FAASTeam presents:

(EAA Chapter 691 and NMPA) Flying Tailwheels - Whats the Big Deal?

Flying a tailwheel airplane does not require a super pilot, but it does require training, learning new skills, and a refined proficiency with normal flight skills. We will examine those skills as well as some exercises for developing them, and discuss common mistakes. The tricycle-gear pilot relaxes at touchdown, whereas touchdown starts the high-workload phase of a tailwheel landing. Tailwheel flying is seat-of-the-pants flying that requires more muscle memory than book knowledge. Per the FAA, a tailwheel endorsement requires proficiency with three-point and wheel takeoffs and landings, with crosswinds, and with go-arounds. In practical terms, a student has earned the endorsement when he or she stops scaring the instructor during landings.

Presented by John Lorenz (CFII/MEII), New Mexico Pilots Association

Event Details

Sat, Nov 21, 2026 at 10:30 MST

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Meeting will be in the Los Alamos County Airport terminal building. From East Rd (NM 502) turn north on Airport Road and follow it to the parking lots at the end. FREE parking is available for transient aicraft.

Arrive starting around 9:30 for coffee, donuts, and conversation! EAA Chapter 691 will conduct a brief meeting of its membership at 10:00, followed by John's presentation at 10:30.

A message from the National FAASTeam Manager

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