readily available. Social and recreational events are being planned. As stated on the club website, "The Club is organized solely as a social and recreational organization, to provide for fellowship and commingling of its members in connection with aviation, including formal and informal airport social activities, flyouts, aviation museum visits, seminars and discussions, aviation training, proficiency flights, rental of airplanes to its members, shared maintenance, airplane cleaning, and other aeronautical activities."

Long-time Flabobian Conrad Nordquist is president of the club. Chapter One board member, membership chairman and CFI Walt Wasowski is vice-president. New Chapter One board member Ron Headlee will serve as treasurer. Chapter One Past-President Jim Pyle will be the club's safety officer, and Walt will be in charge of CFIs. Memberships cost \$25 per month or \$250 per year, paid in advance. Youth memberships, for those under the age of 21, will be \$15 per month or \$150 per year. Social (non-flying) and CFI memberships will be \$50 per year. The aircraft are top-quality and well maintained. They include a Tecnam Echo P92 (N92YE), a nicely equipped Light Sport Aircraft (LSA), There is, of course, a Cessna 150—but this one is a classic 1959 straight-tailed version previously owned and flown by Airport Bum Andy Anderson (N5641E). There are two tail-draggers available—a 1946 Piper J-3 Cub (N7456H), and a 1962 Champion 7GC (N9872Y) that was rebuilt as a Wathen Foundation project airplane.

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REMEMBER TO "SPRING FORWARD" THE NIGHT BEFORE MARCH 14! SEE YOU AT THE MEETING!

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**April Meeting will
 be held on
 Saturday!**

Calendar



March 2010

- 5th – First Friday Flicks**
Chapter One Hangar - 5 p.m.
- 13th – Young Eagles**
Chapter One Hangar - 8 a.m.
- 14th – Chapter Meeting**
Chapter One Hangar - 1 p.m.
- 14th – Board Meeting**
Chapter One Hangar - 3 p.m.
- 20th – Design Group Meeting**
Chapter One Hangar - 10 a.m.
- 27th – Riverside Air Show**
Riverside Airport

April 2010

- 2nd -- First Friday Flicks**
Chapter One Hangar - 5 p.m.
- 10th – Young Eagles**
Chapter One Hangar - 8 a.m.
- 10th – Chapter Meeting**
Chapter One Hangar - 1 p.m.
- 10th – Board Meeting**
Chapter One Hangar - 3 p.m.
- 17th– Design Group Meeting**
Chapter One Hangar - 10 a.m.
- 24th-25th–RV Workshop**
Chapter One Hangar

May 2010

- 5th – First Friday Flicks**
Chapter One Hangar - 5 p.m.
- 7th – Young Eagles**
Chapter One Hangar - 8 a.m.
- 8th – Chapter Meeting**
Chapter One Hangar - 1 p.m.
- 8th – Board Meeting**
Chapter One Hangar - 3 p.m.
- 15th – Design Group Meeting**
Chapter One Hangar - 10 a.m.



The Vice-Prez Sez...

Our hard working Prez, Jerry, is pressing hard on other issues so as VP, I get to fill in to write the Prez Sez this month.

It is easy to start by saying how happy all of us are that Jerry has made his usual well organized start to placing the Chapter on a scheduled path. I, for the first time, saw the full year schedule of events on a Calendar item in the eaach1.org Website. Thanks to Jerry and Jan, we have this insight into coming events. Jan advises me he will soon be updating the format of the Website to be more user friendly, and we look forward to that.

All of us are eagerly anticipating a rebirth of Membership meeting attendance when we start the new time for meeting: On Saturday after Young Eagle flights each month. An impressive series of speakers have been scheduled for these meetings, as well as resuming the serving of lunch prior to the meeting beginning. So we will be aiming to feed both the mind/spirit and the body. We want you to leave the weekend activities with Chapter One completely fulfilled—body, mind and spirit.

Of course, this calls upon Chapter members to share the tasks of preparing the facilities and serving the food, then clean up when the event is over. I know most members want to do their full share of making the Chapter a success, so please, volunteer to contribute your energy and/or resources and ideas, so we provide the welcoming atmosphere that will attract and retain a vibrant group of aviation enthusiasts.

--Jim Pyle

Ready for Oshkosh AirVenture 2010?

After a full opening day of flying on Monday, July 26, at EAA AirVenture Oshkosh 2010, AeroShell Square will feel the power of more than aircraft, as the legendary band Chicago takes the stage that evening, courtesy of Ford Motor Company.

The performance, free of charge to all AirVenture guests that day, will be held adjacent to the Ford Motor Company Hangar on AeroShell Square, immediately following the afternoon air show.

The appearance of Chicago is just one of the many exciting events which will take place during this year's AirVenture. Visitors will get to see possibly one of the largest gatherings of DC-3s since the 1940s, as the great plane's 75th anniversary will be celebrated. A 40-plane mass arrival of DC-3s is anticipated, with 50 or more of them showing up during the week.

Other highlights of the upcoming AirVenture include:

- Salute to Veterans (week-long celebration) - Gary Sinise's Lt. Dan Band on Friday
- 75th Anniversary of the B-17: B-17s participating in several air shows
- Special Wednesday Vietnam-era Air Show
- Collection of World War I flying replicas on display and taking to the sky
- 50th Anniversary Celebration of Piper Cherokee Aircraft

- Night Air Show - Saturday night
- Fly-in Movie Theatre is back

Your paper pilot's license no good after March 31

Pilots who have not yet traded in their paper pilot certificates have until March 31, 2010, when the paper certificates are set to expire. If you're still using paper, don't delay. Pilots can no longer exercise the privileges of their paper pilot certificates after the March 31 deadline. Student certificates are not affected and certain non-pilot certificates, such as those issued to AMTs, are still valid for three more years before they need to be replaced.

Renewing a certificate can be done online or through the mail, and instruction can be found at: http://www.faa.gov/licenses_certificates/airmen_certification/certificate_replacement/. Requesting a replacement certificate online requires creating an account with Airman Certification Online Services, which only takes a few minutes. To process a request by mail, fill out and send in Form 8060-56 (10/09)—see above link—along with a \$2 replacement fee. Make your check payable to FAA. New certificates will take four to six weeks to arrive with mail processing and seven to ten days for online processing.



Wings on the Web

NOAA (National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration) is under the umbrella (no pun intended) of the United States Department of Commerce. NOAA is one of the few agencies of the US government which offers a wide range of free services to the public but receives little recognition for their efforts.

Recently I was introduced to a NOAA. web site link: <http://www.wrh.noaa.gov/zoa/mwmap3.php?map=usa>. This site is informative and fun, especially if you participate in activities which would be affected by the weather (such as flying?).

When you click on the link, it opens to a home page which displays a map of the United States and some surrounding areas. Now you may move your mouse pointer to any of the + signs on the map and it will display the current weather for that station. You will also notice some locations which have a colored circle instead of the + sign. They all have a purpose, and if you scroll down below the map, there is a legend which describes the color codes. The map shows every airport in the US with automated or live weather reporting. You simply scroll over that airport for the current weather.

If you click on the airport a window will open showing the weather for the past 24 hours at that location, giving an overload of weather info: temp, dewpoint, precip, ceiling height, wind speed/direction/gusts, visibility, obstructions, thunderstorms.

Now that you have a basic knowledge of the weather map, let's expand it to another level. Scroll up to the menu bar at the top of the map. You will notice a box which is titled: Select ARTCC Map. To refresh your memory, ARTCC is ARTCrol C. When the arrow on the right side of the box is clicked with the mouse, it has a drop down menu which offers 23 choices to enlarge the area you wish to view. For example, you select ZLA – Los Angeles, it will show all of the airports with weather reporting, be it by automation or human, within Los Angeles Center's airspace.

Because of having more detailed weather information with the expanded maps, some of the reporting stations may have a thin dark line originating at the center of the station and extending outward, some may have a smaller additional barbs (line or lines) connected at the end of the long line. These lines are standard meteorological symbols for representing wind speed and direction. Please visit: <http://www.nws.noaa.gov/forecasts/graphical/definitions/defineWindSpd.html> for additional information.

The menu bar at the top also has boxes labeled METARS NWS/FAA; +BOUYS; RAWs ONLY; ALL – PLOTS ON; ALL PLOTS – OFF.

The METARS NWS/FAA is weather provided by the National Weather Service and the Federal Aviation Administration. + BOUYS includes weather reported by buoys located in the coastal waters. RAWs is the abbrevia-

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From the Editor's Desk

On Doing It Mañana

They say everyone has a talent for something—the one thing they do exceptionally well—and I think I've discovered mine. With all humility, I have to admit that I'm a world-class procrastinator.

I've developed this talent over many years, and, I must say (blush!), I'm good. I can put off until Friday things that should be done on Tuesday, are due on Wednesday, and are late on Thursday. And that's with things that I *want* to do. Things I don't want to do, I can put off for weeks. Things I *hate* to do, I can put off for months...or years.

I realize this is due to my intrinsic laziness, combined with latent cowardice and weak character, due to an underlying perfectionist personality caused by low self-esteem and the fact that I saw my dog coupling with the neighbor's elderly poodle when I was only six years old, which caused conflicting Oedipal and Electra complexes in which my Id altered my Ego and resulted in a warped Super-ego. Or something like that, according to my imaginary therapist. (The psychological terminology may not be exact...).

Nevertheless, as the clock ticks on, I've realized that there really isn't time for procrastination. If you're going to do it, do it now! Or at least begin to do it now. Get started!

Are you going to build that homebuilt? Get started now! Are you going to add another rating to your ticket? Start now! Are you going to take the one(s) you love on that dream vacation? Call your travel agent! Are you planning on writing that book, buying that dream machine, developing that new concept, telling your kids how special they are to you, volunteering at Chapter One activities? Do it today!

Because today is all we have. Yesterday is gone forever, and tomorrow...well, it never comes. You can't guarantee that you'll have tomorrow. But you're alive and breathing (I'm presuming here...), and you have today. For most of us in EAA Chapter One, the yesterdays greatly out-number the tomorrows we face. That thought, alone, should be enough to motivate us to immediate action.

I'm aware that this line of thought is trite pop psychology that you've heard a hundred times before. But it bears saying again. Turn your dreams into action, or they may be buried with you. Get started! Whether you're 18 or 80, you are not guaranteed any tomorrows. All you have, all you can control, is today. So, in the words of the Grass Roots from the '60s..."Sha la la la la, Live for today!" Do it now, while you can.

During my first year of college, I lived with my Uncle Bill and Aunt Verna near Johnstown, PA. One day my old Uncle Bill, who was a retired railroad engineer, sat in his easy chair reading one of the *Playboy* magazines I had bought. Aunt Verna came in and caught him.

"Bill, Bill, why are you looking at that stuff?" she scolded.

"Because, at my age, all I can *do* is look," Uncle Bill sighed.

We all need to do the things we can do before we can no longer do them. Build that plane! Get that rating! Write that article! Take that trip! Tell those you love that you love them! Give hugs and kudos and encouragement and thanks to others. Do it today!

I pasted a piece of paper on my bathroom mirror that says "GOYA!" It has nothing to do with the great Spanish painter who was considered the last of the Old Masters. It stands for "Get Off Your A**!" It's a reminder to a world-class procrastinator to do today what needs to be done.

If you're ever going to attend another Chapter One meeting, do it this month! If you're going to support your Board of Directors by offering your ideas, your encouragement, or by volunteering, do it now!

I'm reforming, and I'm going to try to do today what must be done today. I hope you'll do the same. **LG**

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Chapter Meetings move to Saturday next month

Remember, Chapter One members, our monthly Membership Meetings will be held on Saturdays at 1 p.m. beginning in April.. If you show up on Sunday at 1 p.m., you'll be lonely indeed, 'cause we won't be there.

The Chapter Meetings will be held immediately after the Young Eagles Rally on the second Saturdays. And you can show up at noon and have lunch! The traditional Chapter One luncheons will return. For your donation of about five bucks, we will provide the entrees, with all the

trimmings. You are urged to bring a salad or dessert dish to share with all your hungry fellow chapter members.

So, on April 10th, plan on joining a big bunch of Chapter One members as we kick off our new Saturday afternoon meeting schedule. There will be a great lunch and social time, followed by an educational and entertaining program and a Show & Tell airplane. If you can, stick around afterward to attend the Chapter One Board Meeting. Share your thoughts, and share the excitement!

Two FAA seminars to be held for local airmen

The FAA Safety Team will sponsor a course "Special Airspace, Weather Risk & Accidents" at Redlands Airport Terminal Lobby on March 13, 2010, starting at 9 a.m.

The speaker, **Rich Martindell**, is the Director of Production Development for "King Aviation Training Videos." We know of Martha and John King from flight training. Rich will be speaking from 9:00 a.m. until Noon. He will provide pilot updates on the faasafety.gov website and Wings Pilot Proficiency Program credits.

On Tuesday, March 16, at 6:30 p.m., the FAA will present a special event about Corona Airport. "Prado Dam and Corona Airport flooding problems" will be presented by the US Army Corps of Engineers. This presentation will be on Prado Dam with a focus on a short history about the dam, description of the various project upgrades currently on-going at the dam, in the reservoir, and immediately downstream of the dam in the Santa Ana River Canyon, and of the interim water control operations as it relates to the Corona Airport.

The event will be held in the Council Chambers of Corona City Hall, 400 S. Vicentia Ave., Corona.

Questionnaire:

If you live within driving distance from Flabob Airport, we ask you to please answer the following questions. Grade each question 1-5, with 5 being "Very Much" and 1 being "Not Much."

If I attended Chapter Meetings, I would like to experience:

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| 1. War Stories | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| 2. Technical Programs | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| 3. Travelogues | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| 4. Aviation history | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| 5. Comedy | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| 6. Long Programs | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| 7. Short Programs | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| 8. No Programs (social only) | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| 9. A Full Lunch | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| 10. Snack Foods | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| 11. Aircraft Show & Tell | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| 12. Sunday Afternoons | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| 13. Saturday Afternoons | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |

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71 Young Eagles flown in February

The February Young Eagle Flight Rally almost appeared as routine. We had great weather, ample pilots (13) and a great cast of ground support people. Seventy-one youth became Young Eagles. There was one little glitch, however. As Trish Russell taxied her RV6A past the gas pumps, one of the tires went flat. Fortunately Aircraft Spruce was open and had a tire of the size she needed. Roger Farnes and Jan Buttermore had everything necessary to change the tire and get Trish back in the air. Thanks, Roger and Jan!!

We welcome Conrad Nordquist back flying his Cessna 152. Con has flown Young Eagles with us in the past for many years, but it has been quite a while since he last flew Young Eagles.

Chapter One has a great group of pilots who give so much of their time and talents. Where would our Young Eagle Program be without pilots??? This is a rhetorical question, of course, because we wouldn't be anywhere without pilots. Plain and simple.

Thanks to all the pilots, ground support people and Young Eagle Escorts who give reality to the hopes and dreams of the youth who come looking for their first opportunity to experience the joys of flight. For so many of the youth who come through the program, it is an epic experience that will remain vivid in their mind for years to come. Yes, each person who volunteers is helping make a difference in the lives of many youth!

- Wes Blasjo, Young Eagle Coordinator

Pilots Who Flew:

John Alling	Comanche 260
Larry Conley	Ercoupe
Jerry Cortez	Vans RV6 A
Dave Cudney	Cherokee 180
Barry Duble	Cherokee 235
James Hayes	Grumman AA5 A
Kevin McKenzie	Marquart Charger
James Meeker	Taylorcraft BC12 D
Conrad Nordquist	Cessna 152
Gerald Perry	Citabria
Trish Russell	Vans RV6 A
Allen Teets	Cessna 172
Walt Wasowski	Cessna 172

Wings on the Web

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tion for Remote Automated Weather Stations. There are approximately 2,200 of these interagency RAWs stations strategically located throughout the United States. They monitor weather and provide weather data that assists land management agencies with information to monitor air quality, forecast fire danger ratings and assist research projects. To learn more about RAWs, just click on <http://www.fs.fed.us/raws/>

Now that you have all of this weather information at your finger tips, just sit back, relax, and move your mouse to observe where Mother Nature will be at her best and grant you blue skies and smooth air for that \$100 hamburger. Make it another great day for General Aviation.

-David B. Gurkin, Altoona, PA

Riverside Air Show Mar. 27

Dr. D's Old-Time Aerobatics in a 1946 Taylorcraft, John Collver's aerobatics in an AT-6/SNJ, wingwalking on a Stearman, skydiving aerobatics, and a C-17 "Globemaster" flight demonstration will be among the entertainment at the 18th Annual Riverside Air Show on March 27 at Riverside Airport.

The big day in Riverside kicks off with breakfast beginning at 7 a.m. on the patio side of the D&D Cafe. The airshow runs from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., and includes military aircraft, warbirds, helicopter displays, military vehicles, and a classic car show.

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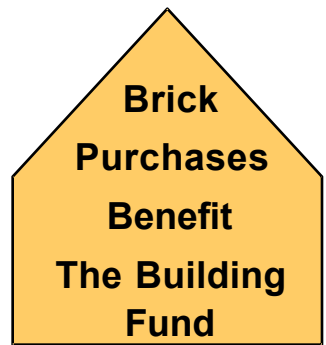
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