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EAA Chapter 393 Upcoming Events

October 2025

- 1** Board of Directors Regular Meeting
- 18** Young Eagles Rally
- 22** Dinner & General Meeting

November 2025

- 5** Board of Directors Regular Meeting
- No Dinner & General Meeting

December 2025

- 3** Board of Directors Regular Meeting
- 13** Holiday Dinner & General Meeting

In Memory of Carol Healey: Aviator, Advocate, Friend

By the Sunday Fly-Out Community

It is with heavy hearts that we share the passing of **Carol Healey**, a beloved member of our pilot community, passionate aviator, respected attorney, and cherished friend. Carol's loss is deeply felt by all who had the privilege of flying with her, laughing with her, or simply sharing a ramp or a meal after a Sunday adventure.



Carol was the quiet backbone of our Sunday Fly-Out group, often organizing and suggesting destinations that were both weather-friendly and welcoming—never too hot or cold, just right for her trusty Rockwell Commander and the pilots she brought together. She had a gift for making new passengers feel at home in what can sometimes be an intimidating world of general aviation.

One of Carol's last flights was to Shelter Cove on August 31, a perfect example of the kind of day she loved: cool marine air, a wide horizon, the laughter of fellow pilots, and a group bound by sky and spirit. That flight now holds extra meaning for many, especially Norm Brudigam, who shared a final hug with Carol on arrival—a simple gesture

now etched in memory. "We always agreed there's not enough hugging in the world," he wrote.

A **Celebration of Life** will be held for Carol:

Date: Sunday, October 19, 2025

Time: 11:00 AM – 3:00 PM

Location: *Oakland Aviation Museum*

Address: 8252 Earhart Road, Oakland, CA 94621

The museum will be closed to the public and open only to our group for the occasion.

Tentative Schedule:

11:00 AM – Mingling and gathering

12:00 PM – Sharing memories and tributes

1:30 PM – Lunch

3:00 PM – Closing



We encourage everyone who knew Carol to attend, share a story, and celebrate the life of someone who meant so much to so many.

So many in our aviation family have reached out with messages of love, admiration, and gratitude:

"Carol was always vigilant and helpful in the cockpit... her memory will be a blessing." – *Stu Schuster*

"It was an honor to share aviation stories and joke around as a group. Having a community of like-minded friends is priceless." – *Ben Ueland*

"Carol and I were neighbors on the tarmac at KOAK. We talked often... she will be profoundly missed." – *Michael Karp*

"She had strong conviction, a strong mind, and a fearless countenance. Her clients were lucky. Her friends even more so." – *John, N95JF*

"Carol may be sandbagging along with some of you in spirit now, loving flying as she did. Blue skies, Carol." – *Shannon*

"That Sunday in Shelter Cove was a day of beautiful weather, surrounded by friends. I like to think we all took a little extra time together." – *Clint*

Carol's beloved cats, Bootsie and Shadow, are also looking for a loving new home. If you or someone you know may be able to adopt them, please reach out to George.

For those who wish to pass along a message to Carol's son, Reese, messages are being collected and can be forwarded through the Sunday Fly-Out group.

Carol once folded many of us into her world—a world where aviation was joy, where logic and kindness could coexist, and where friendships were built at 6,500 feet over a coastline. Her passing leaves an empty seat in every hangar, every fly-out, and every heart.

But her legacy? That stays aloft, in every flight we take, and every Sunday we fly in her honor.

Tailwinds, Carol. You are missed.

Young Eagles Rally – September 20, 2025

After several rallies of windy conditions and clouds, we sure found a beauty of a day this time! The winds were below 6kts for the whole rally. We started out on 19R before making a transition to 32R around 11AM. This event, we were a small but mighty team of volunteers. We flew 37 Young Eagles! We get so many questions about how to become a pilot after these rallies, it's great to see a new generation growing.

We continued to sell Young Eagles shirts and hand out the new pilot uniforms. They look great!

We are planning on starting up our youth building workshops in October or November. Thank you to Slav for helping get that off the ground!



Thank you to our volunteers! Thank you to CAP for keeping us safe and setting up SO MANY tents and chairs. Thank you to ATC! Thanks to KCCR field ops for keeping us safe and bringing Shrek!

Ground Volunteers

Peter Baker
Coral Tsuchihashi
Maria Tanzillo
Roxanne Hill
Scott Davis
Gates Roberg-Clark



Marshalls

Harvard Holmes
Rayan Bhatti
Jim Evans



Pilots

Martin Frentzel
Greg Jacobs
Scott Hotes
Jim Aqua
Rick Arias
Natasha Doktorova
Dennis Sheehan
Misha Tyukin
Mo Awwad



We have one more rally this year, we have an October 18th event that is a makeup day for our windy May rally cancellation. The more volunteers we have, the more youth we can fly. Hope to see you there, lets end the season with a huge turnout!

Gates Roberg-Clark, EAA 393 Young Eagles

General Meeting and Monthly Dinner – September 24, 2025

Our September 24th General Meeting was one to remember — a perfect blend of great food, good company, and a rare behind-the-scenes look at what goes on on the other side of the mic.

Once again, Scott outdid himself in the kitchen! Attendees were treated to a delicious dinner of:

- Chicken Piccata
- Garlic Mashed Potatoes
- Sautéed Vegetables
- And to top it all off, ice cream for dessert



The beautifully decorated tables added a warm and festive atmosphere, turning our meeting room into a welcoming dining hall for aviation friends old and new.

After dinner, we welcomed Justin, an Air Traffic Controller at Oakland Center, as our featured speaker. In a candid and informative talk, Justin gave us a fascinating behind-the-scenes look at what it's like to work in the high-stakes world of enroute ATC.

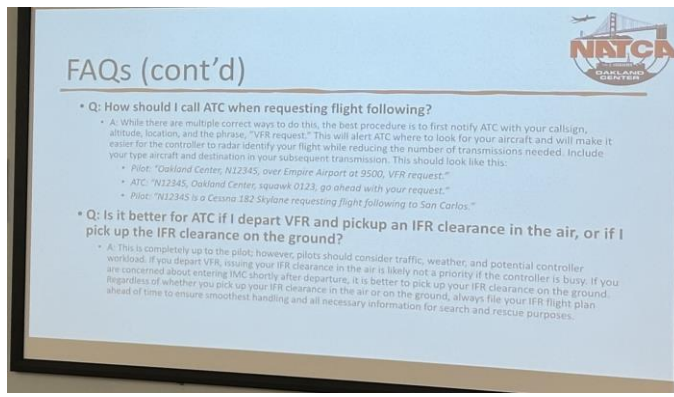
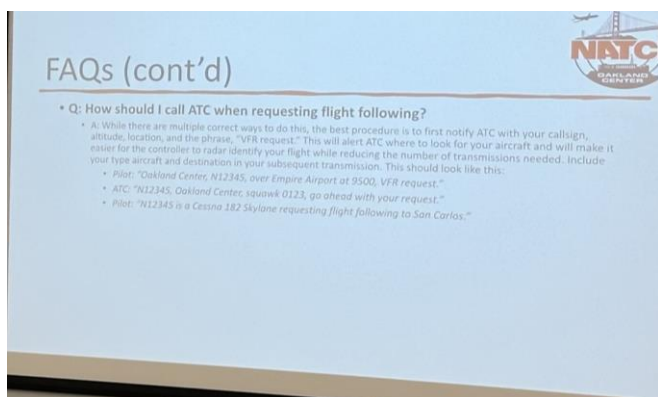
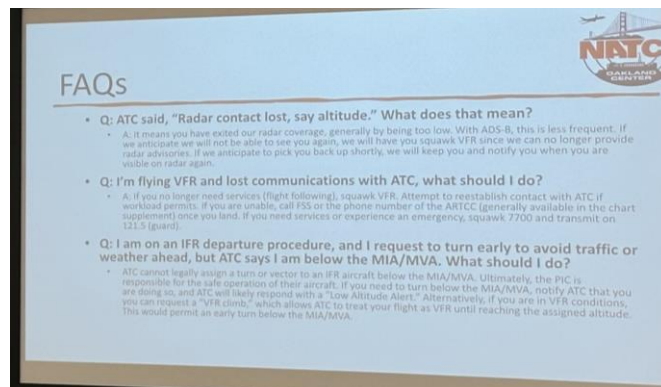
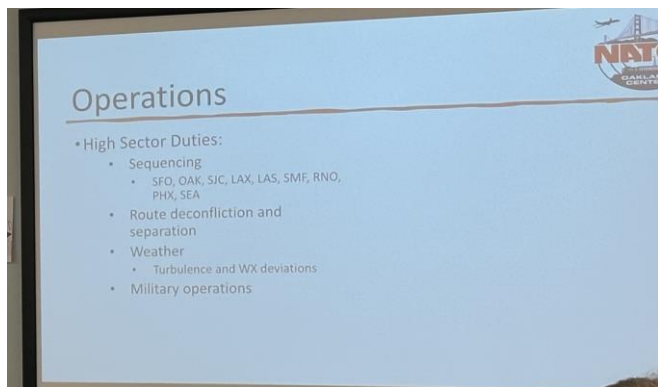


Speaking from years of experience, he shared insights into the daily challenges of keeping aircraft safely separated across vast stretches of airspace — and offered practical tips for general aviation (GA) pilots on how to communicate more effectively with Center controllers.

Justin's easygoing style made the evening feel more like a fireside chat than a formal presentation. He answered a wide range of questions from the group, giving attendees the rare opportunity to hear directly from a voice many of us know only through our headsets.

Here are just a few of the questions Justin addressed during the Q&A:

- What's a typical day in the life of a Center controller like?
- How are handoffs between sectors and facilities managed?
- What kinds of aircraft or scenarios present the biggest challenges?
- How do you handle lost comms situations behind the scenes?
- How is IFR traffic managed near busy VFR corridors?
- Any advice for GA pilots talking to Center for the first time?
- How should pilots communicate deviations for weather or turbulence?
- How have tools like ADS-B and data comm changed your job?
- Do you recognize the voices or call signs of frequent flyers?
- What's the most memorable thing you've seen on scope?



Justin's answers were thoughtful, sometimes humorous, and always enlightening. He gave us all a deeper appreciation for the complex work that happens quietly in the background to keep us safe every day.

Events like this remind us what makes our aviation community so special: great food, honest conversation, shared learning, and the simple joy of being around people who understand the magic of flight.

A big thank you to Scott for the outstanding dinner, and to Justin for his time, expertise, and willingness to connect with our community. We hope to see more behind-the-scenes talks like this in the future!

"Monthly Build": Celebrating Aviation Projects in Progress

Are you currently in the midst of an aviation project? Whether you're building your own aircraft from scratch, restoring a vintage plane, or embarking on a modification journey, we want to hear from you! Share your updates, challenges, and lessons learned with fellow aviators, and let us highlight your project in our monthly newsletter.

To participate, simply send us a photo or a few of your project in progress, along with your response to the following questions:

1. **What stage are you in with your project?** Whether you're just getting started, tackling the intricate details, or nearing completion, give us an overview of where you currently stand with your aircraft build.

2. **What has been most challenging?** Building an aircraft is no small feat. Share with us the challenges you've encountered along the way, whether they involve technical hurdles, sourcing materials, or time management.
3. **What is the next stage in your build?** What milestones are you working toward next? Whether it's installing avionics, fitting the interior, or conducting flight tests, let us know what's on the horizon for your project.
4. **Any suggestions for other builders about what you have learned?** Reflect on your journey so far and share any insights or tips that may help fellow builders navigate their own projects more smoothly.

Please send your photos and story comments to newsletter@eaa393.org. We can't wait to showcase the incredible projects taking shape within our aviation community and to learn from the experiences of our fellow builders.

Thank you for being a part of our aviation family, and we look forward to seeing your projects come to life in "Monthly Build"!

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