# I.A.C. Chapter 88 Southeastern Michigan



# NEWSLETTER



# **July 2022**

https://chapters.eaa.org/iac88

#### President's Column

First of all I would like to thank everyone for joining the International Aerobatics Day celebration. A special thank you to the volunteers making this special day a success. The next chapter main event for the year is the Michigan Open contest taking place July 8-10 at James Clements, Bay City. Preparations are progressing well but we are still looking for more volunteers to alleviate the workload of those who have spent their time and efforts during the past years. Please contact Dan Unger, CD. Sandy

### **Chapter Activities**

# **International Aerobatics Day Celebration**

The 2022 Aerobatics Day Celebration was a great success. Romeo State Airport, where the chapter has a waivered Aerobatic Practice Area, was an ideal location for this event. With about 40+ attendees, 6 aerobatic rated airplanes and blue skies, the chapter could hardly ask for more.

Victor Adamko flew in with his Decathlon, Wayne Buescher with his Staudacher S600F, Dan Unger with his Pitts S1S, Jason Ledbetter with his Bücker Jungmann and Joel Colombo with his Stearman. Hugo's Staudacher Pitts S1E that is based at Romeo was also part of the flight line. There were many other non-aerobatic aircraft on the ramp. Chapter members Roch Morin displayed his Mooney and Mark Pendenstadler flew in with his Zenith.

Some members showed up with their classic cars, there were two Ford Model A (one owned by Gino Raffin) and one 1957 Mercedes 190SL owned by Hugo.

While waiting for the arrival of aircraft, videos of members' aerobatic flight demonstrations were shown inside the terminal building. The program for the morning included a presentation about the IAC organization and competition aerobatics put on by Hugo.

All through the day, the chapter offered refreshments and snacks.

Following the formal presentation, we started with the flight demonstration program. A NOTAM was issued for the duration of the day. Roch Morin who served as ramp manager took over the assignment of ground observer during the aerobatic demonstration flights. Jason in his Bücker and Dan in his Pitts practiced the Sportsman Known sequence. Wayne in his Staudacher followed flying the Intermediate known, Hugo in his Pitts demonstrated what an Unlimited Known sequence looks like.

# Acro aircraft line-up on the ramp







Decathlon, Staudacher S600F, Pitts S1E



Bücker Jungmann and Stearman



Bücker Jungmann



Stearman and Pitts S1S







Guests watching videos of members' demonstration flights



Group attending the presentation about "The world of competition aerobatics"

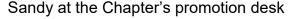




Members' Classic Cars

#### Other Activities

Chapter 88 made use of an opportunity during the Valley Aero Club Dawn Patrol Breakfast Fly-In at James Clements Airport in Bay City on Father's Day to promote the upcoming Michigan Aerobatic Open contest. Attendance of the Fly-In was outstanding with over 800 breakfasts served. Sandy Langworthy, David Germann and Hugo were present at the promotion desk to welcome visitors, distribute promotional material and recruit volunteers for the July contest.





#### Main Events in 2022

### Michigan Aerobatic Open Championship - July 8-10, 2022

The 2022 Michigan Open is only little more than **one week** away.

Attention Competitors: Please pre-register on the IAC website (https://www.iac.org/contest-registrants) to help Registration with the up-front document preparation. Thank You!

As with any event, volunteers are crucial for success. We encourage volunteers to sign up for a role at the contest. As an IAC member you can register as a volunteer on (https://www.iac.org/contest-registrants). If you are not a member of IAC, you should contact Dan Unger (586-675-6030) unger1949@gmail.com), CD or Hugo Ritzenthaler Assistant CD (586-588-0145, hritzenthaler@att.net) to sign up as a volunteer for one of the many open positions.

Contest hotel booking information: Holiday Inn Express & Suites Bay City, 3959 Traxler Ct, Bay City, Mi 48706, Phone 989-667-3800. Room & Rate Information: King Standard \$114.99+ tax, Double Queen Standard \$119.99 + tax. To make a reservation, please call the front desk (989)-667-3800 and mention the **"IAC Chapter 88 Block"**.

Thursday, July 7, is box set-up day, starting at 10 am. Anyone free to lend a hand putting out the Box markers is welcome to join us.

# Other Mid-America Region Competitions

August 12-14 - Doug Yost Challenge

- Spencer, IA

**August 26-28 - Yooper Looper Contest** 

- Marquette, MI

#### **September 15-18 – Eastern National Aerobatics Contest**

- Midland Airport, Ontario (CYEE)
- Hotel information: Call (705) 526-2090 and tell them that you are with Aerobatic Canada to get the special rate of \$90 to \$120, pending on type of room

#### October 20-22 - Ohio Fall Frolic

- Bellefontaine, OH

# 50<sup>th</sup> Chapter 88 Anniversary - 2023

We are looking for volunteers to join a festivity committee, a Master of Ceremony and lots of input from current and former members to reflect upon the history of the Southeastern Michigan IAC Chapter 88.

Anyone who wishes to volunteer with the composing of the chapter history booklet and/or providing input (stories, pictures, etc.) please reach out to Hugo. A draft of the booklet has been started.

We also look for suggestions for an anniversary logo that can be used for contest shirts and printed matter. A first cut of the logo was presented by Hugo.



#### **Chapter 88 Contacts**

President Sandy Langworthy

Vice President Hugo Ritzenthaler

Secretary Laura Buescher

Treasurer Dave Germann

Web Master Hugo Ritzenthaler & Brian Roodvoets

Newsletter Editor Hugo Ritzenthaler (Acting)

Judges School Instructor Wayne Buescher

Hugo Ritzenthaler - Acting Newsletter Editor

#### **Miscellaneous**

#### **AEROBATIC INSTRUCTIONS**

The Great Lake is available again. Location Ann Arbor Airport (AAR)



Contact Jason Ledbetter, email <u>bubbleburger@gmail.com</u>, for info regarding a basic aerobatic training program consisting of 4 hrs of instructions. Need 5-6 students to sign up to make the program viable.

#### **FOR SALE:**

2002 EXTRA 300/L, N67AS

2 seats, Serial # 163, Frame time: 796 hours, Engine time: 140 hours

Single owner; always hangared, Annual to February 2023

Upgraded engine, Near mint condition

Location: Palo Alto, California

Asking price \$275,000

Photos, Logbooks and AD Notes Compliance will be provided upon request.

You can watch the airplane in flight at <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eUeUcRzvQao">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eUeUcRzvQao</a>

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#### FOR SALE:

Almost new, very low time Christen Eagle spring aluminum landing gear. Asking 800.00.



Contact: Matt Haigh (haighaviation@yahoo.com)



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# **Membership Application**

Name			Spouse	
Address			Home Phone	
City			Mobile Phone	)
State			Email	
EAA#		*	Exp. Date	
IAC#			Exp. Date	
Aircraft Stat	us	Make/Model	Tail Number	Own/Building
A/C #1				
A/C #2				
A/C #3				

Annual Membership Dues are \$20.00 per voting member Membership year starts January 1st Make Check Payable to: IAC Chapter 88

Please fill out this form and mail with membership dues to
Chapter 88 Treasurer:

Dave Germann
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