

EVA EXHAUST SYSTEMS

The Newsletter of the East Valley Aviators

January 2006

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Remember to Pay Your Dues!

Your 2006 EVA dues must be paid no later than the day of our February 1st meeting in order to maintain your membership and flying privileges.

Our Club By-Laws specify that annual dues are payable on or before January 1st and are delinquent after the February meeting. Members whose 2005 dues are not paid by the day of our February Meeting (on the 1st this year) will be deleted from the EVA Club roster effective February 2nd and will no longer be entitled to use the Club facilities or receive the Club Newsletter. In addition the combination of the gate lock will be changed to the new, 2006 combination, on Feb. 2nd. Members who fail to pay their dues must apply for reinstatement, pay a \$10.00 reinstatement fee and all dues that are in arrears. Call Verlin Boeder (602) 803-6852 if you have any questions about dues. EVA annual dues are still just \$40 for Single and \$50 for Family membership. See Verlin's Treasurer's Report for the address to mail in your dues. ■

IMAC is coming to EVA!

On January 14, 2006 East Valley Aviators will host our first International Miniature Aerobatic Club (IMAC) event. This contest is for the new IMAC pilot wanting to get started in the Basic category, and those Basic pilots that plan to move up to Sportsman for the 2006 contest season. We will have a number of experienced IMAC pilots and judges on hand to offer the new IMAC pilot, coaching and critique. We will be flying the 2006 IMAC Knowns. The Sportsman pilots will have a very simple unknown, to be flown after the lunch break.

The contest will be a low key event to give the Basic and Sportsman pilots an opportunity to fly, in front of judges, in a real contest environment. The judges and volunteers will be available to answer any questions that the contestants may have about flying IMAC. Entry fee for the contest will be \$15, and will include lunch for the pilots. ■

January Membership Meeting

**Valle del Oro RV Resort
Wednesday, January 11th
7:00 pm**

**Located at 1452 S. Ellsworth,
Mesa**

Directions are: Go east on Highway 60. Exit at Ellsworth. Valle del Oro RV Resort is just north of the Freeway on the left. Tell the guard at the gate that you are here for the RC Club meeting and they will direct you to the Theater. You can't miss it.

PRESIDENT'S PODIUM

by *Jack DeFilippis*, EVA President

Here's hoping everyone enjoyed a happy, safe healthy and prosperous Holiday Season

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the members of EVA that have voted for me, I appreciate your trust and for the members who did not, I will do my best to do a good job and in time gain your confidence and support.

Ask and thou shall receive:

Safety is the prime concern for us all..Not only at the field but on the road..several members commented that the entrance to the field is difficult to find..with the traffic on Ironwood and the crazy drivers throwing caution to the wind several suggestions were made for improvement. We listened to all suggestions and decided on making a new wind sock pole and extended it an additional eight feet. So far this seems to be a solution. We will monitor and make additional changes if necessary. I would like to thank John Fail who jumped right in and used that strong back of his to construct & erect the pole. Harold Ansell also jumped in and trimmed the bushes on our side of the fence to help open the view.

Bob Tang suggested we remove some bushes and brush on the electric field to open it up. Bob, along with Harold Ansell, Don Wegrzyn, Dave Cloutier, & Elmo Amundson jumped in and cleared many items by hand, the carpet was also moved to allow approaches away from the main field. This is what team work is all about.

The Road cleanup was also a total success, 31 members showed an participated. I have to make an apology for a slight communication problem we had. Fred Johnson made a large pot of Beef Stew for the road gang but several of us thought the other person was advising the road crew to come back to the field after the cleanup for some hot stew but not all participants received the message. I apologize and owe you one.

You should already be aware that our club will be hosting and IMAC contest on Saturday January 14th. Several of our members participated in a workshop at the AMA field hosted by Anna Wood on Saturday December 17th. The practice session was a great success and part of the team to help out included Chip Hyde and Bill Hempel.

Our field will be closed for open flying on Saturday January 14th but please come out to support our flying members, there is no charge so make it a family outing. Perry Barnett will have his Boy Scout Troop out helping with various aspects, and selling food, drinks, etc at a nominal charge during the event. P.S. Please bring your own chairs.

A board meeting will be scheduled for January 3rd to discuss my goals for 2006. With the boards permission and your approval I would like to appoint at least 4 seasonal assistant safety officers to cover the field in weak spots when our appointed safety officers are not on site. These positions will be by appointment and not voted positions which would require the by laws to be revised.

We all know that safety starts with our selves, then next through your flying buddies and last from a safety officer. No one intentionally breaks rules but we all have those moments of memory lapse that need prodding once in a while. The position of a safety officer is not to ride herd on everyone and they will be instructed to approach the members with respect. I would appreciate any member that is approached take the correction the same way. We don't want or need confrontation. This also applies to field courtesy. (Details will be discussed at meeting)

I will ask the board for their approval to appoint several more positions, such as a Field Marshal, Program Chairman, Advertising Chairman & a Field Maintenance Chairman along with several assistant instructors to cover our needs. Reasons to be outlined at BOD meeting.

The AMA has what they call the "AMA Leader Club Award." It is kind of a merit badge. Based on various requirements you can secure either a Bronze, Silver, or Gold award. I think we can work for the Gold. When the club qualifies for the leader club status it receives.

1. A certificate from AMA headquarters
2. A Gold, Silver, or Bronze finished pin for each current club member in the first year.
3. Published recognition in Model Aviation and listing AMA web sites
4. Inclusion in the annual list of leader clubs.

The board approved VDO's Fun Fly scheduled for Wednesday, February 8th 2006 at our field. EVA members have been invited to participate. and we will donate two gallons of fuel for prizes. The CD will be Russ Peterson

We have invited for our program on Wednesday January 11th, club members Joe Miele of Madison Components to display several of his products he sells and provide info for those interested.

More to come at the next meeting on January 11th at Valley De Oro. Lets pack the house.

Words of appreciation; EVA wishes to thank the VDO flyers for allowing us to use their facilities. They have to reserve space a year in advance for our meetings.

Safety & Courtesy Tips:

1. No running of engines in the pit area or on tables under the Ramada.
2. Do not run up your engine with propeller facing the field at full power blowing debris into spectator area.
3. Make sure to pin your frequency and impound your transmitter.
4. When using the engine test area and electric field please use clothes pin to let your fellow members know where you are when frequency needed.
5. You may want a spotter when two or more members are flying.

That's it for now. Fly safe and see you at the club meeting. *Jack* ■

The RC Flight Manual, First Edition

by *Russ Petersen* and *Pete Granger*

The RC Flight Manual is the latest in a professionally written manual intended for instructor and student use to introduce all aspects of the RC Airplane hobby/sport from getting started through basic and intermediate aerobatics. The authors are long-term modelers who, between them, also bring professional backgrounds in civilian flight instruction, teaching, engineering, and military aviation. The manual may be purchased from selected local hobby stores, from the book web site:

<http://www.thereflightmanual.com>

Interested persons may call 480-239-6012 for more information. Clubs who adopt the manual for their instructional programs may also be eligible for free instructor copies of the manual. ■

Upcoming Events

January 11 - EVA Membership Meeting. Valle del Oro RV Resort, 7:00 pm.

January 14 - EVA IMAC Contest. At the field. Pilots meeting at 8:00 am Flying starts at 9:00 am.

January 27-29. Arizona Electric Festival at the AMA club field.

February 1 - EVA Membership Meeting at Valle del Oro RV Resort, 7:00pm

Welcome New Members

With the start of our flying season and the return of our winter visitors there will be more new faces and new members out at the flying field. When you see someone new, please take a few minutes to introduce yourself and make them feel welcome. Don't jump on them too hard if they do something wrong, rather take a few minutes to explain our flight line and safety procedures. We were all new ourselves at one time and a gracious welcome was (and still is) appreciated. ■

Treasurer's Report

Submitted by *Verlin Boeder*, Treasurer, EVA

Just a few weeks left to renew you membership in EVA for 2006. Anyone not renewed by February 1st will be removed from the roster and flying privileges revoked. At this time the gate combination will also be changed.

To date, 126 members have renewed membership. Dues are still \$40.00 per year. EVA does not prorate new membership applications at any time during the year. Any new

application after October 1, 2005 will receive a 2006 badge and sticker.

At this time EVA membership is 288 members. There is no longer a membership cap and all new membership applications are accepted. Remember, all new application and membership renewals **must have a current AMA number** in order to receive an EVA badge and all flight privileges.

Thanks for the good response for request of address and email changers form our winter visitors. It is the only way I can keep the membership roster current. I hope I have made all the proper changes so everyone will get the newsletter and any information about the club.

If there are questions contact me at:

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Phoenix, AZ 85044

Or, email: Verlin6@qwest.net
phone: 602 803-6852

See you at the field. Have fun, fly safe.

Verlin ■

Minutes of EVA Meeting

December 7, 2005

Complied by *Don Manchester*, Secretary, EVA

The East Valley Aviators held their December meeting at the Valle del Oro RV resort in Mesa, Arizona. Board members present were President Olen Trenary, Vice President Mickey Ohland, Treasurer Verlin Boeder, Secretary Don Manchester, Safety Officer Bill Cummings and Training Officer Tom Helman. There were 72 members present.

President Trenary asked the new members present to introduce themselves and be recognized by the membership. Please make these new members feel welcome at the field.

Some of our members are sick or in the hospital including Kerry Wheeler our Safety Officer and Doug Sharpe our Club Newsletter Editor. Both of them are feeling better and will hopefully have a complete recovery. Bob Richardson is undergoing treatment and feeling better.

The minutes of the October meeting were approved as written.

Treasurer Boeder reported that we now have 278 members. The Club has approximately \$3100.00 in the checking account and an additional \$8000.00 in the Reserve Account.

Mickey Ohland, Vice President and Chairman of the Nominating Committee, described the election process. Three positions are vacant and will be voted on this evening. They are the President, Treasurer and one Safety Officer. Everyone present received a ballot to be completed and returned this evening. Several absent members used the absentee ballot sent with the newsletter. Mickey introduced the candidates and offered them the opportunity to make comments. The candidates for President were Olen Trenary and Jack DeFilippis, Treasurer - Verlin Boeder and Safety Officer - Bruce Van Dyke. The candidates spoke briefly about their RC and related experience and their objectives if elected.

Mickey thanked the candidates for volunteering for the various positions. The ballots were collected for counting.

Harold Ansel discussed the plan for cleaning the road in front of our gate. The cleanup will be Saturday, December 10 at 8 AM. We need at least 20 participants and it will take about 2 hours. You must be present at 8AM for training in order to participate. Late arrivals will not be allowed to participate because of the training required. The flying field will be closed for the duration of the cleanup. Our agreement with the Country requires that we clean the road twice a year.

Gene Coleman discussed the Club History project he is working on and asked for information about previous events and efforts to construct the Club flying field.

Mike Wyman discussed the upcoming AMA sanctioned IMAC contest for Basic and Sportsman classes at our Club field on Saturday January 14, 2006. A workshop for interested flyers is scheduled at the AMA Club field on Saturday December 17, 2005. There has been interest from several of our members and we expect participants from several States and Mexico. The Boy Scouts will handle food preparation and sales and we expect several vendors to be present. Volunteers are need for this

event. Members interested in volunteering should contact Mike Wyman (480) 227-5970 as soon as possible.

The show and tell included several very small electric models that Mike had put together. Russ Petersen displayed his helicopter and described the learning process he had gone through learning to fly it. He offered to help anyone interested in learning to fly a helicopter.

Mickey announced the election results. The committee received a total of 83 ballots, 19 mail ballots and 64 ballots at the meeting. Both Verlin Boeder – Treasurer and Bruce Van Dyke-Safety Officer were elected unanimously. The results for President were Jack DeFilippis – 48 votes (58%) and Olen Trenary - 35 votes (42%). Jack DeFilippis was elected President.

Olen thanked the members for their help and support during his time as President and wished Jack good luck as the new President. In accordance with the Club Bylaws, Olen, as past President, will remain on the Board in a nonvoting capacity.

Olen stated that the VDO Club will have their Club Fun Fly at our field on February 8, 2006. Although it is a VDO Club event, our members are invited. The VDO Club has been very supportive of our Club offering their facility for our meetings.

After the raffle, the meeting adjourned at 8:30 PM. *Don* ■

EVA is on the Web

East Valley Aviators now has an official club web site;

<http://www.eastvalleyaviators.com/>

The site contains picture galleries, forums for discussion of numerous topics, current news and information, classified ads and much more. Everything on the site is free to all. Simply go there and fill out the registration information. You will then be emailed an activation code for your account within twenty-four hours. ■

General Membership Meeting Schedule

The East Valley Aviators general membership meets six times each year on the first Wednesday of the month. Meetings are held in the months of January, February, March, May, October and December. An issue of the *Exhaust Systems* newsletter will be published the week before each of the meetings. We are still looking for a permanent meeting place. Until that time the meeting location will be published in the *Exhaust Systems*. We are always looking for input from all of our club members. If you have any, articles, pictures or classified ads (free to club members) you would like to see published please contact Doug Sharpe (480) 288-6300 or dugster@att.net.
- *Doug Sharpe* ■

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All of these fine shops help support EVA functions with Fun-fly and raffle prizes. Remember, without them we wouldn't have any place to get planes and parts to keep us flying. ■

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