



# FLIGHTLINES



Newsletter for EAA Chapter 1328, "The OVO Aviators"

September 2023 Edition

## **Upcoming events and club sponsored activities**

**Oct 7 - Young Eagles**

**Oct 14 - Chapter 1328  
Membership Meeting and  
Fly-Out to Rough River**

**Oct 20, 21- ISU Fly-In at  
KHUF**

## **A note from your editor:**

You are all encouraged to provide input for the newsletter. For example, if you have attended an interesting aviation event such as a fly-in, and have taken some pictures, feel free to email pictures along with a write-up, if possible, to me. I will then get them into the news letter. If you would rather just send pictures and give me a call or see me in person with the facts, I will help put together a write-up.

Thanks in advance for your support and feedback.  
Ron 812-767-0615

## **September News & Views**

- ◆ Steve Schroer has been putting a great deal of effort lately into improving our chapter website. Steve is looking for input such as pictures and articles related to chapter activities, projects, as well as member-related stories, activities and accomplishments. Contact Steve with ideas... When you get a chance, take a look at the website to see the improvements and give Steve your thoughts!
- ◆ The September fly-out to Grimes Field has been postponed to a later date due to conflicts with Labor Day activities. However, look for some pictures and information from members who attended the recent Triple Tree and Madison, Indiana fly-ins later in this newsletter.
- ◆ This is a reminder that our Fall Young Eagle Rally is coming up on Saturday, October 7. Volunteer pilots and ground crew members will be needed!
- ◆ Airport News from Ryan:
  - \* Materials for the new hangar for our locally based King Air have just been delivered and construction should start next week.



- \* The project to rehab the T-hangars on the south side of the northern-most row has been approved with construction to begin very soon.
- \* Watch for an exciting announcement regarding the North Vernon Airport on or about October 11!

## **EAA Chapter 1328 "The OVO Aviators"**

- Open to anyone interested in aviation.
- Membership meetings held 2nd Saturday of each month, 9:30 AM, activities as announced.
- For more information contact:  
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## Secretary Minutes – EAA Membership Meeting, September 16,2023

### Those in Attendance:

Ron Huddleston; Brett Herrick; Bob and Glenda Kelly; Larry Stephenson; Wyatt Brooks; Joe Simpkins; John Shoaf; Dan Pohle; John Smith; Bryan Swank

The Meeting called to order at 9:34 AM

Thanks were expressed to Ron Huddleston for restarting a Chapter Newsletter and doing last month's Secretary Report

Secretary Minutes from last month were approved.

Bryan Swank contacted the Treasurer who could not attend. There is \$3831 in the Chapter checking account and \$27 left in the Ray Scholarship account.

Upcoming Events were reviewed: Madison Airshow on the 23rd of Sept, Triple Tree Fly-In this coming weekend, Chapter 1328 Young Eagles event on Oct 7th

Motion was made and approved to send \$50 gift cards to both Jerry Brown and John Kephart for hosting their cook-out and fly-in in August.

Bryan Swank discussed the 501 C3 application with the Lawyer and he indicated that he hoped to get something done with our request.

Bryan has had discussions with the Columbus and Greenwood chapters in hopes there could be more collaboration among the groups concerning aircraft builds, restorations, and any other activities to promote interest in aviation for young people and adults.

Bryan and Jeff Malcomb will try to gain more understanding of the scholarships that are available for pilot training and other aircraft-related training.

Bryan suspects there are a lot of resources available that need to be checked out.

RV12 Build- More kids would be an asset. Bob Kelly will contact the assistant principal at North Vernon and see if there is a way to attract more kids through in-school contacts.

The Christmas Party entertainment has been arranged by Greg Pittman.

The hangar walls probably need to be cleaned or at least the steel structure which catches dust and dirt and creepy crawly bugs etc. Need to review how best to get that job done and probably before the Christmas Party.

Steve Schroer is working on the website and looking into the best ways to communicate Chapter news and events. Several ideas were brought up, but it is still a work in progress.

Anyone who has available aircraft or pilot-related books that are excess or no longer needed for personal use would be welcomed for use in the EAA library here at the airport. Glenda Kelly will be glad to accept whatever you might donate.

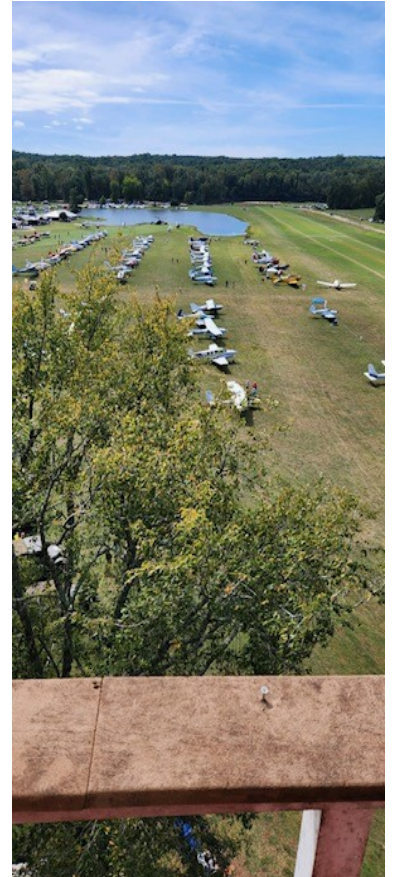
The meeting was adjourned at 10:35

Secretary,  
John Smith



## A look back on recent activities

### 2023 Triple Tree Fly-In



Thanks to Joe Simpkins and Jeff Malcomb for sharing a few of the photos they took at the 2023 Triple Tree Fly-In held near Woodruff, South Carolina. While Jeff is a veteran of many such trips, this was Joe's longest cross country to date!





## 2023 Madison, Indiana Airshow



My grandson Chase and I flew down for the Madison Airshow last Saturday. Great weather, lots of interesting aircraft, good food, and a good variety of airshow acts. Even the ice cream stand had an ice cream maker that deserved a second look! Go to the Madison Airport Facebook page for many high quality photos!





## RV-12 Build

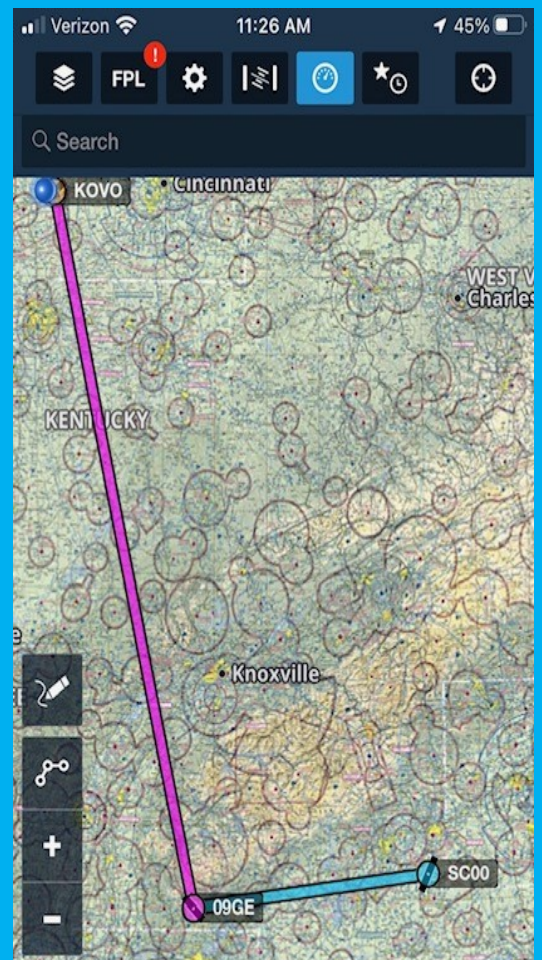
The Monday evening build group, led by Bob Kelly, continues to make progress toward the completion of the RV-12. Here are a few more pictures of build progress...



## Member Accomplishments



Congratulations to Joe Simpkins on his flight to Triple Tree Fly-In. This was the longest cross country flight to date in his trusty Luscombe 8A. His approximate planned route of flight of just under 400 miles is shown on the right. Hopefully, we can get Joe to review some highlights of the flight at our next membership meeting...



## **2023 Activities Calendar**

Our 2023 activities calendar is in a continual state of update. The latest version, news, and announcements, club activities, meeting minutes, as well as area fly-in information may be found on the chapter website: <https://chapters.eaa.org/ea1328> and our Facebook group: “EAA Chapter 1328” .

As always, please let me know if you have input for the newsletter. All it takes is a text, call, or an Email...

Thanks,  
Ron

### **2023 EAA Chapter 1328 Meetings, Aviation events, & Fly-outs Calendar** (Club sponsored events are highlighted in red)

**October 7 - Fall Young Eagle Rally**

**October 14 - EAA Chapter Meeting & Rough River Fly-Out**

**October 20,21 - Indiana State University Flight Academy 10-Year  
Anniversary Fly-In at KHUF (See flyer on our Facebook  
page for complete details)**

**November 11 - EAA Chapter Meeting (Program –To Be Announced)**

**December 13 - EAA Chapter 1328 Christmas Party (David Graves will be  
performing)**

## **FLYMARKET**

FLYMARKET is a monthly feature in FLIGHTLINES. Here, we'll feature free ads to promote the aviation businesses at the North Vernon Airport. Also, chapter members may place free ads in this space for aviation-related items for sale or trade, or for items wanted. Just call or Email me with your information... Ron

### **North Vernon Municipal Airport**

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