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FUN FOR PILOTS AND KIDS

By Lara Freeman
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Meadow Lake Airport in Peyton, CO, is home to the Experimental Aircraft Association Chapter 72. Founded in Wisconsin in 1953 by a few people interested in building their own aircraft, the EAA today boasts hundreds of chapters throughout the country.

"The culture of the airport is to welcome guests," said Dave Elliott, president of the Meadow Lake Airport Association. The EAA Chapter 72 at Meadow Lake does just that. For example, there are weekly get-togethers. "Pilots get together with other pilots and talk about building airplanes," Elliott said. "If you build your own it's experimental. It has to be airworthy, there are accepted techniques and methods, but it isn't certified by the FAA."



Dave Elliott pilots his Piper and Katelyn Hoskins, age 11, catches a ride. Photo by Lara Freeman

The EAA72 also offers a Young Eagles program, in which pilots from the chapter volunteer their time and airplanes to take kids ages 8 to 17 for rides at no charge. Afterward, there is a cookout. Sandy Martin, coordinator for the rallies, said she limits the openings to about 50 participants. Parents can register online at <http://eaa72.org/youngeagles.html>.

Katelyn Hoskins, age 11, took advantage of the free ride Sept 21. Hoskins' mother had seen a post on Facebook a few months ago. Although her father is deployed, he was able to watch both her take-off and landing via Facetime. "Being able to see all the different things from such a high altitude was my favorite part," Katelyn said.

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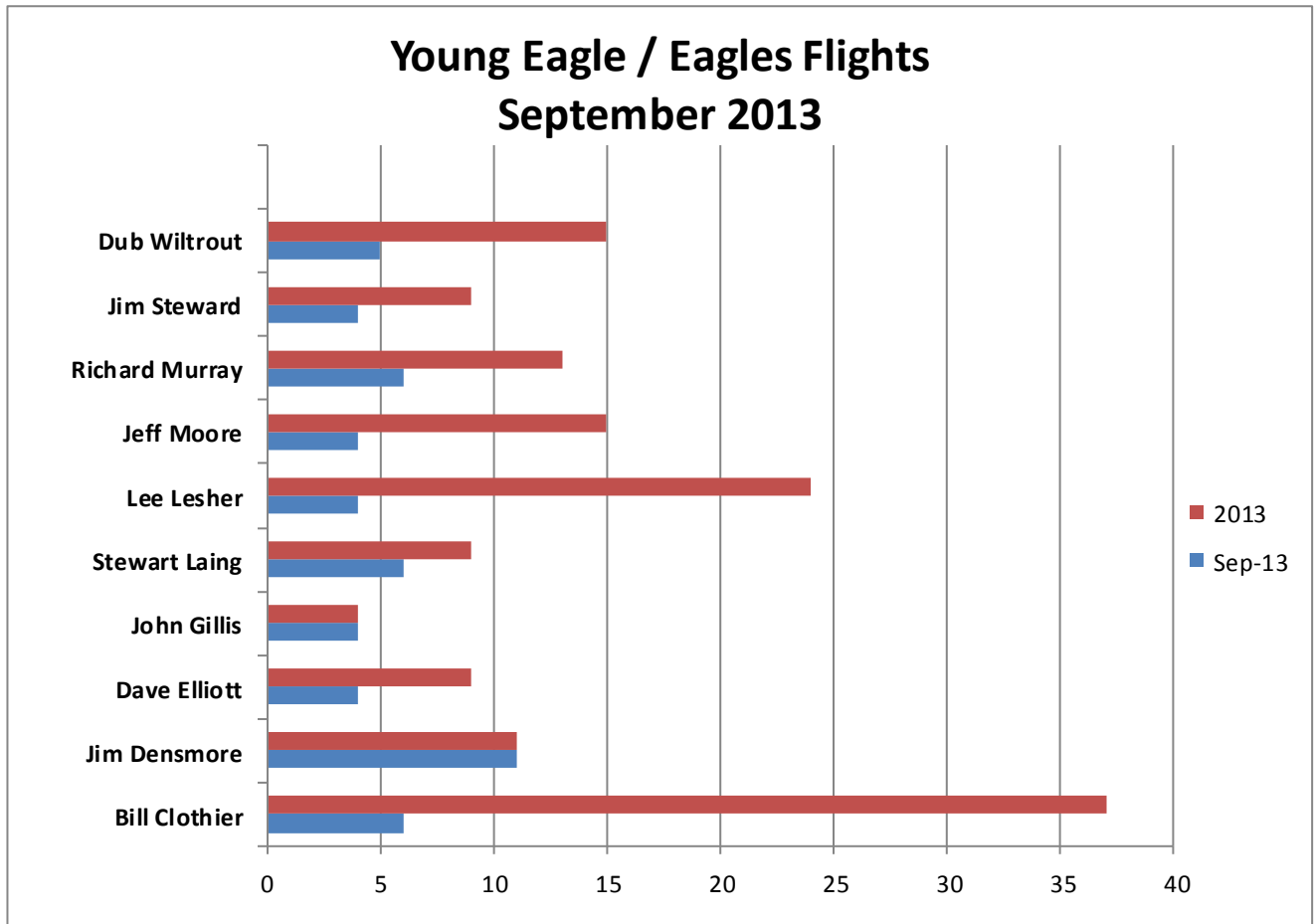
Date: Tuesday, October 15, 2013

Time: Check-in at 6:30 / Meeting starts 7:00 PM

Where: MLAA Hangar - 13550 Piper Lane, Peyton, CO 80831

Program: "Flying the U2 Dragon Lady"

USAF retired Major General Pat Halloran provides a brief history of the original U-2 program with information on both the CIA and the Air Force operations. Pat was one of the original pilots in the Air Force operation of the U-2. Pat will be joining us as we view the webinar that he completed for EAA.



We had a wonderful day for Young Eagles.

Welcome to John Gillis
who joined with his Sonex.

Thanks to Lara Freeman of the New Falcon
Herald for coming out and doing the feature
for the October issue.



Thank you Everyone!



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Grant Sedgwick, age 16, also participated. As a Young Eagle, this wasn't his first time in the air with the Meadow Lake pilots. He found out about the program when volunteers presented information on the Young Eagles at his school, Classical Academy. "I got a Young Eagles flight, and I was hooked," Sedgwick said.

Sedgwick is also a student of the Aviation Education Foundation of Colorado, which provides educational aviation-related training and scholarships to young people in Colorado. Elliott said EAA72 members established AEFCO because they wanted to do more than give kids rides in planes. The foundation accepts about 25 students each school year.



Aspiring pilot Grant Sedgwick, age 16, gets to ride in James Steward's Decathlon. Photo by Lara

AEFCO also hosts a summer aviation camp, held in June. Sedgwick attended the camp, and said the students were exposed to several pilots in different career fields, such as astronauts, commercial and contract pilots. "The program is good for getting the kids into college programs," Elliott said. "They score 96 to 98 percent on the FAA exams."

Sedgwick said he plans to attend either the United States Naval Academy in Annapolis, MD., or the United States Military Academy at West Point in New York, with hopes of becoming a pilot. "I've always loved to fly," he said. "it's a different field, a different perspective. You get to be free in the air. It's just really cool."

...from the desk of Sandy

Sorry for the late newsletter but here's what you really need to know:

- November is when meetings go to Saturday, so mark your calendar for **next meeting November 16, 9:00 AM**
- Chapter elections are pending. **Ballots will be sent with the November newsletter.** Jim Steward is nominated for President and Bob Hall for Vice President.

See you Tuesday,

Sandy



**Young Eagle
Rally
Saturday, October
19th**

Please plan to come out and help with this event.

Pilots, pilots, pilots, needed! If you can fly, please contact **Lee Wolford, YE Pilot Coordinator: (719) 338-1370.**

Ground support: contact **Sandy:(719) 351-1640**

Lunch follows!



Larry Dale's Hangar - Flea Market

Bill Clothier, Colin Landwehr (AEFCO Student), Chris Sedgwick (AEFCO Parent), Dave Elliott, and Richard Martin, all came out to help remove the shelves in Larry's hangar.

Larry is holding a sale of what's left. **The hangar will be open on Saturday, October 19th from 11:00 AM—1:00 PM.**



Bring your checkbook and pick up some treasures, tools, life jackets, he did have a sea plane. Lots to see and visit with Larry.

Thank you for supporting these EAA Chapter 72 members!

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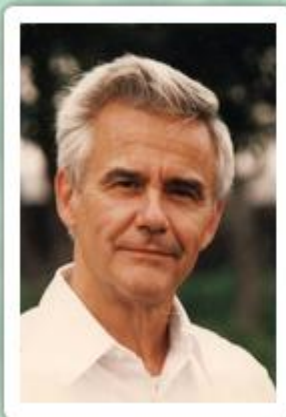
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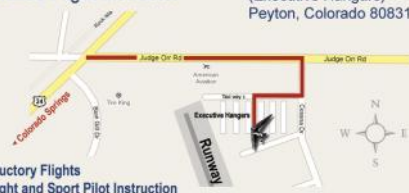
September 9, 1926 - September 10, 2013
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A special Celebration of Life will take place Saturday, October 19th, 2013, at 1:30pm at the Tri-Lakes United Methodist Church, 20256 Hunting Downs Way, Monument, Colorado 80132

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About Our Chapter

EAA Chapter 72 meets at Meadow Lake Airport. **Meetings start at 6:30 PM on the 3rd Tuesday of each month** with a Chapter cookout the following Saturday most of the warm months April—November. Look for the calendar of events to highlight special chapter events like Young Eagle Rallies, fly-outs, and all other chapter sponsored activities.

The Chapter Newsletter is published monthly, normally mailed and available on the website a few days before each meeting. Readers are encouraged to contribute articles, photos, etc. by submitting them to the Newsletter Editor in hard copy — email, pen/paper, as long as it's not verbal—by the first Saturday of each month.

Annual membership is \$20. Send to Sandy Martin, at 7505 Mallard Drive, Peyton, CO 80831 and start receiving the newsletter each month, attending the meetings and having a great time with sport aviation.