



# The Flypaper

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## March Chapter Meeting

We opened our March meeting with a tour of Mark Langley's new hangar space directly behind our chapter 129 hangar. Mark had just moved his Christavia project to the airport hangar from his garage. See page 4 for more photos.

Our speaker for March was our Young Eagles Coordinator, Rachel Henderson, who rolled out our Young Eagles plan for the year. We

are coordinating YE events between chapters 29 at CMI and 129 at BMI to help share volunteers, planes and resources. Rachel is YE Coordinator for both chapters and she has scheduled eight events for this season. See the schedule on Page 3. Our next YE event is Saturday, April 9 at CMI.



New home for Mark's Christavia

## You Have Information April!

### April Membership Meeting

Thursday, April 21 at 6:00 PM

Spring is dragging its feet, bring your favorite chili recipe or a side dish to share

Join us for dinner at 6:00, some hangar flying and we will discuss our planning for the Tri-Motor visit in June



Bring a dish to share!

# EAA Ford Tri-Motor Returns to Bloomington June 16 to 19

## Volunteers needed!

Please check out the 'Chapter Roles' below of opportunities to help manage our Tri-Motor event. Contact Charlie Bates with your interest in serving in those roles. Besides the lead roles listed below, we will need volunteers each day to brief and escort passengers for each flight. We will also need BMI AOA badge holders for each shift (2 shifts per day) to secure the area per TSA requirements.

Thursday, June 16 is media day where local media folks will be offered an opportunity for photos, interviews with Captain Bill and a free ride. Friday,



Saturday and Sunday we will offer rides to the public from 9 am to 5 pm.

***Watch for a schedule with opportunities to volunteer.***

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## Chapter Roles - From the Ford Tri-Motor Hosting Manual

**Tour Stop Chairman** - The Ford Tri-Motor tour stop chairman has overall responsibility for the Ford Tri-Motor visit. This includes selecting the host site, recruiting co-chairs listed below, and serving as a liaison to the Ford Tri-Motor crew. This will be the main contact with EAA headquarters air tours staff. The tour stop chairman will relay all pertinent visit information to their Chapter as well as the FBO and airport.

**Volunteers and Equipment Chairman** – This person is responsible for recruiting, scheduling, and briefing volunteers, as well as making equipment arrangements needed for a successful visit.

**Marketing Chairman** –The marketing chairman coordinates promotions and advertising. While not required, it is helpful if the marketing chairman has experience in promotions and/or media relations.

While EAA's marketing department will place paid advertisement (s) for your city location, the budget is

limited and we encourage all Chapters to contact local media and inquire about sponsored or donated ad space, or getting a story written about the upcoming event.

Advising your local Visitors Bureau, Tourism Center, or Chamber of Commerce can also lead to event calendar placement and advertising opportunities through their organization. At your request, EAA can provide any graphics needed for sponsored advertising as well as any pilot phone interviews in advance of the visit.

The marketing chairman should ensure that all printed materials are distributed in the community prior to the event. As the chairman is spreading the news about the event, they are welcome to invite outlets to the complimentary Thursday media flight. Please communicate any confirmations to the air tours office and we will combine these with our marketing team's efforts and relay the complete attendee list to the crew onsite.



## Chapter 129's YE Notes



**Rachael Henderson**  
YE Coordinator

Our next generation of pilots may very well be a result of our efforts to fly young eagles. I know several pilots that did in fact start with a young eagle flight. Let's create more pilots! As for our March event, the good news is we had 58 participants quickly fill up the available seats for our March 19<sup>th</sup> Young Eagle event. I set the registration limit to 48 participants and allowed a limited waitlist. After recruiting a 6<sup>th</sup> confirmed pilot, I included the waitlist participants to our event. Unfortunately, the weather had other plans. The decision to cancel the night before was a good one. Thanks to all the ground crew and pilots that were available to help out at our first event. Registration is now open for our April 9<sup>th</sup> event. I have no doubt it too will fill up fast. Volunteers are needed once

again. Please be on the lookout for an email soon requesting help. In an attempt to better keep track of email replies I plan to send out a google form to be completed. This will provide me all the replies in one nice excel spreadsheet so that your responses don't get "lost" amongst my many emails. I am looking forward to our first event whenever and wherever that may be and to working with each of you. Any feedback or suggestions to improve this program are always encouraged and welcome. It is very much a team effort to make this event possible. Oh, and one last thing, we had 10 parents from the March registration mark that they are interested in Eagle Flights. I just started including this question for parents on the registration form for our discussion and to see if this is something we want to look at in the future. See you soon. Until then, clear skies and tailwinds. Please contact me if you have any questions. 217-778-3900 or [rhenderson797@gmail.com](mailto:rhenderson797@gmail.com)

~Rachel Henderson



**Midwest Flyer Magazine** has gone digital. Copy and paste the following URL into your browser to get access to the April/May edition:

<https://midwestflyer.com/wp-content/uploads/2022/03/MFM-AprilMay2022-Web-Issue.pdf>



### EAA Young Eagles 2022 Proposed Schedule

Date	Proposed location	Time
<b>March 19</b>	<b>CMI - Champaign</b>	<b>9-11</b>
<b>April 9</b>	<b>CMI - Champaign</b>	<b>9-11</b>
<b>May 14*</b>	<b>BMI - Bloomington</b>	<b>9-11</b>
<b>June 18</b>	<b>CMI (w/B-25)</b>	<b>9-11</b>
<b>July 16</b>	<b>BMI - Bloomington</b>	<b>9-11</b>
<b>August 6</b>	<b>KIT - Rantoul (scouts)</b>	<b>9-noon?</b>
<b>September 17</b>	<b>MTO - Mattoon</b>	<b>10-noon?</b>
<b>October 15</b>	<b>MTO - Mattoon backup date</b>	<b>10-noon?</b>

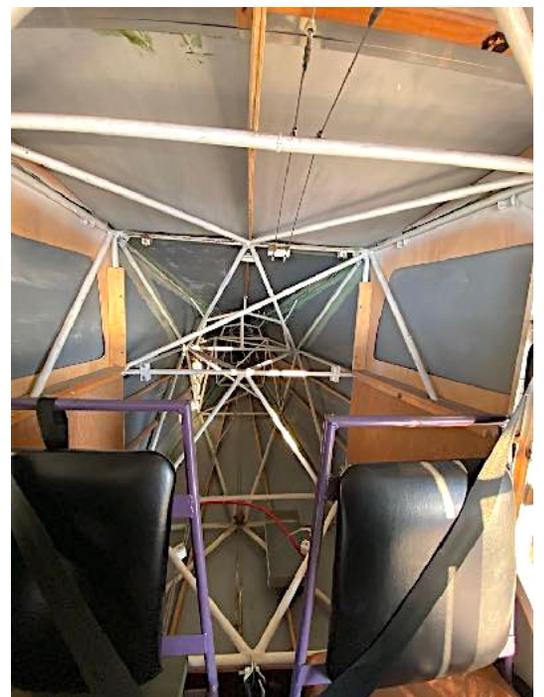
## Builders Update - Mark's Christavia



On most Saturday mornings at the Chapter 129's Gathering of Eagles event, you can get an update on Mark Langley's Christavia homebuilt project. The discussions generally involve searches for unique parts that fit within his build budget and assembly progress reports.

In March, his project made the big move from his garage to a hangar on E-row at BMI. It was on display for our March chapter meeting, with wings yet to make the trip from his garage.

Mark's hangar is the third in E-row housing a Chapter 129s homebuilt project, conveniently located near our chapter hangar at F-15.



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***Do you have a build project to share?***

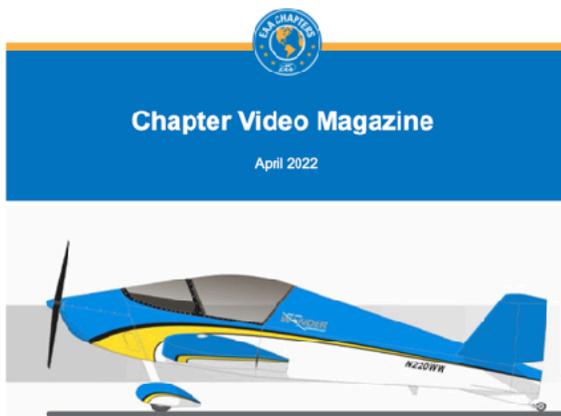
## Webinars, Podcasts, Videos!

Be sure to check out these great podcasts!  
Interviews with A10, U2 bush pilots and  
astronaut homebuilders.

# THE GREEN DOT

A podcast for those who fly for the love of it or are simply fascinated by the world of flight. The Green Dot features EAA news, general

aviation topics, history, personal experiences from the hosts and a variety of guests, and anything fun, interesting, or cool in and around the world of flight. <https://www.eaa.org/eaanews-and-publications/eaanews-and-aviation-news/eaanews-the-green-dot-podcast>



### What You Can Expect

In April's Chapter Video Magazine, Charlie Becker provides updates on:

- One Week Wonder's Pick the Paint voting has opened: Vote for your [favorite paint scheme](#)
- Become a [volunteer builder](#) for the One Week Wonder during FAA AirVenture Oshkosh 2022
- The One Week Wonder is also looking for [volunteer ambassadors](#) to represent homebuilding
- [Submit a photo](#) of your own homebuilt for the One Week Wonder
- [EAA Learn to Fly Day](#) is May 21-Host a [Flying Start](#) event
- [Sign your chapter up](#) for activities at EAA AirVenture Oshkosh!
- [Nominate](#) a chapter member for a key volunteer award

Find EAA's Chapter Videos at:  
<http://eaa.brightcovegallery.com/chapters/detail/videos>



4/12/22

7 p.m. CDT

### [Gyrocopters of the FAA Collection, Part 2](#) Museum Webinar Series

Chris Henry and Ben Page

As a follow-on to Part 1, EAA Aviation Museum staff members Chris Henry and Ben Page will take a look at more of the autogyros that are part of the EAA collection in Oshkosh.

4/13/22

7 p.m. CDT

### [Welcome to EAA – Getting the Most Out of Your Membership](#)

Join EAA staff member David Leitig, as he welcomes you to EAA. This webinar will help you jumpstart your participation in EAA programs, and bring awareness to EAA's wide variety of member benefits and resources.

4/14/22

7 p.m. CDT

### [Young Eagles Build and Fly – FAA's Youth RC Build Initiative](#)

Join Chapter Field Representative Serena Kamps to learn more about EAA's Young Eagles Build and Fly program. This initiative provides chapters an easy way to engage with youths in their area by giving them the opportunity to learn the fundamentals of aircraft construction and flight while building and flying a radio-controlled aircraft. Designed to be completed with assistance from both the chapter and a local AMA Club, the chapter is provided all the materials needed to successfully host a build session series.

4/20/22

7 p.m. CDT

### [Controllability as Affected by Weight and Balance](#) Qualifies for FAA WINGS credit.

Gordon Penner, master CFI-Aerobatics and FAA Gold Seal instructor, presents a simple and practical description of how critical flying within weight and center of gravity (CG) range is to controllability of the airplane. He will provide examples of how being out of CG range can put your aircraft out of control.

4/21/22

7 p.m. CDT

### [Planning for International Young Eagles Day](#)

Gear up for EAA's International Young Eagles Day, scheduled for June 11, 2022. This webinar will cover rally planning best practices, how to utilize Young Eagles online registration, integrating the new digital signature app, and how to maximize the Young Eagles flight experience.

4/27/22

7 p.m. CDT

### [Bad News Is Good News: Avoiding Most Accident Scenarios](#) Qualifies for FAA WINGS credit.

Having actively tracked and studied general aviation accidents for over 30 years, the bad news is that we keep doing the same things that lead to aircraft crashes. The good news is that, well, we keep doing the same things that lead to aircraft crashes. Why is bad news good news? Because most accidents are predictable, most accidents are preventable. In this presentation, Tom Turner from the American Bonanza Society Air Safety Foundation covers 14 lessons learned from three decades of accident history, and recommends strategies and practices to eliminate most potential accident scenarios while still enjoying the privilege of flight.

## 2022 Calendar of Events

**March 17** - EAA Chapter 129 Member Meeting

**March 19** - Young Eagles at CMI

**April 2** - Pancake Breakfast at Paxton Airport

**April 9** - Young Eagles Rally CMI

**April 21** - EAA Chapter 129 Member Meeting

**May 7** - Pancake Breakfast, Paxton Airport

**May 14** - Young Eagle Rally BMI

**May 19** - EAA Chapter 129 Member Meeting

**June 16-19** - Ford Tri-Motor at BMI

**July 2** - Pancake Breakfast at Paxton Airport

**July 16** - Young Eagle Rally BMI

**July 25-31** - AirVenture at Oshkosh!

**July 27** - Chapter 129 Gathering at Airventure

**Aug 6** - Young Eagles Rally at Rantoul

**Aug 18** - EAA Chapter 129 Member Meeting

**Sep 17** - MTO Mattoon (Oct 15 backup)

**Every Saturday 7 to 9 AM** - Gathering of Eagles at EAA Chapter 129 hangar F-15



## Wanted

Your stories, events, travel adventures, builder updates for our next issue of The Flypaper.

Email them to: [cmbates50@gmail.com](mailto:cmbates50@gmail.com)

Join us at the EAA Chapter 129 hangar for our Gathering of Eagles breakfasts Saturday mornings 7:00 am to 9:00 am for some great food and some hangar flying at its best.



**EAA CHAPTER 129**  
BLOOMINGTON-NORMAL, ILLINOIS



## 2022 Annual Dues

Thanks to members who have paid their 2022 dues. If you haven't paid yet, please send your check to:

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2825 E Empire St  
Bloomington, IL 61704