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GEAUGA COUNTY AIRPORT 7G8 MIDDLEFIELD, OHIO

## WINGS

OPERATING AT  
UNCONTROLLED AIRFIELDS

**MONDAY APRIL 15**

DINNER 6PM MEETING 7PM



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Due to unprecedented demands on my time outside of EAA 5, I will not be able to write a full newsletter this month. I hope to return to our regular format next month.

**Two very important notes** this month:

1, If you are **planning to camp** with the chapter at Oshkosh **you absolutely must read** the chapter camping policy in his newsletter.

2. The IMC/VMC club meeting returns to the summer schedule. See details below...



# UPCOMING EVENTS

## PROGRAM MEETING

Our meeting this month is an FAA Wings program titled operating at uncontrolled airfields. Presented by **Rick Blamer**, this program will cover operating around helicopters, gliders, and balloons.

We'll start this evening with our traditional Burgers and brats dinner beginning at 6:00pm. The chapter will provide the beef. Please bring some fix'ns to go with if you can. We'll need salad, sides, chips, and desserts.





# UPCOMING EVENTS

## IMC VMC CLUB

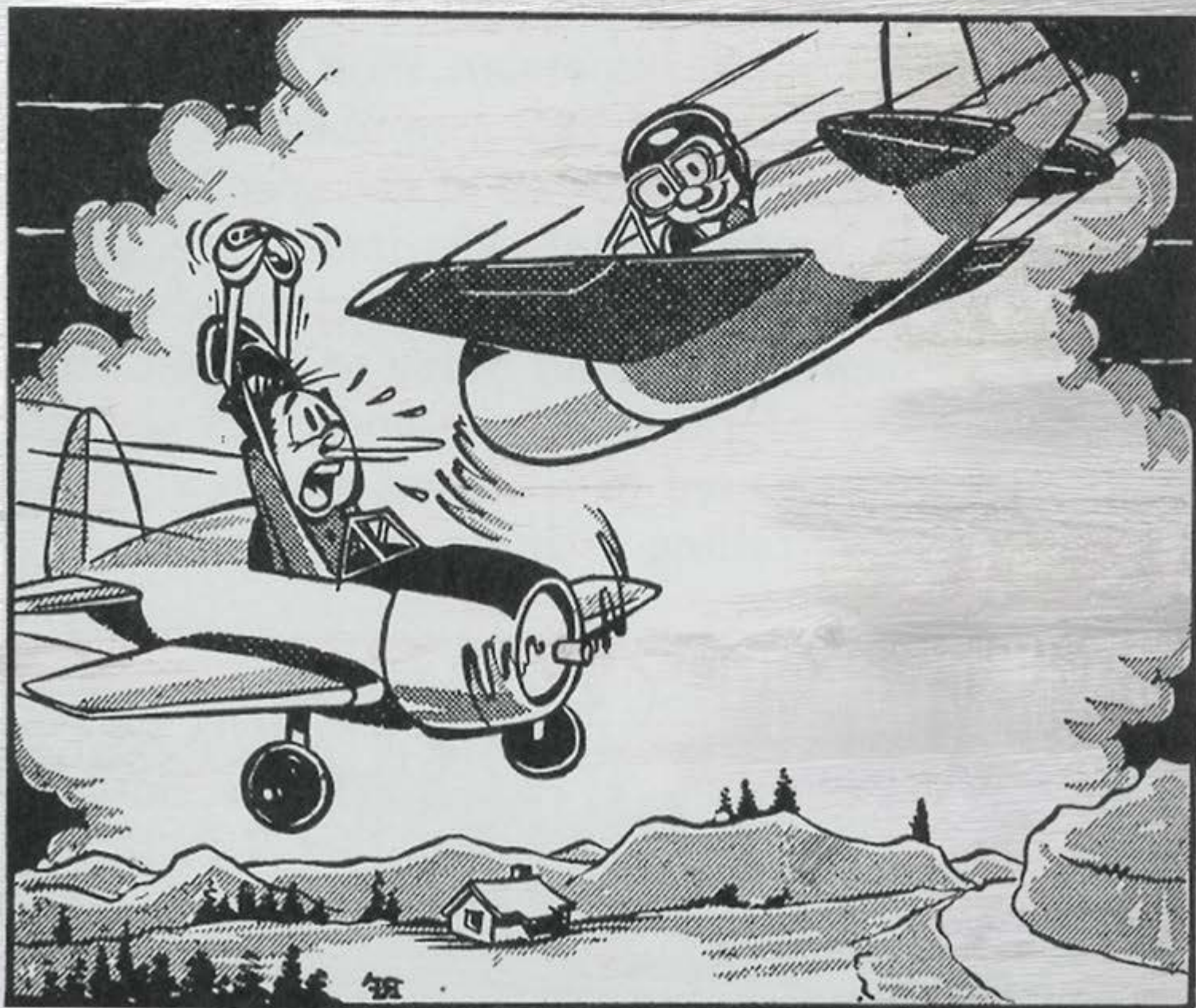
Our IMC / VMC club meetings transition to the summer schedule this month.

Our **April** meeting will be held on **Thursday the 25th** with **donuts at 6:30** and **program at 7:00**.

Meet over coffee and donuts with other pilots to discuss scenarios they have experienced and work through real-world IMC stories.

If you were in this situation... What would you do?

This meetings topic is: **Mixed use airport environments** with **Tim Niederkorn**.





# UPCOMING EVENTS

## IMPORTANT NEW OSHKOSH CAMPING POLICY

**Oshkosh AirVenture 2024** will be here before you know it and it's time to start making plans for this year's **Chapter 5 Campsite.**

The last several years have seen the chapter campsite grow in popularity and in the number of units we have managed to squeeze into our assigned space.

Each of the last two years have seen our numbers peak midweek at over 20 campers in as many as 14 units consisting of 2 class C mobile homes, a fifth wheel, a travel trailer, and as many as 10 tents!

With several more chapter members making plans to rent mobile homes or travel trailers for AirVenture 2024, it's time to **make a plan** and set forth a few guidelines in order to make the chapter campsite accessible for all who wish to utilize it.





# UPCOMING EVENTS

## IMPORTANT NEW OSHKOSH CAMPING POLICY

Here are the guidelines established by the by the Campsite Committee:

**1)** Only paid Chapter 5 members may reserve a spot for one camping unit at the Chapter 5 campsite. A camping unit is: a motorhome, travel trailer, fifth-wheel, tent, or vehicle. Chapter 5 members may include family members and one non chapter member guest in that one unit.

**2)** The size of all camping units and vehicles, arrival date/ time, and estimated departure date must be reported to **Tim** or **Sherry Niederkorn** by **June 17th**.

This will enable us to begin to create a site plan that allows for smooth arrivals and departures throughout the week. The final plan can't be made until we arrive at Oshkosh and see the layout of our site. The final layout and plan will be sent out to all participants upon Tim & Sherry's arrival the Wednesday before the show begins. Campers who just show up without notification will only be accommodated if the planned space allows.





# UPCOMING EVENTS

## IMPORTANT NEW OSHKOSH CAMPING POLICY

**3)** Campers must understand the expectations of participating in the chapter campsite. The Chapter 5 campsite as a whole, is a shared space among all participants. No one has rights to any one of the chapter's camping spaces or vehicle credentials, even though your name may appear on it. In the event that space for vehicles becomes full before your arrival, you may have to park your vehicle in the Camp Scholler overflow lot.

**4)** Chapter 5 will front the cost of the campsites. The cost will be divided equitably amongst all campers at the conclusion of Oshkosh. Campers will then reimburse Chapter 5 for their share.

One of the benefits of chapter camping is the ability of chapters from around the country to camp in close proximity allowing for networking and comradery. If you know of members from another chapter that would like to share in our comradery, encourage them to purchase their own chapter campsite(s) and request that they be adjacent to Chapter 5. We would love to share our chapter's goodwill and comradery, but since each chapter is limited to only 6 campsites, we just don't have room for other chapters in our campsite.

Finally, we hope to have a great turnout again this year. If you've never been to Oshkosh, make this year your first! **If you've been, but never camped, you're missing half of the experience.**





**TAKENOTE**

# **SPRINGFIESTA**

**Sunday May 5, 2024**

**Lunch served at 12:00 NOON**

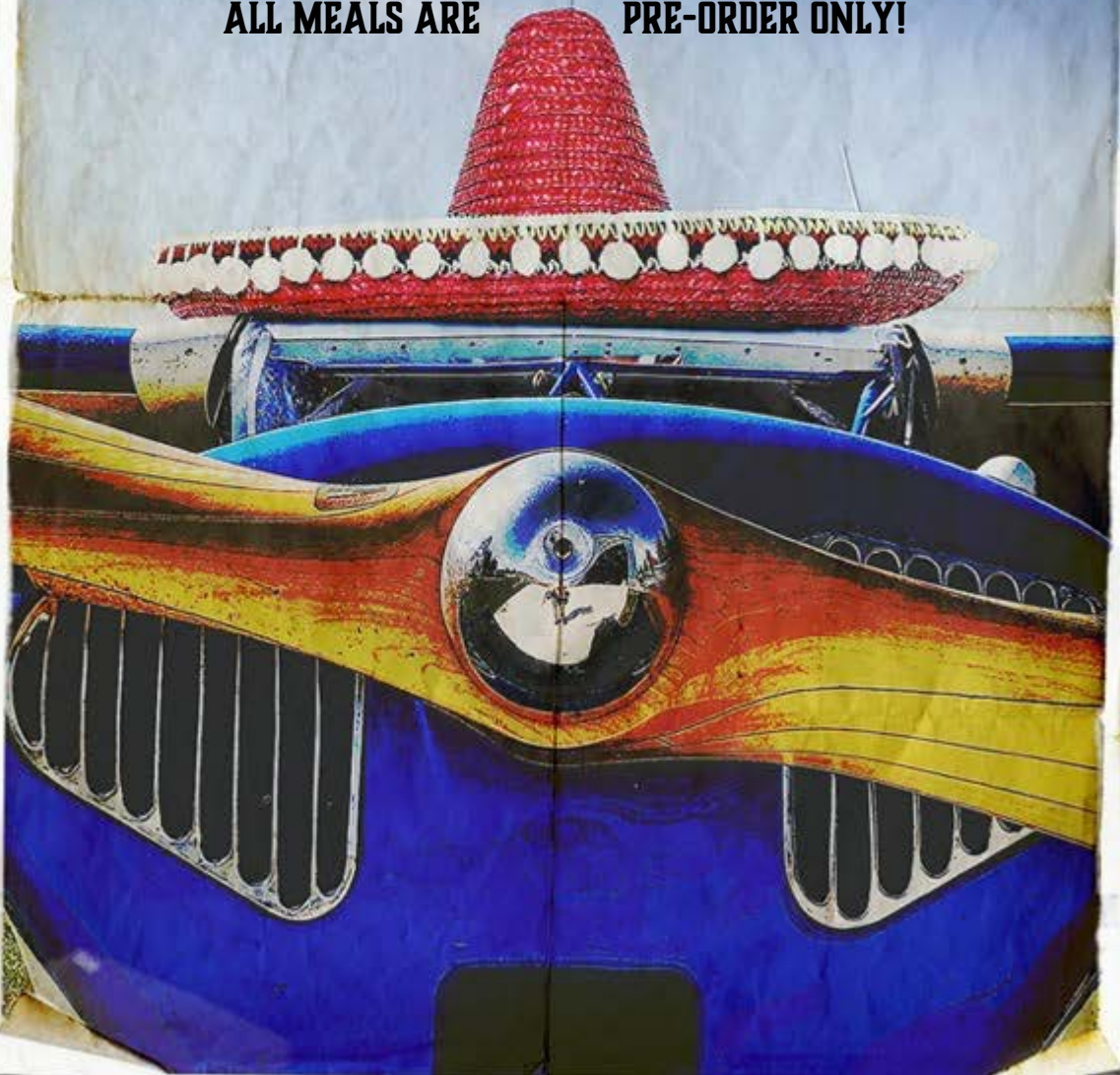
**on the ramp @ 7G8**

**ORDER FORM IS ATTACHED TO THE EMAIL**

**DEADLINE FOR ORDERS IS SUNDAY, APRIL 22ND**

**ALL MEALS ARE**

**PRE-ORDER ONLY!**





# TAKE NOTE

## SUMMER YOUTH AVIATION CAMP

Dates July 8-12

Registration for campers is now open.

Application packets and Flier are on website.

Pilots needed for **Private YE event July 13 or 14** (weather dependent)

**April 21** - Second planning meeting for Volunteer Staff at 2:00 pm ET  
at 7G8 Volunteers welcome -

Let **Sherry** know your availability & areas of expertise.





# **TAKE NOTE**

## **FLYING START**

Registration open soon,

Tell your friends!

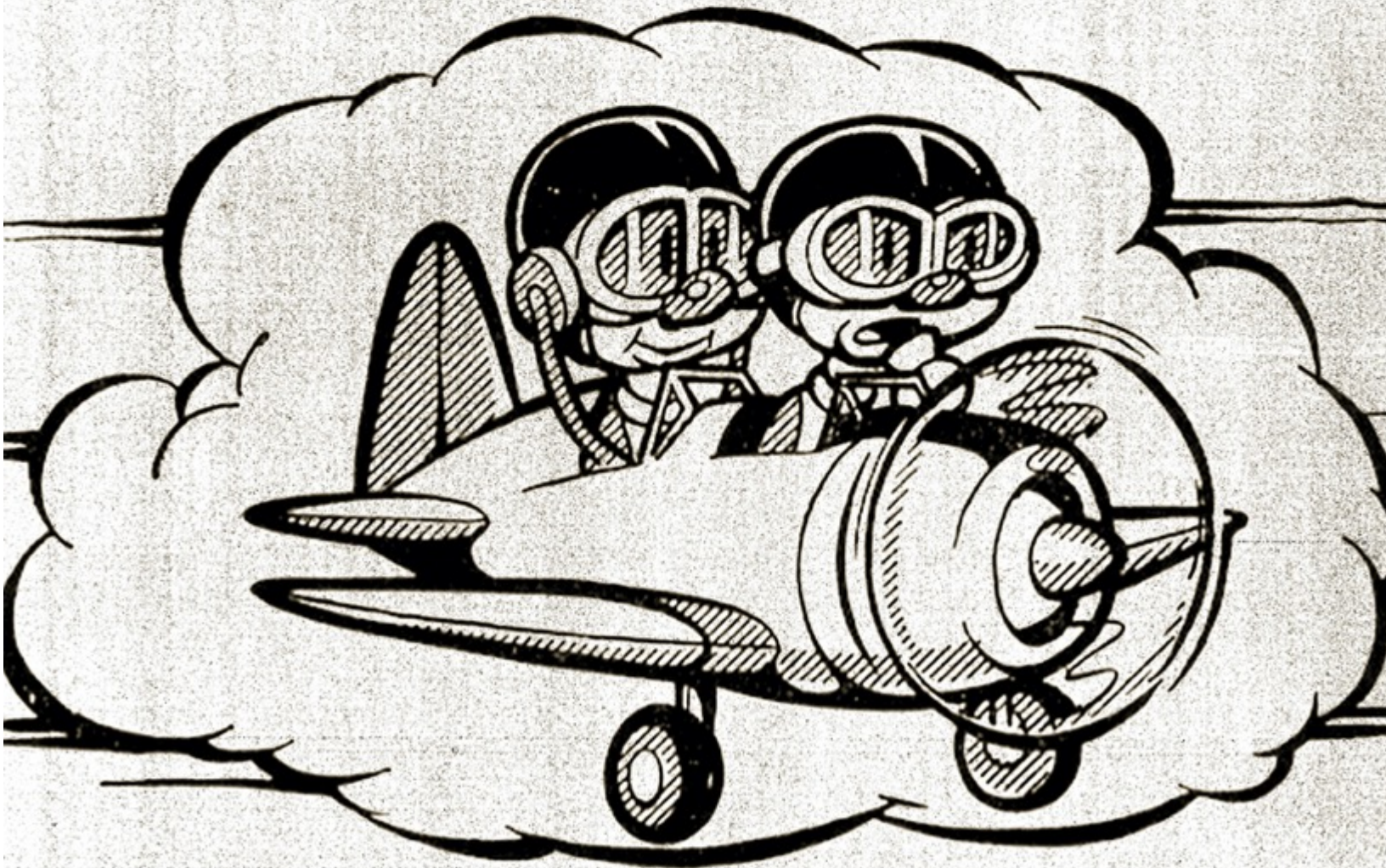
New start time

2:00 meet and greet

2:30 classroom presentation

3:30 Eagle flights

May 19 - Mentor Pilots needed  
to give adults a ride and then  
mentor them along their way to  
a pilot's license.







During my senior mentorship, I shadowed **BRIAN KING** for "a life in the day of an airline pilot". We met at KCLE before the start of his trip and he walked me through all the preflight procedures. We reviewed weather and flight plans, met the crew and got the cockpit set up. He walked me through entering the flight plan into the FMS, and then the best part: he got me a seat so I could be a passenger on his flight to Houston! After we arrived, he continued onto his next destination and got me onto a returning flight back to KCLE. I had a blast learning about airline operations and am so thankful for Brian's time and kindness! - Katie Blake





# FLYOUT SCHEDULE

Following the success of last summer's fly out program, the flyout team has completed a new schedule for this summer! There are some favorites from last year and some new destinations for this year. These are also listed in the **chapter calendar** on the **website**.

**May 4** - TBA

**May 11** - TBA

**May 18** - Saturday - KTSO Carroll County Breakfast Fly-out

**May 25** - Saturday - KFKL - Primo Barrones early dinner - Memorial Day weekend

**June 1** - Saturday - KLNN - Pancake Breakfast and YE rally

**June 8** - Saturday - KBVI - Beaver County - Air heritage museum, walk to restaurants

**June 16** - Sunday - 2D7 - Beach City - Father's day breakfast

**June 20** - Thursday - KGKJ - Solstice Fly-out Hot Dogs and Ice Cream

**June 22** - 7G8 Fly-in

**June 29** - Saturday - KBTP - Butler PA Dinner at Serventi's

**July 6** - Saturday - KPOV - Portage Afternoon Hangar Picnic

**July 20 - 28** - Oshkosh

**August 3** - Saturday - KLNN - Wings and Wheels

**August 11** - Sunday - OH33 - Ice Cream Social at Rob Miller's

**August 17** - Saturday - KLBE - Denunzios Chophouse - Dinner

**August 24** - Saturday - KBTL - Waco Kitchen & tour

**August 31** - Saturday - KGKJ - hot dogs Labor day weekend

**September 7** - Saturday/Sunday - I10 - Noble County Camping Overnight

**September 14** - Saturday - Port Clinton - Tin Goose, and Museum

**September 21** - 7G8 Fly-in

**September 28** - Cross Country - Finger Lakes weekend





# 2024 CALENDAR

## APRIL

Business Meeting	08-Apr
Program Meeting	15-Apr Wings-
VMC/IMC Meeting	25-Apr
Project Visit	27-Apr Barker/Atwood RV10

## MAY

Spring Fiesta picnic	05-May
Business Meeting	13-May
Flying Start	19-May
Program Meeting	20-May Larry Davis's Nighthawk
VMC/IMC Meeting	23-May

## JUNE

YE & Pcakes at LNN	01-June
Business Meeting	10-June
Program Meeting	17-June Chinook helicopter pilot In Alaska
Solstice fly-out	20-June
YE & FLY-IN at 7G8	22-June
Project Visit	29-June Dave Schindler RV12





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## JULY

Business Meeting	02-JUL
Hanger Party	06-Jul Barker/Atwood hanger at POV
Summer Camp	08/12- Jul
Program Meeting	15-Jul Wings-the Complete 10 minute WX Check for VFR pilots
Oshkosh AirVenture	22/28-Jul

## AUGUST

Ice Cream Social	11-Aug
Business Meeting	12-Aug
Program Meeting	19-Aug So you want to build an airplane...
VMC/IMC Meeting	22-Aug

## SEPTEMBER

Business Meeting	09-Sep
Program Meeting	16-Sep TBD
Airport Day at 7G8	21-Sep
IMC/VMC Meeting	26-Sep





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## OCTOBER

Clambake	06-Oct
Project Visit	12-Oct John Yochum - RV-14
Business Meeting	14-Oct
Program Meeting	21-Oct Wings - Safe CC Route Planning
VMC/IMC Meeting	24-Oct

## NOVEMBER

Business Meeting	11-Nov
Program Meeting	18-Nov Annual Meeting
IMC/VMC Meeting	23-Nov

## DECEMBER

Program Meeting	07-Dec Xmas Party
Business Meeting	09-Dec
VMC/IMC Meeting	14-Dec

## VIDEO OF THE MONTH

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=niR7W-e7Eus>

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*"...worth a  
thousand words"*

SEEN AT SEPT 2023 GEAUGA COUNTY 7G8 FLY-IN

