



EAA CHAPTER 66

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Fort Myers, FL



Presidents Message

Hi All,

We have a few things to discuss at our upcoming meeting. We are putting some finishing touches up on an amazing new website. Where you can pay dues, sign up for events, research newsletters and everything we wanted, all rolled into one. Finally, one website!!!!

What does the group think about renting a hangar space if it's available instead of building? The concern is not only are we way behind schedule, but we have no one to work the project. On top of that, the property may revert back to the airport in 10 years. We could rent for that amount of time without the hurdles we're now facing. Food for thought.

Finally, we need someone to step up for this newsletter. My time is limited and the newsletters are numbered. This can be done from anywhere. Please consider helping out YOUR chapter.

Fly Safe,

Charley Valera

In The News:



Our first Young Eagles event went as planned. A beautiful day. Special thanks to pilots Rich Zeidman, Tom Kracmer (and his EAA-Award winning RV), Len DeNardo and Anthony Greco.



This Month's Chapter Meeting!

This month's meeting will be a business meeting. We have a few things to discuss and the food is always good.

However, we should have some time for a laugh watching a Rod Machado video.

Every year at AirVenture, Rod Machado packs in the crowd unlike anyone else.

Meeting starts at 7:30, cookout starts at 6:30 pm.

You can RSVP at <https://www.meetup.com/Chapter-66>

Don't forget, we now have our very own merchandise store at <https://chapter66.qbstores.com>



Chapter Pot Luck Farewell Gathering

As many of our members fly off to cooler climates, we once again had a farewell-for-now party. We look forward to their return in the fall. However, we hope they continue helping out the chapter while they are away from us as many usually do. Thank you.



MEMBERSHIP REPORT

Our chapter is growing, 20 new members since last October. All have extensive talents and many have already become active for the Chapter. Seek them out and welcome them.

It appears that only about 15 regular members have paid their 2019 dues. If you have not paid, please mail your \$25 check to EAA 66 PO Box 60204, Ft Myers, Fl 33903. I will be contacting unpaid members soon.

If you do not have a name tag, call Fred's Awards at 3512 Palm Beach Blvd (Theresa) at 332-0363 to order yours. There are the chapter tan short sleeve shirts available for \$1. Graphics By Fran will put your name and the 66 logo on it for a nominal fee(closer than Fred's). there is a Large size hanging in the chapter house. See Ruthanne while I am North.

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GATE CODE CHANGE

We have been informed there's a new gate codes for all the gates. You should have received an email from our Membership Chair John Coleman with the new code. All paid EAA Chapter members should check their emails. If you're a paid member and have not received the code, please check with John or Base Ops. If your dues has not been paid, good time to fill out this form or send in your \$25 dues check.



EAA CHAPTER 66 APPLICATION

Please give Application to Treasurer or a Board Member. Checks payable to "EAA Chapter 66"
Chapter Yearly Dues \$25.00, Renewed Beginning of Year

Date of Application _____	Official Use Only	Treasurer's Initials _____
Date Paid _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Joined in Jan. 1 to June 30 = \$25.00	
Cash (circle) Ck# _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Joined in July 1 to Sept. 30 = \$15.00	
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National EAA # _____ Expiration date _____
We strongly suggest for you to join National EAA to get all of its benefits. Ask for an application.

Male Applicants First Name _____ Mi _____
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Local Address Street _____ Apt. _____

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Please notify Newsletter Editor of change of address & e-mail so you can get your newsletter

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These numbers will not be listed and only used by members for official business

Airman Ratings _____ Current Y ___ N ___

Repairman Ratings _____ Current Y ___ N ___

Present Aircraft Owned or Building _____

Aviation or EAA Experience _____
i.e. Builder, Sport, Warbird, Antique, Aerobatic, Military, Instructor, Advisor, etc.

Do you have any subjects you could give a program on? Y ___ N ___

What? _____

Would you like to participate on a committee or the board in the future? Y ___ N ___ Maybe ___

Occupation or experience _____
The chapter may need your expertise at some point. **Retired is not an answer.**

We can always use your help somewhere. If you see somewhere you could help i.e. Monthly breakfast, Young Eagles, dinners, or you have an idea for a new position we could use, just jump in. Your input or help will be appreciated.

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YOUNG EAGLES UPDATE

One of the main reasons to join an EAA Chapter is introducing people to the wonders of flight. Chapter 66 has been around since 1967 and doing a great job.

Our Young Eagles program for May 19th was held at the base Ops Building. It was a pleasure and honor to use their fantastic base Ops. We stepped it up a few notches, it's a very professional first class atmosphere.

We had four planes flying and flew 11 youngsters. The event was very organized and safe. We had plenty of room to navigate and talk aviation.

Pepper Rhodes once again helped with some ground school/pre flying before the actual flights.

The parents were very interested in their children learning to fly. We need to help follow up with them. If you'd be interested in a mentorship/followup, please reach out to me. These kids were so excited and soaking up the experience, it would be a shame not to offer them written details on scholarships, mentoring, EAA and AOPA.

Future dates previously discussed were September 8, December 8 and March 8. Sticking with the chapters usual Sunday's spots. Some discussion was made we should set the time an hour earlier. 0800. Makes sense as it's starting to warm up and get bumpy.

Thank you to the pilots, airport management and our Young Eagles Chairs, Cheri Short and Candy Rhodes for all they all do to make this a safe and successful experience.

The pilots were briefed the morning of the flight. Based on current TFR's, route and time of flights and any other bits of information we needed to discuss before flying someones child.

Candy was as relaxed as I've seen her. She repeatedly said she loved it. She also knew how many pilots would be flying in advance, thank you pilots. Please email them directly (contact information below) so we can add you to the pilot list. Please feel free to join us as a helper, or as a member, this is your event too.

Builders Night Update

Some Young Eagles May show up to help and learn during Builders Nights. There will be a sign up sheet available for them to sign their names. They can earn credit to fly additional Young Eagles by attending and helping. Please show them where to sign up.



Our breakfast crew served 90 meals in May. Nice job guys.

Enormous “Thank You” to the setup, cooking and cleaning crews!



You enjoying this short newsletter?

We need your help. Newsletter Editor Wanted!

Here’s an important position for a chapter member. This is entirely done online. Email charleyvalera@me.com for details.





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Regular Meetings Schedule
Next Breakfast
Sunday June 2nd, 2019 8:00 to 10:00 AM
Chapter Building
General Meeting 3rd Tuesday of the month
May 21st @ 7:30 Food served 6:30 until 7:00
PM

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