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UPCOMING CHAPTER EVENTS

Mar 12, 12:00 pm: EAA 172 Member Gathering, Pea Patch (61GA)

Topic – Living in an Airpark

Lunch will be Sandwiches. Deli meat, bread and cheese will be provided. We need you to bring chips or other sides, condiments and dessert to share. Please contact Sandy Walther to let us know what you are bringing.

Mar 24, 6:30 pm: EAA 172 Member Eat-Out

Villa Europa, 3044 Deans Bridge Road, Augusta, GA

April 16: 9:00 am: EAA 172 Member Gathering, Nodorft Home

(Note date changed due to Sun-N-Fun)

Guest Speaker: Al Nodorft on his homebuild project

Lunch will be at local restaurant (TBD)

April 28, 6:30 pm: EAA 172 Member Eat-Out

May 14, 10:00 am: EAA 172 Young Eagles Event

May 26, 6:30 pm: EAA 172 Member Eat-Out

It's time to renew your membership with EAA Chapter 172!

Our annual membership will remain at our pre-pandemic, inflation-defiant rate of \$30. Your dues help cover our chapter insurance and other fixed costs. Please show your support for our mission – to educate the public about aviation. If you have not yet paid, please bring your dues to our member gathering or mail a check payable to “EAA Chapter 172” to Sandy Walther, 2220 Gregory Lake Rd, North Augusta, SC 29860.

EAA Ultralight Program

If you are curious about ultralights, EAA recently hosted the EAA Virtual Ultralight Days on February 22-24. Ultralight Days featured presentations on the lighter and more affordable side of recreational aviation. Well-known subject matter experts of the ultralight community presented the webinars. Sessions were recorded and EAA members have access to the online videos. This inaugural event coincided with the 40th anniversary of Federal Aviation Regulation Part 103, Ultralight Vehicles, that was first published in 1982.

Find the recorded webinars at <https://www.eaa.org/eaav/aviation-interests/ultralights/virtual-ultralight-days/>.

February Meeting Recap

We enjoyed several pots of hearty soups to share for lunch. While eating, members and guests tested their knowledge of basic pilot knowledge and navigation skills by David Corsiglia, who then revealed the correct answers. David emphasized that pilots need to continue learning and honing their skills. He shared stories from his extensive experience as a pilot and instructor in both California and Georgia.

David is a recipient of the Wright Brothers Master Pilot Award, an FAA program that recognizes pilots who have practiced safe flight operations for 50 or more years. If you meet the requirements, David encourages you to apply for this prestigious award.

Thank you to David Corsiglia for an excellent presentation and for reminding us how to fly safely!

March meeting preview

Our topic for the March member gathering will be "Living in an Airpark". Several of our members live at Twin Lakes in South Carolina. This will be an informal Q&A session to learn about the benefits and challenges of living at an airpark.



March Eat Out

Please join us for tasty international cuisine at Villa Europa. If you have questions or have not already confirmed, please contact Virginia Bush at 706-554-5618.

Board Meeting Minutes

The Board met on January 25th to plan chapter activities for the next few months, review chapter membership, share EAA news, and discuss hangar maintenance. One of the decisions we also made was to update our name tags. When you come to our meetings at Pea Patch, please take a moment to put on your name tag so guests (and those of us who are terrible at remembering names) will know who you are. And at the end of the meeting, please return your name tag to the bulletin board.

Your help is needed! If you are looking for ways to be involved, reach out to any of the board members and/or come to a board meeting. We welcome your ideas, too!

CHICKEN WINGS

BY MICHAEL AND STEFAN STRASSER



New from EAA.org: February 2022 – Young Eagles rallies are often a marquee event for EAA chapters. Some chapters host one or two large rallies per year, flying between 50 and 100 youths, while others host these events monthly and cap the number of flights at 20 or 30 participants. No matter the size of the event, chapter leaders spend significant time on planning the event. Despite all this planning, how often are best practices shared for providing the best possible flight experience? The better the experience, the more likely the youth is to latch on to an interest in aviation.

Tips for Improving the Young Eagles flight experience:

1. Fly One Young Eagle at a Time (if flight schedule permits)
2. Involve the Young Eagle in the Aircraft Walk Around
3. Provide a Thorough Passenger Briefing
4. Narrate the Flight
5. (See part 5 article in March)

Pilots will encounter a wide variety of personalities when flying Young Eagles— everything from shy and timid, to excited and talkative. Narrating the flight is a great way to help bring a youth out of their shell, or settle an overly excited passenger. Movements that seem second nature to a pilot can seem surprising and sometimes frightening to a passenger. Demonstrations, with the youth following along on the controls, that show how elevator and aileron movements change the aircraft's flight attitude almost always draws excitement from the first-time fliers.

For the full article, visit <https://www.eaa.org/ea/eaa-chapters/chaptergram-articles/2022-02-15-5-tips-for-improving-ye-flight-4-of-5>

SC Breakfast Club Schedule

Date	City	Airport Name	Unicom	Airport ID
March 20	Columbia, SC	Columbia Metropolitan (CityConnect)	ATC	<u>KCAE</u>
April 3	Bishopville, SC	Lee County - Butters Field	122.9	<u>52J</u>
April 10	Holly Hill, SC	Holly Hill	122.9	<u>5J5</u>
April 24	Ehrhardt, SC	Broxton Bridge Plantation	122.9	<u>SC55</u>
May 1	Rock Hill, SC	Rock Hill (York Co) - Bryant Field	123.05	<u>KUZA</u>
May 15	Manning, SC	Palmetto Air Plantation	122.8	<u>SC41</u>

Other Upcoming Events

Mar 19-20: NAS JRB New Orleans, Air Show, Belle Chasse, LA

Mar 19-20: Space Coast Warbird Air Show, Titusville, FL

Apr 5-10: Sun-N-Fun Aerospace Expo, Lakeland, FL (<https://flysnf.org>)

Apr 16: Shaw Air Expo, Sumter, SC (<https://www.sumtersc.gov/event/shaw-air-expo>)

Free advertising!

Do you have stuff in your hangar that you would like to clear out and make a few bucks? Do you have some aviation books or supplies that you will never need again?

Do you want to get it advertised in next month's newsletter? Send your list of stuff WITH prices to Sandy Walther at sandywalther@yahoo.com

Identify this Airplane

Last month's image was of Quicksilver MX Sport Ultralight. The Quicksilver MX103 is a legal ultralight with 50HP engine for under \$18,900 fully assembled. Per the Quicksilver website, a "legal ultralight" allows you to fly without a pilots license (you do require training) and in a plane that does not require FAA oversight (no airworthiness certificate or N-number). Quicksilver also offers a Sport 2SE legal trainer with the same layout and controls but with two seats for the pilot and instructor.

Below is a picture of an unusual aircraft. Just for fun, see if you can identify it. The answer will be revealed in the next newsletter.



WHERE TO FIND US:

EAA172 meets every 2nd Saturday of the month at several locations around Augusta, GA throughout the year. However, our primary meeting place is at our chapter clubhouse on Pea Patch Aerodrome (61GA) in Blythe, GA. Take Route 1 toward Blythe, turn south at the Citgo/Quik Mart station onto Bath-Edie Road. At the first intersection, turn right onto Patterson Road and follow ¼ mile. Make a left turn onto Boulineau Road (across from the Rec Center) and drive 1 mile. The entrance to Pea Patch is on your right. The clubhouse is at the end of a row of hangars next to the grass strip, just south of the windsock.



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