

Newsletter of Chapter 75

Quad-Cities of Illinois and Iowa, USA

June 2022

THE EXPERIMENTAL AIRCRAFT ASSOCIATION

From the Desk of the President

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Wow! Here we are, the first of June, the beginning of Summer-how time flies (literally) when you're having fun! Speaking of having fun, I'm going to start off with talking about our Young Eagles event at the Davenport Municipal Airport (DVN/KDVN). You can find more details in this month's minutes, regarding all of the cool events we have coming up.

May 14th was a beautiful Saturday morning with a calm slight breeze out of the northeast; and the sun was shining perfectly. The sun shining on your face was just a wonderful way to start the day. The weather was not too hot and not too cool. We were at the Davenport Civil Air Patrol office, on the west side of the maintenance hangar that once belonged to Carver Aero who has now transferred their name (as of the first of the month) to Revv Aviation [you might have noticed them painting the tails of their aircraft red]. The team was in place and the ground crew was ready.

Getting back to the Young Eagle event, we had eight pilots available, three of whom were from Geneseo, IL. For me, that morning was such a delight for several reasons: I got to talk to a lot of parents and young people who were interested in aviation. We

gave 51 rides-not just free rides, but introductions to aviation, and it is a real joy. Many of these young people are interested in going on to learn how to fly along with being able to talk to them. Families with children that just think aviation is fantastic. Another of the great opportunities at this event was that I got to use my hand propping skills on a 1941 Piper J3C-65 Cub (N35209)! It started every time on the very first try. THANKS Kent Johnson for this opportunity. Along with this we had many of our students from the Van's RV-12iS student-build that were able to actually get a flight in an aircraft and feel what that was like. They were so excited-it was a great opportunity. Thank you so much to Bob Thomas, EAA Young Eagles Coordinator, the ground crew and all the pilots. Also, I wanted to thank Revv Aviation, their FBO Manager, Jake Sachleben, and Line Service Tech Team Lead, Cody DeVolder, for helping us marshal airplanes out in the parking area. They did a fantastic job.

We had ten new members sign up to join the chapter in the month of May: Keotyn Calloway, Jaime Helsabeck, Malik Khaliq, Steve Mallinger, Chace Micklewright, Zach Miller, Travis Johnson, Eric Savage, Jenny Wilson, and Jim Wilson.

This leads me to the RV-12iS student-build. We are proceeding with the process of putting the aluminum skins on the wings at this time. This was a lot of riveting, and the students were all into it. We have two battery riveters and one air pneumatic riveter.

Riveting happens almost the entire build session. It's really starting to look like an airplane! We have such great momentum going, I kind of hate to take a break for the summer! The mentors and advisers agreed it would be best to take a small break through the summer. There are a few things that we need to do to get ready for new students: recruiting incoming freshmen and other upperclassmen, to give them an opportunity to get involved in this project. We hate to say goodbye to all of the seniors who worked with us this past

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Chapter Potluck - June 11, NOON - Matt Reed & Jim Skadal

P&N Flight and Charter - Clinton Airport - 2000 S 60th St, Clinton, IA - (click for a Map)

June Chapter Potluck

The June potluck will be held on Saturday, June 11th from NOON to 2:00 PM. It will be held at the P&N Flight and Charter - Clinton Airport located at 2000 S. 60th St., Clinton, Iowa 52732. A lunch consisting of meat will be served at NOON; and as always, bring your favorite dish or dishes to share. Pop, coffee, and water will be provided by the chapter. The plates and utensils are not provided. If you have any questions contact Jim Skadal at 563-320-6896.

Everyone is welcome to attend this event!

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year.

They have been a great help through these past nine months. We felt so good about the build project this year, that we even had a pizza party on May 26th, the last build night. We have learned a lot of things throughout this first year that will help improve the process for next year. The build has gone really well, and we're not sure how next year will top this one, but we are ready for fall already! I would like to thank all the mentors, advisors and the administrators of the three schools very much!

We received a tube in the mail that came from EAA headquarters. We have again been selected as a gold recipient chapter (1 of 72) out of the approximately thousand chapters worldwide. If you read last month's newsletter, you'll see the banner and the judging criteria. I won't go into it here, but we were judged on 11 areas.

Another big thank you to the Young Eagles Coordinator and the IMC Coordinator, and everybody that's involved in the board that makes this chapter tick! One final thing, thank you to Paul Fisher, for emceeing and being the head of the IMC Club. He's done this for six years now, and we are in need of a new IMC Coordinator. It's really easy to moderate the IMC Club meetings and EAA provides most of the information. See you at Revv Aviation's conference room, the first Tuesday of every month.

One of the other things that I wanted to talk about last month, but we didn't have it in our possession yet. We were notified through a chapter in Florida that there was the possibility of a Sonex-B plane kit available for donation. We followed up on it, & to our amazement, the gentleman who was moving to Florida, donated the kit to our chapter! A complete Sonex-B firewall aft kit.

The last Saturday of April we drove to the Chicago suburbs and filled my 15' horse and livestock trailer, pretty much clear full with the Sonex-B kit. By the way, my trailer has hauled more furniture than it ever has livestock, so don't worry about what you're thinking. A couple of the new guys that are involved in the chapter were a great-great help! Thank you to Zack Miller from the RV-12iS build and Tyler Nack. Now you're probably going to ask what ARE we going to do with it. The first initial thoughts were that if we didn't have any kits delivered from Van's Aircraft on time, we could substitute some of the Sonex-B pieces to be assembled at the build location just to keep students active. Right now, we are on hold for the summer, and I just got a notification that the fuselage kit will be delivered May 25th to the NS Transportation Building. We are anxious to see what is in this delivery! Needless to say, we will have plenty to do next fall.

We are on schedule with our normal summer potluck schedule:

11th of June - Clinton, IA (KCWI), 12pm sharp - Meat provided by the chapter, cooked by Matt Reed, the new FBO Operations Manager at P&N Flight and Charter - Clinton Airport.

16th of July - Davenport, IA (KDVN) @ Jim Smith's hangar. Jim will again be providing bratwurst and hot dogs. Ed Leahy will be cooking.

13th of August - Geneseo, Illinois @ Gen-Air Airpark (3G8). Hosted by Kent Johnson and crew EAA Chapter 410 providing the normal summer fare. Please bring a dish or dessert to share and your own table setting to save the chapters a few dollars-inflation you know!? If you forget there might be some provided?

In addition, June 19th is the next major event for the Young Eagles at Geneseo, Illinois Father's Day weekend.

Our next event would be the 1st Saturday Coffee and Donuts on the 4th of June. It will be hosted by Jim Goetsch at the Quad Cities International Airport (KMLI).

Afterwards we could have everybody fly out somewhere: to Chad West's airstrip at Blue Grass, Rick Myer's strip at New Liberty, to Clinton or back over to Geneseo; take your pick.

Also, in the future, we would like to set up tour events of people's build projects.

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Tuesday nights, Thursday evenings or Saturday mornings are all possibilities; we'll see what develops. People need encouragement, and people need advice on their projects, let's do this.

Reminder: Tools Are being prepared to be loaded and hauled up to Oshkosh the 20th of July. I realize you're all afraid to talk to me cuz you're afraid you're going to get roped into doing a job, but get a hold of one of the other board members if you have any questions. We're open to improving chapter processes.

Have a great summer!!

June 7 - IMC Club Meeting

The June meeting of EAA Chapter 75's IMC Club will be hosting Rich Kinney from the National Weather Service (NWS) office in Davenport, Iowa. Mr. Kinney will be providing an overview of the NWS and specifically their local office in the Quad Cities. He will also review all of the aviation services and resources provided by the NWS. There will be plenty of time for questions, so don't be shy! Weather affects all pilots of all skill levels, so please join us for the first Tuesday of the month at 18:00 in Revv Aviation's conference room at the Davenport Municipal Airport (DVN/KDVN) for this interesting presentation. We'd like a good turnout for our guest speaker.

Geneseo Father's Day Pancake Breakfast Event

The annual Geneseo Father's Day Pancake Breakfast will be taking place Sunday, June 19, 2022 at the Gen-Airpark Airport (3G8) in Geneseo, Illinois from 7:00 AM to 11:00 AM. Gen-Air will be hoaving skydiving, a vintage car and aircraft displays. Prices are \$7.00 for adults, \$4.00 for children, and pilots-in-command eat for free.

Young Eagles Pilots and Ground Crew Needed

Article by; Bob Thomas, Young Eagles Coordinator

On May 14th, our first EAA Young Eagles event of the year was held at the Davenport Municipal Airport (DVN/KDVN) in Davenport, Iowa and it was a great success and now we are getting ready to do our annual Father's Day event at the Gen-Airpark Airport (3G8) in Geneseo, Illinois. This event is my personal favorite. If you haven't attended before you are really missing one of our premier aviation happenings. The

event is on a first-come first-served basis, so no preregistration needed. This year, Father's Day is Sunday, June 19th, so please let me know if you will be able to help out at this great event either in the air or on the ground and thanks so much. You can reach me at Bob Thomas@ajg.com.

P&N Flight and Charter - Clinton Airport New Hours

Effective June 1, the P&N Flight and Charter - Clinton Airport will only be open Monday - Friday 8AM-5PM. It will be closed Saturday and Sunday. If you are in need of assistance after hours or on the weekends, please call 563-244-4770 ext. 3 to reach a staff member.

New Sonex Owner & President Gives Update On Company

On Monday, January 24, 2022, new Sonex Aircraft Owner and President Mark Schaible presented a webinar for the EAA Homebuilders Week event covering all the new developments at Sonex, LLC., including recent changes in the business structure, the status of new aircraft projects like the SubSonex JSX-2T Two-Place Jet and the Sonex High Wing, preparations for the EAA AirVenture Oshkosh 2022 One Week Wonder event. This support includes firewall-forward support for Rotax, along with an overview of the entire Sonex and AeroConversions product line. Watch This Archived Sonex Webinar Today!

Last Month's Program Presenter -Bob Weil



EAA Chapter 75 May Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order by President Jim Skadal on May 14, 2022, at 6:10 pm at the Deere-Wiman Carriage House in Moline, Illinois.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Jim Skadal, Rily Grunwald, Ron Ehrecke, Gregory Stopyra, John Riedel, Carl Brown, Nick Anagnos, Adam Santic.

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: Marty Santic

OTHERS PRESENT: George Bedeian

TREASURER'S REPORT: Ron Ehrecke submitted the treasurer's report to the Board of Directors via email on May 10, 2022. A motion to accept the treasurer's report was made by Rily Grunwald. and seconded by Carl Brown. The treasurer's report was approved unanimously.

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES: A motion to approve the March and April minutes as published in the last newsletter was made by Carl Brown, and seconded by Rily Grunwald. The motion passed unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS:

- 1. Chapter Facility Committee (Jim Skadal): Interest continues to grow for acquiring a chapter hangar. Jim reports many possible avenues for donations, but hesitant due to our chapter not being a 501(c)3 charitable organization. This is the main factor driving our change to 501(c)3 tax exempt charitable organization. 501(c)3 will allow donations to support the facility capital campaign. Ron Ehrecke's research with the IRS found that since our chapter's inception in 1964, it has never been incorporated as a 501(c)7. As such, we can maintain our original incorporation charter and apply as a 501(c)3 status. A motion was made by Carl Brown, and second by Rily Grunwald that the board allows Ron Ehrecke to continue his investigation on the 501(c)3 process at both federal and state levels. Greg Stopyra. proposed a modification to allow Ron Ehrecke to proceed with 501(c)3 conversion with notification to the board once ready to submit, seconded by Rily Grunwald. The board passed the motion with 6 yea, 1 nay, and 1 abstaining.
- **2.** Chapter Bylaws review and update: Discussion was re-addressed at the May 21 Special Board Meeting.
- 3. Chapter 75 2022 Annual Events Schedule: Jim

- Skadal highlighted the upcoming Summer and Fall events. The chapter still needs volunteers willing to host 1st Saturday Coffee & Donuts for the next three months. Jim stated that the Summer Potlucks are all confirmed. The chapter will hold the June 11th potluck in Clinton, Iowa. The chapter will continue, as they have in the past, to pay for Clinton to provide the food. July 9th potluck is at Jim Smith's hangar in Davenport, Iowa. Finally, Kent Johnson will host in Geneseo, Illinois for August 13th.
- **5.** Ray Aviation Scholarship: Insufficient time to address in detail and the discussion will occur at the Special Board Meeting on May 21st.
- **6.** Chapter 75 has 3 candidates for the Air Academy in the year 2022 and they are Sam Bevans, Denver Welvaert, and Laura Azuela.
- 7. Jim Skadal previously requested \$500 to purchase EAA's Young Eagle's Build and Fly kit (RC aircraft build program). Greg Stopyra provided positive feedback on the kit after his attendance at the EAA Leadership Academy. The board voiced interest provided the chapter had someone to lead the program. Ron Ehrecke suggested reaching out to the local Academy of Model Aeronautics (AMA) for interest. This was tabled with no vote to proceed with purchase.
- **8.** Emergency Aircraft Repair (EAR) at EAA AirVenture Oshkosh: The Board of Directors has developed and accepted a transition plan for the EAR beginning after AirVenture 2022. Bernie Nitz will remain in charge of the EAR operations for 2022. The transition plan will execute beginning Fall 2022.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Chapter Survey Results: Greg Stopyra provided a summary of the EAA chapter survey results. There are over 900 EAA Chapters worldwide and the average chapter size is 43 members. Our chapter is over 180 members! Our chapter scored slightly below the EAA average for "Net Promoter Score." The top areas where our chapter is most active matches very well with how important those areas are to our respondents. Finally, our chapter's survey showed the most that we are satisfied with is our chapter gatherings (4.05 out of 5) with 42 people surveyed that answered the question "what is the one thing you would recommend improving your chapter?" 10 responses were generic or program focused, 4 focused on improving our gatherings, 10 responses spoke directly to the challenge of the Saturday evening meeting time. Most entertaining response was "...If the chapter could somehow make becoming a pilot and owning a plane

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cheap...well, if wishes were fishes."

Nick Anagnos made a motion to adjourn the meeting, and was seconded by Carl Brown. The motion passed unanimously, and the meeting was adjourned at 6:59pm.

As submitted by Gregory Stopyra, Secretary EAA Chapter 75.

EAA Chapter 75 May General Membership Meeting Minutes

The membership meeting opened with EAA Chapter Membership Video

In attendance were 21 members total.

Jim Skadal recognized new members Travis Johnson (Air Traffic Controller at Quad Cities International Airport (MLI/KMLI) and Eric Savage (Blackhawk College Flight Program).

Jim Skadal highlighted the upcoming Summer and Fall events. The chapter still needs volunteers willing to host 1st Saturday Coffee & Donuts for the next three months. Jim stated that the summer potlucks are all confirmed. The chapter will hold the June 11th potluck at the Clinton Municipal Airport (CWI/KCWI). The chapter will continue, as they have in the past, to pay for Clinton to provide the food. July 9th potluck is at Jim Smith's hangar at the Davenport Municipal Airport (DVN/KDVN). Finally, Kent Johnson will host it at the Gen-Airpark Airport (3G8) for August 13th. 'Thank you' to all those stepping up to host.

May 14, 2022, Young Eagles Rally

During the monthly gathering, Bob Thomas, Young Eagles Coordinator, shared with the group the success of the chapter's first Young Eagles event for the year that occurred earlier that morning at the Davenport Municipal Airport (DVN/KDVN). The weather once again provided an ideal setting for this kickoff event. Bob reported that we flew 51 Young Eagles!

'Thank you' to our local volunteer pilots Bob Weil, Bob Thomas, George Bedeian, and Jim Smith and also to the pilots who came from Geneseo, Bob Johnson and Kent Johnson for Special thanks and congratulations to FIRST TIME Young Eagle Pilots Scott Durian (also Geneseo) and the Quad Cities Aero team

of Summer Olson and Tim Napoli. We are honored that you chose to join the ranks of volunteer pilots and to share the joy of flight with this program. I'm told your smiles after your first flights were bigger than some of our Young Eagles!

No Young Eagles Rally is successful without a dedicated ground crew. This group professionally checked in every Young Eagle, assigned them to pilots, and escorted their family for those all-important snapshots to preserve the memories. Thank you to the ground crew of Gary Rasso, Paul Thronson, Cindy Weil, Elizabeth Bevans, Sam Bevans, Alanna Vigil, Adam Santic, Jake Miller, Liz Richards, Jim Skadal and Gregory Stopyra.

A final thanks to Davenport Civil Air Patrol for letting us use their classroom space and to Revv Aviation for allowing use of their hangar and for providing linemen for parking on the ramp.

We look forward to seeing everyone at our next Young Eagle event, Sunday, June 19th at the Gen-Airpark Airport (3G8) in Geneseo, IL.

Pilot	YE Flown
George Bedeian	8
Scott Durian	7
Bob Johnson	2
Kent Johnson	4
Tim Napoli	7
Summer Olson	6
Jim Smith	1
Bob Thomas	8
Bob Weil	8

EVENING PROGRAM: Our chapter member, Bob Weil, gave the evening presentation on his flying career titled "How To Have Fun While Working." Bob's very entertaining talk described his passion for flying starting at age 3, continuing through his commissioning into the Air Force, Flight training in T-37s and T-38s, Assignments as a C-141 pilot, subsequent career with Continental Airlines, and then finally as a civil servant Iowa Air National Guard Helicopter Pilot. Thank you, Bob, for the tremendously engaging presentation.

As submitted by Gregory Stopyra, Secretary EAA Chapter 75

EAA Chapter 75 May Special Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

On May 21, 2022, at 1:03 PM, President Jim Skadal called to order a special board meeting at John Riedel's Hangar in Davenport, Iowa. All board members were present.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Jim Skadal, Rily Grunwald, Ron Ehrecke, Gregory Stopyra, John Riedel, Carl Brown, Nick Anagnos, Adam Santic, and Marty Santic.

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: None

OTHERS PRESENT: None

TOPICS:

- 1. Jim Skadal received an email from the Butterworth Center & Deere-Wiman Carriage House asking groups to consider supporting their, "work with a donation to honor 66 years of service to the community." Jim Skadal asked the board for consideration as historically the Chapter has donated \$200. Nick Anagnos motioned, Ron Ehrecke seconded, that the Board allow a \$200 Donation for 2022 to the Butterworth Center & Deere-Wiman Carriage House. The vote passed unanimously.
- 2. Ron Ehrecke provided an update on the 501(c)3 status. The advising attorney was unavailable the past week due to illness. Ron Ehrecke stated the last advice was that the bylaws update was not required to move forward with 501(c)3 conversion. The board will proceed as per 14 May's Board of Directors decision without changing chapter bylaws. The board will, however, proceed with a future bylaw change process/committee, to be decided this fall. This bylaw change will update applicable sections with the EAA 2020 template as it has specific verbiage applicable to 501(c)3 organizations. The updates to be considered include responsibilities for donations, liability limitations, and purposes. No vote required as the previous May 14th vote still holds validity.
- **3.** In preparation for the treasurer's transition at the end of his term, the board discussed the timing and execution of the chapter's financial audit. The board decided that, by authority of the bylaws, the Vice

President will execute an annual audit before the end of the calendar year with an audit team comprising non-board chapter membership. If by the September Board of Directors meeting, the Vice President does not have sufficient volunteers to complete this action, the board will then explore other options as outlined in our bylaws.

4. Jim Skadal led a discussion regarding the process for assessing student candidates for the Ray Aviation Scholarship: The discussion focused on how the Board of Directors can best objectively assess how a candidate can meet the strict training gates and timelines required of the Ray Aviation Scholar: Start in 60 days, Solo in 3 months, Written Complete in 6 months, and Checkride complete in 12 months. Jim Skadal and Greg Stopyra described the value of following the Young Eagles Flight (YE) plan from EAA which gives YE students 1. Free access (\$279 value) to Sporty's Learn-to-Fly Course and Private Pilot Ground School, 2. EAA reimbursement after the student passes the FAA Knowledge Exam (\$175 Value), and 3. EAA voucher for a Free Flight Lesson (\$130 Value). Following these steps would satisfy one of the Ray Aviation Scholarship training gates and allow the board to better assess candidates without the risk of committing to Ray Aviation Scholarship funding and the associated timelines. Marty Santic made a motion, seconded by Rily Grunwald, to require Ray Aviation Scholarship candidates to complete the Sporty's ground school videos prior to consideration by the board. A specific candidate under consideration will be given two months to complete this requirement. The board passed this motion with a vote of 8-1.

Following the passage of the motion on the Ray Aviation Scholarship, Nick Anagnos submitted his letter of resignation as Ray Aviation Scholarship Coordinator to the Board of Directors with an effective date of May 21, 2022.

Carl Brown made a motion to adjourn the meeting, and was seconded by Rily Grunwald. The motion passed unanimously and the meeting was adjourned at 2:47pm.

As submitted by Gregory Stopyra, Secretary EAA Chapter 75

DIFCO, Inc. Commences Construction on America's first Aero-Medical Vertical Take Off and Landing and Electric Vertical Take Off and Landing Vertiport Facility

Press Release

DAVENPORT, Iowa., April 11, 2022 /PRNewswire/ - DIFCO, Inc.® of Davenport, IA, initiated construction on America's first electric Vertical Take Off and Landing (eVTOL) vertiport facility in Rock Island, Illinois. Officially named; The Corporal Jason G. Pautsch Vertiport, the site is located centrally within the four Quad Cities metropolitan area and will include corporate hangar facilities for lease, refueling services, an executive pilot lounge, prototype visual navigational aid beacon, and an area navigation (RNAV) instrumentation approach and departure egress. DIFCO, Inc.® partnered with rotorcraft aviation legends Hughes Aerospace and Five Alpha L.L.C. on the development in early 2021.

DIFCO, Inc.® Chief Executive Officer, Jake Pautsch has announced the project to help familiarize the community with eVTOL and VTOL and the future resources available to them by anchoring a significant hospital's aero-medical aviation division to the site.

In a public announcement, Mr. Pautsch said, "We are excited to be pioneering with our team. The vertiport will supply QC metro medical patients with safer and faster high-end access to aero-medical transport. In addition to supporting traditional rotorcraft the state-of-the-art facility will support the rising, electric battery-powered eVTOL aircraft." Pautsch also notes, "Numerous, one-of-a-kind components of the project are unheard of in this industry and will increase safety. In addition, use of advanced technology will manage power production demands that eVTOL aircraft require without drawing from traditional energy grid power. Evaluating the massive power demands of electric aircraft is a moral responsibility. We have integrated components to be renewably conscious."

DIFCO, Inc.TM is a historic & industrial preservation and specialty industrial real estate development firm with a Union Iron Works Division, possessing a unique value proposition and an established in-house legal department. Headquartered in Davenport, IA, the company's focus is on serving municipal and federal sector clients and select criteria-based commercial clientele across the United States.



DIFCO, Inc. Chief Executive Officer, Jake Pautsch standing in front of construction equipment at the new CPL. Jason G. Pautsch Vertiport site in Rock Island, Illinois (March 2020).



Drone image of The Corporal Jason G. Pautsch Vertiport site (March, 2021 Prior to construction).



An aerial image of the Rock Island site being developed for a first-in-the-nation vertiport that would house a 24,000-square-foot hangar. The Cpl. Jason G. Pautsch Vertiport would act as a heliport and solar recharging station for battery-operated helicopters that could eventually service local hospitals.

Mays' First Saturday Coffee and Donuts Event

Location - Davenport Municipal Airport (DVN/KDVN) Hosted by: Craig Olson

Photos By - John Riedel, Board Member & Jim Skadal, President



Chuck Weber's homebuilt 2016 Van's RV-10 (N955DQ).



Kevin Boddicker's homebuilt 2005 Quickie Tri-Q200 (N7868B).



Kevin Boddicker's homebuilt 2005 Quickie Tri-Q200 (N7868B).



The chapter is enjoying a nice chat at Craig Olson's hangar.



Randy Stisser's 2005 Van's RV-6A (N316RL).



Jim Skadal giving a tour to the PNB Aviation Club of Jim Smith's hangar.



Beth Riedel, Dave, Jacobsen, Bob Gipson, and Cheryl Gipson.



Jim Smith, Carl Brown, and Paul Thronson.

May Young Eagle Rally

Location - Davenport Municipal Airport (DVN/KDVN)

Photos By Various Individuals



Bob Weil and Denver Welvaert, one of our EAA Air Academy attendees this year receives his first Young Eagles ride in a 1978 Cessna 152 (N67614). Image Courtesy of Liz Richards, Chapter Member.



Scott Durian giving a ride to a youngster in a 1991
American General Aircraft Corp. AG-5B Tiger (N128VU).
At this event, Scott participated in the Young
Eagles program for the very first time.
Image Courtney of Adam Santic, Newsletter
Editor-in-Chief.



EAA Chapter 410 President and EAA Chapter 75 member Kent Johnson giving a youngster a flight in the slowest aircraft at the event, a 1941 Piper J3C-65 Cub (N35209). Image Courtesy of Adam Santic, Newsletter Editor-in-Chief.



Craig and Tim Napoli, a flight instructor with Quad Cities Aero standing in front of a 1968 Cessna 172K Skyhawk (N78650). At this event, Tim participated in the Young Eagles program for the very first time. Image Courtesy of Ellen.



Chapter member Alanna Vigil getting a ride with Jim Smith in his 1942 Waco VKS-7F (N31663). Image Courtney of Adam Santic, Newsletter Editor-in-Chief.



George Bedeian loves giving youngsters a taste of flight.

Image Courtney of Adam Santic, Newsletter

Editor-in-Chief.

May Young Eagle Rally

Location - Davenport Municipal Airport (DVN/KDVN)

Photos By - Liz Richards, Chapter Member



Laura Azuela, one of our EAA Air Academy attendees this year with her family.



Odelia Ayika and Summer Olson, CFII & Owner of Quad Cities Aero standing in front of her 1978 Cessna 152 "Lil Blue" (N49970) . At this event, Summer participated in the Young Eagles program for the very first time.



Rily Grundwald and his kids having fun at the airport. In January 2022, he became the NEW Vice President of EAA Chapter 75.



EAA Chapter 75 IMC Club

"To promote instrument flying, proficiency, and safety" http://eaa.org/imcclub

Meets First Tuesday of each month at 18:00 Revv Aviation Conference Room Davenport Municipal Airport (KDVN)

For more information contact:
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Chapter 75 Flight Instructors

Per a member's request, we will be publishing a listing of EAA Chapter 75 members who are flight instructors willing to help with primary flight instructions, biennial flight reviews (BFR), etc. If you are an EAA Chapter 75 member who is a flight instructor, are willing to assist, and whish to be included in the list, please email the newsletter editor at adam.santic@gmail.com.

Name	Phone	Email	New Students	CFII	MEI	BFR	Tail Wheel	Airports	Plane
Travis Baldwin	309-781-8896	tmb1998@gmail.com	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	DVN, MLI	Owner, FBO
Tim Leinbach	309-781-9585	tlleinbach@gmail.com	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No	DVN, MLI	Owner, FBO, Club
Tim Toal	309-235-0087	timtoal@mchsi.com	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	DVN, MLI	Owner
Barry Logan	309-303-0211	manager@marshallcountyairport.com	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	C75	Owner, FBO, Club



Press Release April 7, 2022

Volatus Infrastructure, LLC Announces First Permanent eVTOL Vertiport

First Volatus eVTOL Vertiport to be Located at Wittman Regional Airport



A conceptual design for Volatus Infrastructure's electric vertical takeoff and landing (eVTOL) vertiport terminal with a charging station, left, and landing pad is shown. They claim this will be the first permanent eVTOL vertiport in the Americas at the Wittman Regional Airport in Oshkosh, Wisconsin.

Image Courtesy of Volatus Infrastructure.

Oshkosh, WI - April 7, 2022 - Volatus Infrastructure, LLC, in partnership with Wittman Regional Airport and Greater Oshkosh Economic Development Corp., announced the first permanent electric vertical take-off and landing (eVTOL) vertiport in the Americas. The vertiport is being built at Wittman Regional Airport and will include a terminal with amenities, a landing pad and a vehicle agnostic charging station.

"The future of air transportation lands today and it lands here in Oshkosh, Wisconsin" said Grant Fisk, Co-Founder of Volatus. "Volatus is able to provide an infrastructure solution at a price point that will grant greater access to the eVTOL

industry."

Volatus is focused on being vehicle agnostic and is committed to being affordable, which is key to supporting eVTOL aircraft innovation and implementation on a national and global scale. "The Volatus development allows continued revitalization of our airport by integrating future aviation technology into existing infrastructure," said Jim Schell, Wittman Regional Airport Director.

Founded in 2021, Volatus Infrastructure, LLC is connecting communities to the future with best-in-class eVTOL infrastructure technology to ensure society is ready for the future. Volatus offers three main vertiport designs, a vehicle agnostic charging station, plus app and maintenance programs. By tailoring to specific needs while incorporating the latest technologies their work positively impacts clients and the communities they serve. Join the future with Volatus Infrastructure.

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Quad Cities International Airport Construction

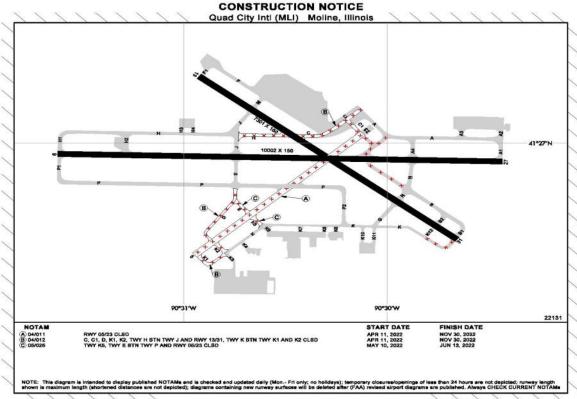
Construction to remove the "bullseye" configuration of the QC Airport's airfield began in April of 2022. The \$10 million dollar project is funded 100% by the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA). The project involves shortening the general aviation runway by 1,500 feet and creating a new parallel taxiway to the airport's primary 10,000-foot commercial runway.

Quad Cities International Airport is one of only a handful of U.S. airports which still have more than two intersecting runways. While safety is a primary concern of such a configuration, it also creates operational inefficiency whereby commercial flights have a longer taxi to reach the primary runway. General aviation pilots must also contend with commercial air traffic.

"This project has been a long time coming – we only know of one other commercial airport in the U.S. that has a similar configuration," said Benjamin Leischner, A.A.E., executive director, Quad Cities International Airport. "These changes will benefit both commercial and general aviation traffic considerably. The shorter runway will be closest to the general aviation hangars creating a campus that is separate from commercial traffic, and commercial aircraft will have a much quicker route to and from the primary runway."

Valley Construction based out of Rock Island, Illinois, is the lead contractor and expects to complete the project in November 2022. On-site jobs will total anywhere from a crew of 8 up to 30+ during busier phases. There are numerous phases of the project, with phase 1 underway through early May. Intermittent runway closures will occur, but the airport is working closely with airlines to prevent any disruption to normal operations.

Once completed, the shortened general aviation runway will not impact operations for the majority of aircraft currently using it. Runway 5/23 which is 5,000 ft. will be shortened to 3,500 ft. which is more than adequate. Aircraft needing a longer runway will be able to use one of the airport's commercial runways – Runway 13/31 which is 7,000 ft. or Runway 9/27 which is 10,000 ft.



Consult NOTAMS for Latest Information

EAA Chapter 75 Receives Gold Level Status Banner



For Sale: 1989 Viking Dragonfly Mk II N340TD Project \$8,500 (OBO)



Up for sale is a 1989 Viking Dragonfly Mk II project. This experimental canard has a 133.2 TTAF. The original Subaru EA-71 engine was replaced by the builder with a Subaru EA-81 engine at 20.1 hours. The Subaru EA-81 has a Dave Johnson 1.64:1 propeller speed reduction unit with a total of 113.1 hours on it. The propeller that is currently used is a ground adjustable, HPRPM warp drive prop (SER.No.R2800) which has 113.1 hours on it. There are no electrical systems or radios installed. The airplane was last inspected on January 2, 1998 by the builder. The work that needs to be done includes elevators that need to be repaired or replaced and the cooling system which needs to be upgraded and engine tested. This could be a great candidate for electric propulsion. More pictures and questions are quickly available upon request. This aircraft currently has the canard and wings removed for ease of storage. The owner has the original builder's logbook, plans, drawings and newsletters. Asking \$8,500 OBO. Contact John Eagles at 309-721-3694 or jeagles@mchsi.com.





John Bruesch's Classified Ad

Viking Dragonfly, Sonerai II Plans Available:

Donated by chapter member Tom De Winter: One set of complete plans for Viking Dragonfly, with unused serial number 787 including supportive paperwork and credentials receipt. Purchased years ago but never built. Available for a small donation to the chapter tools committee. Also one possibly complete set of Sonerai II plans without serial number. Contact John Bruesch, 708-341-7083.

Misc. Aircraft Parts Available:

One set of medium brown seat belts. These are lap belts only, but are mateable with through-the-buckle shoulder harness attachment clips. Nearly new condition. Pair of 24-volt 120-Amp starter or panel relays (continuous duty White-Rogers type). Pair of walnut contoured wood stick grips. One 4' x 8' sheet of 1/16" (1.5mm) birch MIL-spec plywood. Large 23 gallon, never-used factory-welded aluminum fuel tank with attachment straps (from my Falconar F-12 Cruiser project). Make offers for any or all items. John Bruesch, 708-341-7083.

Wanted:

Compact, used, 720 channel aviation comm Transceiver in known-working condition. John Bruesch, 708-341-7083



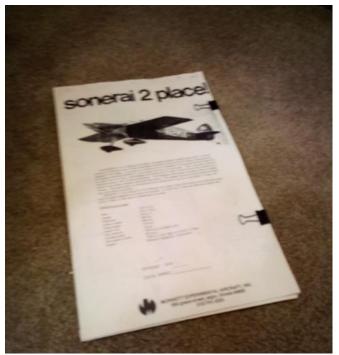
Pair of 24-volt 120-Amp starter or panel relays, pair of walnut contoured wood stick grips, and lap belts.



Falconar F-12 Cruiser 23-gallon fuel tank.



Viking Dragonfly Plans.



Sonerai II Plans.



Mounting straps for fuel tank.

Local Calendar of Events

For many other Aviation Related events, visit the following websites.

EAA Chapter 75 Upcoming Events

EAA Aviation Calendar of Events

AOPA Calendar of Events

FAA Safety Team Calendar of Events

Iowa DOT Office of Aviation Calendar

Wisconsin Fly-Ins and Airshow Event Calendar

Fly-Ins.com Calendar Website

Fun Places to Fly Website

Social Flight Calendar

Midwest Flyer Magazine Calendar

North American Air Show Calendar

Upcoming EAA Webinars

Go to www.eaa.org/webinars to view the schedule and to register.

One Week Wonder Build: AirVenture 2022 June 7 at 7 pm

CDT

Presenter: Mark Schaible & Charlie Becker

Aluminum Overcast, The History of EAA's B-17 June 14 at

7pm CDT

Presenter: Chris Henry & Ben Page

Tips for Flying into EAA AirVenture 2022 June 22 at 7 pm

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Presenter: Fred Stadler

EAA AirVenture 2022 Features and Attractions at June 29

at 7 pm CDT

Presenter: Rick Larsen and Dennis Dunbar

Send event information on aviation related activities that would be of interest to the newsletter editor at adam.santic@gmail.com. Activities can include: aircraft fly-ins, airshows, conventions, pancake breakfasts, programs, seminars, etc.

Classified Ads

DAR Services: Amateur Built/Light Sport Airworthiness Certification Inspections, Ferry Permits (Certified and Experimental), Replace lost/damaged Airworthiness Certificates (Certified and Experimental). Call Ross Carbiener (A&P) at 309-312-1066.

Hangars Available at the Davenport Municipal Airport. Hosts 78 aircraft t-hangars, 6 box style hangars, and 2 executive aircraft box hangars. Prices range from \$105.00-300.00/month. Contact the Airport Manager Thomas Vesalga at 563-326-7783 or thomas.vesalga@davenportiowa.com for more info.

For Sale: One share in the Four Seven Jays Flying

Club The club plane is an extremely well maintained 180HP 1973 Cessna 172M Skyhawk (N147J) hangared at MLI. IFR equipped. Paint



and interior new in 2003, and the following avionics were installed in 2010: Garmin GMA-340 Audio Panel/ICS/Marker, Garmin GNS-430W WAAS GPS, Garmin GI-106A CDI, Garmin GTX37 Transponder. Installed in 2021 was a Garmin G5 HSI & Garmin G5 AH with a GFC 500 Autopilot. Contact Dan Murphy 309-752-3887, Ron Ehrecke 309-236-9785, or Ralph Stephenson 309-737-6902.

Hangar Space at the Whiteside County Airport

The airport currently has no hangar space available at the moment. Call Darin Heffelfinger at 815-626-3750 or visit the website for more information.

Wampus Cats Flying Club Shares for Sale

This is a 1978 Cessna 152 that belongs to the Wampus Cats Flying Club and has been located at the Davenport Municipal Airport since it was new. This aircraft receives regular maintenance & has less

than 6000 airframe hours and approximately 1000 hours remaining on the last overhaul. It has been used mainly for short



distance recreational flights but can also be used on long cross-country flights. The aircraft is scheduled via an online scheduler and has very good availability. Nowhere else can you fly so economically with dues at \$45.00/month and at a rate of \$55.00/wet. Contact Bernie Nitz at bernie@visioncrest.com. or 563-508-8200.

Hangar Space at the Clinton Municipal Airport

Hangar space is available at the Clinton Municipal Airport in either an individual t-hangar or in one of the community hangars. All hangars have electric bifold doors, and hard floors. T-Hangars are rented through the City of Clinton and rental rates vary from \$95 to \$156/month depending on the size of the hangar. For information on availability please contact Marlana Nass, the airport manager at 563-242-3292, or at clintonairport@gmtel.net.

The Landings is seeking articles from members to publish in future issues. We are looking for articles about flights you have taken, aviation events you have attended, tech issues you have solved or builds/repairs you have done that others might be interested in reading about. We would like to make these a regular feature of the newsletter in the future. Please submit articles to:

adam.santic@gmail.com.

To place an ad: Submit requests for aviation related For Sale or Want Ads to the newsletter editor at <u>adam.santic@gmail.com.</u> Ads are free to EAA Chapter 75 members. Ads from nonmembers are \$10.00 per ad. Ads will run / rerun at the editor's discretion.





EAA CHAPTER 75 – QUAD CITIES

1ST SATURDAY COFFEE AND DONUTS

MEMBERS AND NON-MEMBERS
ALL ARE INVITED – BRING THE FAMILY

FREE COFFEE & DONUTS WITH SOME GOOD HANGAR TALK QUAD CITIES INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT (KMLI)

Saturday, June 4, 2022 8:30 – 11:00 AM (RAIN OR SHINE)

Hosted this Month by: Jim Goetsch



DRIVING OR FLYING - WE HOPE TO SEE ALL

This month we hope to see everyone at our 1st Saturday of the month coffee & donuts hosted by Jim Goetsch. Come for some good hangar talk.

FLYING: Fly to the Quad Cities International Airport. When using this airport, listen to the air traffic controllers' instructions and request parking by the self-service pumps.

DRIVING: Drive to the Quad Cities International Airport, 6300 75th Ave., Milan IL 61264. We will be meeting at the hangar that is the big grey building that the US Army once occupied. Parking is in the designated parking spots right in front of the building. Call Jim Goetsch at 309-314-0002 if you get lost.

Its Oshkosh Time!

It's Time to Fly the Fisk Arrival and Land on a Dot!

Join us for A VIRTUAL cup of coffee, a donut, and a LIVE WEBINAR

Join Bryan, Steve and Matthew as they discuss AirVenture from the perspectives of both pilots and controllers. Bring your questions on procedures, where to eat, where to watch an airshow, and where to find the most fun! We will be discussing the Notam, so bring a copy with you to follow along.

https://www.eaa.org/airventure/eaa-fly-in-flying-to-oshkosh/eaa-airventure-oshkosh-notam

Directions: If you want to attend, you must sign up ahead of time.

Register using link below:

https://faavideo.zoomgov.com/webinar/register/WN_Q0hPvEfyQNG5sG62LYEEiA

You will receive a second e-mail with a link to join the webinar

JOIN US EVERY SATURDAY AT 0900 CT! THIS EVENT WILL NOT BE RECORDED

A message from the National FAASTeam Manager

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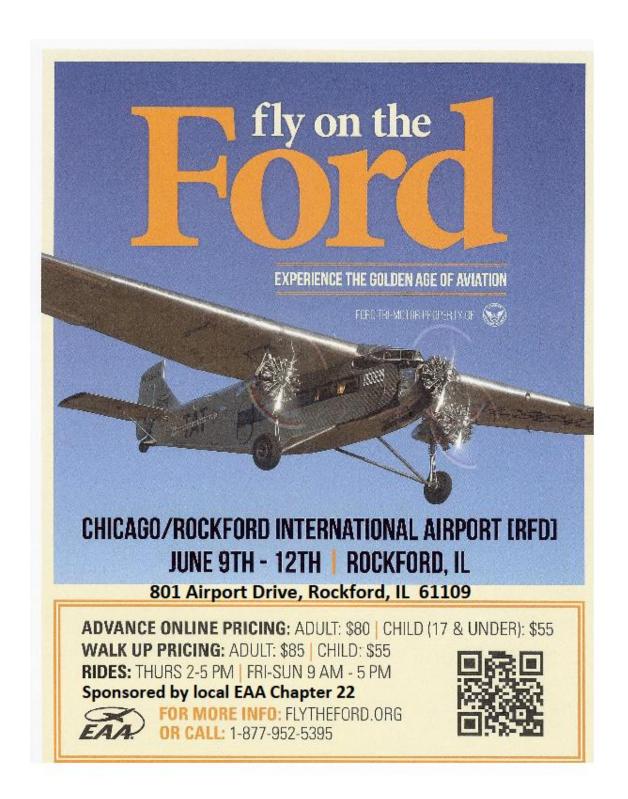


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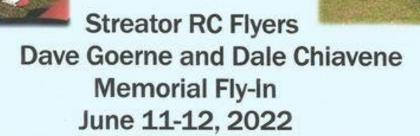
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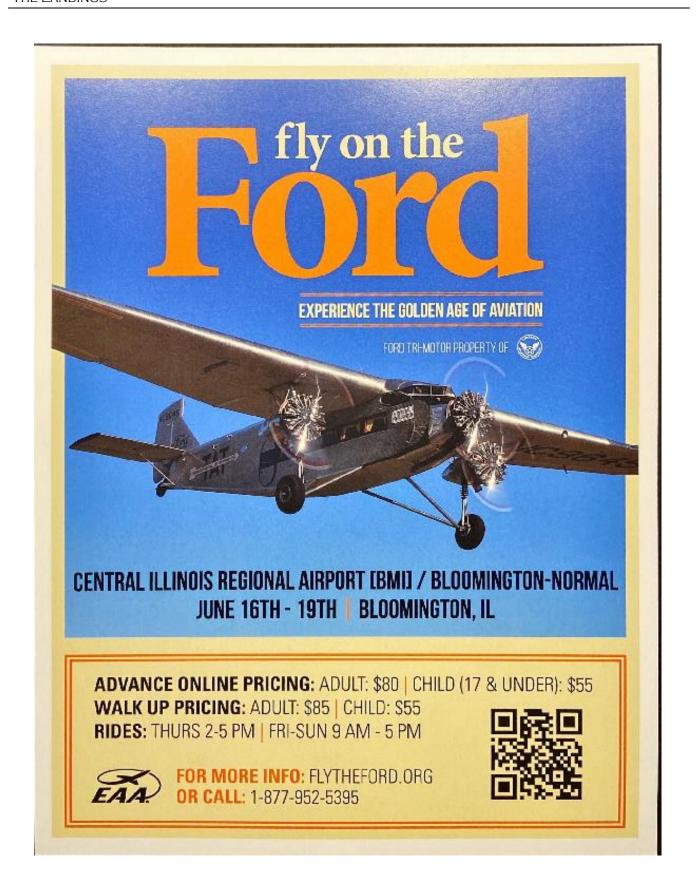






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Marion, IA Airport (C17) 7 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

Bring the family out for breakfast at the airport! Enjoy aircraft on display, classic cars, and airplane or helicopter rides (weather permitting).

Breakfast proceeds benefit EAA Chapter 33, a local non-profit that funds flight training scholarships, educational aviation experiences, and more in the local community.

ALL-YOU-CAN-EAT! \$8/PERSON (PIC FREE)

HIGH FLIGHT EDUCATION FUND

DONATE



The High Flight Education Fund was developed in 2002 by the Experimental Aircraft Association Chapter 75 to support local community aviators and youth educational experiences. The Chapter awards Air Academy Scholarships and develops handson aviation projects and learning workshops. To date, over 40 youth have been awarded scholarships since August 2002.

Whether you fly, build, restore or simply enjoy airplanes and aviation, you are welcome at our events and to join our Chapter. We are a group of aviation enthusiasts, aircraft builders, and pilots who get together sharing ideas, exchanging information, encouraging safety, serving the local aviation community, and have a lot of fun doing so. Most members are located within the Quad Cities region; but we have members in Ireland, Michigan, California, Nebraska, Colorado, Ohio, and other states.



SUPPORT THE HIGH FLIGHT EDUCATION FUND WITH YOUR DONATION.

You are welcome to donate in the following forms:

- Memorials or Dedications
- > Special Occasions: Anniversary of First Flight, Birthday, Wedding, Anniversary
- Bequeaths and Legacy Gifts
- Annual, quarterly, monthly or one-time gifts
- IRA or Stock gifts

Contact Jim Skadal at <u>yamahaman7187@aol.com</u> or 563-320-6896 to help build a scholarship fund for our youth - our legacy.

The Moline Foundation is proud to partner with the High Flight Education Fund. For additional information or questions, please contact Claudia Meenan at cmeenan@molinefoundation or 309-764-4193.

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Chapter 75 Merchandise Now Available

As mentioned at chapter meetings, the baseball caps are now available with the EAA Chapter 75 logo. The caps are of a nice quality as the logo is embroidered. The caps are available for purchase for \$10.00 each and can be delivered personally to you at the next chapter function. We have lots of caps in stock. If you want the hat shipped to you, that can be done for \$17.00. Please mail a \$17.00 check to Marty Santic, 3920 E. 59th St., Davenport, Iowa 52807. If you would like a cap delivered, please send an e-mail to: marty.santic@gmail.com.

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