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UPCOMING CHAPTER EVENTS

July 9, Noon: EAA 172 Member Gathering, Pea Patch

Guest speaker and topic will be announced separately.

For our lunch, we will be serving classic summertime fare – burgers and dogs. Please bring a side or dessert to share.

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

Soul City Pizza, 1855 Central Avenue, Augusta, Georgia
(near the old Southbound Smokehouse location)

August 13, Noon: EAA 172 Member Gathering, Pea Patch

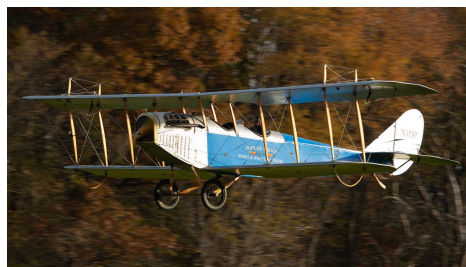
August 25, 6:30pm: EAA 172 Member Eat-Out

July is Oshkosh Month

For more information regarding the air shows, workshops, exhibits and special events, visit <https://www.eaa.org/airventure>.



Highlights from EAA AirVenture Oshkosh news:



A scratchbuilt re-creation of a Curtiss JN, commonly known as the "Jenny," is coming to EAA AirVenture Oshkosh this summer, thanks to the hard work of volunteers in Poplar Grove, Illinois. While first thought of by Don Perry, EAA 672221, eventually 22 people worked together to complete this Jenny, investing five years, 22,000 hours, and using an original OX-5 engine.

Military demonstration teams, jetliners, and unique aircraft of all types will be part of the weeklong aerial display lineup at EAA AirVenture Oshkosh on July 25-31 (including the U.S. Marine Corps MV-22 Osprey pictured). The 69th edition of EAA's fly-in convention will be held at Wittman Regional Airport in Oshkosh.



Flight of the Cats: Four of the most iconic military aircraft built by Grumman will make a rare reunion appearance during EAA AirVenture Oshkosh 2022, as the "Flight of the Cats" will be part of the afternoon air shows on July 27 and 29.

The four Grumman airplanes — the F4F Wildcat, F6F Hellcat, F8F Bearcat, and F7F Tigercat — were developed within an eight-year period in the late 1930s and 1940s. They were best known for their roles within the U.S. Navy and Marines, although the Bearcat was used by air forces around the world as late as the early 1960s.

June Meeting Recap

We had 16 members and 1 guest who enjoyed ranch chicken, salads and delicious desserts. Dave Dent shared his experience with 'dead stick' situations, ranging from low fuel to airplanes with strange flight characteristics. Thank you, Dave, for providing your stories and lessons learned the hard way.

July meeting preview

Our July speaker is not yet confirmed; a separate email will be sent out announcing this information. Our meal will be hamburgers and hot dogs. Please bring a side dish or dessert to share. Come check out our spruced up patio and enjoy an hour or two of aviation camaraderie.



July Eat Out

We will be visiting Soul City Pizza at 1855 Central Avenue in Augusta. Their menu features pizza (of course), wings and salads. If you have questions or have not already confirmed, please contact Virginia Bush at 706-554-5618.



These are pictures from our June dinner at Rockin' Crab Seafood. Check out all those smiling faces! Our Eat Out nights are a lot of fun. We'd love to have you join us!

Membership Update

We currently have 38 members who are up-to-date with their 2022 dues. But our membership list has over 75 names so we know there are many of you who have forgotten.

Our annual membership dues are only \$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.

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

James Thiessen bought another airplane and wants to sell his Rans S12:

1996 Rans S12 for sale. Approximately 25 hrs on rebuilt Rotax 670/95hp (built by Rotax Rick, Hobbs meter reads 34hrs). 3 blade warp drive prop w/ prop balancer. Skins on wings replaced in 2019 (black/green). Have skins for ailerons and tail feathers but didn't change yet. New tundra tires and tubes. New fuel tanks (9 gal each). Electric fuel pump. Always covered and hangared. Asking \$14,800. Email: heavyliftpilot@gmail.com



Identify this Airplane

Last month's image was a Tugan LJW7 Gannet built by Tugan Aircraft, later known as the Wackett Gannet named after its designer Lawrence Wackett. It was a small twin-engine airliner built in Australia in the 1930s. It was the first Australian-designed aircraft to enter series production.

Just for fun, see if you can identify the airplane pictured to the right. The answer will be revealed in the next newsletter.



SC Breakfast Club Schedule

Date	City	Airport Name	Unicom	Airport ID
July 10	Aiken, SC	Aiken Regional	122.8	KAIK
July 24	Spartanburg, SC	Spartanburg Downtown Memorial	123.0	KSPA
August 7	Moncks Corner, SC	Berkeley County	123.05	KMKS
August 21	Woodruff, SC	Triple Tree	122.9	SC00
September 4	Anderson, SC	Anderson Regional	123.6	KAND
September 11	Ridgeland, SC	Ridgeland-Claude Dean Airport	123.075	3J1
September 25	Laurens, SC	Laurens County	122.8	KLUX
October 2	Camden, SC	Kershaw County - Woodward Field	123.0	KCDN

Other Upcoming Events

July 25-31: EAA AirVenture Oshkosh (<https://www.eaa.org/airventure>)

August 13: Aviation Week Parade of Airplanes at Rock Hill, SC

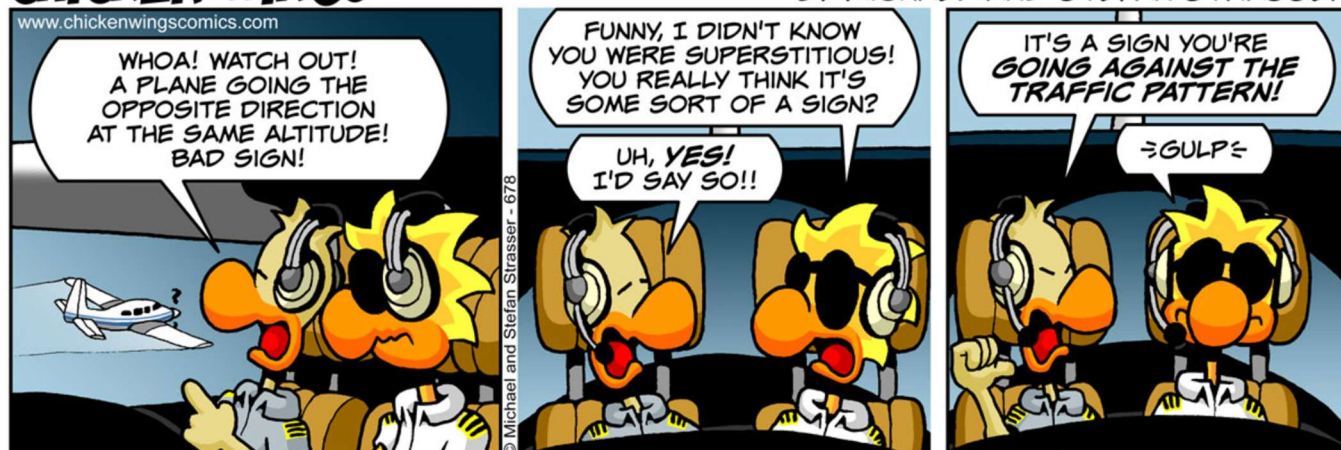
August 22: Spartanburg Airport Open House 9am to Noon

Sept 19-25: Triple Tree Fly-In (<https://tta.aero>)

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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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