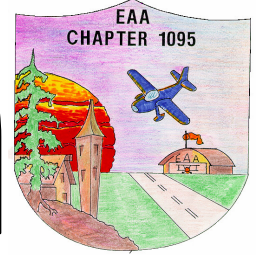




# 45° North



Gaylord, Michigan

EAA Chapter 1095

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## President's Corner

by Vic Briley

Have you ever had a dream that you were flying without the aid of any mechanical device, arms outstretched, soaring above the trees and darting through the air like a playful bird? I have had this dream many times and have heard that this is a very common dream. The first flying lesson that I took left me alive with excitement fulfilling parts of my free flight dream. I long to share my passion with others as it seems to have filled a void in my life. I'm sure there are lots of people out there that are looking for something to make them feel alive again as many are caught in their daily grind.

Flying is expensive leaving it out of reach for most people with average incomes and families to support, but it doesn't have to be. With a group of 20 or more, a club plane can be kept for a small monthly fee. They can even have fun building the plane they will someday fly. Partial ownership is a very popular way to fly these days. I would be willing to bet that there are a lot of people in this area that would like to fly but never got started because they felt that they could never reach that goal.

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**Next Meeting  
February 19, 2006  
in Ken's Hanger  
at 2:00 pm**

## February Meeting

by Phil Curtiss

The February program will be another AOPA "Seminar in a Box." This one will be on fuel awareness. During the meeting we should also consider the thoughts given to use by our president (see the next column).

Last year, we lost more than one aircraft a week to fuel-related accidents. It doesn't always happen to the *other* pilot. Almost all of these accidents could have been prevented with better preflight planning, diligent monitoring of fuel consumption, and increased knowledge of aircraft fuel systems. This seminar will help prevent you from becoming a fuel mismanagement accident statistic. Carburetor and injection systems will be discussed along with an introduction to auxiliary fuel tanks. Pilots will learn how to get the most out of each gallon of fuel — an important task given the high cost of fuel today.

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## Coming Events

- Feb 19 Meeting in the Terminal at 2pm**
- Mar 19 Meeting at the Airport at 2pm**
- Apr 23 Meeting at the Airport at 2pm (Meeting is one week later due to Easter)**



## January Meeting Minutes

The January 20, 2006 meeting was called to order by our new president Vic Briley.

Former Treasurer Tom Lesinski choreographed a humorous ceremony for turning over the gavel from retiring president Doug Hancock to our new president Vic Briley. Well done Tom.

Jon Study made a motion that the minutes of last meeting be accepted as printed in news letter. This was supported by Joe Hartley, Motion passed.

Tom Lesinski made his final treasures report from. Tom advised our new treasurer of the paperwork that must be accomplished at the Bank to turn the job over to him. This will be accomplished in the next week. Motion was made by Louie that Treasurer's report be accepted as presented. This was seconded by Will. Motion carried.

New business: a date should be set for our fly in this summer. It was advised that the Lakes of the North was not having a fly in this year. There was some discussion as to the possibility of combining ours with theirs in the advertising etc. No decision was made. There also was a discussion on the possibility of having it the weekend of the Alpenfest. The date of the Alpenfest not known right now. A committee will be formed to work this out.

The program for today is a Seminar-in-a-box from the AOPA "Take Offs & Landings."

Phil made a motion that meeting be adjourned. President Vic asks that all new officers remain after this meeting for an officer's meeting. The motion to adjourn was seconded by Louie. Meeting adjourned.

John Hughes, Sec.

Board of Directors set the date for our fly-in as Saturday, July 15, 2006. [The Alpenfest Committee turned down our request to be part of Alpenfest. This does not change our plans to hold it that day—just that we can't get free publicity. pfc]

## President's Corner—con't

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EAA Chapter 1095 has reached a turning point. At the beginning of this year we had a change of officers. In order to lead this group in the right direction we need some clear goals. What does the majority of the group want? We talked about taking trips as a group, getting a chapter hanger, increasing membership, chapter projects etc... People belong to organizations for a number of reasons; helping others, accomplishing something worthwhile, or just having fun, to name a few. If we are going to attract new members we must have something worthwhile to show them or they will soon leave.

We will have a group discussion at our next meeting about where we want Chapter 1095 to be in five years and again in ten years. What do we want this chapter to become? What kind of participation do we want? Please think about this and share your ideas at the next meeting.

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## EAA1095 Web Site News

The EAA1095.org web site has changes and new features. Finally I figured out how to reduce the size of the newsletter downloads. The latest newsletters use this new size and should download relatively quickly on a dialup connection.

A new page of Aviation Related Web Site links has been added. At this writing all of the links work. Should you ever find one that doesn't work please let me know. Send me your suggestions for other sites and I will be glad to add them to the page.

There is a counter at the bottom of the first page. On Sunday, February 12, the counter read 129. This is the number of times the page has been visited since I created it in November 2004. It would be great to see that counter climb.

# Young Eagles Volunteers Allowed Certain Tax Deductions

(Taken from the Young Eagles Website—[www.youngeagles.org](http://www.youngeagles.org))

Tax time is nearly upon us, and EAA has some valuable information for Young Eagles volunteers on potential tax-deductible expenses incurred while participating in the program. The Experimental Aircraft Association is an educational and philanthropic organization under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. Consequently, EAA members and others who incur out-of-pocket expenses in connection with volunteer services performed by them on behalf of EAA, may be entitled to deduct all or part of those expenses as a charitable contribution on their personal income tax returns.

EAA's tax-exempt status as a 501(c)(3) organization means the IRS will allow volunteers who help the program to deduct out-of-pocket expenses actually incurred that are in direct connection with, and solely attributed to, the EAA Young Eagles program.

If the above conditions are met, volunteers can deduct direct, out-of-pocket expenses such as:

- Fuel and oil directly consumed by the aircraft in the demonstration flight, not to exceed 200 miles
- Fuel and oil to another airport within 50 miles to meet a young person
- Transportation, not to exceed 30 miles one way, to get to and from the airport
- The rental charges for a bus or van to bring a group of young people to the airport
- The rental expense of an airplane used only for the program

- Postage for mailing the registration records to EAA's Oshkosh Young Eagles office
- Extra liability insurance purchased solely for flights for the program
- Landing tie down fees at a non-home based airport
- Aeronautical education materials
- Meals for the young person (but not the volunteer)
- Film and developing charges for pictures of Young Eagles

Indirect expenses, such as hangar fees and annuals, are not considered "out-of-pocket" and are therefore ineligible. To compute the expense of transporting the volunteer and/or young person to and from the airport in a passenger automobile, a standard mileage rate can be used in lieu of operating expenses.

There is an Excel worksheet available at [www.youngeagles.org/volunteers/resources/](http://www.youngeagles.org/volunteers/resources/) to help you calculate your expenses. Look down for other resources.

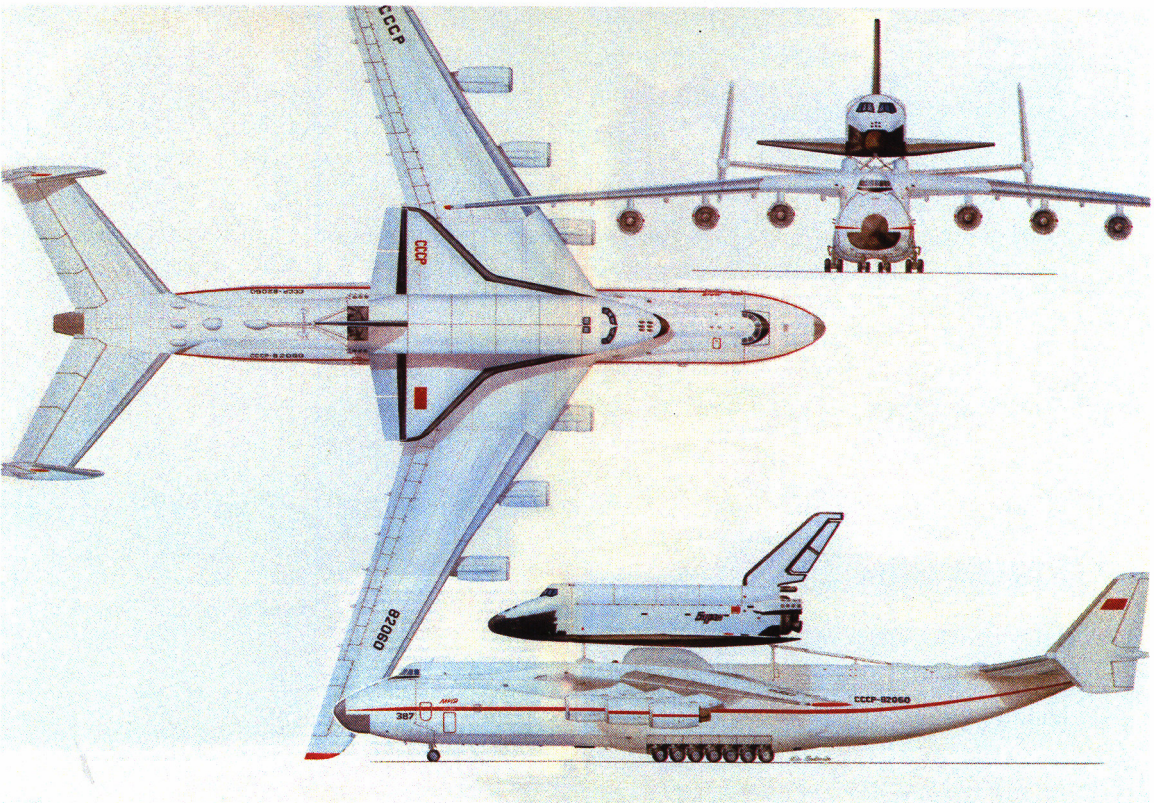
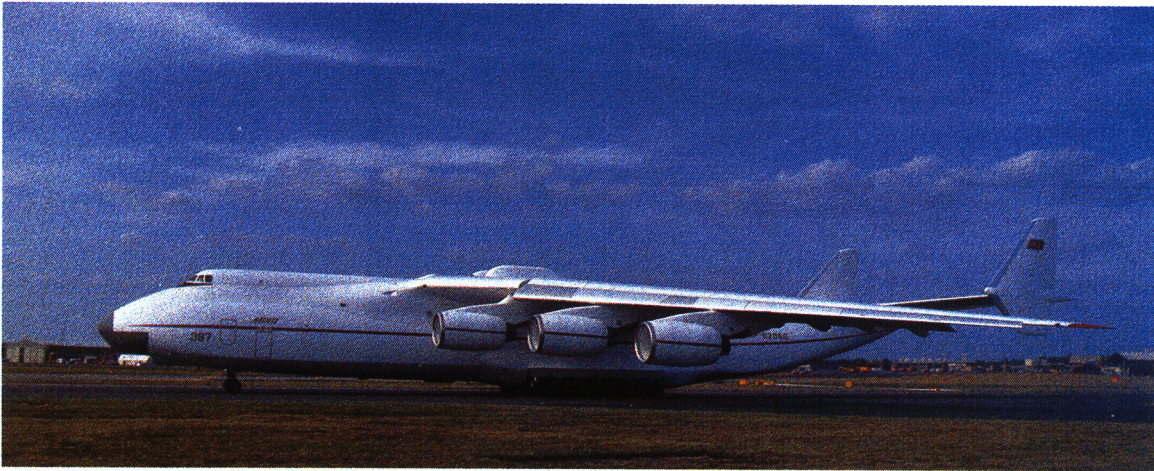
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Please consult your tax professional for specific guidance.

## Out of the Archives #16

Last month's subject was the British Westland Wyvern S.Mk4. First flown in 1946, it didn't go into production and reach fleet squadrons until 1953. Other than development examples only 87 were produced primarily because technology out paced development.

This month's subject, though quite large is one of the most beautifully sculpted aircraft of it's era. First flown in 1988, it was surpassed in size only by the Hughes Spruce Goose, how ever this one became operational and remains so today, unlike the space craft pictured which was abandoned shortly after completion.

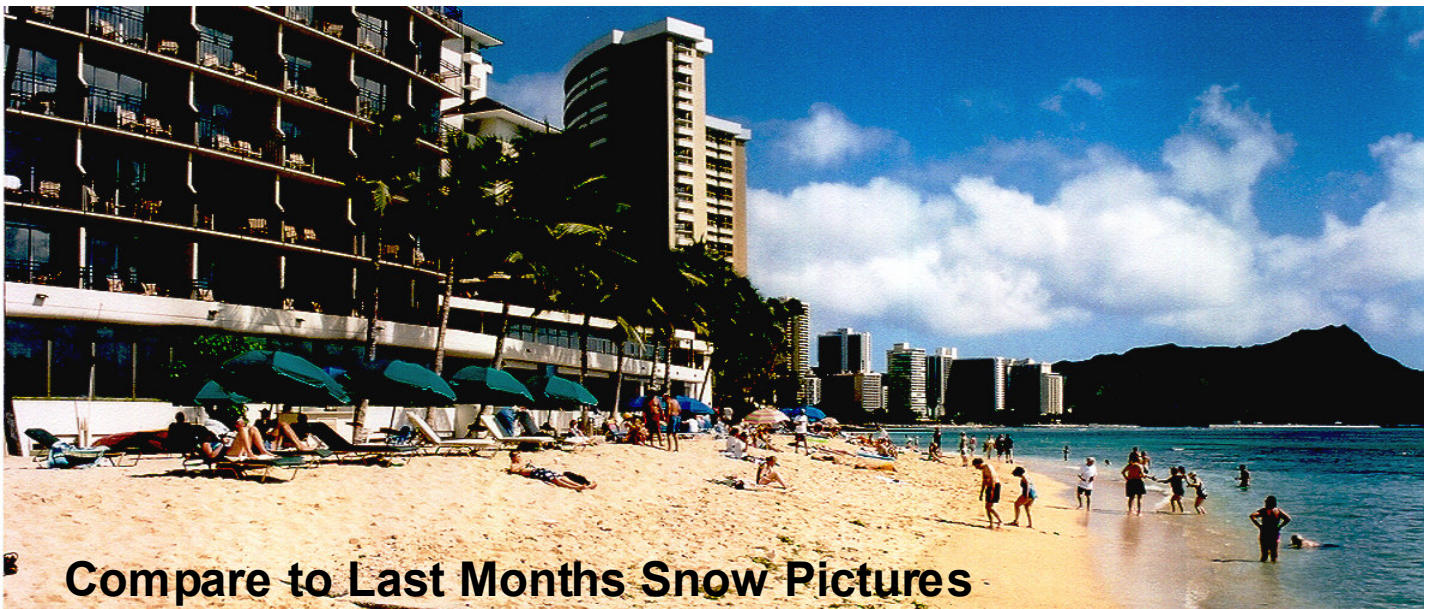


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**Compare to Last Months Snow Pictures**



**Escape from Snow in Hawaii**

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