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EAA Chapter 393 Upcoming Events

March 2024

- 6 Board of Directors Regular Meeting
 - 20 VMC & IMC Club
 - 27 Dinner & General Meeting
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April 2024

- 3 Board of Directors Regular Meeting
 - 17 VMC & IMC Club
 - 20 Young Eagles Rally
 - 24 Dinner & General Meeting
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May 2024

- 1 Board of Directors Regular Meeting
 - 15 VMC & IMC Club
 - 18 Young Eagles Rally
 - 22 Dinner & General Meeting
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Welcome New Members to EAA Chapter 393!

We are thrilled to extend a warm welcome to the newest members of our vibrant aviation community at EAA Chapter 393. Last month we've had the pleasure of welcoming the following individuals:

Zachary Runyon and Dennis Sheehan

Each of you brings a unique perspective, passion, and enthusiasm for aviation, and we are excited to have you on board. As fellow aviation enthusiasts, we look forward to getting to know you and sharing our collective love for flight through various activities and events.

At Chapter 393, we believe in the power of community and collaboration. Our club thrives because of the dedication and contributions of our volunteers. As you settle in, we encourage you to explore the many opportunities to get involved and make a difference.

1. Young Eagles: Whether you're a pilot, coordinator, or ground crew member, volunteering for our Young Eagles program is a rewarding experience that introduces young people to the world of aviation.

2. Dinners: From setup and decoration to cooking and cleanup, there are plenty of ways to lend a hand during our monthly dinner meetings. Your

help ensures that our gatherings are enjoyable and memorable for everyone.

3. Scholarships: Join committees, participate in interviews, and assist with selection processes for our scholarship programs. Your involvement helps support the next generation of aviators as they pursue their dreams.

In addition to our regular activities, our monthly dinner meetings feature a variety of entertaining and illuminating aviation presentations. We are always on the lookout for new and engaging topics, so we welcome any ideas or suggestions you may have.

As you settle into your membership with EAA Chapter 393, we encourage you to consider your skills and interests and explore how you can contribute to our community. Whether you're passionate about flying, aircraft restoration, or aviation education, there's a place for you here.

Once again, welcome to EAA Chapter 393! We are delighted to have you join us on this exciting journey, and we look forward to creating memorable experiences and forging lasting friendships together.

Blue skies and tailwinds,

Rick Arias, EAA Chapter 393 President

Concord Aviation Community 2nd Annual Chili Cookoff

On February 24, 2024, we gathered for the much-anticipated 2nd Annual Chili Cookoff, and what a flavorful event it turned out to be! With 24 enthusiastic attendees ready to tantalize their taste buds, the competition was fierce as they sampled six different chilis vying for the title of champion.

After much tasting and deliberation, there could only be one winner, and this year, it was Kimberly Everett who claimed the golden cup and earned bragging rights for the next 12 months! Congratulations, Kimberly, on your well-deserved victory!



But the excitement didn't end with the chili competition. Keri took the opportunity to discuss the upcoming Girls in Aviation Day and the assistance needed to make it a success. For those interested in getting involved, registration is open at <https://mdpa.org/event-5555866> or via email at GIAD@EAA393.org.

Looking ahead, the community is gearing up for the Girls in Aviation Planning Meeting, where socializing and planning will go hand in hand. This is not just about organizing an event; it's about creating a memorable experience for girls aged 7-18 from across the Bay Area who will join us for Girls in Aviation Day on Saturday, September 28th.



By starting the planning process early, we have

the opportunity to fine-tune every detail and ensure a seamless and unforgettable day for all participants and their families.

Stay tuned for more exciting updates and opportunities to get involved!

Blue skies and chili cheers,

Keri Martin

EAA Chapter 393 Honors Members at General Meeting and Member Appreciation Dinner

On February 28, 2024, EAA Chapter 393 hosted a memorable evening filled with appreciation, camaraderie, and insightful discussions at our General Meeting and Member Appreciation Dinner. The event was not only an opportunity to recognize our dedicated members but also to engage in meaningful conversations about aviation safety and proficiency.



The highlight of the evening was our member appreciation dinner, where attendees were treated to a delicious spread featuring mouthwatering tri-tip and chicken piccata, accompanied by

garlic mashed potatoes, fresh veggies, rolls, butter, and an assortment of delectable desserts. This dinner was complimentary for our members as a token of our gratitude for their unwavering support and involvement in our chapter activities.



Following the dinner, we had the honor of presenting awards to our members for their outstanding participation in chapter activities throughout 2023. These awards were a testament to their dedication and commitment to the aviation community, and we extend our heartfelt congratulations to all the recipients.







The evening continued with our Ask CFI Forum, where attendees had the opportunity to engage in discussions on various aviation topics and scenarios. From legalities of landing after sunset without runway lights to proper procedures for entering traffic patterns at uncontrolled airports, the forum provided valuable insights and clarification on a wide range of aviation-related queries.

Here's a glimpse into some of the topics discussed during the Ask CFI session:

1. Landing procedures after sunset on unlit runways
2. Proper traffic pattern entry at uncontrolled airports
3. Practice opposite direction IFR approaches
4. Understanding Land and Hold Short Operations (LASO)
5. Departure procedures from uncontrolled airports under Mode C veil
6. Emergency procedures for landing on highways
7. Proper engine leaning procedures at high-density airports
8. Strategies for maintaining proficiency as a GA pilot
9. Improving longitudinal axis stability during landing
10. Safety protocols for bay tours and flights over open water



These discussions provided valuable insights and knowledge, contributing to the ongoing learning and growth of our aviation community.

We extend our sincere thanks to all the attendees for making this event a success, and we look forward to continuing our journey together in the pursuit of aviation excellence.

Blue skies and safe flying!

Flyout to Lodi Airport Café: February 28, 2024

Our latest flyout destination was a delightful journey to the Airport Cafe at Lodi, 103. George graciously allowed us to choose the spot for this week's gathering, and we couldn't have been happier with the aptly named Airport Cafe.

Events like these remind us of the camaraderie and sense of community that make our aviation club so special. It's not just about the thrill of flight; it's about coming together with like-minded individuals who share a passion for aviation and creating lasting memories along the way.

If you missed out on this flyout but would like to join us for future adventures, simply drop us an email at wedflyout@eaa393.org, and we'll make



sure you're included in the loop for upcoming events.

As always, stay tuned for more exciting escapades with our aviation club. Blue skies and tailwinds await!

VMC & IMC Club, February 21, 2024

February brought an exciting agenda to our monthly VMC & IMC Club, focusing on Pilot Proficiency and Safety, hosted by EAA Chapter 393. Here's a rundown of what we covered:

1. **VMC Scenario:** Too Far Too Glide
2. **VMC Question of the Month:** Military Routes
3. **IMC Scenario:** Tackle the challenges of Garbled Transmissions.
4. **IMC Question of the Month:** Transitioning to VFR
5. **Open Discussion:** Share experiences and insights in both VMC & IMC conditions.

But remember, this club isn't just for EAA Members! We extend a warm welcome to everyone interested in aviation, whether you're a seasoned pilot, a student, or simply fascinated by the world of flying. Our platform is open to all who seek to learn, share, and grow.

For those eager to dive deeper into aviation knowledge, we offer a wealth of resources at EAA Chapter 393 Educational Resources. Explore articles, videos, and other materials curated to enhance your skills and understanding.

Your participation is vital to the success of our club. Share your experiences, ask questions, or suggest topics for future discussions. We value your input and look forward to seeing you at our next meeting.

Let's soar together in the pursuit of flying excellence!

Young Eagles: Kids Fly Free!



Mark your calendars for the upcoming Young Eagles flights hosted by EAA Chapter 393! Here are the scheduled dates for 2024:

- April 20, 2024
- May 18, 2024
- June 15, 2024 (EAA 393 Open House!)
- August 17, 2024
- September 21, 2024

To participate with young eagles, you will need to complete these two activities. Registering for the yeday.org site so we can sign you up for the events, and completing youth protection training on the eaa.org website. We will communicate signups for the event days prior to each event.

Thanks in advance, and we look forward to the great summer of flying ahead!

PART 1 - yeday.org registration

Go to <https://yeday.org/> and click sign up in the top right



Make sure to select the role that interests you at the bottom of the sign-up page, pilot or ground volunteer.

EAA Number: This is your EAA national membership number. (Required for a Young Eagle Pilot and/or Coordinator)

Function: - Young Eagle Pilot - Ground Volunteer - Young Eagle Chapter Coordinator **(NOTE: only YE Coordinators can register new events)**

PART 2 - Youth protection

Filling out youth protection:

Please complete the youth protection program. Everyone should complete the youth protection training. Background checks are required for pilots and coordinators.

Go to the EAA website and under account go to training (or click this link) [https://www.eaa.org/eaaccount/account/profile/full/information#training](https://www.eaa.org/eaaccount/accountprofilefullinformation#training)

You will complete a few questions based on the printed training materials. [Click here](#) to access those documents.

We look forward to welcoming young aviators aboard our Young Eagles flights and sharing the magic of flight with the next generation!

Introducing "Monthly Build": Celebrating Aviation Projects in Progress

Exciting news! We are thrilled to announce the launch of a new section in our newsletter called "Monthly Build." This section is dedicated to celebrating the projects of aviators who are currently building aircraft, sharing their progress, challenges, and insights with our community.

Are you currently in the midst of an aviation project? Whether you're building your own aircraft from scratch, restoring a vintage plane, or embarking on a modification journey, we want to hear from you! Share your updates, challenges, and lessons learned with fellow aviators, and let us highlight your project in our monthly newsletter.

To participate, simply send us a photo or a few of your project in progress, along with your responses to the following questions:

1. **What stage are you in with your project?** Whether you're just getting started, tackling the intricate details, or nearing completion, give us an overview of where you currently stand with your aircraft build.

2. **What has been most challenging?** Building an aircraft is no small feat. Share with us the challenges you've encountered along the way, whether they involve technical hurdles, sourcing materials, or time management.
3. **What is the next stage in your build?** What milestones are you working toward next? Whether it's installing avionics, fitting the interior, or conducting flight tests, let us know what's on the horizon for your project.
4. **Any suggestions for other builders about what you have learned?** Reflect on your journey so far and share any insights or tips that may help fellow builders navigate their own projects more smoothly.

Please send your photos and story comments to natashadoktorova@gmail.com. We can't wait to showcase the incredible projects taking shape within our aviation community and to learn from the experiences of our fellow builders.

Thank you for being a part of our aviation family, and we look forward to seeing your projects come to life in "Monthly Build"!

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<https://www.facebook.com/ea393>

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