



"To promote, encourage, and facilitate in a harmonious and inclusive manner all recreational aviation activities with an emphasis on education, safety and fellowship."

Upcoming Programs

Gary Arms, Program Chairman

Tuesday, June 6: 6 p.m. EAA Chapter 1514 monthly meeting; Program: Discussion and demonstration of the Stratux kit-built ADS-B In receiver. In addition to traffic information, you get WAAS GPS, in-flight weather, and more. Stratux works with 13 EFBs, including Foreflight, WingX, and FltPlan Go, so bring your portable unit to the meeting to check connectivity with Stratux.

Thursday, July 13: 6 p.m. EAA Chapter 1514 meeting; A representative from Garmin will be with us to discuss their avionic products for experimental and production aircraft. The rep is unable to be with us in person, and will present via the web. **Note: meeting date changed due to July 4th falling on the first Tuesday.**

August 1: Jerry Cadle, a pilot and lawyer from Swainsboro, will be with us to cover his trip to Cuba in a Cessna 172. He was among the first general aviation aircraft to land there in over 50 years.

Upcoming Aviation Activities

Saturday, May 20: 3rd Saturday Breakfast Fly-In at Hodges Airpark (GA39) 9 a.m.

Saturday, May 20: Airport Open House - Food, Flying, and Fun! Statesboro-Bulloch County Airport (KTBR) 9 a.m. – 12 noon There will be static displays, family festivities, food, etc. The Valiant Air Command Warbird Museum's C-47 Skytrain will be there. FMI: www.facebook.com/statesboroairport/

(Scheduled for Saturday, May 20, 2017 - Postponed due to low river):

3rd Annual Fly-In and Float the Ochoopee River, 1:30 p.m., Reidsville Municipal Airport (KRVJ);

FMI: www.facebook.com/reidsvilleairport/

Saturday, June 3: 1st Saturday Breakfast Fly-In at the Briar Patch (9GA1) 8:30 a.m.

Saturday, June 17: 3rd Saturday Breakfast Fly-In at Hodges Airpark (GA39) 9 a.m.

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EAA Chapter 1514 usually meets the first Tuesday of every month at 6:30 PM at Lovezzola's Pizza, (328 US Highway 80, Pooler. 912-748-6414) or at an offsite location as dictated by that month's program.

Details of this month's programming can be found online at www.eaa1514.org. or at [Upcoming Programs](#) in this publication.

The deadline for the July, 2017 newsletter is: Close of Business, June 26, 2017.

FAA Cautions on Commercial-off-the-shelf Checklists

by [Kerry Lynch](#)

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The U.S. FAA is warning pilots of the potential risks of using either commercial-off-the-shelf (COTS) or personally developed checklists. The agency recently issued a Safety Alert for Operators (SAFO 17006), noting COTS or personal checklists might not contain all the pertinent information included in the manufacturer's pilot operating handbook (POH) or airplane flight manual (AFM).

This warning stems from an accident in which a pilot was unable to fully lower the aircraft's landing gear. The pilot referred to a COTS checklist for the specific type of aircraft, but was only able partially extend the landing gear. The gear collapsed on landing, and the aircraft was substantially damaged.

An accident investigation revealed that the COTS checklist did not match the manufacturer's checklist regarding landing gear failure and manual extension procedures, the FAA said. "The omission of steps within the COTS checklist significantly contributed to the pilot's inability to fully extend the aircraft's landing gear." The list used by the pilot had also omitted a key caution statement regarding the landing gear, the agency added.

The FAA is thus advising pilots using COTS or personally developed checklists to "meticulously compare them to the manufacturer's checklist and placards contained in the POH/AFM to confirm they are consistent. This action will ensure the pilot has all pertinent manufacturer's information during aircraft flight operations."

Note: The FAA has delayed implementation of the International Flight Plan (ICAO) format for all U.S. civil flights until Fall 2017. The FAA will provide a 30-day advance notice when a final date is selected.