

# EAA 292

INDEPENDENCE

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## May 2022

### Our next Meeting will be on May 14th at 10AM

Membership to EAA292 is \$35 per year, due January 1st  
Online registration is available through [www.eaa292.org](http://www.eaa292.org) or mail check to:  
EAA Chapter 292, 4803 Airport Rd. Independence, Oregon, 97351

### President's Message

#### EAA 292 Brings Home the Gold Again!



It's always a great day when I receive the letter from EAA National telling us that we've (again) been awarded the prestigious EAA Chapters GOLD



award. Not only did we achieve the GOLD status, we also earned a "perfect score" as well. As many of you know, this has been a personal goal of mine that I've enjoyed sharing with the Executive Chapter Board. We were awarded Gold in 2019, and with COVID affecting all the Chapters across the Country, EAA National made the decision to combine 2020 with 2021.

Here is the letter I received, and I'll make a few more comments later in my Message:

Dear Chapter President,

*Congratulations to your chapter in successfully reaching the GOLD level status recognition level for the combined 2020 and 2021 years. EAA is happy to present you with a chapter recognition banner to proudly display where your chapter meets. Your level also will be displayed online at [EAA.org/FindAChapter](http://EAA.org/FindAChapter) with a specially designed emblem. You are encouraged to use your emblem on your website, newsletter, and other promotional materials; your chapter emblem is attached in this email.*

*This program was developed and measured in partnership with EAA's Chapter Advisory Council and is based on 10 criteria that are consistently found in active and highly engaged chapters. Due to 2020 and 2021 being, challenging years for chapters to maintain a high level of engagement, these years have been combined into a single recognition period. This was done to help chapters have a longer period of time to engage in the 10 criteria. An additional 11th criteria point was included this year to help offset the unique challenges associated with limited social engagement, and to observe unique chapter*

approved activities. Each is worth a point, and there are three levels of recognition: bronze (7 out of 11), silver (8 out of 11), and gold (at least 9 out of 11).

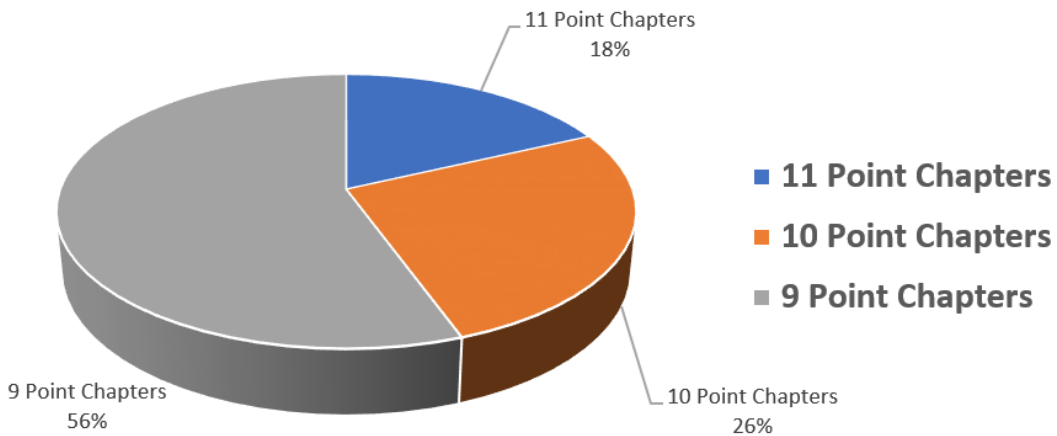
**Criteria**

**Chapter 292 Perfect Score**

- 1. Attends a chapter leadership training session ✓
- 2. Growing or steady membership ✓
- 3. Offers IMC or VMC Club programs ✓
- 4. Participates in Young Eagle or Flying Start programs ✓
- 5. Has EAA-approved Flight Advisor or Technical Counselor ✓
- 6. Participates in EAA's Annual Chapter Member survey ✓
- 7. Participates in Young Eagles Build and Fly, Young Eagles Workshops, Ray Aviation Scholarship program, or sends a youth to EAA's Air Academy ✓
- 8. Requests an EAA ChapterBlast email ✓
- 9. Hosts at least two public events each year ✓
- 10. Owns/leases a facility ✓
- 11. Extra credit activity, such as a chapter build project, youth build project, chapter scholarship, a chapter tool crib, IAC competition, etc. ✓

Here are a few additional comments. There were **897 Chapters** evaluated in 2020-2021. Only 72 Chapters (8%) earned Gold Status. However, Chapters with either 9, 10 or 11 points were considered Gold (10 points was actually considered a perfect score). From all the Gold Chapters, over half of them only scored 9 points!

**Gold Chapter Breakdown**



There were only 13 Chapters, **including EAA 292**, of the 897 Chaptered evaluated, that scored 11 points. That is approximately 1.2%. In my humble way of rounding, **EAA 292 is again in the Top 1% of all existing EAA Chapters! Congratulations and thanks to all the Chapter members who volunteered and made this possible!**

### Simulator Purchase Update

There has been a lot of information presented and many informal discussions about the potential purchase of a Redbird FMX Full-Motion simulator for the Chapter. Thanks to all the members who submitted responses to the survey several weeks ago. We will be sending out the summary of that survey along with a Board proposal to purchase the simulator probably later this week. Review the proposal along with the members data, and then please response with a Yes or No e-mail vote for what you think will be in the best interest of the Chapter.



### Volunteers Still Needed!

I'm reposting this list of upcoming events because we still need volunteers across the board.

#### Upcoming Events:

- April 23 -24      Teen Aviation Weekend*
- May 14<sup>th</sup>        May Chapter Meeting*
- June 10<sup>th</sup>        Young Eagles Prep Day*
- June 11<sup>th</sup>        Young Eagles*
- June 16-17      Fly-In/STOL Expo Prep Days*
- June 18          EAA 292 Fly-In*
- June 19          EAA 292 STOL Wars Expo*
- June 20<sup>th</sup>        Fly-In/STOL Expo Clean-Up Day*
- July 9<sup>th</sup>          July Chapter Meeting (Light Flight)*
- July 25-31        AirVenture, Oshkosh, Wisconsin*



For these to be successful, we need help! We'll be discussing these again at the May meeting and making sure that you know who to contact. **We have a great Chapter with lots of things happening, but we can't do it without more help from all our members.**

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Hopefully everyone will be able to get some flying in as the Winter weather begins to shift to Spring. Please be carefully as you shake off those Winter cobwebs!

Blue Skies,  
Mike Kelley  
President 292

## Meeting Minutes

### Board Meeting 4/8/22

- On the call were Mike Kelley, Brendan, Dennis Fuhrman, Steve Sands, Jason Pryce, Rich Paulsen, David Ullman, Jerry Pryce, Andy Duncan, Tim Isaac, Vince Homer, Rich Harrison, Kristen Taylor, John Roberts, Paul Orsini, Chuck West
- Mike opened the meeting at 1PM
- Mike went over the General meeting topics for tomorrow.
- Dave says he can do a future presentation on Electric Planes.
- Sec report – Sending a list of current Student members to Al and Dave
  - 15 remaining unpaid from last year.
- Treasure Report
- Dave – Youth Aviation
  - Teen Aviation in 2 weeks, currently have about 15 students, would like to have 20 – 22.
  - Marsha is unable to assist due to the recent passing of her husband.
  - RV12 moving along, tail is installed. The next 3 weeks will not be able to work. Waiting on the avionics and other items on back-order. Al talked about the tool box that was donated by Bonnie
  - Kristin talked about the flying she is doing to get ready for first solo
- Facilities – Andy talked about the renter insurance. Only one builder has insurance. Andy checked with EAA and if a builder causes damage, the EAA insurance does not cover that.
  - Dave made a motion that we will only require liability insurance from builders, hull insurance would be optional. Ernie seconded. Motion passed with a voice vote.
- Ernie – Aerolight 103 will continue to be advertised for sale.
- Lancair is still waiting for delivery of cylinders. Progress still being made on the Wednesday Nights
- Ernie talked about the Gypsy project that may be targeted as the next kid's project.
- Redbird Simulator –
  - Mike talked about the proposal that had came out of the last meeting.
  - Jerry talked about the simulator and played a video on the simulator operation. He also discussed the member survey that was done on the sim.
  - Jerry showed drawings of what the simulator space could look like in the South hangar.
  - Discussion on different ideas on building the room in the north or south hangars.
  - Vince homer proposed that we build a full 16X32 proposed in the south hangar. Rich seconded.
  - Motion passed with one no vote. This will now go to the membership for a vote.
- Dave – Leadership Workshop
  - Dave said that with his full time being devoted to the TAW, he can't continue working on the Leadership workshop for May. This will be postponed and may change.
- Fly-In – Tee shirts are getting ordered, everything seems to be coming together. Mike suggested that we get ODA to hold their Flower Bombing contest of Friday before the EAA fly-in.
  - I brought up about the need for stanchions for crowd control. Al brought up the need for a printer to make signs.
- Mike talked about some ideas he got from attending a chapter meeting in Florida.
- Mike closed the meeting at 2:55

## Membership meeting 4/9/22

- Jerry opened the meeting at 10:00
- Jerry introduced visitors
  - John Stanislaw from Sheridan has an Aviation Safety company
  - Beth and Andrew
  - Roger Fitts - new member
- Jerry introduced Joe Mollahan and Curt Cowley from the FAA FISDO office.
  - Joe talked about his past experiences flying to 7S5.
  - Joe introduced several members and awarded them the Wright Brothers Master Pilot award
  - Jake Thieson soloed 11.26.70. Jake talked about flying to the norther shore of Canada on the Arctic Ocean.
  - Chuck West 9/15/1970 Discussed his involvement with FAA avici
  - Gary Evens 7/26/1967 Talked about his time flying in Alaska
  - David Heusser - 8/7/1966 Also talked about Alaska and the aircraft he owned to fly a growing family
  - Kip Hansen 4/1/1965
- Joe then presented the awards to these 5 chapter members
- Jerry announced that we once again won the EAA Gold Chapter Status award.
- Jerry talked about Zell Giles who just recently passed.
- John did the Treasure and membership reports.
- Vince - facilities.
  - I have a lady that comes to clean, but please help out
- Dave - Youth
  - TAW in 2 weeks. Coming together. Currently have 17 students, like to have 20 - 22.
  - Young Eagles is on June 11. A sign-up sheet was distributed for those that would like to fly or help out.
  - Kristin reported on the RV-12. Tail and wings on. Waiting on avionics.
  - Ray Scholarship committee will be conducting interviews soon to award.
- Succession meeting on hold. Dave does not have the bandwidth at this time to put it together, requesting help on this.
- Fly-In update – scheduled for Father’s Day weekend, June 18<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup>.
- Jerry introduced Ken from the Independence State Airport Support Group.
  - Ken talked about the fencing project and future projects around the airport. Also possibly buying the property on the west side of the airport, but that property might be already sold.
  - There is talk that ODA might want to give the airport to the city or county. A straw pole was taken and most folks at the meeting felt that would not be a good idea.
  - Zoom meeting next Thursday morning.
  - ISAS meeting to be held on Monday 4/11
- Builder reports
  - RV-9A progressing along
  - Barnaby talked about his latest project.
- Break
- Jerry again asked for help with Young Eagles. The sign-up sheet was passed around again, and more people sign up to help
- Jerry brought up Chuck West to talk about the Redbird FMX simulator.

- Jerry gave a description on the simulator and its capabilities.
- Chuck played a video of the simulator in use and much discussion was held the motion to purchase and set up the simulator on the South Hangar.
- Jerry and Mike will be working on getting a vote of the members completed soon.
- Jerry ended the meeting at Noon
- We had 61 folks in attendance.

### EAA Chapter 292 Board Members

- President – Mike Kelley
- Vice President- Jerry Pryce
- Secretary - Rich Harrison
- Treasurer - John Roberts

Members of the board can be contacted through the Chapter email at [ea292@gmail.com](mailto:ea292@gmail.com)

## Builder Reports

The spies are at it again. A picture snapped at a secret workshop somewhere on the airport...



Dave Smith and Jim Oveross are reported to be building **two** very high performance SuperCubs (again?). Or maybe these are really floats for the Independence Day Parade?

## Youth

This Saturday and Sunday is the **Teen Aviation Weekend**. We have 25 teens attending and a waitlist of 20+ more who would like to attend. When we debrief this weekend's offering we will decide when to offer the next event. There are plenty of 13-19 year-olds who want to learn about aviation. They are our future.

Over 30 of our members are participating in the event. If you are not one of them, feel free to briefly walk through to see what is happening. We have plenty of volunteers already assigned jobs but do want to share the event with you. But, please make your visit brief as space is limited and we have things well orchestrated.

Dave Ullman

## New Aerolite 103 50hp For Sale

Beautiful, Brand-New AEROLITE 103. TTAF&E 0 hours.

Hirth F23 50ph. Broken in per Manufacturer for 5 hrs. Warp Drive 3 bladed prop.

Sail Upgrade, 6" Wheel Pants, Gear Leg Fairings, Strut Fairings. 10-Gal Tank upgrade, Grande Rapids EIS Digital Instrument Package, Microair 760 Radio.

Registered as Experimental Amateur Built. May be flown by a Light Sport Pilot.

Airworthiness Certificate January 2022. Price: \$21,995. Reasonable offers will be considered. Located at 755, Independence, Oregon  
Contact: Denny Fuhrman, 503 348 2294,  
[dfuhrman817@gmail.com](mailto:dfuhrman817@gmail.com)



## Affordaplane For Sale

My Affordaplane project is for sale. It is un registered at this time, take it apart and rebuild or modify it to make it your own. I have to many projects so sadly this one must go.

- New Hirth F-23 with ground adjustable 3 blade Kiev Prop.
- New Grand Rapids EIS
- Black Max disk brakes with oversize tires.
- Center stick with pushrod controls to the ailerons.
- Carbon Fiber Ailerons
- Altimeter, Airspeed, and turn and bank indicators
- Never flown, taxied about a bit.
- Way less than what I have in it, located near Sublimity, OR
- \$11,500



Scott Sword  
503-949-4209

## Grants Pass Hangar Sale

I received this flyer and thought this might be of interest to some of our members....



### AIRCRAFT PARTS / AVIONICS / INSTRUMENTS / TOOLS

*Calling all pilots!* Come to the 2nd Annual Grants Pass Airport Hangar Sale!

Look for the colored traffic cones on participating hangars, including some participating commercial businesses.

You never know what treasure or useful part you will find!

**20 Cent Fuel Discount for Fly-In Visitors!!** Offered by Pacific Aviation NW and JOCO Airports. Just mention to the ramp crew that you are there for the sale.



***Not open to the general public, aviation community only please.***

Anyone open for a Fly-Out?