

August 2020



# EAA CHAPTER 145

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**Chapter Meeting: Saturday, Aug 8, 2020 – 10:00am**  
**Riverview Airport (08C)–EAA Chapter Hangar** (see map on last page)

## CHAPTER PROGRAM

Last month's lunch meeting worked well, so we are doing it again. Join us at 10 a.m. in the chapter hangar and there will be a brief update on chapter activities. Then we'll visit Rick Saliers' hangar for a presentation about his two projects. Around 11 a.m. we'll have lunch ready.

## EAA #145 HANGAR

The hangar has a project being worked on. The hangar will be available in the near future again, so talk with Dick Foster if you have a project that can use the hangar.

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## YOUNG EAGLES

At this time, all Young Eagle events have been put on hold. Update from Ginger DeVillers: The Plainwell Aviation & STEM Academy (PASA) hosted 8 young people at a summer aviation camp, July 13 to 17. All students had flown as Young Eagles before and are continuing their education in aviation.



## PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Once again there is a chance to get together and enjoy our aviation community. We are using outdoor activities and CDC protocols to stay as safe as possible.

On 8 August, we are planning an Open Hangar at Riverview to showcase Rick Saliers projects and a burger lunch. It's hard to beat friendship and food.

Rick has two projects to tell us about, the first is a completed RV-9A with the hours flown off. The second is a Pietenpol Sky Scout. What a unique comparison of A/C in one place. Hopefully it won't be long before we'll be back to things like fly-ins, airport open houses, and pancake breakfasts. Also, to help sport aviation; the hosting of Young Eagles and Flying-start events, where we fly to inspire future pilots. For now, we have to be careful and make progress in a safe manner. Come on by and enjoy the food and fellowship.

See Ya' Saturday, Dick

## PROJECT OF THE MONTH

Rick Saliers is making good progress on his Pietenpol. Also, his RV-9A got a sporty paintjob



## WEBSITE OF THE MONTH

<https://www.youtube.com/user/FlyWithEAA>

You can virtually attend OSHKOSH by visiting the EAA video channel on YouTube



## CHAPTER 145 SURVEY RESULTS

Earlier this year EAA HQ sent out surveys to the all chapter membership. The following is a brief synopsis of the 2019 EAA survey for Chapter 145:

### Why did you decide to join your chapter?

Connect with other aviation enthusiasts – 33%, Social Activities – 18%, Homebuilding Resources – 17%, Educational Programs – 12%

### On a scale of 1 - 5, how interested are you in aircraft homebuilding?

Chapter 145 had a score of 3.7 out of 5, the overall EAA average was 3.6

### On a scale of 0 - 10, how likely are you to recommend your chapter to colleague or friend?

Chapter 145 had a score of 8.7 out of 10, the overall EAA average was 9

### On a scale of 1 - 5, how satisfied are you with your chapter's monthly gathering?

Chapter 145 had a score of 4.5 out of 5, the overall EAA average was 4.2

### What is one thing you would recommend to improve your chapter?

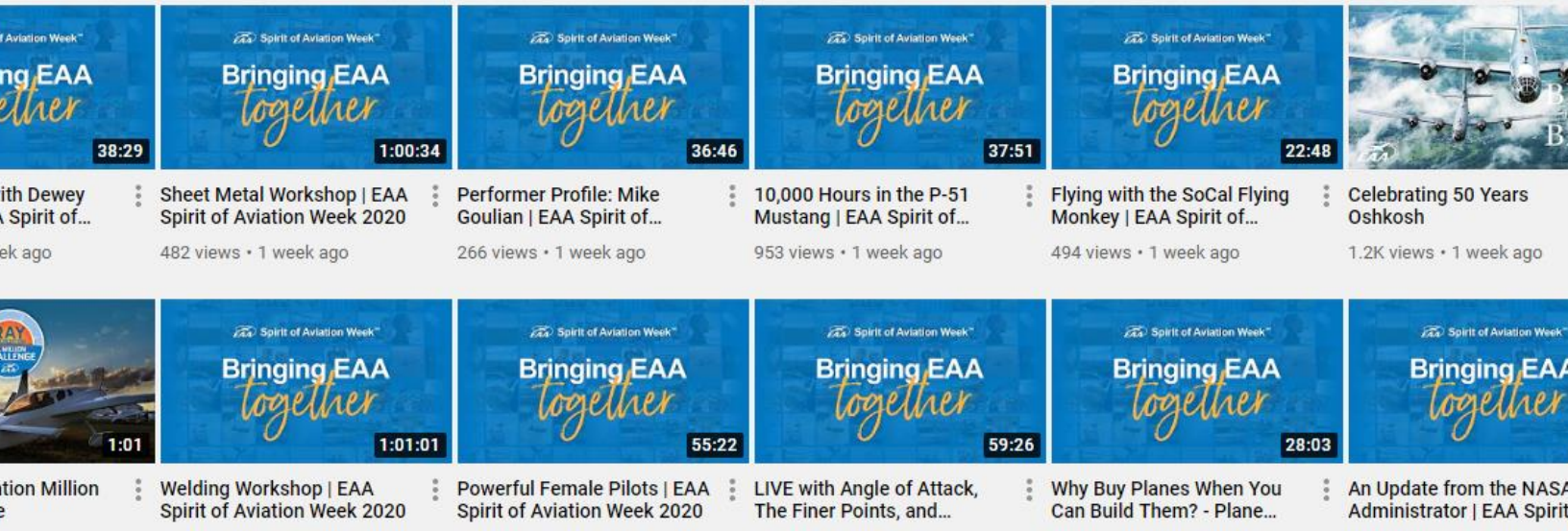
This was an open-ended question so folks were able to answer freely. There were many different thoughts, but there were some common themes, such as: "invite women", "encourage youth to join", "more builder interactions", "attend other chapters meetings to help improve our chapter", "EAA HQ needs to help the local chapters"

Thanks to everyone that took the time to participate in the chapter survey. Your valuable input will help us make the chapter better into the future.

## EAA - SPIRIT OF AVIATION WEEK

Just because there was no OSHKOSH this year does not mean that EAA HQ was not busy. They released a lot of good content and can be found on the EAA YouTube channel or on the EAA main site under "Spirit of Aviation Week" area.

There are many interesting stories from a wide range of OSHKOSH performers, homebuilders and experimenters. Also, there are workshop videos such as fabric coverings, working with wood, welding, and sheet metal.



## LAST MONTH'S MEETING

It was good to get out of the house and meet up again. We opened the hangar doors and shared stories, then shared lunch together on a nice sunny day.



EAA Chapter 145 website: [www.145.eaachapter.org](http://www.145.eaachapter.org) EAA National website: [www.eaa.org](http://www.eaa.org)  
 Riverview Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/EAA145/>



### UPCOMING EVENTS

July 28-Aug 1	Mentone, IN (C92)	P.R.A. Convention - Autogyros
<b>Aug 8</b>	<b>Riverview Airport (08C)</b>	<b>Meeting – lunch &amp; pietenpol project</b>
Aug 15-16	Chicago lakefront	Chicago Air & Water Show
Aug 29	Newman’s Field (4N0)	Hearty Breakfast Dawn Patrol
Aug 29-30	Willow Run Airport	Thunder Over Michigan Airshow – Ypsilanti MI
Sept 2-7	Blakesburg IA (IA27)	Antique Airfield Fly-In
<b>Sept 12</b>	<b>Riverview Airport (08C)</b>	<b>Meeting – S.M.A.T. School of Missionary Aviation</b>
Fall '20	Niagara Falls Trip	West Mich Pilots Group – Niagara Falls
<b>Oct 10</b>	<b>Riverview Airport (08C)</b>	<b>Meeting – Potluck &amp; Bonfire</b>
<b>Nov 14</b>	<b>Riverview Airport (08C)</b>	<b>Meeting – S.T.O.L. short take off &amp; landing</b>
<b>Dec 12</b>	<b>Riverview Airport (08C)</b>	<b>Meeting – Christmas Brunch</b>

**If you know of events that should be on the event calendar, please e-mail them to me**

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