



BASE OPS/FBO

## OCTOBER NEWSLETTER

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FORT MYERS, FLORIDA



### THIS MONTH

It's the time of year the snowbirds are returning to warm sunny Florida. Glad to see everyone again and safe travels to those on the way.

After 20 plus years of planning, and working towards a hanger for Chapter 66, it is finally happening. The concrete is done, firewall is up, and the building is taking shape. All should be done in next two weeks. To celebrate this historic event we are planning a party. On Saturday November 15 the chapters board of directors and officers are throwing a grand opening gala. The evening will start with a cocktail social hour in the chapter house. We will then move outside for a Champaign toast and blessing the building, followed by a ribbon cutting and a reveal and presentation of the hanger to the members.

**Next Breakfast + Young Eagles**  
11/2/25 8:00-10:00am  
11/1/25. setup/cleanup 9am

**Hangar Celebration Party**  
11/15/25

A catered dinner will follow in the new hanger. Afterward we will have a couple speakers and some entertainment to finish the evening. Please dress up and help us have a classy party celebrating a long awaited completion of the hanger. We will require rsvp so we can get good numbers to the caterers. We will also have to limit attendees to 160 as that is the occupancy of the building. Get your reservations in early after we send out invitations soon.

***Your President, JEFF***



## FACT OF THE MONTH

Continuing from last month's news, the Jetson ONE personal eVTOL (electric vertical takeoff and landing aircraft) is now partaking in its own Air Games! A new Aerial Showcase including racing.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ysE8FMhAPH0&t=3s>

It's amazing and humbling to be part of an effort 20 plus years in the making. Our hangar project will be completed soon and I can't help but to reflect on all of the past boards and chapter members who dedicated their time and effort to see this project to completion. Some have worked up front and personal but many more have worked, donated and sacrificed in silent hoping to see the day that this project would become a reality. My heaviest thoughts are with those have "flown west" who days on this earth were not sufficient to see the day that their sacrifices and efforts finally payed off... Even though we will soon gather as one big family to celebrate this amazing achievement, deep in my heart a hold a somber moment of silence that is dedicated to All who served to make this hanger possible. With that same passion, I feel the joy of looking forward to what seems to be a limitless opportunity to help the next generation of experimental airplane builders and future pilots! There are some many details and stories that this hangar holds...some are known and some will never be known but, I personally dedicate this hangar to the great resilience of Chapter 66 and all who had a part in making this hanger"dream" a reality. And I pray that we all remember the sacrifices we all have made and never take this hangar for granted. I pray for a bright future and to making amazing new memories! Many blessings and clear skies to all. **JIMMY**

## MONTHLY DATE'S THAT DON'T CHANGE:

		<i>Set up the prior Saturday at 09:00</i>
<b>Breakfast:</b>	08:00	<b>First Sunday of every month</b>
<b>Builders Night:</b>	19:00	<b>Every Thursday.</b>
<b>Members Meeting:</b>	19:30	<b>Every 3rd Tuesday (cook out at 18:30)</b>
<b>Officers Meeting:</b>	18:00	<b>Wednesday before members meeting</b>

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