

The FlyPaper

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The Official Newsletter for EAA Chapter 477, Charleston, South Carolina



Words From the President

Hi Everyone,

So have you had enough of looking at your surroundings everyday for 10 weeks? Well its finally time to have a **meeting!** We will hold our chapter meeting on June 13th at hangar 20; we hope you will make it out!

I'm treating us to lunch and the menu is pizza. Please let us know if you are coming so we can order the right amount food for lunch. (You can respond to the email that sends you the newsletter.) We will catch up, tell stories see old friends. Then get out of the house.

It is going to be brief and informal with all the required social distancing practices that need to be followed. At press time, we have not set a time, but most probably it will be 10:30 AM. An announcement will be sent out a few days before the 13th. We have wipes but please bring your own gear such as hand sanitizer and mask if you have one.

We have been given the OK to hold the meeting by Tommy Rowe, Airport Manager.

A few folks have replaced their destroyed airplanes as a result of the April 13th tornado. Tommy Newland got a beautiful Cessna. By press time I'm hoping my "new to me Warrior" will be at home base. Some others are in deals for their "new to them" airplanes.

See you there!



Doug St Pierre
President EAA 477



Upcoming Events

EAA477 Chapter meeting

We will have a June meeting on the 13th of the month! Brief time to get together and share stories. Time is 10:30 at RBW. A pizza lunch will be provided, but we ask that you indicate your intention to attend for lunch requirement.

South Carolina Breakfast Club:

Please use the following link to access the latest in scheduling:

<http://southcarolinabreakfastclub.com/2020-schedule>

April Meeting Summary

Glen Phelps

The only thing briefer than the meeting summary is the treasurer's report.

Last month I included some links to interesting aviation stories which I hope you found interesting. Unfortunately, I was traveling on family business the last three weeks, and didn't have the facilities to generate the same kind of entertainment.

Of course the good news is that we are going to have a "meeting" on the 13th of June at hanger 20, Walterboro Lowcountry Regional Airport, KRBW. That is in the President's report on the first page.

It's going to be fun to really have something to say next month about things we are really doing!

Young Eagles Report

Lee Miller

Young Eagles Coordinator

I wish there were more to report on about Young Eagles!

The important thing is that we will not return to flying youth in an enclosed cockpit until such time as it is deemed safe to do so. This of course is for the safety of the youth and of our pilots, many of whom are in the "at risk" age bracket.

Another reason for a delay in starting up YE flights is that with the recent storm that tore through the airport where we normally have our flights, we are short of planes for a rally.

As soon as things settle down enough and testing gets widespread enough it is hoped we will be able to figure out a way to have some YE flights. But it appears with cases still on the rise and testing still sparse and unreliable, that that time may still be a while off.

Until then, everyone please stay safe and follow guidelines to slow the spread of this virus.

Good Health,

Upcoming Aviation Events

Ron Malec

FAAST Blast - FAA Safety Briefing News Updates

As a subscriber to the FAA Safety Team Newsletter I will periodically provide updates on information that I believe will be beneficial to all members.

• General Information

- **Is Your Flight Review Set to Expire, But You Can't Fly With a CFI Because of COVID-19?**
Notice Number: NOTC0109
- You may be able to extend your flight review grace period for up to three months by earning three **WINGS** credits. **WINGS** is the FAA's Pilot Proficiency Program. You can get **WINGS** credits by going to [FAASafety.gov](https://faasafety.gov). Hover over "Activities, Courses, Seminars & Webinars" then choose "Courses" for online training, or "Seminars & Webinars" if you prefer to earn credit by attending a live webinar. There

are over 500 online courses and lots of webinars available. To complete a phase of **WINGS**, you'll need to complete three flight credits when things get back to normal but to extend your flight review, three ground or "knowledge" **WINGS** credits is all you need.

The intent of the requirement to take three online courses is to make the demonstration of continued learning and professional development universally available, easy to complete and rational. The SFAR requires three **WINGS** knowledge credits since January 2020. The credits can be any set of online courses, activities, webinars, or even seminars prior to the shelter in place, that provide the three **WINGS** credits. Online learning, activities, courses, Zoom or prior seminars, and webinars are acceptable.

- There are also other requirements explained in a new, 93-page document that the FAA has posted to the Federal Register. For all the details, see the new *Special Federal Aviation Regulation (SFAR) that covers Relief for certain persons and operations during the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) Outbreak*. The SFAR is effective April 30. The Federal Register version is available at this link: <https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2020/05/04/2020-09472/relief-for-certain-persons-and-operations-during-the-coronavirus-disease-2019-covid-19-outbreak>.
- Some of the requirements are:
 - Current to act as PIC in March of 2020
 - Flight review due March through June of 2020
 - Pilots in any operation that requires at least a commercial pilot certificate
 - Or, operations requiring private pilot certificates who have:
 - 500 hours total time
 - 400 hours as PIC
 - 50 hours last 12 calendar months
 - Doing these types of operations:
 - Incidental to business or employment
 - In support of family medical needs or to transport essential goods for personal use
 - Necessary to fly an aircraft to a location in order to meet a requirement of this chapter
 - A flight to transport essential goods and/or medical supplies to support public health needs
 - Persons onboard must be essential to the flight
- You get the idea. However, be sure to read the full SFAR before you use it to exercise an extension of your flight review. Make sure that you, and the operation you will be flying, meet the requirements of the SFAR.
- For technical questions concerning this action for pilots, contact:
Craig Holmes, General Aviation and Commercial Division
Federal Aviation Administration,
800 Independence Avenue SW, Washington, DC 20591
Telephone (202) 267-1100; email: 9-AVS-AFS800-COVID19-Correspondence@faa.gov
- **Flight Standards SFAR Briefing for COVID-19 Relief**
Notice Number: NOTC0148

- *Below is a link to a briefing by the FAA's Flight Standards Service explaining the Special Federal Aviation Regulation (SFAR) that provides relief for certain persons and operations during the public health emergency concerning COVID-19. The presentation is approximately 45 minutes long.*

- <https://youtu.be/u7oMJA0agBI>
- You can find a frequently asked questions & answers page on the SFAR here: https://www.faa.gov/coronavirus/regulatory_updates/media/SFAR-COVID-FAQs.pdf
- Additional COVID-19 information is posted here: https://www.faa.gov/coronavirus/regulatory_updates/#rcpo
- **Airshow and Fly-in Schedule**
- 2020 Airshows / Fly-ins
 - All Airshows and Fly-ins through August 2020, including Air Venture, have been cancelled due to Covid-19

Stay Safe.

Treasurer's Report

Aimee Pereira

Below are the numbers for the end of May:

Beginning Balance May: \$3,634.07

Deposits for May: Donation \$25.00

Expenses for May: None

Ending Balance for May: \$3,659.07

Just a reminder, Dues are now \$30 for individuals and \$40 for couples.

If you have not sent in your dues, please forward dues payments to:

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If you have any questions, I can be reached via email at ea477.treasurer@gmail.com.