

**EXPERIMENTAL AIRCRAFT ASSOCIATION- CHAPTER 701  
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**JANUARY 2004 NEWSLETTER**

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**Young Eagles Coordinator: (your name can go here)**

**EAA Christmas Party a Big Success** *by Barbara Beech*

The EAA annual Christmas Party was held on Saturday, December 13<sup>th</sup> at Ann's Place in Norton. The ladies were given beautiful corsages to wear. Before dinner, crackers and cheese were provided for the forty-one members, spouses and friends who attended the party. This event must be known far and wide, as Paul and Margaret Nocca came all the way from Vermont to be with us for the evening. After the delicious dinner and dessert, Jovial as always, Santa arrived –in business attire this year. Guess his suit was in the cleaners. He conducted a raffle and many wonderful prizes were awarded.

Our thanks to Tony Correia for ordering and bringing the corsages, to Paul Diette for providing the background music, to Frank Roscoe, our excellent Santa, and to Al and Barbara Beech for handling the party arrangements. Several photographers, including Al Miano, Paul and Margaret, and Tony, took pictures. To everyone who participated and helped, our sincere thanks.



Barbara Beech introduces Santa attired in his business suit to members and guests. Barbara shared a collection of Santa trivia with the members just prior to the gift giving.



Al and Edna Meserve are enjoying the pre dinner festivities



Jean and Roger Curtis with guests Tom & Judy McGee sitting down in anticipation of dinner

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## President's Desk *by Doug Mowry*

### **New Year**

I'd like to thank everyone for all their hard work through 2003 – particularly on the Fly-in and Young Eagles events. I'm sure we will continue to have success with these events in 2004.

### **Open Position**

The position of Young Eagles Coordinator is open. Please consider volunteering for this position. It is very gratifying knowing that you played a key role in giving a young person their introduction to flight.

We need to have a new coordinator established in the next month or two since planning for these is best done when you have a month or two to get organized.

### **Young Eagles**

This year I plan to take a more structured approach to this event. In the past we have taken a relaxed, informal tack which sometimes has worked well and sometimes not. Going forward (and guided by our soon to be determined new YE Coordinator), I would like to see the following items implemented:

- Designate (2 or 3 as a minimum) certain people to serve as Ground Crew for the year. Additional volunteers would likely be needed and are always welcome.
- Designate (2 or 3 as a minimum) certain people to serve as Pilots for the year. Additional volunteers would likely be needed and are always welcome.
- Determine, within the next two months, the number of Y.E. events we will have and set the dates. This will give prospective volunteers a chance to plan for the event.
- Start lining up additional volunteers for ground crew and pilots.

Taking care of these items early in the year should help alleviate some of the frustration and last minute juggling when trying to get the events organized.

### **Web Site** *by Doug Mowry - WebMaster*

The NEW Chapter 701 web site (<http://www.eaa701.org>) is officially up and running! There is still much work to do, but it is at a point now where our members can begin to make use of it. Items completed or in process so far include:

Online meeting minutes (in .pdf format)  
Photo galleries for past Fly-ins and Builder's Breakfasts  
Extensive Links section  
Chapter information  
Links to member projects websites  
The start of an online Library  
And a NEW Forum (the Yahoo one is being retired)



Items still to be completed include:

General Photo Galleries, Young Eagles Galleries, Additional Projects pages, Calendar of Upcoming Events

#### A few words about the Forum

The old YAHOO forum is being retired in favor of a new EAA 701 forum which uses the forum utility provided by our hosting service. This new utility offers many improvements over the Yahoo site including NO

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Ads, the ability to search postings, the ability to add other forms of electronic contact to your User Profile (like IM addresses, email address, etc.), the ability to send Private Messages between forum members, the list goes on.

Using the new forum will require you to register and create a new User ID – we are not able to “relocate” the old Yahoo User IDs.

I have broken the Forum into two major categories with three sections within each category. These (and their intended function) are:

#### *Aviation*

**The Pilot Lounge** – A place to discuss general topics of interest; aviation related or not.

**The Hangar** – A place to discuss topics specific to your aircraft and keeping it flying and airworthy.

**The MX Library** – A place to discuss modifications to your aircraft and to place relevant maintenance documentation and/or links.

#### *The Chapter*

**The Flymarket** – A place to post items for sale or trade or to make your wants and needs known.

**Events** – A place to post events/fly-ins that you may be attending or think that other members may want to know about.

**Member Issues** – A place to post issues relevant to the Chapter and/or its membership.

I hope this new forum and its format facilitates communication within our membership and prospective members as well.

#### Odds and Ends

- The website will continue to evolve noticeably over the next month or two, so don't be surprised if things change unexpectedly.
- Comments, suggestions, etc. are always welcome so feel free to email me (the “webmaster” email link is on the site), with any comments you may have.
- If anyone is interested in creating a web page for his or her project, contact me and I'll accommodate you. If you already have a website for your project, let me know and I'll get it in the Projects section.
- Content is also needed on a going forward basis. If anyone has anything they'd like to contribute (photos, stories, video, etc.) just let me know. Check the Library section and you'll see that Bret Smith has already sent in a few items. Thanks Bret!

I'd like to thank Steve Nurnberg, Mike Vidal, Bret Smith, Roland Daignault, and Ed & Joanne Baker for all their contributions to the site. You were a huge help! Thanks!

#### **DUES for 2004**

Membership dues, now \$25 as voted by the membership, are due at the next meeting. See Joe Kelly. If you are unable to attend, please mail your check to JOE KELLY, Treasurer, 71 Arnold Street, N. Attleboro, MA 02760-1006. Thank you!

### ***Member of the Year - The EAA Chapter #701 Annual Award***

**Doug Mowry** was the recipient of the Chapter 701 Annual Member of the Year Award for 2003.

He was cited for his performance as chairman of the fly-in committee for years 2002 and 2003 and was awarded a plaque and 2004 membership. Through his efforts the organization of the event has been improved adding to the enjoyment of the visitors and participants as well.

This annual award is intended to recognize a member who has made a significant accomplishment in aviation and/or served the chapter in an outstanding way.

A selection committee of three or five members is appointed by the president and is composed of at least 1-2 prior winners and 2-3 additional non-candidates.

Requirements - 1) Not a winner the previous year and 2) member in good standing for a minimum of two years.

Guidelines for Selection (not limited to)

- 1 A significant accomplishment
- 2 Have held a chapter office. Headed a chapter activity (i.e. fly-in, trips, cookouts, projects)
- 3 Worked on chapter activities
- 4 Long chapter membership

Prior Year Member Selections (see plaque hanging in the EAA 701 trailer)

1992- Jim Bennett	1998- Dale Fox
1993- Don Kirby	1999- Tony Correia
1994- Hank Gobin	2000- Al Miano
1995- Hal Curtin	2001- Steve Nurnberg
1996- Al & Barbara Beech	2002- Will Thorn
1997- Bob Sellars	

Members of the selection committee for 2003 consisted of Tony Correia, Will Thorn, and Mike Vidal.



Doug Mowry (Left) accepts the Member of the Year award from committee member Will Thorn

### **Alternate view of winter flying...**

With a vision of a more healthy and organized trailer this year, members Tony Correia, Hal Curtin, and Dale Fox met at the Chapter trailer Friday after New Year's, a perfect day since ceilings and visibilities were below minimums. They cleaned the kitchen area, made good progress on the "back room" and added shelves and organization in the new shed. Some items were easy to determine their viability such as magazines with rodent nests, frying pans with grease from long ago cook outs, broken antennas etc. Several items while surplus for chapter use, however may be interesting to members. These items have been placed on a shelf in the shed. The items include a portable tube tester (you remember tubes?), a Mark 16 radio, Escort 110 radio, VOR head (VOA-40), three vintage military headsets, a small portable electric typewriter in apparently good condition, two large horn speakers, and a preheater made from a Volkswagen gasoline heater. The true condition of the items is not known except the preheater fuel pump needs to be rebuilt and the horn speakers are known to be functional. If you are interested in any of the items or want return of any item you may have donated please contact Hal Curtin 508-543-2466 or by e-mail (halc172@juno.com) by the January meeting. The intent is to complete the cleaning and reorganization prior to the chapter return in the spring. A new work bench will be added in the back room for members' use and some additional sprucing up will be accomplished. If anyone wishes to donate a carpet section (~8 x 10) in good condition, the cleanup crew wants to replace the back room floor carpet. Contact Hal.



## January Builder's Breakfast

When: Jan 17, 2004, 10:00 am

Where: David Rogers' House

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This month's Builder's Breakfast travels to David Rogers' Vans RV-8 currently under construction. David is a member of the Massachusetts Vans Air Force and a member of the EAA. He is working on his project at his home in Marion, MA and has completed the tail and is currently working on the wings. David has stated that spouses are also invited. On the outside chance anyone is unfamiliar with the Van's line of aircraft, the RV-8 is a two seat (tandem)



all aluminum conventional aircraft with outstanding low and high-speed performance. It cruises easily over 200 mph on 200 hp with a stall speed of 51 mph! Van's aircraft designs have become virtually synonymous with the kit aircraft industry. For more information on the entire Van's line of aircraft and the RV-8 in particular, you can visit the following web sites:

**Van's Aircraft** - <http://www.vansaircraft.com>

**RV-8 Enthusiasts Site** – <http://www.rv-8.com>

## Directions

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### From the North on I-495

- Take 495 South to Exit 1 and go West on 195. (From Providence, just take I-195-E)
- Going on 195 westbound, take Exit 20 (Marion/Rochester)
- Take a Right turn off the exit ramp and you will now be traveling on 105 South.
- Stay left at the Fork in the road by the "Wave" restaurant
- At the lights, go left onto Route 6. Then about 1.2 miles at the 2nd set of lights go right.
- This is Point Road, travel Point Road for about a mile, and on the left hand side you will see Jenna Drive.
- Left onto Jenna, and our house is the 4th house on the right. (shingles with green trim and 3 car garage)

(You can also go 24-S to 140-S, and then go I-195-E depending on where you live)

From the West (Providence):

Take 195 East to Exit 20, follow above directions from there.

**Note from David:** Since this will be a morning event, the only thing I would prefer is that nobody park directly in front of the mailbox, as they won't deliver the mail if blocked. If available, you are welcome to use the driveway and there's also a large cull-de-sac turn around to park around as well (just don't block other driveways or mailboxes).

Address: 7 Jenna Drive, Marion, MA 02738, Ph: 508-748-3392



**2004 AOPA Calenders** are now available for sale. See Bob Sellars at the January meeting and bring \$10 for the calender...get the most for your money and no, there is no rebate for past months if you buy later in 2004...

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## **EAA 701 JANUARY**

The next regular Chapter meeting will be Friday, January 16, 7:30 P M at the Mansfield Fish and Game. We will have two speakers following the business meeting this month. First, Doug Mowry, 701 Webmaster, will be speaking for about 15 minutes giving everyone a quick demo of the new EAA 701 website.

And...

Second, Jim Griffin Jr., from Griffin Avionics is returning as our speaker to cover the in-flight data options available to GA pilots. Based on our last visit from Jim, this should prove to be a very interesting evening. See you there.

### ***Newsletter Frequencies***

Send your news to the editor via e-mail to **dfox.selectr@verizon.net**

Use "classic" mail to Dale Fox, Editor 232 Underwood St. Holliston, MA 01746. The deadline for the next issue is 10 days before the next meeting. Items received after will be included in the next issue. —

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