

THE NEW GUY IN TOWN

Who is that masked man? EAA's new Aviore is the world's newest and neatest superhero. The character of Aviore was introduced at AirVenture, and he's going to be doing some pretty amazing things. EAA has taken a bold step to influence and introduce more young people to the joys of aviation by creating Aviore both as a character and as a comic book. Check your latest issue of *Sport Aviation* to read more about him on Page 8 of this newsletter. Then see how you can help spread the word.

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Special points of interest:

•Our next gathering will be Monday, August 20 at 7:00 p.m.

•Young Eagles Rally & breakfast Saturday, August 18. IMC / VMC Clubs meet the 2nd Monday of each moth at 7:00 p.m.

•Tell Chris St. Germain of any interested groups for Young Eagles. You can fly individuals also.

•We're always looking for good ideas for programs. Please contact Larry Young with your information.

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President's Corner

EAA Chapter 91 president, Mike Dooley

What an amazing month July turned out to be! I hope you were able to join us at Oshkosh this year, even if only for a day or two. Attendees helped AirVenture set several new records, including:

- 601,000 Attendees
- 12,300 Campsites
- 10,000 Aircraft
 - o 2979 Total Show planes
 - o 1160 Homebuilts
 - o 1094 Vintage
 - 377 Warbirds
 - o 185 Ultralights and Light Sport Aircraft
 - 75 Seaplanes
 - 22 Rotorcraft
 - o 52 Aerobatic aircraft
 - o 14 Hot air balloons
- 1,500 Forums, Workshops, etc. attended by over 75,000 participants

Chapter 91 was well represented again this year and chapter members enjoyed a group camping area in Camp Scholler, a Tuesday afternoon chapter cookout/social at the Chapters Pavilion in Camp Scholler, and a Wednesday evening chapter dinner gathering at Homebuilt Headquarters. The Welcome Wagon crew (and especially Wagon Four, donated by Chapter 91 in 2017) continued to provide great support in Homebuilt Parking and Camping.

Our August chapter activities are ramping up quickly and include:

- VMC Club meeting on August 13 (7pm)
- An "Italian Night" potluck dinner on August 17 (5:30 pm)
- Pancake breakfast with Young Eagle Rally on August 18 (Breakfast 7:30-11am and Young Eagles from 8:30-noon).
- Our monthly gathering on August 20 at 7 pm. Chuck Gosselin will discuss his December 2016 crash.

Note that all events are at the Larry Young Eagle Hangar.

Interest in forming a flying club appears to be very strong and Tom Licata plans to host an organizational meeting after our August gathering on August 20. Lots of planning to do, so please make time to attend if you are interested in helping form a new club.

2018 is an election year for our chapter and we have formed a nominating committee to prepare nominations for an October election. Committee members include Jack Gress, Bruce Hood, Nancy Inderwiesen, Griff Pickett, and Mitch Putnam. Needs include chapter secretary to replace Pam Ratliff and a board member to replace Bob Gurski. Please let any member of the nominating committee know if you are interested in running for office!

See you at the Eagle Hangar!

Mike,

EAA CHAPTER 91 MINUTES OF THE MEETING July 16, 2018

The meeting of EAA Chapter 91 was called to order by Vice President Chris St. Germain at 7:00 P.M. in the chapter meeting room at Lee's Summit Airport. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Tom Owen. Greetings were extended to members and guests.

The minutes of the June 18, 2018 meeting were approved as printed in the July newsletter.

As Treasurer Phil Ishmael was absent, there was no treasurer's report.

Young Eagle Coordinator Chris St. Germain said there was no new Young Eagles information. A signup sheet was circulated for helping at the August 18 event.

The chapter pavilion in Camp Schollar had been reserved for a chapter cookout lunch on Tuesday during AirVenture. Achapter dinner would also be on EAA grounds Wednesday, July 26.

A signup sheet was available for anyone interested in forming an independent flying club. Anyone interested could contact Tom Licata. A Tiny Library had been put together and was available at the recent Young Eagles events. For more information contact Chris Hope.

An IMC Club meeting was scheduled August 13. Chris reminded the membership elections would be held in October. Anyone interested in an office or board position should contact a current officer or board member. St. Joseph Airport planned an airshow August 25 and 26. Abe Forney, airport manager and formerChapter 91 member, was seeking helpers and display aircraft. He could be contacted at 816 694-4413.

The next chapter meeting was scheduled August 20. Larry Young expected the program to be presented by Sam White, retired colonel and pilot of numerous military aircraft. Chris Hope was volunteered to get the meeting room ready before the August 20 meeting. Tom Licata volunteered to take care of mowing as needed during the latter part of July.

Larry Young, as program chairman, introduced the evening speaker, Don Halbert with the FAAFAAST Teamwho discussed aircraft documentation as it pertains to safety.

The meeting adjourned, 8:40 P.M.



Our next meeting of the VMC Club will be Monday, August 13th at 7:00 p.m.

Do you remember the first time you took a passenger with you after you received your Private Pilot's License? How did that go? Do you do anything different with your passengers now? Come share your experiences, and maybe learn some techniques to make your passengers' experiences safer and more enjoyable.

We meet at the Chapter 91 EAA hangar at the Lee's Summit Airport. Driving directions - take I-470 to Exit 9, Douglas Drive / Lee's Summit Drive, and turn north. At the bottom of the hill, turn right and follow the road to the end. The Larry Young Eagle hangar is on the west side of the parking lot next to the Cessna on a Post.

There is no cost to sit in on our monthly meetings. And there is no cost to check out the VMC website <u>www.eaa.org/vmcclub</u>. VMC membership is free to EAA members. Not an EAA member? Ask me about a free six-month EAA membership.

Bring a flying friend.

Chris Hope, CFI-I, VMC Club Facilitator 2018 FAA Flight Instructor of the Year, Central Region

More info about VMC Clubs at: WWW.eaa.org/vmcclub

(This invitation is extended to all pilots who are serious about flying.)

AIRPORT RIBBON CUTTING



One of the welcome upgrades at Lee's Summit Municipal Airport is a set of new Thangars. To celebrate completion of the twenty-eight new hangars, the city of Lee's Summit held a ribbon cutting ceremony and several Chapter 91 members joined the fun. After last year's major runway extension, construction continued on other areas of the airport, and these new T-hangars are another welcome addition. While Chapter 91 maintains several of its own hangars, available space in them is at a premium. So some of our pilots will be utilizing these new facilities.

The celebration and ribbon-cutting took place Friday, August 10 at 9:00 am. A crowd estimated at around eighty was present and they heard the requisite speeches and accolades from city officials, members of the Board of Aeronautics, and other dignitaries including Airport Manager John Ohrazda. Since your scribe was otherwise sidetracked performing some needed physical therapy exercises, our thanks go to Mike Dooley for furnishing the pictures.

YOUNG EAGLES RETURNS FOR AUGUST

After a brief break in July to accommodate those who attended AirVenture, our Young Eagles program and its affiliated pancake breakfasts are back on track starting this month. Saturday, August 18, kicks off the second half of the year's Young Eagles' flights and as always, we could use all the help we can get. June's impressive show of several four-place airplanes greatly accelerated the number of kids flown, we'd love to see that happen again. So if you have a 172, 182, fourplace Cherokee, Mooney, Bellanca Viking, Van's RV-10, or anything with more than two seats, our presence will be applauded at the August event. And yes, King Airs and Citations would be just ducky! Our list of kids keeps growing, so the more flights and the more passengers per flight, the better. Reducing that long waiting period improves everything. But if you don't have a four-seater, we'd still love to have you join us. That includes even those who do not have an airplane. You will find your very useful help will be most appreciated. See you on the 18th.

JULY'S PROGRAM – DON HALBERT



Owning and maintaining an airplane and understanding the owner's responsibilities doesn't make for a thrilling page turner, but the FAA's Don Halbert helped guide us through the subject with more than enough stimulation to illicit a number of well-constructed questions. People were listening and digesting the crux of the presentation. Don discussed who is responsible for maintenance, the various logbook entries required, A Ds and experimental aircraft, what determines airworthiness, various CFRs and how they apply, and more. In the end, it proved the adage that safety is not expensive – it's priceless! Thanks for a job well done, Don.

AUGUST'S PROGRAM – CHUCK GOSSELIN

When Chuck Gosselin took off in his Subaru-powered Glasair Sportsman Saturday, December 31, 2016 he was looking forward to the last flight of the year. The day dawned clear and bright; more than enough encouragement to take to the air. But not long after departing KLXT, Chuck experienced unexpected difficulties and began looking for a place to set his plane down. The resulting pancake landing caused severe damage both to the airplane and to Chuck.

Word of the accident traveled quickly from one chapter member to another and everyone was greatly concerned. At that time, the facts were yet unknown and things sounded very tentative for Chuck. But somehow, he muscled though and is still with us today.

Since then, many have wondered exactly what happened, so Chuck has offered to fill in those details for us. His explanation will be the subject of the next program at our August chapter gathering, Monday, August 20. That meeting will start at 7:00 pm in the chapter's Larry Young Eagle Hangar meeting room, and you will want to hear every word. Chuck has wanted to discuss this with us for some time, so we look forward to hearing the whole story. We hope you can join us to hear what Chuck has to say.

NEXT CHAPTER COOKOUT

Our monthly chapter potluck cookouts will restart on Friday, August 17. After a brief respite which allowed Chapter 91 members to attend AirVenture, the popular events are coming back. The theme for August's meal is Italian. So bring your salads, desserts or what have you of an Italian persuasion, and join in the fun. It starts at 5:30 pm at the Larry Young Eagle Hangar and lasts until everyone waddles away. These cookouts take place on the Friday immediately preceding our Young Eagles' events, and will run through October. We hope to see you at one – or more!

FLYING CLUB UPDATE MEETING

After many years of saying the opposite, EAA has now come out in support of helping to develop flying clubs. The costs involved with flying have certainly not gone down and flying clubs are seen as a way to help reduce that expense to make things more affordable. It is a key factor to attracting more new pilots.

While EAA endorses the concept, thanks to myriad legalities and the growth of a more litigious society, it does not permit EAA chapters to form the clubs directly. However, thanks to the experience and expertise of so many EAA members, it does encourage the chapters to assist with club formation whenever possible. These flying clubs, therefore, cannot be affiliated with EAA chapters, though many may well be filled with EAA members.

Chapter 91 Pesident Mike Dooley has asked member, Tom Licota, to head the chapter's efforts exploring forming a flying club, and Tom has jumped in to do so. All interested members (or non-members, for that matter) are encouraged to make their interests known. At the completion of last month's chapter gathering, Tom convened a short meeting to discuss details with interested members, and he will do that again immediately following our August meeting. If you have any interest in learning more about these flying clubs, please join Tom and others after the meeting adjourns. No commitment is required, just an interest in learning more.

BILL HERROLD PASSES AWAY



We were saddened to hear of the passing of longtime Chapter 91 member Bill Herrold (on left) on May 27. Bill was active in the chapter, serving as one of our go-to guys for skilled maintenance at the hangar and as our coffee-making guy at Young Eagles' rallies. Bill was a low key, pleasant and helpful

man whose cheerful demeanor and encouraging words were always welcomed. He will be missed. A Gone West brick will be placed in his honor.

AVIORE AND YOU



Kids love superheroes. And kids love reading about superheroes in comic books. Unlike when most of us grew up, today's kids don't see aviation as overly exciting. I guess huge advances in technology have rendered other things sexier and more appealing. But we know a good percentage of young people become interested in flying after being exposed to it through EAA's wildly successful Young Eagles' program. So what does all

this have to do with anything? Well, it explains the introduction of Aviore, the world's newest superhero and his eponymous comic book.

According to Aviore's introduction at this year's AirVenture, Perry Howard, a high school student, becomes a superhero after taking a Young Eagles flight. The transformation into Aviore causes Perry to dedicate his life to using flight to help those in need. In collaboration with Stan Lee, the world famous creator of superhero comic books, EAA has developed this character and his comic book as a way to stimulate interest in aviation and promote the Young Eagles program.

Most of us can relate to when we, too, had the attention span of a gnat and a very low threshold to boredom. So if somewhere between finishing that pancake breakfast and actually taking the Young Eagles flight, our kids could read the comic book, what a great way to appease a long wait!

Here's where you come in. You received a copy of this initial comic book bundled in the most recent edition of *Sport Aviation* magazine. So Chapter 91 would like for you to donate your copy at our next Young Eagles Saturday. How? That's the easy part! After you've read it yourself, (You do want to read it, right?) why not bring it with you to our next Young Eagles event or our next chapter gathering? That way we can hand out copies to our young attendees to help placate that long wait.

This is really a great idea. The development of a character kids can enjoy, and providing a medium they can relate to makes Aviore another clever tool to help bring the joy of flight to kids who may not even know they would be interested. Providing the comic book will help ease them through what can be a long wait on a hot Young Eagles Saturday, and stimulate their interest at the same time. So if you can help with this outreach, please bring your copy of *Aviore* with you the next time you visit the airport. Or give it to someone who can bring it for you. What a great way to participate in joining young people to our passion!

THE COMING CHAPTER ELECTIONS

Chapter 91 will be holding elections for various chapter positions in October. That month's meeting will prove crucial since any member not attending is likely to be nominated and possibly elected to an important position. Yeah, you know how it works. So if there was ever a meeting you do <u>not</u> want to miss, that's it.

On a serious note, Chapter 91 is no longer just a group of like-minded pilots and aviation enthusiasts. With the acquisition of several hangars which we own and manage, we have stepped up a notch or two and must function as a more professionally run organization. Current leadership has accomplished great strides, and most of the existing officers and board members are willing to remain, but two have indicated they will step down. Longtime secretary (formerly secretary/treasurer) Pam Ratliff has served in a leadership capacity for more than thirty years and would like to relax a bit. Pam has should red far more than just the corporate duties, and has immersed herself in nearly every facet of the chapter's functions. While we will definitely miss her juggling all those balls, the secretary position is the only one we can fill through election. Next, Board member Bob Gurski has also indicated he cannot serve again. Bob's behind-thescenes participation has been enormous, and we hate to lose him. But family matters take priority, and we reluctantly wish him adieu. Bob's role as board member is therefore open.

In truth, all positions are open including the officers: president, vice president, secretary, and treasurer. And four board member slots are available. Any member in good standing may run for any office. Again, all but two have expressed willingness to stay, but that is left to the discretion of the members.

You can see a listing of the nominating committee members in Mike's column, so if you are interested, please contact one of them to make your interest known. Then please be at the October meeting to exercise your voting privilege. Just remember; if you don't vote, you have no right to complain. So preserve your right to grumble by being at the October chapter gathering.

FOOD CONCESSION AVAILABLE

At our August gathering, Monday, August 20, Mike will discuss the city of Lee's Summit's offer for us to take over the food concession at the annual open house. Your input on this subject will be most appreciated. Please come to learn more.

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