



September Newsletter

SEPTEMBER 12TH, 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](#)

[Popular Rotorcraft Association - Chapter One of Southern California Facebook Page](#)

Lakebed Radio Frequency - 123.025MHz

Next Meeting - Saturday, November 14th, 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 had a productive September meeting, and we are now less than 2 weeks away from KBFFI! Everything is lining up, and we are looking forward to the Gathering at El Mirage!

Terry
President



Richard Press - Vice President

The Fly-In is almost here - See Y'all There!!

Richard
Vice-President



Karen Keene - Secretary/Treasurer

Thank you for your Support of Chapter One!

Karen
Secretary/Treasurer

Meeting Minutes

We had our September 2026 meeting at 11am in Corona at the EAA Hangar. Attending the meeting today was Terry Smith, Richard Press, Karen Keene, David Hensch, Jim & Kathy Thurow, Jim & Linda Misiak with Barry Rechterovich & Michael Zadar on Zoom.

We had a great meeting and covered a variety of topics.

Karen brought the Fly-In T-Shirts to the meeting and they turned out FANTASTIC!!

We did have rain a week ago, and the Lake has been closed for the moment, but we expect the area we hold the event to be dry by the time we meet to set up.

Richard will have new stakes to secure the canopies for the event, and we will look at the condition of the canopies and if needed replace the covers for 2027.

We will likely be relocating the shipping container which holds all of our Fly-In stuff to a new spot where Medy has his hangar - Medy was kind enough to offer the space for us! This will happen after the Fly-in as we haven't had time to get this done already.

We will be using a new tabletop gas grill at the Fly-In for the lunches Friday and Saturday. The old one from Teddy's Grill Container was slowly falling apart and we now have our own grill for cooking.

While we have wanted to get our Glider out for training, we have not yet been able to. Dave Bacon is purchasing the 2nd Glider and Blades for his use in training. Dave may be utilizing the Glider at the Fly-In, but we don't yet know if the Lake will be dry enough for that.



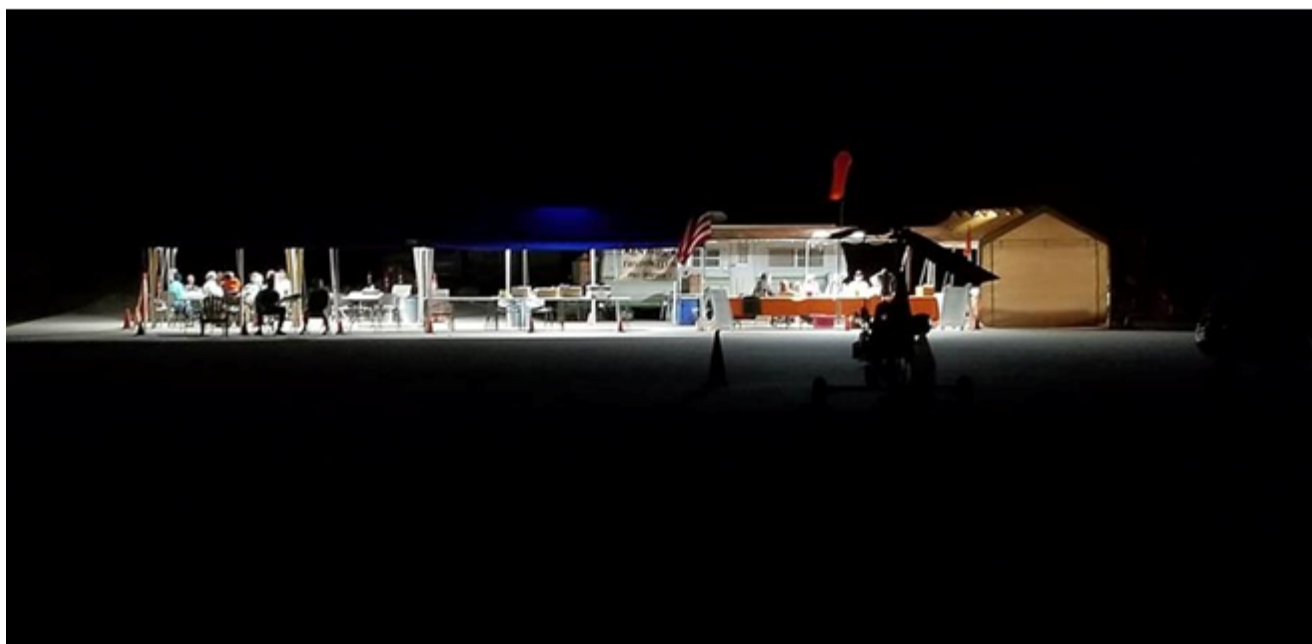
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The ORIGINAL Facebook PRA Chapter One Group has been reconstituted! It can be found here - [Popular Rotorcraft Association - Chapter One of Southern California](#)

Feel free to take a look and join if you haven't yet done so!

We briefly discussed having a Workshop during the Fly-In - If not this year, we should take time to plan out an activity for the 2027 Fly-In. The Grassroots Gyrogliders group is planning to hold a Workshop this year during the Fly-In, so we're looking forward to that!

We ended the meeting around 11:35am and proceeded to have our Wonderful BBQ!



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/eaamembership/eaamemberbenefits/insurance>

Meeting Pictures



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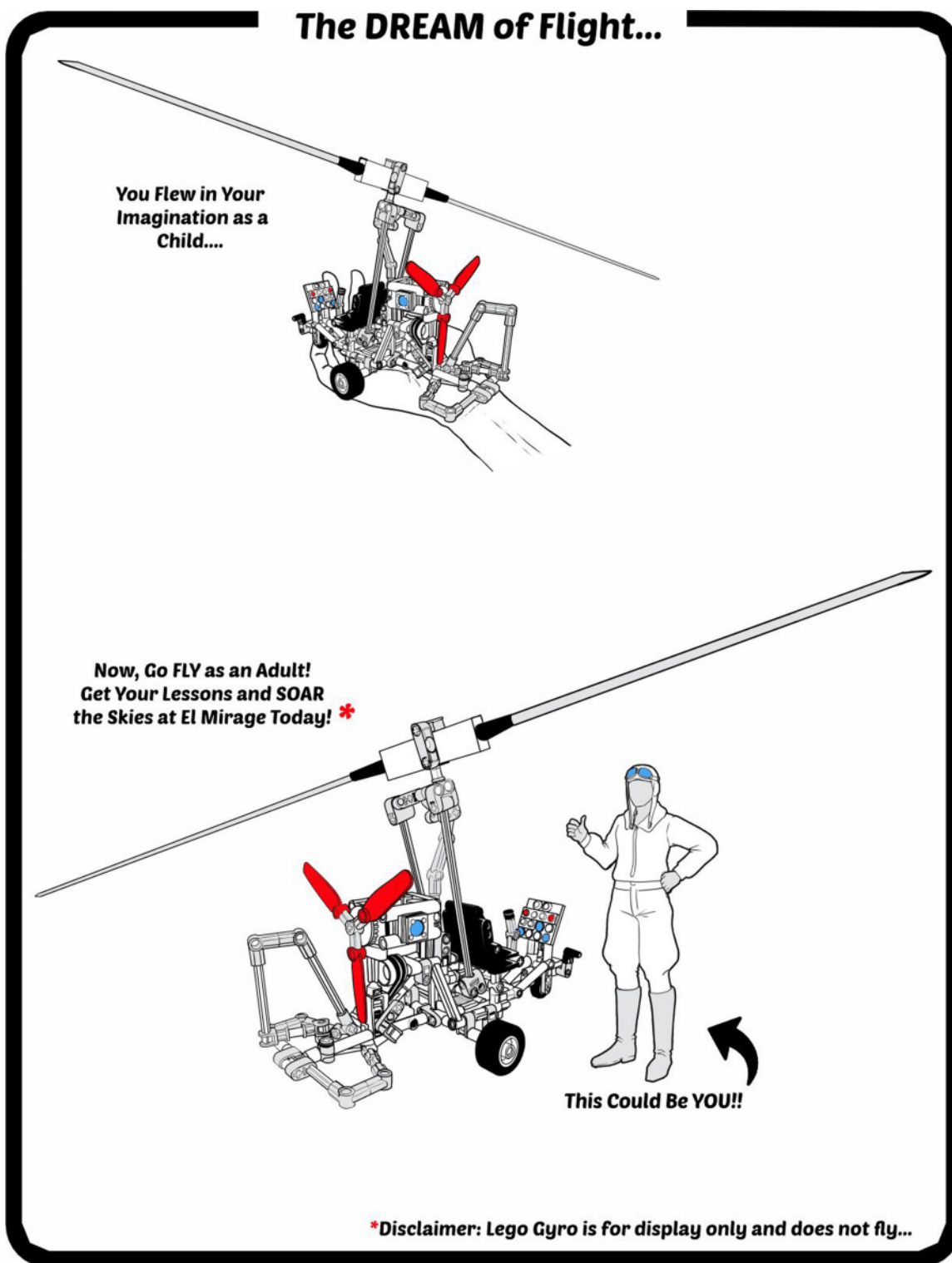


Meeting Pictures



2026 T-Shirt Design

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



Front



2026 T-Shirt Design

Back

Athletic
Heather



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

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Henry Boger - CFI
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Peter Kalev - Los Angeles



Northern California Gyroplane CFI's



George M. Woods

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