



50 News

June 2023 Edition

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EAA 50 AND THE GLEASONS PRESENTS
**VETERAN'S FLY IN
STEAK FRY**



DATE: June 10th 12-?

PLACE: HINDE FIELD
GLEASON HANGAR

After a two year COVID delay the Veteran's steak fry is back. This popular event is designed to honor our great vets and invites guests from the Sandusky

OVH. We welcome all and encourage you to bring a Vet. Please fly in or drive in and enjoy a great meal and good friends. Bring the whole family as the pool will be open and ready for the kids.

Info: Contact Ben at
419-239-8292



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snacks =
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scholarships**

President's Corner



It's hard to believe another month has gone by! Welcome to June 2023 a month of super fun EAA 50 events. June 10th begins the Gleason Veterans Fly In, June 15th the Huron Historical Society visits Hinde holds a meeting and then tours Hinde, and then June 24th the first ever Young Eagles Day at Hinde. Let's Make it fun. We of course need pilots and volunteers. Register now at yeday.org to participate in the event. Our May 20 event ended up great with some fun events, a B-25 fly over saluting the veterans who have gone west and a Board that is continuing to help make the "Nifty Fifty" the best. Like every month, we had some stars jump out! Bruce

88 Years at 88D Event

A little inclement weather around the state may have reduced the number of fly-ins, but the sun shone on Hinde Field and the attendance was excellent. Whenever you mix good food, friends and planes it makes for a great day. Below are pictured Hinde Field planes and our fly-ins displayed that day.



Bob Hemchak and Tracy Hille have formed a group with the intention of making our web page the best in EAA! Dennis Sokol busted his buns to get all the donation titles cleared and ready to go. We can market our aircraft donations now, making more scholarships and event dollars! And again, volunteering to help Mike Bores stepped forward at "Hanging at Hinde" did one super job grilling for us all! Now one last thing, we only have two active scholarships pending. That means two more available for 2023. We have enough people that I'm sure we know someone competent. Let's get them the info to apply! July 31 deadline.

More Event Photos



Bob Oppen has arrived. Scott Bores fills the cooler while Ben mentors. Ralph Hagman and his 1949 Jeepster.

UPDATE ON TRACY HILLE'S VAGABOND

Piper Vagabond Project

1948 Piper PA15-116 Vagabond N4333H

Submitted by: Tracy Hille

June 1, 2023

I've been working on restoring a 75-year-old Piper Vagabond that use to be owned by Bill Hinde (one of three he had). Originally built in 1948, Piper produced two versions of this small airplane (PA15 & PA17) and a total of only 604 were built that year making it a bit rare. It uses many of the same parts as the Piper Cub only the seating is side by side and the wings are 3' shorter (the first of five "Short Wing" Piper models).

Mine was the 116th PA15 that was produced. From the factory, it came with a Lycoming 65 hp engine, single left side controls and rigid landing gear. Later in its life it was upgraded to have the features of the PA17 (dual controls, Continental C65 engine and Shock Cords on the landing gear. Bill installed a C85 engine on it when he last re-built it. When I got it, it hadn't flown in 39 years. CONTINUED NEXT PAGE

News From Hinde Field

Hangar 12 has been completed.



All the fuselage steel work has been completed including features required to support the Skylight STC, "D" windows, Separate Seat Belts with Shoulder Harnesses, Dual Toe brakes and a left side door. The fuselage has been painted with 2-part epoxy and the final interior color.

I have installed a new varnished floor with polished aluminum scuff plates and baggage deck. All the tail feathers have been restored and finished thru final paint.

This spring I finished installing the fuselage fabric and I have one landing gear covered. She is ready for all the coatings and final paint. While I've been waiting for the weather to warm up (for painting) I fabricated and installed the Skylight, "D" windows, sliding door windows for both doors, door trim pieces and the outer door skins.

My hangar is located at Hinde Airfield in the North East corner; Hangar No. 2. Visitors are always welcome.

If you're wondering, it will be finished on Thursday (just not sure what year).... **More Pics next page**



Dan DeCarlo and his Zenith are in their new home, hangar #12.

Welcome

We want to welcome Michael Barefoot and his Gyro to Hinde Field. They will make a great addition to the Hinde Field community.



EAA 50 Young Eagle at Hinde Goes High Tech

June 24, 2023 will mark the first ever Young Eagles event at Hinde Field. Using the National EAA website (yeday.org) all participants will be able preregister online and select a time slot. This system is the technology replacement for the traditional paper





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forms. Besides the online preregistration, a key feature of this system is the ability to schedule "time slots" allowing the YE and their family to arrive at a time that reduces the wait time for the Young Eagle flight. At the last board meeting Dennis Sokol alerted members to this tool. This immediately got the attention of Bruce Molnar, Bob Hemchak, and Tracy Hille. These three are currently working on the system to get it ready for June 24th event. Chapter 50 continues to strive be the best by adding this new Young Eagles booking tool.

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50 New Shop Tool

EAA Chapter 50 has added a new tool to our Tool Inventory; its call the “Jack Hack. It’s an “Avionics Tool” that is used to prevent headphone jacks from spinning while you tighten the nut—conveniently without the need to reach behind the panel to hold the back side.

The Jack Hack includes two expanding post tools: one for standard 0.25 (¼ inch) diameter jack used for stereo GA headphones and one for the smaller (0.205 inch) jack used for the PTT connection.



Don't complain about the guy who uses two parking places at the grocery store. Here is a three spacer at the back door of the Gathering Room.

50 Humor



"That's mistletoe. We like to give every passenger a chance to kiss their luggage good-bye."

