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As always, Some News from National.

AirVenture dates 2024: July 22 – 28

"Turning the Tide – 1944" 80-Year Commemoration at EAA AirVenture Oshkosh 2024

EAA will pay tribute to the heroes and sacrifices made during the Normandy landings on D-Day (June 6, 1944), and throughout the year 1944, with an 80-year "Turning the Tide" commemoration at EAA AirVenture Oshkosh 2024 on July 23-24.

"As the number of veterans from WWII who are still with us are dwindling, it is important to commemorate the events of 1944, and the importance of the campaigns in both Europe and the Pacific to preserve freedom," said Rick Larsen, EAA's vice president of communities and member programs, who coordinates AirVenture features and attractions. "This year's programming during AirVenture week will connect the human events and aviation history of that year so those of us today have a better understanding of those times."

A collection of C-47s from the <u>D-Day Squadron</u> will be on display as part of the commemoration. The Squadron features a fleet of unique C-47 aircraft from throughout the United States. Many of these aircraft will be part of a commemorative mission to Europe in May and June 2024. The C-47 played a vital role in transporting more than 13,000 paratroopers to Utah Beach for the Normandy landings. Afternoon air shows on July 23-24 will feature

warbirds from both the Pacific and European theaters, including the World War II Airborne Demonstration Team. The team will be jumping from their own C-47 using traditional round canopy parachutes, reminiscent of the paratroopers of the 82nd and 101st Airborne Divisions who risked their lives in Normandy.

The Theater in the Woods presentation on the evening of Tuesday, July 23, will focus on 1944 as well. The presentation will be split into two parts: the first will retell the story of 1944, while the second part will go into detail about the aircraft. More details about the presentation, including guests, will be announced as they are finalized.

Additional aircraft that played key roles in 1944 have also been invited to participate, and EAA and EAA Warbirds of America continue to plan activities as part of the commemoration.

EAA Volunteer Award Nominations Now Open

EAA is excited to announce that the 2024 Volunteers of the Year and Dorothy Hilbert Award nomination process is now open. If you know a volunteer who exhibits passion and spirit with their amazing dedication and support to EAA, take the time to nominate them now.

2024 Volunteer of the Year Award - This award was created to recognize an outstanding volunteer who has contributed at an extraordinary level of dedication. The selected volunteer will be honored with an engraved brick on Sunday, July 21, 2024, at Volunteer Park on the AirVenture grounds at 3 p.m. This is a wonderful way to recognize someone whose dedication as a volunteer has inspired and motivated others. The deadline for this award submission is **April 15, 2024.**

2024 Dorothy Hilbert Award - Do you know a female AirVenture volunteer who exhibits the same passion, dedication, and devotion for volunteerism as the late Dorothy Hilbert did? Please consider nominating them today! The selected volunteer will receive a plaque and special recognition during AirVenture on Sunday, July 21, 2024, at Volunteer Park at 3 p.m. The deadline for this award submission is **April 15, 2024.**

All submissions are accepted through SurveyMonkey, where the nominator will provide some basic information about the nominee. The links are provided below. If you have questions or wish to submit a paper form, please contact Michelle Holt at mholt@eaa.org or q920) 426-6542.

2024 Volunteer of the Year Award Link

2024 Dorothy Hilbert Award Link

These links can be found on EAA's website EAA News & Aviation News | EAA

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If we love the way you tell your story, you might just win the AirVenture camping experience of a lifetime, or one of several other exciting prizes, as part of EAA's Pilot Your Own Adventure Contest, supported by Flight Outfitters®.

To qualify, your story must be:

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- At least 500 words, and no more than 1,000 words long.
- Accompanied by a minimum of two and a maximum of eight photographs with captions of no more than 30 words each.
- Typed or handwritten, and must be legible, clear, and easy to read.

Get started writing your story today. More details to follow. Be sure to check EAA's website and Flight Outfitters.

EAA and VAA File Comments Opposing Piper AD

On Tuesday, EAA and the EAA Vintage Aircraft Association (VAA) each filed <u>comments</u> opposing a sweeping airworthiness directive (AD) proposed by the FAA affecting almost every high-wing vintage Piper aircraft. The AD would require rudders built of 1025 carbon steel to be replaced with new rudders made from 4130N low-alloy steel. The FAA estimates that nearly 31,000 aircraft would be affected by the proposed AD.

The proposed AD is rooted in an NTSB report documenting the failure of the rudder posts of two modified seaplanes in Alaska, a PA-12 Super Cruiser and PA-14 Family Cruiser, as well as five other cases over a 44-year period documented by the Airworthiness Concern Sheet process. The aircraft documented by the NTSB report had aftermarket 160-hp engines and rudder-mounted beacon lights, which likely altered the stress on the rudder posts.

EAA and VAA both took issue with the broad scope of the AD, as well as the required replacement action. The AD allows, depending on the model of aircraft, between two and five years for replacement. At current production rates it would take 75 years to fulfill this requirement.

EAA's comments recommend that the AD be rescinded and that more data be collected from the community before any follow-on action. VAA undertook an extensive engineering study that analyzed the applicability of the AD to various models and proposed an alternative inspection and repair technique that does not require a new rudder.

EAA urged the FAA to ensure that any further airworthiness action on this issue is "targeted and practical."

EAA Webinars

April 2 The Van's RV / Museum Webinar Series		Chris Henry & Dick VanGrunsven
April 3	Ending the War on Jugs	Mike Busch
April 17	Fueling VFT-Learning from Mistakes to Prevent a Tragedy Keith Clark	
April 18	Mr. Bearhawk's Wild Ride: A Surprise Encounter with Extreme Turbulence Russ Erb & Karl Major	
April 24	Four Ways to Save Fuel, Time & Money with Better Flight Planning Andy Matthews	
May 8	Slip Slidin' Away – All About Uncoordinated Flight	
EAA Webinars sponsored by Aircraft Spruce		

All webinars are at 7:00 pm CDT unless otherwise noted.

Webinars are free, but registration is required as space is limited. You can also review any of the previous webinars.

To register for one of the webinars go to: Webinars (eaa.org)

Sightseeing Operations and Others Impacted by Potential Changes

EAA has joined with seven other groups to highlight concerns with one section of the Senate FAA Reauthorization bill, which if unchanged, could significantly impact thousands of small aviation businesses and non-profit entities. The groups recently sent letters to the Senate Commerce Committee and the House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee articulating

the impact this section would have on general aviation operators, airports, and local businesses that benefit from these activities.

Language in the Senate FAA Reauthorization bill (S. 1939) that passed the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation includes section 315, Air Tour and Sport Parachuting Safety. This section, if unchanged, would require that within three years of enactment, all commercial air tour operators hold an Air Agency Certificate per 14 CFR Part 119 and conduct all operations under the applicable parts of 14 CFR Parts 121 or 135. The section defines commercial air tours as "a flight conducted for compensation or hire in an airplane or helicopter where a purpose of the flight is sightseeing." This section also directs the FAA to consider changes to sport parachuting operations that could add requirements that significantly increase costs.

Many general aviation operators that safely conduct local non-stop sightseeing flights per 14 CFR 91.147 and a Letter of Authorization (LOA) issued by the FAA are small businesses or, in some cases, non-profit entities. These include flight schools as well as regional aviation museums that offer sightseeing flights, providing important positive experiences that connect general aviation airports and the public. The commercial contribution to the local communities through jobs, fuel sales, maintenance, and money spent by visitors at local businesses, including restaurants and stores, benefits not only the airports but also the surrounding communities.

For most of these small businesses, obtaining an Air Agency Certificate is either financially unrealistic or operationally extremely difficult if not impossible. The FAA's recent Safety Management System Notice of Proposed Rulemaking indicated that there are 694 commercial air tour operators (holders of 14 CFR 91.147 Letters of Authorization), of which 362 only have one aircraft, making it financially difficult to justify the application process. Many of the aviation museums and non-profit operators who provide rides as part of interpreting the history of aviation use older aircraft that are not eligible for inclusion on an Air Agency Certificate. The House, when passing the "Securing Growth and Robust Leadership in American Aviation Act" (H.R. 3935) in July, did not include any similar provisions. The versions of these two bills will need to be conferenced between the House and Senate and the differences worked through to develop a single bill.

The letters included EAA, AOPA, Commemorative Air Force, National Warbird Operators Conference, Parachute Industry Association, Professional Warbird Operators Association, United States Parachute Association, and EAA Warbirds of America.

Operators and those businesses affected by this language are encouraged to contact their senators and representatives and tell them the impacts this language, if not deleted or modified, would have on their operations. **Contact information can be found here.**https://www.usa.gov/elected-officials

EAA Chapter 1625 Chillicothe (SE Ohio) Ross County KRZT

Please check out our Facebook page for the latest up to date information https://www.facebook.com/groups/2221359754604751/

Or check out our website at https://chapters.eaa.org/eaa1625

Our Chapter dues are \$ 10.00 per year. Checks (made out to EAA Chapter 1625) can be mailed with your information such as Name, address, email, phone, EAA National #, aviation interests to Darlene Ford 2776 Kenilworth Rd. Columbus, OH 43219.

The April meeting – April 6 will be held at the Pike County (KEOP) located at 2577 Alma Omega Rd Waverly, OH 45690. On March 30 Chapter members have a joint adventure with members of Chapter 1629. They will be going on a behind-the-scenes tour of Sporty's.

You can email us at FirstCapitalAviators@gmail.com or call us at 614-557-1170

EAA Chapter 1625 went on a joint venture with VAA 22 from Zanesville on March 9. Pictures are below. We all had a great time.

Just a reminder, you can do these joint ventures with fellow EAA Chapters. They are a great way to get to know your fellow members in EAA. A great way to make new friends! Also if you don't have enough going from one Chapter, this is a great way to make the trip more worthwhile.



Meetings are held the 2nd Saturday of the month at Zanesville Municipal Airport (ZZV). We start gathering around 5 to talk and have some refreshments. The meeting will start at 6:00 PM. All are welcome to attend. Come on out to see what we do and hopefully you will join the Chapter. You do not have to fly Vintage Aircraft to join. Please think about coming out to join us. We are an aviation friendly club where there are no strangers.

Just a reminder, you do not have to pay dues to be a member of EAA Vintage Chapter 22 any longer.

VAA 22 did a field trip on Saturday, March 9. We went to Mott's Military Museum. Mott's is located in Groveport. A highly recommended trip for anyone interested in Military history.

Warren Mott's was our tour guide. He is one of the most knowledgeable people about the military. After the tour we went to Los Mariachis' in Groveport for lunch. Someone told them that my birthday was the next day, so I got their Fried Ice Cream and was serenaded Happy Birthday in Spanish. And I got the whip cream in the face. Surprised but it was all in fun.























Also, if you do not have an email address on file to receive the newsletter 'Tailwinds' and would like to, please send me an email at DAFord1957@gmail.com

EAA Chapter 1629, Marysville, OH Union County Airport (KMRT)

As always you can visit our website at http://eaa1629.org for the latest up to date information. You can also check our Facebook page at https://www.facebook.com/MarysvilleEAAChapter1629/

Also if you would like to renew your membership or join the Chapter, you can do so in one of three ways: To renew your membership with a credit card or PayPal go to the following link: https://eaa1629.org and click the Join or Renew link on the left.

Mail a check for \$10.00 made payable to The Marysville EAA Chapter 1629 to Marysville EAA Chapter 1629 760 Clymer Rd. Marysville, OH 43040 Or you can bring a check for \$10.00 made payable to the Marysville EAA Chapter 1629 or \$10.00 cash (Correct Change preferred) to any of the Marysville EAA 1629 functions.

You can contact us for more details on the IMC Club meetings via email. Dr. Michael Stretanski, President of 1629 is our Coordinator along with Andrew Hale and me, Darlene Ford as co-coordinators. Email marysvilleeaachapter@gmail.com

You can check out the Facebook page also, EAA Chapter 1629 IMC Club. Our next IMC meeting will be on April 17. Our speaker will be Paul Palmisciano. He will be talking about Skew T diagrams. Check our Facebook page.

We are still meeting at Switchbox, Inc. located at 4500 Mobile Drive Columbus, OH 43220.



Monday, Apr 8, 2024

Solar Eclipse Fly-In, Marysville, OH

Union County Airport (MRT), Marysville, OH

Monday, April 8, 2024 - Marysville, OH. Union County Airport KMRT.

Solar Eclipse Fly-In, 11am - 3:30pm at the Union County Airport, Marysville Ohio 760 Clymer Rd, Marysville, OH 43040. Union County Airport is in the zone of totality for almost 3 minutes! Partial phase start: 13:55:23 EDT GMT-4. Duration of Totality: 2m 56.5s. Totality Start: 15:10:57 EDT GMT-4.

Mid-eclipse: 15:12:25 EDT GMT-4. Fly-In early and have a great BBQ lunch featuring Triple P Barbeque Co, then watch the eclipse. Once the airport parking ramp is full, the airport will be NOTAM'ed closed until after the eclipse. Free admission!

Contact: Steve

Website: https://www.unioncountyohio.gov/Airport-Authority





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 https://www.aeroeducate.org/



EAA Chapter 421 Urbana Ohio

Monthly Chapter Gatherings:

First Saturday of Each Month at 10:00 AM Grimes Field Airport - I74, 1652 N. Main St. Urbana, OH 43078 **EAA Chapter 421** has a new meeting place. We are now meeting in the Grimes Flying Lab Hangar, the first Saturday of each month. All are welcome. **Thank you to Jessica Deere** for allowing us to meet there. https://www.facebook.com/groups/chapter421. **This is a new improved facebook page!**

Chapter Contact Information: President, Mark Curtner 937-726-1244

GRIMES FIELD (174) URBANA, OHIO

Grimes is the only Airport in the U.S. with three museums.

- **1. Mid America Flight Museum of Texas Restoration Shop** currently with a New Standard they have restored and are now finishing. Monday through Friday 9:00 am to 4:00 pm) They now have a Beechcraft B-18 on site. Volunteers are always welcome!
- **2. Grimes Flying Lab Museum,** which has one of Grimes's original Beech C45 aircraft that flies at special occasions, events, July 4th, etc. and examples of many of the lights and equipment that Grimes built (Hours April thru November Saturdays 10 to 1)
- **3. Champaign Aviation Museum** Building B-17 Champaign Lady, flying B-25 Champaign Gal, Stinson, Fairchild, COD1 (Hours Tuesday thru Saturday 9:00 am to 4:00 pm)

- **4. Grimes Airport Café** New Owners Mindy & Chat Orahood same great food, adding some new dishes. Still making pies 100% from scratch, crust, filling, etc. (Hours Tuesday thru Saturday 7:00 am to 8:00 pm, Sunday 8:00 am to 2:30 pm)
- **5. Ohio Hi Point Career Center** (Bellefontaine) has an aviation class here. Champaign County high school students attend class for the first half of the day, then after lunch attend workshop/class here at Grimes where they learn about aviation. (Pilotage, maintenance, administration, riveting, etc.)
- **6. Champaign County Pilots' Association** meets first Wednesday monthly at Champaign Aviation Museum, library/training room All are welcome

Just a tidbit of history –

WHO WAS WARREN GRIMES



Warren was born in Montgomery County close to where the Wright brothers lived and worked. As a child he would ride his bicycle down to Huffman Prairie to watch the Wrights test their airplanes. Warren began his career in Aviation designing lights for the Ford TriMotor. Until the 1920s, airplanes and airports were not equipped with lighting. Pilots relied on bonfires or firepots to guide them or land them.

Warren quickly realized that he could make more money working for himself and started his own company developing lighting, and the rest is history!

Home | Welcome to The Grimes Flying Lab Foundation! (n8640e.wixsite.com)

EAA's Blog -

Some great short stories, interesting information - Check it out!

Hangar Flying (eaa.org)

https://inspire.eaa.org



EAA Chapter 55 Mason, MI (KTEW)

Meets the second Saturday of each month in our (heated) hangar meeting room at Mason Jewett Field (KTEW) in Mason, MI. We serve a complimentary breakfast (free will donations accepted) from 8am-9am. We will have a short business meeting at 9:30am, followed with an aviation themed program. Guests are always welcome for breakfast, meeting, and/or program.

Mason Jewett Field FBO: Great Lakes Air Repair 517-525-3673 Maintenance - Painting - Upholstery – Engines

2024 Mason Young Eagle Aviation Days: Mason Jewett Airport 10 AM – 2 PM June 8th August 10th August 10th







Celebrate Aerobatics with us!

IAC Chapter 34 Ohio is celebrating our 50-year anniversary in 2024! Join us at a chapter practice day or regional contest in 2024.

Two dates to put on your calendar are our annual practice day on International Aerobatics Day, June 22 and the IAC East Open Championships, August 16-17 at Bellefontaine, OH (KEDJ). Whether you are a recreational flyer, or a competition minded pilot, *we welcome you to come fly in the aerobatic box. Get up close to a variety of aerobatic aircraft. IAC chapter 34 members are happy to talk about the sport we love and share our enthusiasm for aerobatics.

*All pilots must be an IAC member to fly in the practice or contest box. Not a member? Join today online: www.iac.org/join



Fort Wayne, IN

Coming Events: Thursday March 14 — Ivy Tech Aviation Center at Smith Field. \cdot VMC Club, 6:30. Topic TBD. \cdot Chapter 2 Gathering, 7:00 PM. Topic TBD.

LOOKING AHEAD YOUNG EAGLES 2024 For your planning, our Young Eagle Rallies for 2024 are May 11, June 8, August 10, and September 14, all at Smith Field Airport. Hope you can join us for some of these rallies. We have a lot of fun, and the kids learn a lot. Spread the word, invite your family and friends. David and Laramie Resler Young Eagle Coordinators

On behalf of EAA Chapter 2 I would like to congratulate Emma Coville on her accomplishment of becoming our first Youth Scholarship recipient to join the ranks of Private Pilot. After several weather delays, typical for this time of year in Indiana, February 7, 2024 finally cleared enough for a successful check ride. This comment from Emma says it all.

"I am delighted to inform you that on Wednesday, I passed my check-ride and am now the proud holder of a private pilot certificate! I'm so incredibly grateful for all the support EAA Chapter 2 has given me on the journey, and I look forward to all the opportunities I'll have to give back to such an amazing community!

Sincerely,

Emma Coville (private pilot)"

This is why we support today's youth interested in aviation!



Smiles abound new pilot.

from Emma as Dave Ehrman welcomes another



EAA's local Chapters 1095 is about people, bringing together individuals interested in learning more about aviation as well as sharing their own knowledge.

Chapter members participate in a variety of social and educational activities, including Young Eagles rallies, fly-ins, building seminars, and more, to build awareness in the community.

EAA Name Tags if you would like to order name tags for your members or at least your officers please check out Chapter 1095's website. These name tags are very professional looking and hold up well. https://chapters.eaa.org/eaa1095/eaa-name-tags



EAA Chapter 846 Wadsworth, OH

Chapter Location Hangar M-1 Wadsworth Skypark Airport (15G) 3071 Greenwich Road Wadsworth, OH 44281 Meetings are held on the 2nd Thursday of every month @ 7:00 PM

Ch. 846 VMC Club

WhenTue, April 2, 7pm - 8pm

Where 3071 Greenwich Rd, Wadsworth, OH 44281, USA

Topic: Accident Analysis and how can an accident be prevented.



THE SPIRIT OF AVIATION Chapter 1600

Delaware, OH

Meetings: 2nd Wednesday 7:00 PM

Meeting Location: Delaware Municipal Airport (DLZ) Terminal Building

1075 Pittsburg Drive Delaware OH 43015

Scheduled events at DLZ are as follows:

Fly in/Drive in Pancake Breakfasts- 8:00-11:00 AM

Saturday - June 8

Saturday - July 13

Saturday - August 10

Saturday - September 14

Young Eagles Rally - 9:00 - 12:00 Noon

Saturday - July 13 Saturday - August 10

Just a note – if you have an airplane project that you would like to sell, please send me details and pictures if you have them. I will place them in the newsletter here for those that are interested. There is no cost to advertise tools, planes, parts etc. in the newsletter. We are here to help you sell, give etc. whatever to others that may have a need for it. You never know what you may find for sale or give here. This is a way to help others.





On the Direct Path of the Total Solar Eclipse!

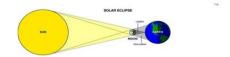
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We are a local chapter of Women in Aviation International, based in Dayton, Ohio – where it all began.

To learn more or if you have questions, email us at womeninaviationhuffmanprairie@gmail.com

"WAI members seek to inspire and stand for encouragement, continued education, and a whole lot of fun! If you are a lover of all thing's aviation and aerospace, and enjoy sharing your passion with others, we'd love to have you" ~WAI.

Our local chapter is a network of women and supporters in the aviation industry. We are engineers, pilots, maintainers, supply chain, and more with a passion for aviation. We enjoy social events like painting nights, hangar parties, and airshows. Other events include tours, community events, the annual conference and the big GIAD! WAI also offers connections to careers and scholarships. Please reach out to us if you have any questions. Also, please see links below for how to sign up at WAI and to check out our chapter. We look forward to helping you pursue your aviation career and network.

https://www.wai.org/

https://www.facebook.com/groups/huffmanprwai

WAI offers free student membership, and our chapter offers free participation as well. If interested in membership please reach out to our chapter, WAI offers many benefits to students and young adults entering the aviation industry.

Our next quarterly meeting will be held Saturday May 11, 2024, · 10am – 11am at Greene County - Lewis A Jackson Regional Airport, 140 N Valley Rd, Xenia, OH 45385

SAVE THE DATE!!!

October 12, 2024, is Girl's in Aviation Day for us at the Dayton Air Force Museum.

If you think you would like to come help with event let me know







Chapter 333, Experimental Aircraft Association, Inc.

The *Flying Stinkers* (named after the famous *Little Stinker* airplane)
4322 S State Rd Ann Arbor MI 48108-9774 Eric Gettel, President

chapters.eaa.org/eaa333

eaa333president@gmail.com

Facebook -- For broadcast announcements https://www.facebook.com/groups/eaachapter333/



Saturday, May 11, 2024, Bluegrass 150 Air Race, Cynthiana, KY

Cynthiana/Harrison County KY (0i8), Cynthiana, KY

A fun cross country timed race for ALL types of aircraft, regardless of speed. Test your navigation skills! Enjoy a day of airplanes, food, and fellowship. Racing rules and details at sportairrace.org

Contact: Jim Wilson Phone: 859-391-1235 Website: http://Sportairrace.org



The Final Approach Restaurant, Greencastle, IN (KGPC)

Restaurant, hotel and conference center located on the field. Casual family dining. Serving breakfast, lunch, and dinner.

HOURS OF OPERATION:

MONDAY: CLOSED TUESDAY: 10 A - 8 P WEDNESDAY: 10 A - 8 P THURSDAY: 10 A - 8 P

FRIDAY : 8 A - 9 P SATURDAY : 7 A - 9 P SUNDAY : 8 A - 3 P

If you know of a helpful hint or tip, please share it with your fellow aviators here.

Are you looking for an airplane? Have you checked Barnstormers? This is a remarkably interesting site.



You can also advertise your plane for sale. They also have a section that shows where you can rent a plane, depending on your location. Check them out. https://www.barnstormers.com/





Pocono Mountains, Mount Pocono, PA (KMPO)

Flew in for a one-night trip to Camelback Resort Aquatopia water park. Local Enterprise arranged for drop-off and pick-up at airport box available for after-hours drop-off. Kalahari and Great Wolf Lodge are two other nearby options with indoor water parks. For size reference, Great Wolf Lodge's waterpark is the smallest at about 79,000 square feet. Kalahari is the largest at 220,000 square feet and Camelback's Aquatopia is right in the middle at 125,000 square feet. These resorts also offer zip lines and other amenities. Airport facilities and personnel were great - \$10 tie-down fee per night no ramp/landing fees. - Submitted by Meaghan



Monday, Apr 8, 2024

Solar Eclipse Viewing in the Path of Totality, Lewis Run, PA Bradford Regional Airport (KBFD), Lewis Run, PA

2 FREE pairs of eclipse glasses per aircraft. Food truck/Refreshments available for purchase. No food or beverages permitted on the airfield. \$.15 cents per gallon Avgas fuel discount.





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Air Show Fans - We are looking

for people to join our incredible team of volunteers for the upcoming 2024 Columbus Air Show on June 14-16!

We have a variety of opportunities available beginning with the set-up crew on June 12 and ending with the tear-down crew on June 17. You can check out the various positions and details on our website!

Perks of Volunteering Include:

- Experiencing an Air Show from behind the scenes
- Meeting other local aviation enthusiasts
- Exclusive shirt that is not available to the public
- Free parking
- Lunch, water, and snacks provided.

Click the button below to sign up to volunteer at the 2024 Columbus Air Show, June 14-16, at Rickenbacker International Airport.



https://columbusairshow.com/volunteer/?utm_source=eblasts+&utm_medium=email+&utm_ca mpaign=volunteerpush_2.3



WHO: WACO Air Museum & Learning Center

WHAT: Eyes on the Skies Solar Eclipse Event and Biplane Rides

WHERE: 1865 S. County Rd. 25A, Troy, OH 45373 WHEN: Friday, April 5th – Tuesday, April 9th CONTACT: WACO Air Museum, 937-335-9226 FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: March 22, 2024

Experience the Thrill, a WACO Biplane during the Totality of the Eclipse

Just announced is a chance to win a 30-minute biplane ride during totality! There is only one ride like this one! You and a companion could be the lucky ones to get away from the crowds, enter the heavenly skies, and experience totality from 2,000 feet in the air. Imagine soaring through the sky above Troy, Ohio during the magical moments as the skies evolve from dusk to darkness and back to dawn during the total eclipse of the sun, a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity that will leave you breathless. Don't miss out on this rare chance to combine the thrill of flight with the wonder of a celestial event.

Valued at \$500, the drawing for this spectacular flight will take place on Thursday, April 4th and includes a single car pass to WACO Field, 2 basic eclipse packages, entry to all *Eyes on the Skies* activities, and one unforgettable flight during totality - purchase your chance to win on our website and be prepared to embark on a journey you'll never forget!

You do **not** have to be present to win. Raffle purchases are non-refundable and are available for \$20 each on our website (<u>www.wacoairmuseum.org</u>) or in our museum's gift shop. The winner will be announced on our website and Facebook page on April 4th, but hurry... website sales end at 8:59 a.m. on April 4th.

WACO's eclipse celebration, Eyes on the Skies, takes place all weekend (April 5th-9th) at WACO Field, 1865 S County Road 25A, Troy, Ohio. WACO will begin accepting pre-registered campers at 4:30 pm, Friday, April 5th.

Weather dependent, Biplane flights will be available Saturday, Sunday, and Monday and can be purchased on arrival. From above, you can witness crowds gathered below in downtown Troy and at the Miami County Fairgrounds for this supernatural experience. For more information on flights, please go to our website, www.wacoairmuseum.org/sunny.

WACO is also a convenient access point to the Great Miami Recreational Bike Path so you can quickly access eclipse events in downtown Troy and Tipp City by bicycle or on foot.

On Monday you can enjoy the celestial celebration from the ground with outdoor games, and family activities including a scavenger hunt through the museum, a ride on our "plane train" and pedal planes for the littles, all in addition to a close-up viewing area for watching airplane arrivals and departures.

While waiting for the skies to present the eclipse, Monday's activities will include all the previously mentioned offerings, plus S.T.E.M. activities throughout the day, a beer garden, and a few food truck options. Following the great show in the sky, plan to stay and enjoy Rusted Reserve in concert from 3:30-5:30 pm, giving traffic a chance to subside. You can also shop our gift shop for eclipse merchandise and souvenirs. Come make lasting memories at WACO Field!

For questions, please call 937-335-9226 or visit www.wacoairmuseum.org.

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A fellow member of EAA Chapter 1600 out of Delaware (DLZ) George Mellon sent this out

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This newsletter goes out to the EAA Chapters in Ohio, Indiana, West Virginia, Kentucky, Michigan, and Pennsylvania. It also goes out to the FBO's in those states. So, if you are planning to host an event and would like to get the information out there, this is one of the places to do so. There is NO cost to advertise your events or your Airport Restaurant.

We would like to put your events or happenings in the Ohio Region Chapter Newsletter. So please feel free to get the article to me about a week before the end of the month. This way it can be included in the following month's newsletter. If you have an interesting story you want to share, send it.

If someone from your Chapter, or on the airfield has a plane, parts, or tools they want to sell or give away let us know. It can be included in the newsletter. There is NO cost for this.

Please share this with your fellow Chapter members, aviator friends and your local FBO's. You never know who would be interested in one of the articles/events in the newsletter. Or if you received this from a friend and would like to receive it directly, please let me know.

Send in your comments as to what you would like to see in the newsletter. We like those human-interest stories, especially those with pictures.

Send articles for the May newsletter to me by April 20th if possible. Email them to <u>Daford1957@gmail.com</u>

Thanks again and enjoy the newsletter.

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