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From the Left Seat With President Ray Ballantyne

Hello all you aviation enthusiasts!

It's been a great flying month for us.

Lisa and I met up with our son Dan at Moose Creek Idaho for three days and nights in the wilderness. Then we crossed the Idaho mountains to Big Creek for a night in the lodge. The next day we flew down the Sawtooth Mountains to Smiley Creek where we joined around 30 Glastar/Sportsman airplanes and about 60 people for several days of local flying and a fun get together.

The Building Committee has been working with the Port of Port Angeles and the Sequim Valley Airport board and are evaluating our lease opportunities. Things are still moving along, and Ernie Hansen just sold Rick Vaux's Dream Classic for \$4,000 which makes Rick's donation to the building fund at \$14,000! Thanks so much, Rick

We just got back from the Arlington Hometown Fly-in where we met up with several chapter members. There are several more exciting opportunities coming up in the near future. Of course, AirVenture at Oshkosh will be held between July 21 and the 27th. Lisa and I will not be attending this year. Our July flyout will be to Concrete for their Old Fashioned Fly-in. Some members are already planning to spend the night. August 9th will be Diamond Point Airport Appreciation Day, Unity of Effort Day, and EAA 430 will join three other local chapters at an Aviation Swap Meet at Bremerton Airport. So, if you would like to gather up all the aviation stuff you would like to sell, plan to bring it to Bremerton (or find someone to take them).

And finally, get ready for the big poker run that's coming in August and September! There will be big prizes and an exciting poker game at the Gathering in September.

May your days be filled with CAVU,

Ray



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Please

Mark your calendars
 For the summer's
 Young Eagle Events
Aug 23 and Sept 20
PILOTS NEEDED

BOD Meeting

July 18 Mariners Cafe 0900

AirVenture KOSH July 21-27

Next Gathering

July 26 Hangar 15 W28

Diamond Point Airport Day

& Unity of Effort

Aug 9

VMC/IMC

Aug 13

Mariners Cafe 1900

BOD Meeting

Aug 22 Mariners Cafe 0900

YE Rally at W28

1100

Air Affaire W28

Aug 30

This Smile Says It All

Nathan's Excellent Adventure

Nathan was sponsored at the National EAA Air Academy by EAA430 where he celebrated his 14th birthday.



Hi folks,

Nathan finished his Air Academy camp last week, then my mom picked him up and they flew to her home in Rhode Island, where he's now enjoying the hot New England weather by body surfing in the ocean, swimming in pools, and sailing in Narragansett Bay...

Today we received an email from the Air Academy Coordinator, with some pics of the Explore 2 campers doing their activities last week... I thought I'd share a few that had Nathan in them... thanks again for sponsoring him for this incredible experience!

-Norm.



We Struck Gold!!

Hello from EAA HQ,

Congratulations to your chapter in successfully reaching the gold level status recognition level for the year 2024.

EAA is happy to present you with your chapter recognition banner to proudly display where your chapter meets.



More “gold” for the Building Fund
Dream Classic is sold and on the move





Concrete Fly-In

Old Fashioned Fly-In, every July in Concrete, WA

The Concrete Old Fashioned Fly-In is a popular event for vintage, classic, and antique airplane enthusiasts and their families and friends. Founded in 1982, this annual event takes place among some of the most outstanding scenery in the Pacific Northwest. The Mears Field Airport is nestled in the foothills of the North Cascade mountain range in Washington state.

Attendees will not only get to enjoy the activities at the airport (food, live music, and more), but you'll also be treated to sightseeing around the local area and visits to our historic Town Center. Free, guided tours will depart by bus from the Pilots Lounge throughout the event. The Concrete Old Fashioned Fly-In draws visitors driving the Cascade Loop and visiting the North Cascades National Park.

This event receives funding from Skagit County • www.visitskagitvalley.com

The Concrete Fly-in July 19, 2025

Another Score for an EAA 430 Member

Friends,

Thought you would like to know that Deanna, my Wife and fellow EAA 430 member, got across the finish line last night here at Felts Field after a grueling race from Fairhope, AL. She masterfully flew the only taildragger in the entire all-woman race of 50 crews across the US! It was very grueling, Deanna completed it in 2 days out of the allocated time of 4 days!! While sick! And if sick wasn't enough, the turbulence, heat and bad weather at the start of hurricane season flying across the states was hell for her. I am so very proud of our little EAA 430 member, my Wife, crushed it!

Wondering if she is the first ever from our chapter to compete in this historic, prestigious race?

Join me in congratulating her, I am so, so very proud!!

Deanna's email: otmdbender@gmail.com

Many Thanks,
Carl Hicks
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For more info, see
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EAA Chapter 430 Membership Gathering Minutes

Date: June 28, 2025

- Chapter Vice President Rick Vaux called the Membership Gathering to order at 1000, hangar #15 at Sequim Valley Airport.
- Rick led The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag with 33 members and 2 guests attending.
- May Gathering Minutes were approved as written.
- Correspondence - Nathan Nelson arrived at EAA Air Academy in Oshkosh.
- Welcome Guests

Reports

- Treasury: Tracy Halsted - (Rick) Our financial picture reflects funds of approximately \$5400 for scholarship, \$2300 operating and just over \$200,000 in our building fund.
- Membership: Tracy Halsted - Paid membership now stands at 109, including brand new member *Al Miller*, attending for the first time today. A printed copy of the roster is at the sign-in desk. Please check your roster listing(s) for correct information and photo(s) you're happy with. Please work together with Tracy if changes are needed.
- Build and Fly: Richard Howell - Richard admitted continued foot-dragging on coming up with a new 2025 program. He promises to send out an email to a list of those who've expressed interest at our Young Eagles events and independent inquiries. The email will propose 2 or 3 ideas for focused events and then react based on feedback.
- Young Eagles: Bud Davies - Bud discussed the possibility of using a "private sign-up link" on the EAA registration site that will hopefully allow us to focus outreach and response to and for our local community rather than all of Seattle and surrounding areas. We'll distribute advertising cards with a QR code that will take you right to the registration page for our event.
 - EAA 430 flew 62 kids for our June event. Many thanks to the 11 pilots, including 4 from EAA Chapter 84, who volunteered their time and aircraft to make it happen!
- Fly-out: Barry Halsted - June's destination was Gig Harbor, Tacoma Narrows (KTIW) with 12 planes and 18 people attending. We apparently triggered a parking conundrum for a local FBO as they tried to ward us away from using their secret, unmarked parking ramp area. (Ask them how that went) Lunch was at the Hub and a fun time was had by all.
 - Poker Run Fundraiser - August and September. Get WPA stamps from any 5 of the listed airports to be eligible. Entry forms with the airport list will be made available. Entry fee. Prize donations. Stay tuned for more.
 - Our informal July flyout will be to Mears Field (3W5), Concrete, WA on Saturday the 19th, corresponding to their annual [Old Fashioned Fly-In](https://concrete-wa.com/events/concrete-fly-in/) weekend - <https://concrete-wa.com/events/concrete-fly-in/>
- Scholarship: Dave Miller - Dave presented Jazmin Stamper with her official letter from EAA, awarding her 2025 EAA Ray Foundation Aviation Scholarship.

EAA Chapter 430 Membership Gathering Minutes, Con't

Old Business

- Building Committee - (Barry Halsted)
 - The condo hangars are no longer on the table.
 - A new building is a possibility at Port Angeles airport, inquiries are underway about what land lease situation could/would be. A number of positive items factor in - available electric, water and sewer service. The airport has anticipated and planned for buildings outside the perimeter fence, adjacent to Gate 15, but still having direct ramp access. This might neatly solve access issues that would likely be somewhat challenging for other locations we've considered, including Sequim Valley Airport.
 - Sequim Valley Airport board has halted lease discussions, at least for the time being. Our board expects to reach out to the SVA board and attempt to revive negotiations. There are some hopeful signs.

New Business

- Charlene Tracy gave a shout out to Joan Miller, Richard Howell and other volunteers who helped with today's food and refreshments.
- Diamond Point Airport Appreciation Day - Gordon Tubesing reminded us about their event on Saturday August 9th. Pilots planning to fly in, should please submit the [Prior Permission Request \(PPR\)](#) form and agreement online - prior to arrival. <https://2wa1.org/arrival-ppr-2/>
 - The event will feature food - pulled pork and salad.
 - Colett Miller will present a display of her artwork.
 - Flight demonstrations.
- [Arlington Hometown Fly-in](#) - Dave Woodcock reminded us of the event - July 11-13, with special Friday and Saturday events exclusively for pilots and their guests. <https://www.arlingtonwa.gov/894/Hometown-Fly-In>
- Sequim Valley Airport, [Air Affaire](#) - Emily Wescott reminded us about the Saturday, August 30 event - on Labor Day weekend. Always a fun time. <http://olympicpeninsulaairaffaire.com/>
- Projects
 - Harry Cook - Sonex Waix B, fuel tank completion and riveting closed the front fuselage area.
 - Colette Miller - Having some EarthX battery issues with her RV-4
 - Erik Petersen - completed an economical engine de-hydrator unit (dry-bot) and is happy to share the plans and process. (Possibly suitable for a program/presentation?)
- The Business portion of the gathering was adjourned at 10:42
- The Restoration of Kitfox III, N996DG - Dave Gardner made a polished and entertaining presentation about how he managed to prolong his two week aircraft restoration project to last more than a year. What a fantastic result though!
- Once again, Kevin and Charlie hosted a terrific lunch burger feast - also featuring, for the first time ever - turkey burgers!

Respectfully submitted,
Richard Howell, EAA 430 Secretary

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