

# LOGBOOK

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## EAA 602 ADIRONDACK CHAPTER

### EVENTS

May 25th — Fulton County Airport  
Chapter Meeting 7:00 pm  
Pizza and Subs at 6:30  
Please bring a drink and chair.



Photo provided by: Corey Drapala

### President's Hangar

Patrick Morris EAA 839538

I have seen some people doing little trips here and there but not much traveling. I spent last Sunday in Syracuse for my daughter's volleyball tournament that did not allow spectators. I had to find something to do so I reached out to Dean Riggi and asked if he wanted to meet me for breakfast at Whitfords in Weedsport. This is a private airport open to the public with a 3800' paved runway. There is fuel which was \$4.99 and a building with vending machines and restrooms. They do a breakfast here a few times during the summer and there is one coming up on May 30. Jeff Bradt flew in with Dean in Dean's Tri Pacer and this was his first exposure to flight following. Good experience to follow along with for the first time. There were two diners with breakfast less than 10 minutes away and we chose Arnold's Family Restaurant which did not disappoint. After breakfast we returned to the airport and caught some sky divers landing. The sky diving operation was very active so make sure you listen in well in advance if you fly in there. I ran into several people on the ground while there and all were very hospitable. The tournament was at the State Fair Grounds and Camillus Airport was much closer, 10 minutes instead of 25. Camillus is private but indicated that permission was required to land. I still have not received a call back from the number provided. After Dean and Jeff left I still needed to fill up several hours in the area so I headed to Camillus to check it out. The setting was a little odd. On a side road with some service type businesses around and a junk yard. The driveway to the runway was open as well as access to the hangars and runway. There are a couple T-hangars with no doors and most of them had industrial equipment in them. Only a couple had planes in them but they appeared

to be active. It looked like the runway could be used but no services or restroom and without a call back it would not be advisable to fly in to. So a lesson in that there are some airports on the charts that look to be viable but may not be until you do some good checking on the published information and contact with someone at the facility. Two paved airports in the area, two different levels of usability.



# UPCOMING:

*So things are starting to open up finally and events are starting to pop up.*

You may not read this by **May 22** but I hope some of you will make it to **(83K) Harris Field for the Northeast STOL Starting at 10:45**. I went there for a fly in a couple years ago and it is a nice little grass strip.

**30 May (Sunday) FLY-IN BREAKFAST, 7:30-11:00. Whitford Airport [B16] Weedsport, NY**

**30 May FLY-IN BREAKFAST, 8:00 am - Noon. Wellsboro-Johnston Airport [N38]**

**6 June (Sunday) FLY-IN BREAKFAST, 8:00 - 11:00. Frankfort Highland Airport [6B4] near Utica NY. Sponsored by EAA Chapter 294**

**12 June (Saturday) EAA CHAPTER 44 SPORT AVIATION CENTER 10th ANNIVERSARY FLY-IN! 10:00 am - 4:00 pm, Ledgesdale Airpark [7G0], Brockport NY**

**12 June SECOND ANNUAL FLY-IN, 11:00 - 3:00 pm, Orange County Airport [KMGJ]**  
Rain date is Sunday, 13 June

Our new member, Josh Kenyon, has offered to let us meet up at his workshop in Ballston Spa to check out his Alpfa HB-207 build. We may make it a meeting or a special meet up on another day. Our May 25th meeting will be at the airport and hopefully include some flying activity. We will have pizza and subs available at the meeting. Thanks John Pashley for taking care of food at the last several meetings. Looking forward to seeing you all and your smiling faces. :- ) - Patrick





## Vice-President ~ Darryl White

Well things are starting to get back to normal. It's nice to see people's faces and I'm glad summer is coming and warm weather. I see 7 fly-in events listed on upstate page including Whitford and a breakfast at Frankfort Highland on June 6th. I have not made a breakfast yet at Frankfort so that is tentatively on my calendar.

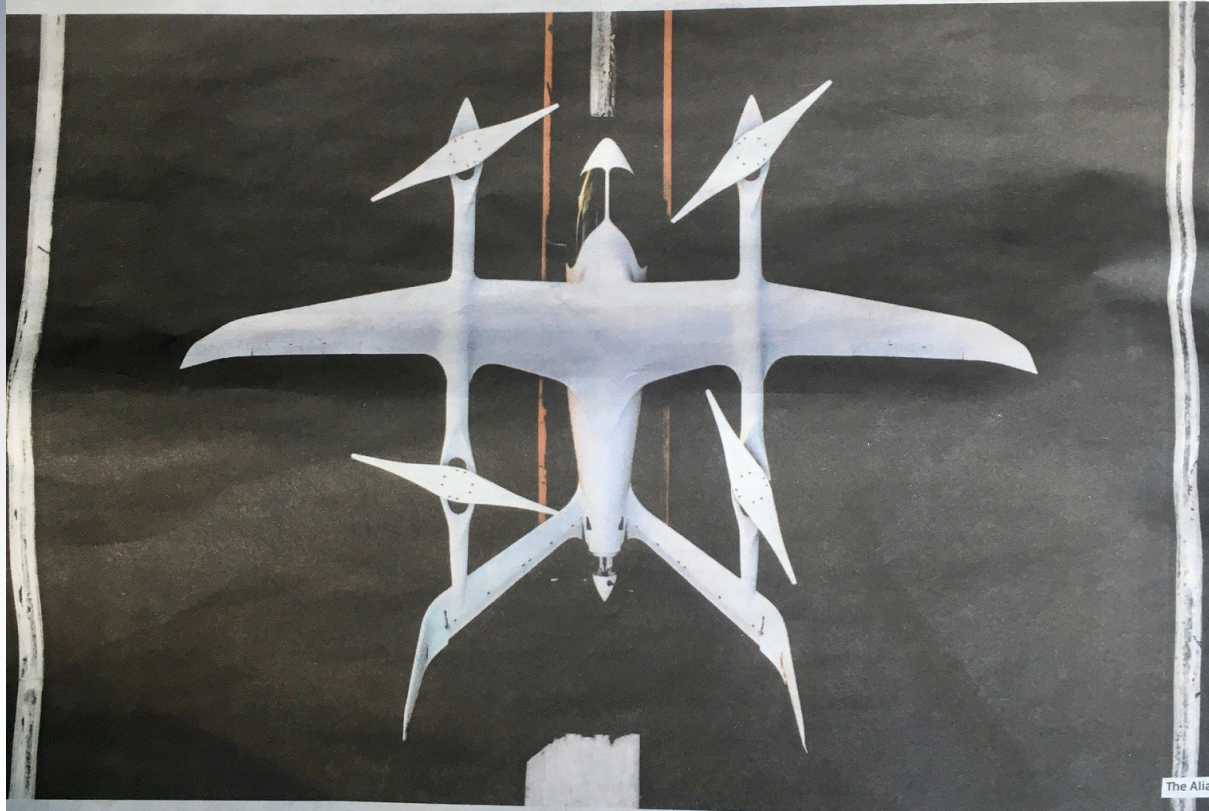
Kelly and I were up in Vermont last week and I saw an article about Beta aircraft. It is a startup company working on an all-electric plane with vertical takeoff capability. There have been some test flights and I'm sure they have much more work to do but it is pretty neat this kind of aviation work is happening up in Burlington. Their market target is short haul cargo (can you say Amazon) without the need for an airfield. Maybe a road trip to visit later this year; I'll look into it. I attached a couple of photos. Looking forward to seeing the members come out for a meeting at the airport in the next couple of months, see you there!



# FLIGHT PATH

BTV's Beta Technologies is on the cusp of a breakthrough for electric aviation

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The Alia

**You can't not see the planes.**

The prototypes parked in the hangar are the first two iterations of Beta's latest



The Alia flying over Burlington

Beta has a very bright future, and I want that future to be based right here in Vermont.

SEN. PATRICK LEAHY

market as dramatically as tech futurists and the people who give them money imagine.

"This is a recipe for carnage," he said. "Absolute carnage."

The last few months have seen a massive acceleration in funding for flying car startups, according to Robin Riedel, a more bullish analyst for McKinsey & Company. The consulting firm has

traditional public offering. Three eVTOL makers have used the tool since February to raise as much as \$1.6 billion each.

McKinsey projects that the global market for passenger eVTOL flight could be at least \$300 billion annually. Others have estimated even larger revenue potential. "The investments are going into this are reasonable," R



## First Delaware Fly In.

On Tuesday April 20, 2021, John Chirtea my new aviation friend in Delaware invited me to attend what he called his spring hanger opening. Every year to celebrate the start of the flying season in southern Delaware he opens his hanger to the local flying community to kick off another season. John is 82 years old although you wouldn't know it if you met him. John got his pilot's license in 1955, so he was flying before many of us were born. John owns one of (22) homes located in a flying community in Sussex County Delaware. The community name is Eagle Crest (D25) and it is located in Milton DE. It has a 3500 ft grass strip (14/32) with lights and its own automated weather station. The field elevation is a nose bleed (28) ft. That's not a typo, the field is about (2) miles as the crow flies from the Delaware Bay.

Between drive in traffic and arriving air traffic there were about 30 people in attendance. Flying in were (2) Cessna 150, a 172 , Maule, , Aviat Huskey , De Havilland Chipmunk , Cessna 195 , and a T-28. These were in addition to John's gyroplane, Erocoupe, Champ and Fisher Celebrity with the 100 HP Rotex radial.

In Delaware, fried chicken is king so we dined on bbq chicken, french fries, coleslaw, and an assortment of deserts. After dinner there was the requisite hanger flying, and walking around checking out the aircraft parked on the flight line.

I have to admit it was a little strange attending a fly in at 4:00 in the afternoon on a Tuesday, but it was a great to meet some fellow flyers in DE and enjoy a very pleasant (75) degree evening watching airplane activity and talking shop.

I hope to be able to report soon that I have been able to get back in the air and stretching my wings again. It is going to take some work, as most days down here are fairly breezy. The Atlantic Ocean and the Delaware Bay dictate our weather so I will have to get my cross wind techniques back up to snuff so I can feel confident with an airplane that's not my own.

I have attached a few pictures that I took that afternoon.

Keep your nose up in the turns.

Tim Devine







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