



March Newsletter

MARCH 14TH, 2026



WHO'S IN CHARGE?

President: Terry Smith

Vice-President: Richard Press

Secretary/Treasurer: Karen Keene

Safety Officer: Medy Medel Jr.

CHAPTER ONE INFORMATION

[Chapter One Email](#)

[Chapter One Website](#)

[PRA Chapter One YouTube Channel](#)

Lakebed Radio Frequency - 123.025MHz

Next Meeting - Saturday, April 11th, 2026, at 11AM

Meeting Location: EAA Ch 494 Hangar 1925 #2E, Corona Airport & [Zoom](#)

The Meeting Video can be found here: [Meeting Video](#)



Chapter One Officer Messages



Terry Smith - President

Hello Members! We just had our March meeting of the year and looking forward to 2026! We have a LOT of news to go over in this Edition of the Newsletter!

Terry
President



Richard Press - Vice President

I just want to thank everyone that voted to give me a chance at being the Chapter VP. and sorry that I couldn't attend the March meeting. Also wanted to mention that I am the new owner of Teddy's gyro.

Richard
Vice-President



Karen Keene - Secretary/Treasurer

Thank you to all Members who paid your 2026 Chapter Dues. We will miss those members not renewing, and should you decide to renew at a later date, we will be happy to have you re-join!

Karen
Secretary/Treasurer

Meeting Minutes

We had our March 2026 meeting at 11am. Attending the meeting were Terry Smith, Karen Keene, Medy Medel, Jordon Felder, Max Spitznagle, Salvadore Fernandez, Jordon Felder and Barry Rechterovich on Zoom.

This meeting was a short one for March, but we covered a variety of topics.

We have ourselves a new Chapter One Vice-President! Richard Press and Jordon Felder had both offered to take over the vacant position, and after all the votes were counted, Richard Press was elected to the position - Congratulations Rich! Rich also wanted all of us to know that he acquired Teddy Udala's gyro, so we should see it flying again in the future. Both Karen and I were elected back again to our respective positions and appreciate the trust all of you have in us for the Chapter.

Another issue voted on was the location of the Chapter One monthly meetings. We had been offered the opportunity to meet monthly at the EAA Chapter 494 Hangar in Corona Airport - several Chapter One Members are also EAA Members. With Sebastian traveling, and some of the challenges in having members drive the long distance to El



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Mirage, the option to relocate Monthly meetings to Corona would give the Chapter the chance to grow the membership. We will still meet at El Mirage from time to time for the Fly-In, and for the Gyro Glider once we are able to get that moving again. The vote was taken, and the voting Members chose to relocate. We greatly appreciate the Members of EAA Chapter 494 for allowing us to utilize the Hangar and look forward to growing Chapter One!

Chapter One Fly-In t-shirts are being worked on now. The design for 2026 has been put together, and we also have the 2026 T-Shirt colors to choose from. You will find this info at the end of this Newsletter. Please take some time to look at the colors and pick your 2 favorite colors - a 1st and 2nd Choice. Email Me and let me know your choices so we can try to finalize the color choice by next month!

As mentioned earlier, we spoke briefly about the 2026 KBFFI and securing the canopies better. I plan to purchase some drill in anchors to make it a bit easier to get them into the ground rather than pounding them in with a sledgehammer. I will take these out to the Dry Lakebed and test them out to see how well they work and let you know. Always looking to make things better!

We ended the meeting around 11:30am and proceeded to have our Wonderful BBQ!



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For 2026 Chapter Dues

For Chapter Dues via Check - Please send your \$30 payment to Karen Keene at:

Karen Keene
P.O. Box 1752
Westminster, CA 92684

Please make Payment out to:

Popular Rotorcraft Association Chapter One

For Chapter Dues via Zelle - Please send \$30 to Karen Keene at her Phone #
714-606-3058

For Chapter Dues via Venmo - Please send \$30 to Terry Smith at his Phone #
951-315-2195

Please make sure you provide your First and Last Name, and what the payment is for.



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EAA website lists some insurance solutions for those needing insurance for their gyro. Their number is 1-886-647-4322. This will get you to several companies that may provide coverage. Website is - <https://www.eaa.org/eaa/eaa-membership/eaa-member-benefits/insurance>



Meeting Pictures





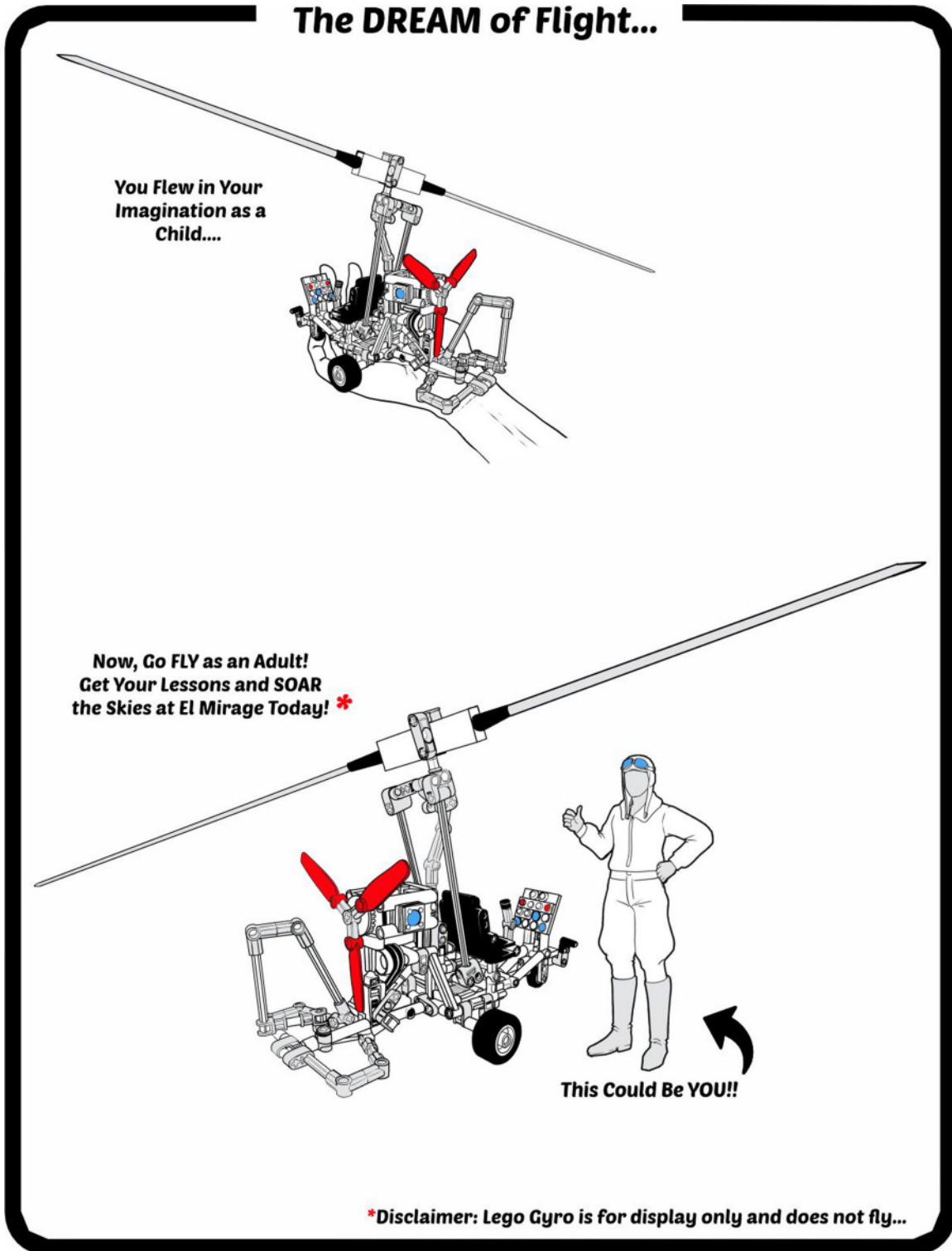
Meeting Pictures





2026 T-Shirt Design

Here is the 2026 Design for the Back of the T-Shirt





2026 T-Shirt Design

Here are the Colors in Short and Long Sleeve Available



Jerzees® Dri-Power® 50/50 Cotton/Poly Long Sleeve T-Shirt

\$10.42+

[Check inventory and pricing](#)

Adult Sizes: S-3XL

- 5.4-ounce, 50/50 cotton/poly jersey
- 47/53 cotton/poly (Oxford)
- Moisture-wicking
- Tear-away label
- Double-needle coverstitching on front neck
- Seamless 1×1 rib knit collar
- Shoulder-to-shoulder taping
- Rib knit cuffs
- Double-needle hem
- Ash (formerly Birch)

Found on **page 90** of *2026 Essentials Catalog*



Colors (30)

Filter by:

Selected: Ash



Product Resources

[Spec Sheet + Measurements](#)

[Decoration Spec Sheet](#)

[Create a Flyer](#)

[Product Images \(Full Resolution\)](#)



2026 T-Shirt Design

Selected: Ash

Ash Athletic Heather Black Black Heather
Burnt Orange California Blue Charcoal Grey
Classic Pink Columbia Blue
Cyber Pink Deep Purple Forest Green Gold
Island Yellow J. Navy Kelly
Kiwi Light Blue Maroon Neon Green
Neon Pink Oxford
Royal Safety Green Safety Orange Sandstone
True Red
Vintage Heather Navy Vintage Heather Red White

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3D Designer

2026 T-Shirt Design

And Finally - the Back on 2 different Color Shirts



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Chapter One Items for Sale

We have a variety of decals at \$3.00 each.

DECALS FOR YOUR CAR WINDOW PROMOTING GYROS AND GYRO SPORT





We also have Patches and Pins - both KBFFI Fly-In and Chapter One!



Patches are \$5.00

Pins are \$3.00



Gyro CFI's Close to Los Angeles



Henry Boger - CFI
Chino Airport
Hangar B180 #11
7000 Merrill Ave
Chino, CA 91710
323-248-1222
AdventureAirLA.com
AdventureAirLA@gmail.com

Peter Kalev - Los Angeles

L.A. GYROPLANE AVIATION, INC.



Peter Kalev

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Northern California Gyroplane CFI's



George M. Woods

Flies and trains out of Watts-Woodland airport (041) near Sacramento.

George owns Magni M16 trainer called the ANGRY BIRD.



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CFI in Nevada



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3280 Helicopter Ave.
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770-292-0165

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FOR SALE

Bensen Hub Bar and Rotorblades

2' Hub Bar and Rotorblade length reported to be 118"

You can contact Jan Safranek at jany77@sbcglobal.net to get more information!

Asking price is \$1500





FOR SALE



Bensen type gyrocopter

Need to get \$ 3K. Best Mac I ever had.

For more information contact:

Moe's Email: mr.100001@hotmail.com