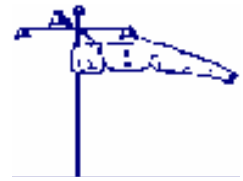


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Young Eagles Event & Spring Potluck!

There is one last chance to attend a Young Eagles event prior to our “summer siesta” from meetings.

If you have not yet attended a Young Eagles event, you are missing out on a great opportunity: ask anyone who has attended one of our chapters previous events.

Please join us this Saturday,

April 8th

at 7:30 at the Glendale Airport and then stay for our Spring Potluck immediately following. If you are not able to attend the Young Eagles Event, please join us for the potluck around noon. We hope to see you there!

Please contact Cheri McGunagle or Jim Moss for additional information about the Young Eagles event.

Please see back page of this newsletter for what to bring for the potluck.

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The Roy Castle Chapter of the Experimental Aircraft Association publishes the Static Line monthly (except July, August & September, which may be combined).

Unsolicited submissions are welcome.

Please send photos, art, articles, letters, calendar events, or classified ads to the Editor at the return address listed on the mailing label portion of this newsletter.

Articles and ads may be submitted on paper, Windows or MS-DOS 3.5" floppy diskettes (MS Word, RTF or text only, please). Photos and artwork may be submitted on paper or by floppy diskette and will be returned upon request. Submissions by telephone or e-mail are accepted for ads, short articles, and calendar events.

Classified ads are free to all members of EAA Chapters. Ads should generally be aviation-related or of interest to aviators or chapter members.

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Treasurer's Report

3/22/06

submitted by Myra Ridder

Beginning Account Balance: \$ 6,043.85

Income:

2006 Dues \$ 10.00

Raffle – Feb. \$ 310.00

Total Income: \$ 320.00

Expenses:

Young Eagles \$ 39.00

Total Expenses: \$ 39.00

Ending Account Balance: \$ 6,324.85

Membership:

41 paid-to-date for 2006

A Letter From The President:

EAA's Light Sport Pilots Tour came to Falcon field on Saturday Feb 18th. The Tour was hosted by the Commemorative Air force, Arizona Wing and EAA chapters 538, 228, and 1217. The CAF had a pancake breakfast and also served lunch. At least ten LSA's (Light Sport Aircraft) were on display. Our Jim Moss was instrumental in the planning and smooth execution of the entire event. A token force of 538 volunteers was on hand to help support the event. It was a great opportunity to see the Light Sport Aircraft and talk to their company representatives. They were even giving rides to perspective buyers. A number of forums were given covering all aspects of the Light Sport Aircraft rules and regulations. We learned what Sport Pilots can and can't do. It was also a great chance to see the CAF Arizona Wing's aircraft collection.

Our treasurer manned the Chapter 538 table selling raffle tickets for the leather flight jacket. Sixty two tickets were sold making the club \$310. Bob Warner Exec VP of EAA drew the winning ticket which belonged to Rob Flood. The jacket fit him perfectly

Don Ridder

Photos from The LSA Tour:

Selling tickets for our raffle:



Winner of the jacket raffle: Rob Flood:



LSA aircraft on display:



More photos of LSA aircraft on display:



Secretary's Report

Submitted by Dave Biddle

February 14, 2006 meeting at Deer Valley terminal second floor meeting room.

Secretary Report and **Treasurer Report** were given.

Tech Counselor Report: AD 2005-26-10 Certain ECI cylinders on 320, 360 and 540 engines.

Young Eagles Report: 65 Young Eagles flown at last event January 21. Young Eagles dates: February 25, 2006 and April 8, 2006. Contact: Cheri McGunagle and Jim Moss.

Old Business:

- Chapters 538, 228, 1217 jointly hosting Sport Pilot LSA Aircraft Expo at CAF hangar Falcon Field on Feb 18th.
- Don't forget to check the Chapter Website for newsletters and updates on meetings. See: <http://www.eaa538.org/>
- Yahoo group created for Chapter members to communicate with each other- <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/ea538/>

New Business:

- Copperstate will be held October 26th-29th, there will be no airshow. EAA Air Academy - state council sponsoring 2 students, age range 12 – 18 years old.
- Potluck will be held after next Young Eagles on April 8

Program: EAA Member benefits and information about EAA.

Phoenix Deer Valley Airport - Air Traffic Control Tower and Base Building Project

Start Date: 8/2005

Estimated Completion Date: 10/2006

This project, which is owned by the United States Department of Transportation, Federal Aviation Administration, will build a new Air Traffic Control Tower and Base Building, on leased land at Phoenix Deer Valley Airport. This project has a cost of approximately \$10,000,000.

The new tower will have a "cabin height" of 130 feet and will be 160 feet in overall height. The new tower will have unobstructed views of the airport runways, taxiways and ramps. The Base Building will have a foot print of 5,541 sq ft.

UPDATED - February 25, 2006

An artist's rendering of the new tower can be seen at www.pardonourdust.com/images/dvt/dvt-atct.jpg and construction pictures are available courtesy of Kiewit Construction at www.kiewit.com/deervalley.

New Air Traffic Control Tower:

Slab on grade at Base Building MEP completed February 8. Termite control, vapor barrier and rebar began on February 8 and will be complete February 10. Slab on grade pour is scheduled for February 15. Door frame and block delivery is set for February 10.

Telephone duct bank is installed from the Base Building to the lease line, and is approximately 40% complete. Water and sewer are expected to start in mid March. Exterior and interior wall panel pours continue. Precast erection Level 3 to 3A was completed February 8.

For more information please call the Aviation Construction Hotline at (602)553-0005.

Calendar of Events

Some events are tentative. **PLEASE CALL AHEAD TO ENSURE AN EVENT IS TAKING PLACE.**

April 2006

4-10: Lakeland, FL – 32nd Annual Sun 'n Fun Fly-In, Lakeland Linder Regional Airport (LAL)
Information: 863-644-2431, website: www.sun-n-fun.org.

14-17: Glendale, AZ – Visiting Wings of Freedom Aircraft (B-17 & B-24 for viewing and B-25 for viewing & flights), Glendale Airport (GEU). Information: telephone 623-872-1368, or websites www.glendaleaviation.com, or www.collingsfoundation.org

21: Glendale, AZ – Chapter 538 Young Eagles Event & Chapter Potluck, Glendale Airport (GEU)
Young Eagles begins at 7:30 AM, the potluck begins around noon. Information: Cheri McGunagle or Jim Moss.

28-30: Jean, NV – Jean Fly-In, Jean Airport (0L7). It's all about experimental aviation and alternative engines. No air show, no vendors, no commercial exhibits, no controlled airspace, no fees. RSVP requested for Saturday Forums & dinner. Information: website: www.contactmagazine.com/Roundup.html

30: Half Moon Bay, CA – Pacific Coast Half Moon Bay Fly-In, Half Moon Bay Airport (KLAL), hours: 1000-1600. Information: website: www.miramarevents.com/dreammachines.

May 2006

24: Grand Canyon, AZ – Planes of Fame High Country Fly-In, Valle Airport (40G). Information: phone 909-597-3722, website www.planesoffame.org

June 2006

9-10: Scottsdale, AZ – PROP (Pilot's Review of Proficiency) 2006, Information: Carol Cannon 972/248-3108 ext 211 Email Address: www.turbineair.com Website: <http://www.turbineair.com>

10: Show Low, AZ – Airport Day, Show Low Airport (SOW).

17: Overgaard, AZ – Pancake breakfast / Fly-In, Mogollon Airpark (AZ82)

Welcome to Our Newest Members!

Rachel Hoffmann is a CFII. Both she and her husband, Frank, are commercially-rated pilots. They have a Long EZ at DVT.

Welcome Rachel and Frank!

Member Profile

This is a new feature that has been added to the website. If you would like to be featured or would like to nominate someone to be featured, please contact Tom Velvick or Tina Christie.

Don Ridder, Our Chapter President

Age	62
Where do you live?	North Phoenix
How long have you been a EAA Chapter 538 member?	Since 2000
Employment/Career Field?	Retired Computer Engineer
Aircraft owned / built / building?	Part owner of a C172M and building an RV8.
How did you get involved in flying?	I've been interested in flying and airplanes all my life. My father and many of my great uncles were in WWII in the Army Air Corp. I would listen to war stories as a kid and was intrigued by their flying adventures. Today I know how those war stories grew over the years. But I loved them anyway. I got my private pilot license in 1969 in an old C150 renting for \$6.00 an hour wet. I've been watching, flying, and loving airplanes ever since.
What are your ratings / flight experience?	Private Pilot
Why did you join the EAA?	My interest in airplanes told me that the EAA and its chapters are where I could learn more and maybe get the encouragement to build and fly my own plane. I joined EAA in 1967 and went to Rockford for my first "Oshkosh". I've wanted to build and fly an experimental from the day I saw Jim Bushbee's Midget Mustang .
What are your Hobbies/Interests?	Flying and Building. And someday when mother nature won't let me fly anything anymore, model railroading.
What interesting facts about you would you like to share?	Been married for 36 Years and have two fine boys that I am very proud of.

Bits & Pieces

Blue Mountain Avionics just released their fourth generation of their electronic flight instrumentation system (EFIS) Check it out at www.bluemountainavionics.com/gen4.php

Katie Velvick volunteered all day on Saturday 3/4/2006 at the Cactus Antique Flyin at Casa Grande Airport. See was in charge of parking the experimental aircraft. She just helped Bob Hasson park his grand champion rv-6a and seemed to be enjoying it!

The chapter still needs volunteers for the May, June and October meeting [Raffle prizes](#).

EAA DARS that cover Arizona

From the EAA website, submitted by Tom Velvick

(to visit the site on the web, go to members.eaa.org/home/govt/help/ab_dar.asp#P156_6853,
NOTE: you will need to use your members login to access this area of the EAA website)

City	Last Name	First Name	EAA Volunteer	EAA Member Recommended	Phone Number	Limitations
Apache Junction	Beck	Phillip		Yes	(480)288-1431	none
Cave Creek	Berry	Dean	Yes	Yes	(480)595-6837	fixed wing
Crawford, CO	Hanna	George	Yes	Yes	(970)921-4286	fixed wing
El Segundo, CA	Hayos	Robert	Yes	Yes	(310)640-8855	fixed wing
Manhattan Beach, CA	Sobek	Gary	Yes	Yes	(310)335-6683	fixed wing
Overgaard	Towner	Gary		Yes	(623)486-3507	none
Payson	Culp	Oscar		Yes	(602)329-8249	none
Payson	Malecha	Al	Yes	Yes	(928)474-9121	fixed wing
San Marcos, CA	Purdy	Alan	Yes	Yes	(760)510-1760	fixed wing
Tubac	Hare	Ralph		Yes	(520)398-9406	none
Tucson	Pendergast	James		Yes	(520)572-2440	none

Aircraft Owners Beware: Scammers on the prowl

From the AOPA website, submitted by Tom Velvick

Scammers looking to make a quick buck are targeting aircraft owners. Over the past six months, scammers from Thailand, Nigeria, and the Netherlands have been contacting aircraft owners who have their birds for sale.

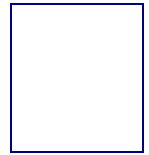
Here's the scenario: You are selling your old Cessna 172 for \$50,000. A potential "buyer" contacts you through a Web board or e-mail solicitation and offers to buy your aircraft. This person offers to pay you \$55,000, if you agree to send them a \$5,000 check for the difference.

You receive what looks like a legitimate check, so you send them the \$5,000. But when you try to cash the check, you are told there are no funds in the account. You're out \$5,000.

"The best way to protect yourself when selling an aircraft is to do some investigative work. Check out the party offering to buy the aircraft," said Woody Cahall, AOPA vice president of aviation services. "When you receive a check, make sure it is legitimate — get your money before sending a check for the difference."

If you have any questions about selling your aircraft, contact the AOPA Pilot Information Center weekdays between 8:30 a.m. and 6 p.m. Eastern time at 800/USA-AOPA or via e-mail.

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Next Meeting: Potluck Lunch @ Glendale Airport (GEU)

Saturday, April 8, 2005

Time: Noon-ish (just after Young Eagles Rally)

We ask everyone to bring some food to share as indicated in the chart below. Beverages, plates, napkins & eating utensils are provided.

If your last name:	Please bring:	PLUS:
begins with A thru M	A side dish (salads, veggies, etc.)	A dessert & a chair
begins with N thru Z	A main dish	A dessert & a chair

The airport is located at the intersection of Glendale Avenue & Glen Harbor Blvd, just west of Hwy 101 and the Glendale Arena.

We will be meeting at a hangar near the main terminal, so please enter through the main terminal and find the Young Eagles group.