

# FLYPAPER

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# Only 302 Days to Oshkosh!





## HEADLINES!

## Airventure a Rousing Success



#### Comment from EAA CEO and Chairman Jack Pelton:

"This was perhaps the most challenging set of circumstances we've ever faced as an organization to make the event happen. I could not be more proud of our volunteers, staff, and participants on the way they came together to exceed our expectations and make AirVenture 2021 a truly memorable experience."

**Attendance:** Approximately 608,000 – Only the third time attendance has surpassed 600,000 and within 5 percent of 2019's record total. Comment from Pelton:

"We went into this year not knowing what AirVenture would look like and how big of an event was possible. The aviation community spoke loudly, though — it was ready to come to Oshkosh and we were happy that we could welcome them. Our theme was 'The Wait is Over,' and indeed it was. And the wait was worth it. There was joy and excitement throughout the grounds and it set the stage for the return of AirVenture, making us very excited for the future."

**Total aircraft:** More than 10,000 aircraft arrived at Wittman Regional Airport in Oshkosh and other airports in east-central Wisconsin. At Wittman alone, there were 16,378 aircraft operations in the 10-day period from July 22-31, which is an average of approximately 116 takeoffs/landings per hour when the airport is open.

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#### HEADLINES



## Rousing Success cont.



**Total showplanes:** 3,176 included: A record 1,420 vintage aircraft registered, plus 1,089 homebuilt aircraft, 354 warbirds, 148 aerobatic aircraft, 112 seaplanes, 33 ultralights, and 27 rotorcraft.

**Camping:** More than 12,000 sites in aircraft and drive-in camping accounted for an estimated 40,000 visitors.

**Volunteers:** More than 5,000 contributing in excess of 250,000 hours.

Commercial exhibitors: 747.

**Forums, Workshops, and Presentations:** A total of 1,055 sessions hosted throughout the week.

**Social Media, Internet and Mobile:** More than 18.95 million people were reached by EAA's social media channels during AirVenture, with engagement of 1.08 million; EAA video clips during the event were viewed 3.48 million times.

**International guests:** Despite travel restrictions that greatly limited the number of attendees from other nations, EAA still welcomed visitors from 66 countries during the week.

**The Gathering shines:** The EAA Aviation Foundation's annual event to support its aviation education programs attracted more than 500 people and raised more than \$1.7 million dollars that will be focused on EAA's mission of growing participation in aviation.

**Media:** 567 media representatives on-site, from four continents.

**Economic impact\*:** \$170 million for the five counties in the Oshkosh region (Winnebago, Outagamie, Fond du Lac, Calumet, and Brown). \* - based on 2017 University of Wisconsin Oshkosh economic impact study

### PRESIDENT'S LETTER





## **Greetings From The President**

Hello and welcome to the September Flypaper! In case you don't remember me or haven't seen my picture on a milk carton lately (do they still do that?) my name is Jeff and I am the president of Chapter 18. Although you might not know that if you've joined the chapter in the last 6 months, since it has been about that long since I've made it to a meeting. So I wanted to take the occasion of the September Flypaper to update everyone on where we are as a chapter, and where we are headed.

For starters, as many of you know I took a new job flying for Air Wisconsin Airlines back in June, and the new job has consumed so much of my time over the summer that I've not been involved in the chapter much at all. It was only by a fluke of scheduling that I was able to make it to most of Oshkosh this year, but that may not be the case next year. In any event, around the time that I got the job offer, I announced to the board (and later to the chapter) that I would be stepping down as president when my term expires at the end of 2021. With the schedule of a rookie airline pilot, I just won't be able to commit to attending chapter meetings on any kind of regular basis. The chapter needs and deserves someone who can commit to being at all or at least most of the meetings.

When I made this known to the board back in April, the end of 2021 seemed like a long ways away. Now it s nearly October, the leaves are changing color and the band is warming up to play Auld Lang Syne (OK, not quite but you get the idea.) 2021 has been a challenging year for the chapter, but we've started to get our legs back under us after the goat rope that was 2020. We're at a crossroads of sorts, where things like our meeting location and our involvement in the Young Eagles and Ray Scholarship programs will need to be decided, and this is the perfect opportunity for someone new to step into the leadership role for the chapter and take us in the right direction. That person could be you, dear reader.

While we're on the subject of Young Eagles, I'd also like to take a moment and thank Stephanie (and that guy who keeps hanging around, I think his name is Doug or Dennis or something) for nearly two decades at the helm of our Young Eagles program. In that time we're flown literally thousands of kids at many dozens of events without a single mishap and only the very occasional unplanned cockpit redecorating, and that couldn't have happened without her hard work. After her years in the left seat of our program, Stephanie is also looking to step back and let someone else take the lead in organizing our Young Eagles efforts in 2022 and beyond. She's very willing to help mentor a new person and get them properly trained to solo, and she's willing to help out beyond that, so if you have a desire to get involved in this very worthwhile program, please contact either she or me.

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So those are some of the big challenges facing the chapter, but they are also big opportunities for the chapter to grown and move forward. I look forward to seeing where we go from here, and I'll still be a member and will be as involved as I can be, but the time has come to pass the reins.

In the shorter term, our next meeting is Tuesday Sept. 28th at the usual 7:30PM. We will once again be meeting at Waukesha where we've been for much of 2021. Unfortunately I won't be at this meeting either due to work— and the Dodger game. I'm not complaining mind you- this is the job, and the baseball team, I've dreamed about since I was 8 years old and I'm thrilled to have it.

Until then, keep your airspeed up, and please consider stepping up to serve the chapter.

That is all.

## SEPTEMBER CHAPTER MEETING





# EAA Chapter 18 September Meeting

Tuesday, September 28 7:30 p.m.

2525 Aviation Drive Waukesha, WI 53188

EAA Chapter 18 Board Meeting 6:30 p.m.



#### CHAPTER 18 CHAPTER MEETING MINUTES

SECRETARY JIM HATZENBELLER



#### **Chapter 18 August Chapter Meeting Minutes**

The August meeting was called to order by President Jeff point at 7:35 PM in the conference room at Waukesha Co. Airport.

**Announcements**: Guest were asked to introduce themselves and four people did so. Treasurer, Glenn Botsford announced that he is now accepting dues for the next year. Pay Glenn directly or by using PayPal. Sept. 19th is the date for the Friends of East Troy fly-in/drive-in and pancake breakfast.

**Young Eagles:** An event is scheduled for September 25th at Waukesha. This will be for pre- registered only. Need pilots and ground support.

**Building Reports:** John Nate reports that he has the wing in the jig and the four wing cores for his Defiant are bonded. He is also working on the ailerons. He plans to move them outward from the original design. This was suggested by other Defiant builders. He is also ready to cut in hard points for the wing attach fittings. Tom Jurss reported that he needs wings for his Mini-Max. Tim Meyer reported that he is planning to retire in November and then get back to work on his Team Tango Foxtrot Four.

**Flying Reports:** The Chapter's Ray Aviation Scholarship recipient, Owen Robinson reports that he made his first solo flight. Devin Albright reported that he is getting a J-3 Cub. He also flew his RV-4 across Lake Michigan and entered into a STOL competition.

New Business: No new business was discussed.

**Program:** The evening program was presented by Doug Thomas. Hi is the VP of the 88 Charlies based at Palmyra airport. This is a youth group work that gets introduced to aviation by working on airplane projects while under the supervision of a group of adult supervisors.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:30pm. Respectfully submitted, Jim Hatzenbeller (Secretary)



## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Tuesday, September 28 — EAA Chapter 18 Meeting

7:30 P.M., Main Conference Room Waukesha Airport 2525 Aviation Drive, Waukesha, WI. 53188

## Saturday, October 2 — 2nd Annual Tri-State CAF Wing Brat Fry Fly-in

!0:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m CDTKJVL1716 W. Airport Rd, Janesville, WI

Tuesday, October 5 — AOPA Rusty Pilots Seminar 5:00 p.m. to 7:15 p.m. CDT

Link here

Saturday, October 9 — EAA Chapter 371 Chili Feed Fly In 10 a.m. to 1:00 p.m,

C47 City Hangag Portage, WI.

Tuesday, October 26 — EAA Chapter 18 Meeting 7:30 P.M.

Location To Be Determined

Tuesday, April 5, 2022 — Sun n Fun Lakeland, FL

Monday, July 25, 2022 — EAA Airventure Oshkosh, WI

Monday, April 8, 2024 — Total Eclipse of the Sun





### TREASURER REPORT-TREASURER GLENN BOTSFORD

July 2021	<u>Checking</u>	<u>Savings</u>	<u>PayPal</u>	<u>Total</u>	Paid Membership
Beginning Balance	\$1,040.51	\$763.61	\$64.68	\$1,868.80	119
Income					
Total Income	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,868.80	
Expenses					
Name Badge			\$13.00		
Total Expenses	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1300	\$1,855.80	
Ending Balance	\$1,040.51	\$763.61	\$51.68	\$1,855.80	119

August 2021	<u>Checking</u>	<u>Savings</u>	<u>PayPal</u>	<u>Total</u>	Paid Membership
Beginning Balance	\$1,040.51	\$763.61	\$51.68	\$1,855.80	119
Income					
Dues	\$60.00				
Name Badges	\$10.00				
Total Income	\$70.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,925.80	
Expenses					
Total Expenses	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1925.80	
Ending Balance	\$1,110.51	\$763.61	\$51.68	\$1925.80	119



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