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CHRISTMAS PARTY

IS ON!! DEC. 6TH!

Pot Luck Dinner Will Kick Off at 6:01 p.m.

The May-June issue of *The WingNut* announced that there would not be a Christmas Dinner this year. That report was true—at the time. Since then, the Board of Directors has reconsidered and reinstated our annual and popular get-together. So on Saturday, December 6 at 6:01 p.m. the good times, fun, festivities and yummy eatin' will begin. It's a carry-in, so bring a dish big

enough to feed your family. Every one else'll do the same, and there will be more than enough for everyone. The Chapter will provide the ham 'n turkey and some drinks to sip on. You provide the fun and fellowship.

The dinner is FREE—your ticket price is to bring a main dish, a salad, or some dessert. So whip up a nice amount of your favorite dish and bring it to share with all your friends and Flabobians. It will be a fun evening of great food, good fellowship, games, musical entertainment, and more.

There will be no Young Eagles Rally in December. Our last event of the year will be our Christmas Dinner. We wish you the happiest of holidays, and hope all goes well with you, your loved ones and families. Please join us as we usher out another year of activities at EAA Chapter One. Merry Christmas, Happy Hanukkah, and have a joyous, healthy and prosperous New Year!!

Veteran's Day Nov. 8th, YE and Chapter Meeting 15th

Flabob to double amount of hangar space



Rialto's loss is Flabob's gain! Rialto unfortunately lost an airport, but as a result, Flabob gained a bunch of hangars and other airport related items. Flabob's "briar patch" hangars have been torn down, grading has begun, and asphalt will soon be laid west of the gas pump in preparation for the erection of a whole slew of new hangars—some 65 to eventually be available to house planes at Flabob...doubling the hangar space now offered.

The hangars and other equipment were donated by the city of Rialto. L67 was closed this past Sept. 18. On Oct. 8, Flabob officials were notified that they were the recipient of most of the hangars and equipment offered through Rialto's "Disposition of

Surplus Property" contract. Problem was, Rialto wanted the property moved in a hurry. Since the price was right, Flabob immediately hired contractors to disassemble and move the hangars and equipment.

Hangar space at Flabob has long been at a premium, with many names on a waiting list. The sudden doubling of space available will certainly have a positive impact on the airport. Airport Manager Beth LeRock said there

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Chapter One's
 Annual Christmas Dinner
 December 6th

Calendar



November 2014

7th – First Friday Flicks

Chapter One Hangar - 5 p.m

8th – Veterans Day Celebration

Flabob Airport - all day

15th – Young Eagles

Chapter One Hangar - 8 a.m.

15th – Chapter Meeting

Chapter One Hangar - 1 p.m.

15th – Board Meeting

Chapter One Hangar - 3 p.m.

15th – Aircraft Display Day & Car Show

Flabob Airport

December 2014

6th – Annual Christmas Dinner

Chapter One Hangar - 6:01 p.m.

12th -13th – EAA SportAir Workshops

Chapter One Hangar - 8 a.m.



Hangar Locations at Flabob



Legend	
1	16 Exec 1 Port-a-Ports
1	1 Exec 3 Port-a-Port
4	4 Fitzgerald
2	24 REDA
3	10 Hamic
4	3 Box
5	1 Scholl

Flabob to double amount of hangar space

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will be a priority structure for renting out the new hangars. “The first priority will be to those who were in the T-hangars that were torn down to make way for the new hangars,” she said. “The second priority will be for pilots who wish to relocate from Rialto Airport.” The third priority will be for those already on Flabob’s waiting list for hangar rental. LeRock said the new tenants will provide new life-blood for Flabob Airport because of increased revenue and more pilots who will participate in airport activities.

Flabob’s acquisition of new hangars include 16 Exec 1 Port-a-Ports, which are 41’ wide and 34’ deep. They will rent for \$295 per month. One Exec 3 Port-a-Port that is 60’ wide and 47’ deep will rent for \$695 per month. Ten Fitzgerald Box Hangars are 41’ wide and 36’ deep and will rent for \$495 per month. Four Port-a-Port Box Hangars, 43’ wide and 36’ deep, will rent for \$495 per month. Some 24 enclosed nested T-hangars (REDA) that are 41’ wide and 36’ deep will rent for \$375 per month. Ten Hamic box hangars are coming; eight will be 50’ wide and 44’ deep, two will be 60’ wide and 44’ deep.

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Casualty of the Expansion: The “Briar Patch” Hangars are Gone



Flabob expansion underway

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These will rent for \$800 and \$925 per month, respectively.

In addition to the 65 hangars, Flabob will be receiving two PAPI systems, three lighted windsocks, a rotating beacon and tower, spare runway lights, runway signs and taxiway signs.

“This came on us all of a sudden,” LeRock said, “and we’ve had to move fast. We hope to have all the hangars in place by January...if all goes well!”

LeRock said she has been busy dealing with the permits and government red tape required to get the job done. “The City of Jurupa Valley has been wonderfully supportive and cooperative,” she said.

This bittersweet windfall may be a huge boon for the future of Flabob Airport. The influx of scores of new aircraft and pilots will make this historic airport a busier and more successful hub of aviation activity in the Southern California area. It will be a better looking, more active airport. Hopefully, there will be increased social activity among aviators, more new members to join EAA Chapter One.

We at Chapter One give our utmost support to the staff and contractors of Flabob Airport through this challenging and exciting transition!





New Signs On Hangars At Flabob

The sign on EAA Chapter One's hangar used to read "EAA Chapter 1 FLABOB." Now it has been dedicated to the Chapter founder and the man who paid for the hangar from the ground up—Mr. Ray Stits. The sign now reads "STITS HANGAR—Home of EAA Chapter 1."

The front part of the famous "Starduster" hangar, formerly occupied by Roger Farnes and Jan Buttermore's Far West Aviation has been converted into the "Katrina Bradshaw Memorial BuildAPlane Center." Far West Aviation remains in the rear side of the hangar.

The Stinson 108-3 project—a Wathen Center youth project—now is underway in the newly designated area. Jan Buttermore is the director of the Stinson project which is well underway. Soon, we'll have a newly completed youth project to tout!



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56 non-Flabobians become YE!

The Chapter One Young Eagle program has had several “firsts” in the last year or so, not all of which were so notable. In October, we had another “first.” Only six youth were signed up, so the Chapter leadership decided to cancel for the month. This is the first time that this has happened in 22 years!! On the YE Saturday, a few more showed up unannounced, but it still would not have been enough to justify a YE flight rally.

Not all was lost for the month of October, however, as on Oct. 25, the city of Brawley held their first Airport Day and wanted us to fly YE’s as part of the event. In the two weeks prior to this I made a lot of calls to people in the city of Brawley, EAA Risk Management and to our own generous YE pilots. On top of this, I was scheduled to be out of state for that weekend, but Jimmy O’Brien graciously stepped in and ran things on the ground at Brawley. Six of our pilots flew down and they were joined by two pilots from Imperial. Thanks, Jimmy!! By shortly after noon, 56 happy, excited youth had become Young Eagles.

The computer data entry and certificates were handled by Brian Blasjo, Dusty Yonge and Greg Yonge who each flew down with a pilot.

Without exception, the people from the City of Brawley were extremely thankful to us and complimentary of our program. They want us back next year for their second annual Airport Day.

This will make three “away from Flabob” YE events that are on tap for the next year. The first is January 17, at Imperial, and then April at Ft. Mojave and then October at Brawley.

A hearty thanks to pilots who went the extra mile, no pun intended, and the guys who did the certificates.

- Wes Blasjo, Young Eagles Coordinator

Chapter President, VP, To switch positions

Chapter One President Jan Buttermore has agreed to allow current Vice-President Jim O’Brien to seek the position of president, while Jan will assume the position of vice-president. Active members will have received their ballots which reflect this change.

Other members on the ballot include Secretary Gabe Baumert, and board member Ron Headlee. New members running for the position of board members are Flabob Airport Manager Beth LaRock and pilot Debbie Cheney. All members are running unopposed. If you haven’t done so, please send in your ballots so the election can be finalized as soon as possible.

Pilots Who Flew:

- Allyn Auck**
- Larry Conley**
- Irvin Craig**
- Wallace Hale (Imperial)**
- James Meeker**
- Jimmy O’Brien**
- Gerald Perry**
- Joel Shank (Imperial)**



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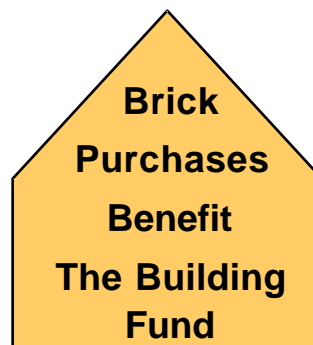


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EAA Chapter One

*Join us for
Christmas Dinner Dec. 6th*



Lunch will be provided. Please bring salads, side dishes and desserts! Thanks!

See you there!

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*Chapter Meeting
November 15th*

Join us at the Chapter One Hangar for a day of fellowship & fun!!

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