



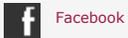
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March Meeting

The March general member meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 11, beginning at 7PM at the Chapter Hangar, Harvey Field, Snohomish. Our speaker will be Lawrence Doan, who has a Master of Science in Aeronautics and Astronautics and is an engineer at Dynon. Lawrence will discuss the concept of aircraft moment and its importance to safe flight. Please join us for what is sure to be an educational presentation!

Meeting Timeline:

- 5:45 -- Soup: A variety of hot soups to warm you and fill you up before the meeting
- 6:30 -- EAA Chapter Video
- 7:00 -- General Meeting starts
- 7:45 -- Break for coffee and donuts
- 8:00 -- Speaker presentation

After the meeting, please join us at the chapter hangar for some "Hangar Talk."

Announcements

CHAPTER DUES: If you haven't paid your 2014 chapter dues yet, please pay as soon as possible. Dues this year are \$40. You may pay your dues at a Chapter meeting or by mailing a check made out to EAA Chapter 84 to Nick Gentry, 12124 1st Ave SE, Everett WA 98208. We are looking to set up a PayPal account to make future dues paying easier.

NEW EAA SAFETY SURVEY: If you have built and tested a homebuilt aircraft at any time, please take the new EAA safety survey that is compiling information on problems encountered during Phase I Flight Testing. [Click here for the survey](#) or go to <https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/3T52JTH>.

PAINE FIELD AVIATION DAY CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS: Paine Field Aviation Day is Saturday, May 17th from 9:00AM to 3:00PM and volunteers are needed! This event is designed to share general aviation with the community and is organized by the Snohomish County Airport, Paine Field Chapter of the Washington Pilots Association, Historic Flight Foundation, and the Flying Heritage Foundation. [Please check out the website here.](#)

Volunteer opportunities include:

- Friday May 16th: Setup
- Saturday May 17th: Pre-event setup, morning, midday, afternoon, all day, and post-event tear down

To volunteer, please contact Frank Hummel at paine-volunteers@wpaflys.org, frankh909@gmail.com, or (206) 499-9398. Please leave a message if you call and get voicemail!

PHOTO MURAL MODIFICATION HELP NEEDED: EAA Chapter 84 is looking for a volunteer or two to help modify our Photo Mural before the Paine Field Aviation Day on May 17th. The mural needs to be modified so it will be easier to transport and be more stable while on display. If you have the skills and experience working with displays, be contact David Weber at s43pilot@gmail.com.

President's Corner: Your Aviation Community

I don't know if it was the way I was raised, something my father instilled in me, or just something that God put in my soul, but I have always been driven to be involved in my community. I've coached soccer, baseball, and even robotics teams over the years and truly enjoyed doing it. I sincerely believe that everyone should get involved in their community in some way, but the best way to do that is through organizations that parallel your own interests.

I am going to assume that you are reading this because your interests involve aviation at some level, and that is why I'm asking you to get involved with the activities that EAA Chapter 84 has committed to. In the next few months, the chapter will be needed members to be involved with several local events, including Paine Field Aviation Day, Arlington Fly-In, and KLaHaYa Days. If you have never participated in any of these events, I would like to invite you to get involved -- you may just find out that you enjoy it!

Our most rewarding event will be the Young Eagle's flights during the Paine Field Aviation Day event; contact Jim McGaughey at jmccgaughey@usa.net if you are interested in helping out there.

The highlight of the year has always been Arlington Fly-In and that should be true again this year. We typically display projects and even have some members working on them during the show. If you are interested in participating, please contact either Ken Reyburn at kennyreyburn@aol.com or Wayne Stafford at wstafford6242@yahoo.com.

So, how has your winter build been going? Typically, the months just prior to spring are the busiest for aviation suppliers as builders scramble to finish up their projects before the flying season. If you are planning to make that first flight, make sure you are in contact with one of our Tech Counselors and definitely get in touch with our Flight Advisor, Eileen Bjorkman, to help plan those first few flights.

Now, if this rain ever stops, we can get back to flying!
- David

EAA Chapter 1000 Workbenches

If you are just getting started with building, you may be in need of a good workbench. Workbenches can be expensive to buy, and they don't always come in the sizes you really want. A better approach for many people is to build your own custom workbench. I found a great workbench design a few years back the [EAA Chapter 1000 website](#).

This design produces very sturdy 2-foot by 5-foot workbenches that can be used as stand-alone units or configured end-to-end or side-by-side as your work requirements change. The design is also easy to modify if you want a different size. I built several 2' by 4' tables some years back due to size constraints I had at the time, plus I was also able to construct two workbenches from a single 4'x8' sheet of plywood.

The workbenches feature a lower shelf that aids in stability and provides a handy storage unit.

Tip of the Month: Weather Resources

As the flying season kicks off, here's a reminder of some places to get that all-important weather briefing before you head to the airport or while you're enroute:

- The Weather Channel (<http://www.weather.com>) is a good way to get started on the big picture of what's happening to the weather. Even if I'm not going to be flying for several days, I try to stay on top of the weather for trends and sometimes adjust my flying schedule if necessary.
 - DUAT (<http://www.duat.com> or <http://www.duats.com>) both provide FAA-approved weather briefings. Even if you're just going up for a local flight on a perfect day, it's a good idea to check for winds aloft, TFRs, and NOTAMS, and it only takes a minute!
 - FAA Flight Service (1-800-WX-BRIEF) works anywhere in the U.S. if you don't have access to a computer or smartphone. It's also a good idea to call Flight Service if you're flying in an unfamiliar area -- the briefers are specialists on their local areas and can often help you interpret weather patterns or phenomena that you may be unfamiliar with.
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- Enroute, you can check ATIS and AWOS reports along the way, plus talk to Flight Watch on 122.0. Even if you are too low to talk to Flight Watch, you can often hear other pilots discussing weather with them to get an idea what might be ahead of you. If you call Flight Watch, be sure to give them a PIREP -- it will make their day!

If you have some other weather favorites, please let me know! Perhaps I can do a future tip on commercial services such as ForeFlight in the future.

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