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## Upcoming Meeting

March 8, 2016  
5:30 to 7:30 RUT

- ◆ 5:30 to 6  
Socializing supper
- ◆ 6 to 6:20  
Chapter Business
- ◆ 6:20 to 6:45  
Aviation slide show by member Gary Joseph
- ◆ 6:45 to 7:15  
Aviation talk ICAO flight plans
- ◆ 7:15 to 7:30  
Closing chats

## President Perspective

### From The Left Seat With CRM

Last November I was unable to make our Chapter meeting due to another obligation. You know that old saying about nominating the person out of the room to do the task? Well it is true. Within days of the meeting I missed, I was told that I had been nominated for president of EAA Chapter 968. Flattered and overwhelmed, it took awhile to accept the nomination. So much responsibility and commitment. Did I have the time? Could I do a good job? We have had chapter presidents in the past who have effectively taken on the lion's share of work to keep the organization going. It was clear that if I became president, I couldn't do the job as past presidents had. With the assurance of others, that I would not be alone in tackling the job of maintaining and growing an organization, I agreed to take it on. As the only person nominated for president, I won in a landslide.

Most of you know that it is a wise pilot in command who utilizes good cockpit resource management (CRM). I am viewing our chapter as a plane filled with talented resources. I may be in the left seat, but I am looking forward to the input of everyone in this chapter "aircraft". In our January meeting, we were able to identify ideas, activities and goals for the coming year. Each member identified where he/she could best share his/her skills. One idea resulted in this fledgling newsletter, which is not only being emailed to you,

### Have you heard?

Jetpacks are no longer a cartoon fantasy! Nelson Tyler and David Mayman made their debuted in November with a video they posted "flying" around the Statue of Liberty. Check out this link to the CNN broadcast.

<http://www.cnn.com/videos/us/2015/11/11/jetpack-statue-of-liberty-moos->

but will also be posted on our website. Another component of CRM comes from our other officers, Jim Shires (VP), Tracy Adams (Secretary) and Bob Johnson (Treasurer). The chapter and I are so fortunate to have these enthusiastic and motivated people helping out. These three have already begun to affect behind the scenes changes that we hope will be noticed as the year progresses.

It is a comfort to know that though I may be president, I am not the only pilot in the Chapter plane. In fact, I am pretty excited about our 2016 year. We are in the process of an "aircraft annual" for our chapter. Some tune-ups include an annual calendar that members will be able to refer to, chapter meetings that include social, business and educational activities each month, two trips to ATC, hopefully 3 WINGS programs, fly-in and outs, as well as our traditional activities e.g. breakfasts. We are hoping to increase our effort in the Young Eagles and perhaps try to communicate with UAS (drone) owners to enhance safety in the sky.

Though we are hoping to accomplish many things, most are little changes in which the end of the year gestalt will be significant. Of course, as you know, many hands make light work. As you read through this newsletter you will see this is true. So join us on our 2106 flight. Bring your skills, knowledge and interest to our chapter. I know I am looking forward to your participation.

-Gail

[pkg-erin.cnn.com/video/playlists/wacky-world-of-jeanne-moos/](http://pkg-erin.cnn.com/video/playlists/wacky-world-of-jeanne-moos/)

The pilot controls the Jetpack using a twist-type throttle on the right hand and cable-operated yaw vanes on the left hand. The rear portion of the frame tilts for pitch and bank control.

## Young Eagles - Jennifer Jacobs



*Young Eagle rider from  
October of 2015 rally*

*We are planning  
on holding several  
Young Eagle  
rallies at KRUT  
this year and  
hope to see many  
Young Eagle  
pilots on hand to  
help inspire the  
next generation  
of pilots!*

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questions or  
concerns.*

**WHY WE FLY YOUNG EAGLES:** Many pilots share a story of how their love for aviation began and their stories often involve an airplane ride when they were young. These experiences stay with them, eventually fueling their desire to become a pilot. This is important since there is a very real shortage of pilots looming. This is the essence and aim of the Young Eagle program. In addition to giving them an inspiration, we also hope exposing young people to aviation will encourage them to pursue careers in math and the sciences (STEM).

In 2016, our local chapter held two rallies, flying a total of 18 young people at the Southern Vermont Regional Airport (KRUT). This year we are planning on holding more rallies and already have interest. In this article, we would like to lay out the process for a typical rally and also go over the requirements for pilots who are interested in becoming Young Eagle pilots.

### How we hold Young Eagle Rallies

Holding a Young Eagle rally is always a balance between having enough pilots to fly 20-30 kids and having enough kids to keep interested pilots flying. We start asking pilots to fly 2-3 months in advance of our first rally so that we have an idea of how many pilots are interested and thus kids we can schedule. This then informs how much advertising we do to recruit Young Eagles. Rallies are held on the weekends, typically in the mornings (ie. we like to schedule 9am-12pm on a

Saturday with Sunday as the rain date). Volunteers and the coordinator arrive an hour or 2 early in order to set up the computer system and chairs. Around 8:30am, there is a pilot briefing and sign-in. Once the Young Eagles arrive, we use volunteers to assist in signing them in and then helping them get to the airplanes, as often parents or guardians like to accompany the Young Eagles to the plane for pictures and then need an escort back to the waiting area.

### How to become a Young Eagle Pilot

To become a Young Eagle pilot, you do need to be a member of the national organization. This is for insurance purposes, since all Young Eagle flights are insured by headquarters. Very recently, EAA is also requiring that all Young Eagle pilots as well as chapter coordinators and any volunteers who spend 4 or more hours/year with youth take the EAA Youth Protection Certification program. This is an online course through the national organization and includes a background check

(<https://www.eaa.org/en/eea/training/youth-protection-training>). This certification is free, good for 3 years from the date of issuance and ensures that everyone who comes into contact with kids is aware of EAA's policies. In addition, on the day of the rally, the pilot needs to sign the Young Eagle's permission form attesting that they are current, have their medical and BFR, etc. Please note that this needs to be done prior to taking the child flying.

### More than just a good feeling

Once the Young Eagle has been flown, the coordinator will send in the paperwork and in about 14 days the pilot can check the World's Largest Logbook and see their flights. Phillips 66 give Young Eagle pilots who use a Phillips 66 card for their fuel, a \$1/gallon reimbursement (<https://www.eaa.org/en/eea/aviation-education-and-resources/eea-youth-education/eea-young-eagles-program/eea-young-eagles->

[volunteers/phillips-66-aviation-rebate-for-eea-young-eagles-pilots](https://www.eaa.org/en/eea/aviation-education-and-resources/eea-youth-education/eea-young-eagles-program/eea-young-eagles-)). If a pilot is able to fly 10 Young Eagles in a calendar year, then they receive a pin and recognition in the Young Eagle literature. Also, if a chapter flies more than 50 Young Eagles, the chapter gets vouchers at the end of the year of \$5/child toward the EAA Air Academy. This can then be used either toward tuition or toward traveling expenses.

## Member Spotlight

Each month the Chapter will be featuring one of its members in the spotlight spot! Do you have a member you think should be spotlighted? Let one of the officers and we will see what fun and funny facts we can come up with to toot their horns for them! Keep your eyes out for next month's issue as we will be featuring Bob Dean. If you have something you would like to share about Bob email Tracy at [tracy.adams@capeair.com](mailto:tracy.adams@capeair.com)!



## Photo of the month



## Dinner and New Officer Installation, Feb. 13, 2016

Bitter temperatures—AWOS reporting - 22° C.—could not stop a hearty band of Green Mountain Flyers from converging on The Hangar Café Saturday night for the new officer installation and warm farewell dinner to outgoing president David Sternberg. The dining hall, overlooking frozen KRUT with its new runway lights, was filled with happy pilots and their guests. Members enjoyed the yummy mac and cheese, fancy shmancy tomato, mozzarella, and basil things, and cookies and candies.

The group stood in thanks to David Sternberg for his great leadership since 2012, immortalized in a handsome EAA Service Award plaque. And then the mantle passed to our new president Gail Isenberg. Gail thanked David for working hard to re-organize the club and inject it with new enthusiasm. She pledged to carry on David's energetic leadership and keep GMF growing. Gail will be joined by a newly elected cabinet: Vice-president Jim Shires, Secretary Tracy Adams, and Treasurer Bob Johnson.

## Committee Updates

At the January meeting the group brainstormed different sub committees that would be helpful to have many a great things going on within the group at one time.

The following are the sub committees and the members on those committees. If you are interested in joining a committee feel free to email Tracy at [tracy.adams@capeair.com](mailto:tracy.adams@capeair.com) and she will put you in touch with the members of the committee in which you are interested.

### Education

Gail Isenberg David Sternburg

### Community Outreach

Bob Dean Steve DeClue  
 Jim Shires Jen Jacobs  
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 Kevin Gecha

### Aviation Activities

Jim Shires Jen Jacobs  
 Chuck Pace Steve Saltis

### Chapter Maintenance

Jim Shires Mark Jacobs  
 Tracy Adams Bob Johnson  
 Kevin Gecha

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Gary





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to the next meeting.

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on the web at

## What's happening around Vermont?

### February 21st Pancake Breakfast

EAA Chapter 613 invites everyone to join us at our monthly pancake breakfast. Pancakes, sausage, scram-bled eggs, coffee and juice.... All you can eat for \$7.00 per person!

**When** - Sunday, February 21st, from 9:00 to 11:00 AM

**Where** - The Taylor Aviation Center, Franklin County Airport (KFSO), Highgate, VT



## What's happening around the nation?

### Check out this webinar offered by the national EAA

#### When Prop Balancing Isn't Enough: Troubleshooting Complex Vibrations

Wed, Feb 24, 2016 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM CST

Presenter: Matthew Dock

Most aircraft vibrations are resolved by dynamically balancing the prop. Some, however, are more complex and don't go away even with a perfectly balanced prop. Matthew Dock, co-founder of RPX Technologies, will discuss the symptoms of vibration problems, the damage it can cause, and how to pinpoint and resolve them using vibration analysis. Qualifies for FAA AMT credit.

## Link to Aviation

### Young Eagles Logbook Link

[https://www.eaa.org/en/eea/aviation-education-and-resources/eea-youth-education/eea-young-eagles-program/~/\\_link.aspx?\\_id=FED2D7AA67C348B9A41D093CB3C3D879&\\_z=z](https://www.eaa.org/en/eea/aviation-education-and-resources/eea-youth-education/eea-young-eagles-program/~/_link.aspx?_id=FED2D7AA67C348B9A41D093CB3C3D879&_z=z)

Recognize any of these names? Hop on the link to see who has flown the most flights!

Pilots			
Robert Dean	Daniel Sachar	Robert Johnson	Kevin Green
Peter Fisk	David Sternberg	Edward LaFramboise	Lee Morelli

### FAA Newsletter

As a part of both our newsletter and website, we are hoping to pass along resources from outside Rutland. The FAA Safety Briefing newsletter website is not only free, but has really interesting articles about aviation. I have been receiving these newsletters for awhile now, but only recently read one. I am embarrassed to say that I was pleasantly surprised at the interesting and informative information provided. Two topics that caught my eye had to do with 1) UAS (Unmanned aircraft systems) or more specifically, Drones, and 2) The transition from the FAA flight plan to the International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO) flight plan. Both of these will be discussed in the next few monthly Chapter meetings.

If you haven't checked out this free online resource, try it out. Those of you who like it can subscribe and receive the bi-monthly editions.

The link to the online edition is: [http://www.faa.gov/news/safety\\_briefing/](http://www.faa.gov/news/safety_briefing/). Also, be sure to follow us on Twitter - @FAASafetyBrief