

July 2022



# EAA CHAPTER 145

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**Chapter Meeting: Saturday, July 9, 2022 – 10:00 a.m.**  
**Riverview Airport (08C)–in the Main Hangar** (see map on last page)

## CHAPTER PROGRAM

EAA Chapter 145 members have consistently made a trip to WEEK’s Hangar in Oshkosh for 30 years to work on EAA airplanes. We want to celebrate this milestone by having an open house, do some ‘hangar flying’ and share lunch. So stop by to hear about all the interesting aircraft that Chapter volunteers have worked on in the past. It could be something you may want to do.

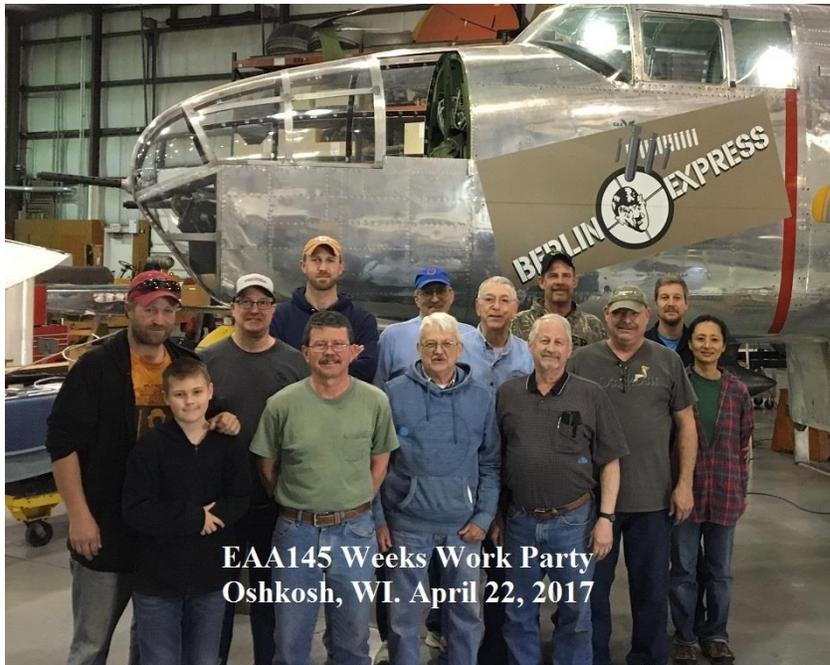
## PRESIDENT’S CORNER

- Chapter members can be proud that EAA145 has been active in helping support not only local aviation activities, but has also helped maintain the EAA aircraft in Oshkosh WI. Here is the story.  
- It was in March of 1990 that Chapter president Cal Devries arrange with EAA HQ for 10 chapter volunteers to form a week-end work party to work at the Kermit Weeks Flight Research Center (Weeks Hangar) in Oshkosh WI. Over the next 32 years, minus 2 for covid, EAA145 has made an annual weekend trip to Weeks Hangar to help maintain the various aircraft of EAA.  
- As you know EAA has many aircraft in its inventory, all of which has to have annuals, restored for display or built for special activities. Dozens of A/C pass through Weeks each year; here is a sample of some we’ve work on: B-17, B-25, Ford Tri-Motor, P51, F4U, Spitfire, Bleriot, Sprit of St. Louis and more.  
- Over the past 30 years, we estimate that EAA145 volunteers have provided 3,000 man-hours to maintaining Weeks aircraft. To get an idea of what a trip to Weeks is like, see the attached schedule from 2017. For more information, come on by our open house on July 9 and talk to the members that go to Weeks year after year. There must be something to it; I know I haven’t missed a year yet.  
Cheers, Dick

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## EAA #145 VMC CLUB

The VMC Club meets on the third (3<sup>rd</sup>) Tuesday of the month at 7:00pm in the Riverview airport lobby. The next meeting will be on Tuesday July 19th. Come on by and share your flying experiences with fellow pilots, that way flying will be enjoyable for all of us.



## EAA #145 HANGAR

Currently there is a C-172 in the EAA hangar. There's space for smaller projects that could help keep the hangar active. Contact Dick Foster for details.

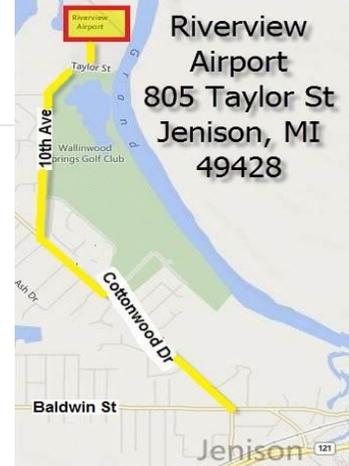
## YOUNG EAGLES

-The five EAA West Michigan Chapters have planned a number of Young Eagle events this summer. Below is a listing, with some results of completed events:

Completed: 31 YE's flown on May 14, B.S.A. - (08C) EAA145  
Completed: 73 YE's flown on May 21, WMAA students (GRR) EAA704/145  
Completed: 145 YE's flown on June 4, Grand Haven open house (3GM) EAA211/145  
Completed: 147 YE's flown on June 11, Greenville, GAAA-Y.E. (6D6) EAA145  
August 13, Sparta (8D4) breakfast - Y.E. EAA704  
August 20, Holland (BIV), Wings of Mercy-Y.E. EAA145

-Ground and pilots are always welcome, contact Dick Foster for details.

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 Refer to the Membership form below for payment methods.  
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 please include the tear-off slip.

### UPCOMING EVENTS

<p><b>July 9</b>                  July 16                  July 19 (7pm)                  July 25-31                  Aug 2-5  <b>Aug 13</b>                  Aug 16 (7pm)  <b>Sept 10</b>                  Sept 17                  Sept 20 (7pm)  <b>Oct 8</b>                  Oct 18 (7pm)</p>	<p><b>Riverview Airport (08C)</b>                  Willow Run (YIP)                  Riverview Airport (08C)                  Wittman Field (OSH)                  Mentone IN (C92)  <b>Riverview Airport (08C)</b>                  Riverview Airport (08C)  <b>Riverview Airport (08C)</b>                  Nixon Airport (50G)                  Riverview Airport (08C)  <b>Riverview Airport (08C)</b>                  Riverview Airport (08C)</p>	<p><b>Week's Work Party Open House</b>                  Thunder Over Michigan Airshow                  VMC Club - EAA Chapter #145  <b>OSHKOSH 2022!!!</b>                  PRA.org – Gyroplane Convention  <b>Meeting - t.b.d.</b>                  VMC Club - EAA Chapter #145  <b>Meeting - t.b.d.</b>                  Ultralight and Light Sport Demos                  VMC Club - EAA Chapter #145  <b>Meeting – Picnic &amp; Bonfire</b>                  VMC Club - EAA Chapter #145</p>
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**If you know of events that should be on the event calendar, please e-mail them to me**  
 If you would like to be on the e-mail list for meeting and event reminders, or if you would like to receive the newsletter electronically, which is full color and delivered days before the print version... please send your e-mail address to:  
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**Treasurer's Report:** (as of July 3th)

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 Cash: \$110.85    Checking: \$8.88  
 Savings: \$7074.35    Total: \$7194.08

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