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President's Message



Hello Everyone!

Happy 2018!

Serious winter just to remind us that things could always be worse. No flying out of Newman's except for those who have ski-planes.

Once again, I want to express sympathy to Bill Shearer for the loss of his dear wife Vicki. The memorial service at St. Martin of Tours Catholic Church in Vicksburg was beautiful.

I hope everyone is ready for a great winter banquet **Saturday, January 20, 2018** – Main Street Pub in Vicksburg at 6:00 pm. The weather looks pretty good, maybe a little wet but not too cold for it to be icy. I just talked with Lucille Schiffer and the more I hear of her fascinating life centered around teaching and supporting her family

of aviators the more amazed I become.

Not only did she support her husband Pat through 17,000 hours of flying, she watched all four of her children and three of her grandchildren solo on their 16th birthdays. You know she has some stories to tell about that! She also has many years of being the "spouse" at Oshkosh and a longtime volunteer at the Kalamazoo AirZoo. Lucille is an inspiration to me and I'm sure you will all feel the same after hearing her story.

I'm looking forward to seeing you Saturday,

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Over 30 aviators gathered to refresh their Garmin 430/530 skills on Saturday, Jan 6 at WMU.

Next Meeting

Winter Banquet!

Saturday, January 20, 2018

6:00 PM

**Main Street Pub
Vicksburg**

3101 E. Milham, Portage, MI
49002

*Young Eagles, Unique Aircraft
and More.*



[AIR+ZOO] Like No Place
Else on Earth!

Map at www.EAA221.org

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Unless otherwise specified, our chapter meetings are the first Wednesday of the month at 7:00 p.m. at the **Airzoo Flight Center Classroom** on the west side of the Kalamazoo-Battle Creek International Airport.

Dates of Upcoming Chapter Events

January EAA Chapter 221 Winter Gathering

Saturday, January 20, 2018 at 6:00 pm.

Main Street Pub

208 E Prairie St.

Vicksburg, MI

February EAA Chapter 221 Meeting

Wednesday, February 7, 2018 at 7:00 pm.

AirZoo East Campus

3101 E. Milham, Portage, MI

February IMC Club Meeting

Tuesday, February 13, 2018 at 8:00 pm.

Time and location to be confirmed.

Mystery Photo



Yes, it's the Concorde. But where is it and when was this photo taken?

Answer is on Page 4.

IMC Club



Our next meeting is
Tuesday, February 13 at 8:00 PM.

Contact Andy Millin. amillin@sbcglobal.net

**WMU Parkview Campus
Room C124**



For a map and more info visit www.eaa221.org. IMC meeting information at the bottom of the webpage.

Minutes December 2017

Rally for Boy Scouts

A special thank you to Jeff Bishop, Dan & Ginger DeVillers, Mike McCarville, and Lisa Pueblo who provided flights to a dozen boy scouts.

Thank you to Pat Nichol

Pat watches the door and staffs the Air Zoo desk during our meetings. Pat brought a delightful number of cookies and cider for our meeting.

Gone West

A sympathy card to honor the life and passing of Valinda Travis was circulated.

Invites

Invitations from the EAA chapters at Riverview and Marshall were circulated. Both events were scheduled to occur on December 9.

Guest Speaker

Christopher Van Meter, an intern who is presently working at the Kalamazoo Airport described a “Pit Stop” Event he is organizing during Airventure week. His idea is to provide a spread of food, coffee and discounted fuel to aviators traveling to and from Oshkosh, Wisconsin. Chris is looking for volunteers to staff the event between the hours of 11 to 5 pm. He intends to reach out to Duncan for a fuel discount. About half of the attendees indicated with a show of hands that they would volunteer their time to staff the event.

January 20 Winter Gathering

Our winter banquet will be held at the Main Street Pub in Vicksburg. Stay tuned for confirmation of the start time. Our anticipated speaker will be Lucille Schiffer. She has quite an aviation story to tell, coming from a prolific aviation family. Her husband was a professor at WMU. One of her sons drives the F35 Lightning. Another flies the F16 Viper. Her son Mike races the FG1D Corsair named “Whistling Death” at Reno. The family operates a crop dusting operation out of Avid, MI. Lucille’s attendance is weather dependent, but the Winter gathering is expected to be interesting and entertaining. Please make plans to attend.

Flight Advisor and Eagle Flight Leaders

Nominations are being received for an EAA Flight Advisor. The primary qualifications to be a flight advisor are experience and the willingness to pass that experience along. It is not mandatory that an advisor be current as a pilot. To be a flight advisor, he/she must apply and conform to any one of the following experience measures:

Minimum 500 hours (Ultralight pilots need a minimum 300 hours) combined with flight testing (“phase 1”) experience; or

Minimum 1,000 hours PIC time and significant experience in sport aviation aircraft (i.e., home-builts, vintage, warbird, ultralight, etc.)

Please see the EAA website for additional details.

<https://www.eaa.org/en/eaaviation-communities-and-interests/pilot-resources/ea-flight-advisors-program/learn-more-about-ea-flight-advisors-program>

Nominations are also being sought for an EAA Eagle Flights leader. Here the qualifications are not as demanding. See the EAA website for further details: <https://www.eaa.org/en/eaaviation-communities-and-interests/learn-to-fly/introductory-flights-for-free/ea-eagle-flights-program>

Educational Trust Fund

The administrators of the Chapter 221 Educational Trust Fund were changed to Bob Aardema and Dale Edwards.



For Sale



The photo is an example of the airplane that is for sale.

For sale by third owner family. Falcon Ultralight plus trailer. Last flown in the year 2000. Only sold as complete parts plane. \$4,500.00. Always hangared or garaged. Ballistic parachute. Custom windscreen cover. UP kit for rudders. NEVER DAMAGED. ✈

Contact Steve Weaver (269) 615-1500.

Mystery Photo Answer:



The photo is of the Concorde at the W.K. Kellogg Battle Creek Airport. KBTL. The date was March 7, 1998! Yes, that event was indeed 20 years ago!

Departing KAZO without a squawk code.

By Ron Ryan

Problem: You have just finished fueling up at KAZO and you intend to depart to the west to fly along the lakeshore to enjoy the setting sun. Is there a simple way to depart KAZO without obtaining a squawk code and flight following? Yes!

Solution: Request NEGATIVE TRSA SERVICE, or make a similar request, on ground. From the gas pump, contact the ground controller on 121.9, tell her who you are, where you are and that you intend to depart to the west. Give her your requested altitude and request NEGATIVE TRSA SERVICE. Ground control will confirm your request and state, "Advise when ready to taxi."

Guidance comes from the AIM, 4-1-18(b)(2) *Terminal Radar Services for VFR Aircraft*, which states:

2. If any aircraft does not want the service, the pilot should state "NEGATIVE TRSA SERVICE" or make a similar comment, on initial contact with approach control or ground control, as appropriate. ✈

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