



Heartland EAA Chapter 1240

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NEWS AND EVENTS FOR JANUARY, 2021

TWO STEPS FORWARD....ONE STEP BACK: Our Chapter is working hard to focus on safely reopening our activities, and we have made several good strides in that direction. However, the Board of Directors has reviewed the current situation with Covid-19. There are indications that the number of cases is rising locally, and still concern as to potential spike in cases following the holidays. Also, while the two vaccines are ready, we still have not seen a lot of local availability. In that light, we have decided not to have a Chapter Meeting in January, to reduce the possibility of spreading the virus.

We have planned our next Chapter Meeting on Thursday, February 11, 6:00pm, at the Aviation Development Center.

We thank you for your patience, and for your continued support! We welcome your comments and any questions or suggestions.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

-CHAPTER MEETING: Thursday, February 11, 6:00pm, EAA #1240 Aviation Development Center: We will review our current status and present our plans for more chapter activities.

We will schedule a program or guest speaker for the meeting.

Bottled water will be available; we will be seated in a distanced manner, in the same manner as our high school students.

-EAA #1240 FLY-IN: We thank our members and visitors for joining us on December 10. The weather didn't cooperate enough for fly-in visitors from other chapters, but we welcomed several first-time visitors to our facility. We will plan another fly-in for the coming months.

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-“ASTRONAUT’S AIRCAM”: The January, 2021 issue of AOPA Pilot magazine has an eight-page feature story and pictures of the building of Story Musgrave’s AirCam by our youth program. Incredible pictures of the aircraft in its building stages and in Story’s training flights are included. You can view this on the APOA.org website. We thank the publishers of this magazine for sharing this achievement with their members.

-NEW MEMBERS: We welcome new EAA #1240 members:

-Charles Dye, Lake Placid. Charles is already busy helping with the high school aviation program.

-Floyd Adams, Sebring, FL. Floyd is currently refurbishing a Citabria 7ECA.

-THANKS FOR DONATIONS TO EAA #1240: We wish to thank the following for generous gifts to our Chapter:

-Dr. Kevin Strathy donated many large format aviation books for our library.

-Member Peter Goss donated pilot supplies and flight planning manuals to our high school program.

-Member Paul Bihm donated a power riveter and a dimpling fixture to the aircraft build team.

-2021 ANNUAL DUES: Dues for 2021 are now due and can be paid at any time. Dues are \$25 per year for an individual or \$30 for a family. Make your check to “EAA Chapter 1240”, and mail to the address above, or see one of the chapter officers at our events.

Many thanks to several members who have recently paid their 2021 membership dues. Our members are the main ingredient in a successful chapter. **Especially at this time, we need your support for keeping the chapter running and being one of the most highly recognized chapters in the country.**

-DID YOU KNOW?: EAA #1240 has a great library of aviation related books, DVDs, CDs and other items up the stairway in the hangar. These items can be checked out by simply signing them out. We ask that they be returned when you are finished.

-PILOT TIP: Pilotworkshops.com is an interesting online resource. Last month, they published a Pilot Tip of the Week, by Richard McSpadden. Check out this online article at:

pilotworkshops.com/tips/three-strikes-rule/

-LOOKING FOR IDEAS...: You may have noticed the wooden aircraft frame and wing in our hangar. It was donated to the Chapter. We are looking for ideas as to how to complete the second wing, and what to do with the aircraft when it is back together. Contact us with your ideas!

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-MEMBER OPPORTUNITY: The Chapter is looking for someone who would like to get involved with promoting the Chapter and its activities using social media. Currently we have a website that needs attention and upgrading, and a Facebook page that could use more activity. If something like this appeals to you, contact us!

-FOUND: We have found a suede leather flight jacket that was left inside the hangar. Contact Dale for identification and return.

.....AND REMEMBER: *“The strength of the turbulence is directly proportional to the temperature of your coffee.”*

-IDEAS, SUGGESTIONS, SUBMISSIONS: We will always welcome ideas, suggestions and submissions from our members for the monthly newsletter. The more, the better. Just let us know what you would like to see.

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