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Doug Maxwell claimed by heart attack

Doug Maxwell, Chapter One board member, grounds keeper, and all-around good guy, succumbed to a massive heart attack on Sept. 26...just three days after he spent all day working at the EAA Chapter One Open House. According to his wife, Mary, Doug was on the back porch squeezing oranges when the coronary occurred. He never regained consciousness.

Doug was born Feb. 22, 1934, in Morgansville, WV, and his family moved to Bradford, PA, by the time he was four. He spent his youth in Bradford and joined the U.S. Army shortly after graduation from high school in 1953, where he served as a supply clerk in Japan, among other assignments. In 1954, while on leave, he married his high school sweetheart, Mary Kemick.

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Doug in the sales booth at the Open House Sept. 23rd

Grave-side services at 9:30 am Oct. 6 at Riverside National Cemetery followed by a reception at the Chapter One Hangar at 11:00 am (See Page 6).

The Prez Sez...

Our Open House on September 23 was both a success, and a blowout. The blowout came with the burst of North wind that announced the Santa Ana Winds which had been forecast. All was going well up to that point. Only a few braved the gusting cross-winds to land after that, and the prudent visitors departed as soon as possible. What was a great start to the fly-in turned into a rather quiet afternoon for those who stayed around. Then the dinner crowd started arriving for our evening party, and everyone had a good time after that. The meal was appreciated by all, based on comments to me, and Tom Wathen's presentation on Flabob, Past, Present, and Future was enjoyed by all. Many compliments have been received and greatly appreciated by the many volunteers who worked so long and hard to make the Open House a success.

Our collective decision was to declare VICTORY and not dwell on the curtailed activities that the winds forced on us. Any gathering of our aviation friends is a good event.

Our happiness was brief, however. Three days later, we received the word that our key man in Chapter One, Doug Maxwell, had died suddenly of a heart attack. We are devastated, as a group of friends, and our heartfelt condolences go to Mary and the rest of Doug's family. As of this writing, the schedule of services is unknown, so please follow announcements on our website, www.each1.org, as dates and times are available.

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Please Note: November chapter meeting on 1st Sunday

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CALENDAR



October

6th -- First Friday Flicks

Chapter One Hangar -- 5 p.m.

7th -- Young Eagles Rally

Chapter One Hangar -- 8 a.m.

8th -- Chapter Meeting

Chapter One Hangar -- noon

8th -- Board Meeting

Chapter One Hangar -- 3 p.m.

17th, 19th & 21st -- Hot Air Balloon Ground Training Course

21st -- Aircraft Display Day & Car Show

26-29th -- Copperstate Regional EAA Fly-In
Casa Grande, AZ

28th -- Design Group Meeting

Chapter One Hangar -- 10 a.m.

November

4th -- Young Eagles Rally

Chapter One Hangar - 8 a.m.

5th -- Chapter Meeting

Chapter One Hangar - noon

5th -- Board Meeting

Chapter One Hangar - 3 p.m.

11th -- Friday Night Flicks

Chapter One Hangar - 5 p.m.

12th -- Veteran Day Celebration

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18th -- Design Group Meeting

Chapter One Hangar - 10 a.m.

December

--No Young Eagles--

1st -- First Friday Flicks

Chapter One Hangar - 5 p.m.

9th -- The Chapter One Christmas Dinner

- New officers presented
- Awards and other Recognitions
- Prizes

16th -- Aircraft Display Day & Car Show
-- Design Group Meeting

Chapter One Hangar - 10 a.m.

25th -- Christmas!

Ready, or not!

Our 2006 Open House is History!

**Chapter One
Open House --
Sept. 23, 2006**



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Photos by Leon Grumling & Don Dobbs

Open House a good day, despite crosswinds

Southern California's infamous Santa Ana winds came to Chapter One's Open House this year. Kicking up mid-morning, they caused the windsocks to stand straight out, pointing directly across the runway. It made for some interesting take-offs and landings, and, by early afternoon, had pretty much squashed any aviation activity.



Nevertheless, we had an enjoyable get-together. The Gala Banquet on Saturday night was a great success, with about 80 people enjoying a great meal, an entertaining speech, and lots of fun. Tom Wathen spoke on "Flabob: Past, Present, and Future," a speech that traced the development of the airport from its inception to the Foundation's plans for the future. He showed many interesting historical photographs, as well as artists' renditions of what Flabob may look like a few years from now, then answered questions from the audience.

Thanks to all of you who volunteered your efforts to ensure that the day went smoothly...and it did!



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Thanks, Doc!

Four more Young Eagles get ratings

Four female fliers from Flabob—including three Aeronca Kids—have earned ratings in the past few weeks.

Sara Rogers, who graduated from Embry-Riddle University in May, spent the summer in Prescott, AZ, finishing up her internship and working on her instrument rating and complex airplane check-out. One week after passing her instrument check-ride, she traveled to Kingman, AZ, and received her multi-engine rating. Sara has moved to Seattle, WA, where she is currently working on her seaplane rating and taildragger endorsement.



Sara Rogers

Tiffany Felton, 20, of Riverside, known to many as the girl who conducts the ground schools for Young Eagles Ralleys, passed her private pilot check-ride on Sept. 27. Tiffany got into aviation “on accident.” Her brother heard about the free airplane rides offered by Young Eagles and signed up. “My Mom made me go,” Tiffany said, “I didn’t want to go. It was way too early in the morning for me.” That experience led to her becoming part of the Aeronca Project, and gaining the desire to learn to fly.

Tiffany is in her third year at University of California, Riverside, where she has a major in Interdisciplinary Studies with concentration in business and visual culture. She aspires to a career as a sports agent or in marketing. In 2004, Tiffany and fellow Aeronca Kid Amanda Lockman



Tiffany Felton

represented Young Eagles at the YE fund-raiser at Oshkosh.

Amanda, 17, of Riverside, got her private ticket on Sept. 15th, requiring about 20 hours less flying time than the national average. Amanda got into aviation when she took one of the Wathen Foundation’s Air Academy classes in eighth grade. They told her about the Aeronca Project, and she signed up in 2002, working on it until the project’s completion. She began flight training in gliders at Hemet-Ryan, where she soloed before switching to powered flight at Flabob’s Gotta Fly Aviation.



Amanda Lockman

A senior home-schooled student in “independent studies,” Amanda takes a math class at Ramona High School, and the rest of her classes at Riverside Community College. She is on the swim team at Cal Baptist University, and runs cross-country. She hopes to attend college at Georgetown or Stanford.

Brittni Tanenbaum, 17, of Riverside, passed her oral exam and was scheduled to take her private check-ride on the day of the Open House, but was grounded by the winds. She since has moved to Santa Barbara to attend UCSB, but will take her check-ride soon. Brittni, who graduated from North High School a year early (she skipped 6th grade), was also one of the Aeronca Kids. She soloed in a glider at Hemet-Ryan when she was 14



Brittni Tanenbaum

Chapter One wishes each of these Young Eagles the best, and wishes to thank Gotta Fly Aviation, where Tiffany, Amanda, and Brittni completed their flight training.

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Doug Maxwell's departure leaves a void in Chapter One

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In 1955, Mary moved to Riverside, CA, so when Doug got out of the military in 1956, he settled here, and went to work for Rohr Industries...from which he retired nearly 35 years later. During his tenure at Rohr, he worked in quality control, materials & process engineering, and ended up as technical manager of adhesive bond activities.

After his retirement, in the early '90s, Doug built a beautiful Kitfox IV with a Rotax 583. Heart problems led to the loss of his medical, and he looked forward to flying again under the Light Sport Pilot regulations. The low-time Kitfox remains hangared at Flabob.

Doug is survived locally by his wife, Mary, four children, and four grandchildren. According to his wishes, his body will be cremated and interred at Riverside National Cemetery.

There is now a huge void in EAA Chapter One. Doug's presence was huge. He was always there, one of the few who could be depended on to do whatever task needed to be done at any time. With his wisdom and easy-going personality, his ready smile, his subtle humor, and his freely offered friendship, he was a joy to be around and to work with.

As our President Jim Pyle, who worked with Doug and knew him for some 40 years, said, "If I could choose a brother, Doug would certainly have qualified."

We will miss you, Doug!

**A graveside memorial service for
Doug Maxwell
will be held
Oct 6, 2006 at 9:30 a.m.
at
Riverside National Cemetery
22495 Van Buren Blvd.
Guests should arrive at
Staging Area 3
at 9:15 a.m.**

**A reception will follow at the
EAA Chapter One Hangar
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at
11:00 a.m.**



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SAMPLE 2006 BALLOT

The Nominating Committee has entered these names as candidates for the listed positions. Each position has a space provided for a write-in name of the voter's choice if so desired. Write-ins should have agreed that their name be placed on the ballot. Official ballots will be mailed to qualified members whose EAA and Chapter One membership is current in our files.

This is your ballot for EAA Chapter One's 2006 Board of Directors election. Please check the boxes to the right of the candidates you wish to elect.

Room has been made for one (1) write-in candidate for each of the Officer positions and five (5) write-in candidates for the Board Member positions (which are set forth in alphabetical order). Please return this ballot in the enclosed self-addressed envelope. Your ballot must be postmarked on or before October 21, 2006. Elected positions will be determined by the majority responses of ballots received.

President (vote for one)

Jerry Cortez	

Vice President (vote for one)

Gino Barabani	

Secretary (vote for one)

Martin Britton	

Treasurer (vote for one)

Karen Schicora	

Board Members (vote for five)

Nancy Acorn	
Lloyd Dunn	
Tiffany Felton	
Leon Grumling	
Jim Pyle	
Ray Stits	

Note: This is a SAMPLE ballot. Ballots will be mailed to all current EAA Chapter One members, along with a questionnaire. Please complete both and mail back to us in the enclosed self-addressed envelope. Thank you for your participation.

Election Statements of Candidates for Board Positions

Candidates for Chapter Leadership positions need to comply with the By Laws requirement to put an Election Statement in the WingNut, stating their qualifications and desires for performing an elective office. Following are two statements that have been submitted (others appeared in the September WingNut):

Gino Barabani

Hello, my name is Gino Barabani and I am an applicant for Vice-President in the forthcoming EAA Chapter One elections. I have been a member of the national EAA since 1979 and a local member of EAA Chapter One over the years.

Why do I want to be Vice-President of Chapter One? Being an EAA member has always brought me great enjoyment and many experiences. To enjoy something worthwhile, you have to put something worthwhile into it after all. Occasionally, it is important for member's to take on a leadership role. This role should help support and cultivate the Chapter's requirements and growth. It would be my honor to participate in the overall leadership functions of the Chapter with the help of your vote.

If elected to this position, I will do my best to provide communication and cooperation between EAA Chapter

One officers, myself and you the member's of Chapter One. My foremost interests and contributions that I can bring are: 1) Help improve the Chapter, 2) Assist in the efforts and policies which have made the Chapter successful, 3) Contribute and help fulfill the Presidents, Officers and fellow member's future vision for this Chapter.

Finally and most important, I plan on having fun and learn how the Chapter operates to provide the utmost services to the members.

Please vote and vote your choice. Thank You

Tiffany Felton

My name is Tiffany Felton and I am an applicant for Board Member of EAA Chapter One.

I am a recently certified pilot. I'm attending my third year as a business major at the University of California, Riverside.

I've been actively involved in Chapter One for 5 years. My primary job in Chapter One is to teach ground school at Young Eagles. My interpersonal skills would be an asset to recruiting a new generation of aviation enthusiasts.

I am requesting your vote because I can bring new innovative ideas. And at the same time respect the opinions of our wiser "Greatest Generation" members.

Newest Members...

According to Membership Chairperson, Nancy Acorn, our new Chapter One members for September are:

Richard Riley, Santa Ana, CA
David Cole, West Covina, CA
William & Gloria Haddock, San Antonio, TX
Harold Thompson, Auburn, WA
Jean Brooks, Peoria, AZ
George Herriage, Paoli, OK
Frances O'Brien, Sun City, CA
A. Peterson, Battle Creek, MI
Keith Harrell, Cathedral City, CA
John Dearden, Orange, CA
Carol Dearden, Orange, CA
Ralph Johnson, Boron, CA
Don McCary, Riverside, CA
Randolph Bean, Redlands, CA
Ajay Duerme, Grand Terrace, CA

Welcome aboard!

Wanted: Your Input!

Are you building an airplane, or helping to build one? Are you involved in any type of aviation project? Have you gotten a new rating? Or gotten engaged or married? Or had a new addition to your family? Do you have something you want to sell, or are you looking to buy a certain item?

If you are a member of EAA Chapter One--whether you're a Flabobian or an honorary Flabobian who lives far away--we want to know your news. Share the good news with all of your fellow Chapter One members. Email us at editor@eaach1.org and get your news published in *The WingNut*. This newsletter is of, by and for chapter members.

So if you have any personal or aviation news, please let us know. We're here to serve you. And keep reading *The WingNut* for upcoming features.



28 Young Eagles flown in September Rally

The September Young Eagle Flight Rally went down in the hearts and minds of 28 youth as just not another day, but a GREAT day. What we lacked in quantity, we made up for in quality, as seven of our great Flabob pilots introduced these youth to the wonderful world of flight.

Boy Scout troop 428 from Perris, under the leadership of Ray Cisnaro, brought four scouts and one sibling. This is one of the smallest scout turnouts we have had for a long time. Next month Boy Scout Troop 1 from Huntington Beach will be back again with their usual large group.

Thanks to all the "behind the scenes" people who made this another great day for 28 new Young Eagles AND their parents. Your help is always appreciated.

-Wes Blasjo

Pilots who flew:

Jerry Cortez	C 150	Tom Hamm Sr.	Cherokee	Loreen Wynja	C 172
Dave Cudney	Cherokee 180	James Meeker	Taylorcraft		
Barry Duble	Cherokee 235	Ray Stits	C 182		

The Prez Sez....(Continued from Page 1)

A Tribute to My Good Friend, Doug Maxwell

It is my privilege to make a personal statement about Doug. Many at Flabob knew Doug for his persistent service to Chapter One and other Flabob activities. This is the tip of Doug's iceberg, as I see it, because Doug and I have worked together and enjoyed close friendship for over 40 years. He earned respect and admiration for his work ethic and his sense of Right and Wrong, in his every undertaking. And his undertakings were many. When he built his Kitfox homebuilt aircraft, he went about it in his calm, organized, but determined way. That handiwork is a tribute to his skill. His technical knowledge, learned in many years of service in the Aerospace business, was profound, and he shared this while serving as Technical Counselor for EAA member's projects. Doug has kept the Chapter One

facilities and equipment in good order for many years. His artistic ability with wood picture frames and cabinets has graced our hangar walls as we display our treasures. But, his most important contribution to all of us is just knowing Doug and counting him as our friend. Soar High, Doug, and Touch the Face of God.

- Jim Pyle, L.D. President

Check out Jerry's Oshkosh Journal

Chapter One's soon-to-be President Jerry Cortez kept a journal of his adventures while flying with the Aeronca Kids to EAA AirVenture at Oshkosh this year. You can read his day-by-day log by going to our website, www.eaach1.org. Go to the bottom of the Links on the right side of the page, and you'll see "Jerry Cortez's Journal to Oshkosh." Click on it, and Jerry's journal will pop up. It's fun and interesting reading.

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