

EAA Chapter 790

Lake in the Hills, Illinois

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From Matt Van Bergen, Chapter 790 President



It's been a busy month for me with non-Aviation related things. Claire, my daughter, graduated from high-school in May and it seems like every weekend we are heading out to two or more graduation parties. This has left my weekends with little aviation time, but I hope this will be changing after we get through June. With that said, I know one person that has had quite an aviation month and that is our member and Secretary, Randy Sweet. Randy finished up his RV-12 and had the inspection completed in May. On June 1st Randy made the maiden flight without a hitch. A big congrats to Randy on what seemed like a record time build and a very uneventful first flight.

We have had two Young Eagles rallies at Schaumburg. We have been fortunate that for the most part, we have been able to fly just about all of the kids that have shown up on game day. This past month we had to turn down 5 or so kids based on the weather and bumping up against our target end time of noon. It's interesting, we are seeing about 50% of the kids that pre-registered show up which is a lower percentage than what we were seeing at Lake in the Hills. We are seeing more kids pre-registered, so the number of kids flown is about the same (so far). The ramp space and large meeting room for registration have certainly helped from a logistics perspective.



June Young Eagles registration volunteers



Young Eagle pulling out the winning ticket of our 50/50 raffle



continued... Who's going to Oshkosh?! I'm planning to be up there starting on Tuesday, July 26th. Perhaps we can try and do a Chapter 790 meetup again this year? If you know you are going and the dates, drop me a note and I can try to set up a meetup again for those that are up there.

Lastly, as you know Dave Stokes is our cook at our member meetings and he has been doing a great job. It's a ton of work for one person and I would like to help find Dave a wingman for our member meeting cookouts. Is anyone interested? Please reach out to me or Dave Stokes if you are able to help.

Hope to see you all at our next member function!

Matt

Fly-Out Scheduling

Future fly-outs will be on the third Saturday of the month. In case of a weather cancelation, they will be rescheduled to the following Saturday. Watch your email for future fly-out destinations!

Upcoming Events

Fly-Out Saturday, June 18 at 0900 LL89 Blackhawk Farms Raceway,

LL89 Blackhawk Farms Raceway, South Beloit.. Vintage auto race to be held at the track next to the grass airstrip. Food pavilion on-site.

Chapter Meeting Tuesday, June 28 Lake in the Hills Airport

Young Eagles Event Saturday, July 2 Schaumburg Airport

Waypoints

- ♦ At the May meeting, Randy Sweet gave a presentation from the NTSB. He shared a video compilation of a fatal accident at Houston's Hobby Airport. The tragedy was a study in Human Factors and the subsequent chain of events involving both pilot and Air Traffic Control. Fatigue and awareness of one's personal limitations became apparent in this accident. The takeaway is that it's ok to hit the reset button.
- Volunteer opportunities leading up to and during AirVenture are available. Take a look at the EAA AirVenture website and you will find a "Support and Volunteer" tab. Where else can you drive tractors, front loaders, forklifts, dump trucks and Gators all in one weekend to prepare for Oshkosh. Getting a peak behind the scenes in itself is worth it!



The Kermit Weeks Hanger at Oshkosh where maintenance on EAA aircraft is performed.



From Our Members



As a follow-up from the April Newsletter, Randy Sweet completed a major step with his Van's RV-12iS. His aircraft was recently inspected by the local Designated Airworthiness Representative. Randy received the first section of his RV-12iS kit in February of 2021. Fifteen months later he received his Airworthiness Certificate!

I'm sure that Randy will agree, nothing compares to building your own airplane.

Congratulations Randy!



May Fly-Out to Clow





Member Josh Cannata rode in the Distinguished Gentlemen's Ride. This charity event is for mental health awareness as well as the fight against prostate cancer.

Robert Skalany puts his talent and lathe to work to solve a problem of powder coating that is too thick on a pair of steel flap torque tubes.



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