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Board Meeting - 5:30 pm

Dinner - 6:30 pm \$10

General Meeting - 7:00 pm

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May 4, 2022 Program

Busiest Builder: Kevin Quirk will reflect on his experiences building 7 airplanes. Kevin has pictures and stories about the high points in the journey to becoming EAA Chapter 124's most prolific builder.

Dinner Menu: Make Your Own Super Burrito with all the fixings. Salad, Rainbow Sherbet and Snicker Doodles. \$ 7.00

Events Calendar

Please send info about upcoming events!

Gathering of Warbirds – May 21 at Madera KMAE
<https://www.warbirdsreunion.org/tickets.php>

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Not Ready to Quit?

By Stuart Deal with some FAA docs

So much YouTube video footage of late on how to kill an invader from above makes me wonder about being a drone pilot. Celebrating warbirds and the aviation successes of our nation is a long-time interest of EAA members. But what about folks doing flights that would be totally illegal over here. If you had line of sight on your drone in Ukraine, you might not have a drone for long.

Over here, flying a drone for money puts you squarely into FAA Part 107. Part 107 is written in an opposite view to Part 103. Part 103 is more about what you may do, Part 107 is more “may not” in tone.

The excitement about drone flying and the ease to which sun bathing neighbors may be annoyed has stirred up a hornets nest of regulation and drone zappers.

Luckily, here in Sonoma County there are ample open spaces to let beginners practice.

From FAA.gov on Recreational Drones:

What is a Recreational Flight?

Many people assume that a recreational flight is one that is not operated for a business or any form of compensation. But, that's not always the case. Financial compensation, or the lack of it, is not what determines if the flight is recreational or commercial. The following information can be used to help you determine what rules you should be operating under. Remember, the default regulation for drones weighing under 55 pounds is Part 107. The exception for recreational flyers only applies to flights that are purely for fun or personal enjoyment. When in doubt, fly under Part 107.

Note: Non-recreational purposes include things like taking photos to help sell a property or service, roof inspections, or taking pictures of a high school football game for the school's website. Goodwill or other non-monetary value can also be considered indirect compensation. This would include things like volunteering to use your drone to survey coastlines on behalf of a non-profit organization. Recreational flight is simply flying for fun or personal enjoyment.

What are the Rules for Recreational Flyers?

The Exception for Limited Operation of Unmanned Aircraft (USC 44809) is the law that describes how, when, and where you can fly drones for recreational purposes. Following these rules will keep people, your drone and our airspace safe:

Fly only for recreational purposes (enjoyment).

Follow the safety guidelines of an FAA-recognized Community Based Organization (CBO).

Note: We have not yet begun officially recognizing CBOs. Recreational flyers are directed to follow the safety guidelines of existing aeromodelling organizations or use the FAA provided safety

guidelines per Advisory Circular 91-57B.

Keep your drone within the visual line of sight or use a visual observer who is co-located (physically next to) and in direct communication with you.

Give way to and do not interfere with manned aircraft.

Fly at or below 400' in controlled airspace (Class B, C, D, and E) only with prior authorization by using LAANC or DroneZone.

Fly at or below 400 feet in Class G (uncontrolled) airspace.

Note: Flying drones in certain airspace is not allowed. Classes of airspace and flying restrictions can be found on our B4UFLY app or the UAS Facility Maps webpage.

Take The Recreational UAS Safety Test (TRUST) and carry proof of test passage.

Have a current registration, mark (PDF) your drones on the outside with the registration number, and carry proof of registration with you.

Do not operate your drone in a dangerous manner. For example:

Do not interfere with emergency response or law enforcement activities.

Do not fly under the influence of drugs or alcohol.

Individuals violating any of these rules, and/or operating in a dangerous manner, may be subject to FAA enforcement action.

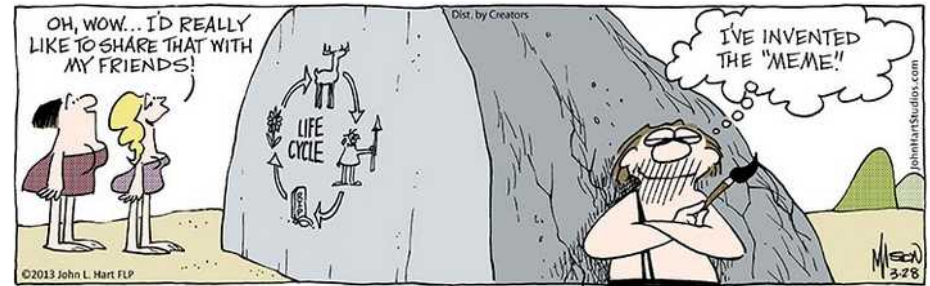
For more information, read Advisory Circular 91-57B.

Not sure what type of a drone user you are? We can help you!

Check our website for the latest updates or follow us on social media for the latest news.

End of FAA article.

Oops! I guess drones are not toys. Stay safe out there.



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News / Notes From the Editor

When you become aware of information that would be of interest to the whole chapter, it would be much appreciated if you would forward it to eaa124newsletter@sonic.net

That way we can have a healthy newsletter that serves the members. You may be surprised to know that this has been the way things operated in the past and it took the "Reminder" step out of the checklist. As the "Reminder" step is not in the checklist, please remind yourself to forward the news as soon as you can. Thanks!

Interesting Aviation Links

(Thanks Larry Rengstorf and David Heal)

NOTAM [Click Here](#)

Very Cool Flying [Click Here](#)

Universal Call for Help [Click Here](#)

Still Serving [Click Here](#)

EAA Chapter 124 Board Meeting Minutes

March 2, 2022

Board Meeting Minutes Board Members In Attendance: Dan Steinhoff (President) John Whitehouse (Treasurer) David Franco (Secretary) Dominic Cerneglio Larry Rengstorf, Kevin Quark, Brien Seeley, Tim Pettersen, Josh Hochberg. Meeting Convened 5:30 pm

Zenith Project- No progress

Motorhome- Efforts are underway to get a duplicate title to facilitate the removal of the vehicle.

New Business- Nothing of note to consider. Young Eagles- The chapter was notified that our program has earned \$175 credit from EAA sponsored items and programs. Ray Scholarship- Our application was denied.

Treasurer's Report: The coffers have remained healthy and there are no

foreseeable fiscal challenges. Hangar rents are mostly current.

Facilities- Seasonal weed treatment is scheduled in coming weeks. Roster Update- The Chapter Roster is completed and at the printer.

Meeting Concluded- 6:00 pm

EAA Chapter 124 General Meeting Minutes

March 2, 2022

Meeting Convened- 7:00

President Dan Steinhoff, called the meeting to order. He expressed our collective thanks to Sam and Andy Werback for yet another delicious corned beef and cabbage dinner extravaganza! Following those remarks, Dan had little news about the Zenith build project. The chapter is still looking for members interested in contributing money and sweat equity to the build, which is intended to form the core of a flying club.

Young Eagles- Josh Hochberg addressed the group, and gave impassioned explanation of how beneficial the Young Eagles program is to the airport community. It is his opinion that Young Eagles provides a uniquely valuable public relations opportunity, during a time when the airport management is coming under greater scrutiny. After years of heading the Young Eagles program, Josh announced that Dominic Cerneglio, will be his co-chair.

Treasurer's Report- The chapter's balance sheet is quite stable for the time being.

Facilities- Larry urges all people to reduce their speed while on the unpaved shared driveway.

Builder's Report- Wayne Cook shared some of the challenges he has had in getting his recently acquired Kitfox up and running. It appears that sediments have built up in the fuel system of his Kitfox. He attributes the phenomenon to lengthy time his project has been in under construction.

80 Anniversary of the Dolittle Raid- Andy Werback informed the group that there will be a gathering on 4/16 in Vacaville intended to commemorate the raid, as well as a gathering of Warbirds on 5/21 in Madera Ca. Andy also relayed the news that he has lodging available for Oskosh should anyone be interested.

Evening Presentation- Introduction To Gyro-copters

New member, Paul Hollingsworth shared details about his passionate interest in Gyro-copters. He is an active flyer who joined the growing numbers of Gyro-copters based out of Petaluma Municipal Airport.

His infectious enthusiasm for these fascinating oddities, will likely result in even more interest!

Meeting Adjourned- 8:15

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Chapter meetings are held on the first Wednesday of each month at 7:00 pm. FOOD (\$7 sometimes \$10) AND SOCIALIZING (free) from 6:15 to 7:00 pm. EVERYONE IS WELCOME!

Directions: The site is located on the west side of Sonoma County Airport. Take the Shiloh Road exit from Highway 101 in northern Santa Rosa. Turn left at the stop light (west) and continue to a "T" intersection. Turn left again and follow the road to the EAA sign on the left.

Members are invited to submit articles of interest. You will be notified whether or not an article will appear in the current issue.

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