

Ohio Region Chapter News

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As always, Some News from National.

Airventure dates 2023: July 24 – 30

'Vietnam Remembered: 50 Years Later' to Include Displays, Activities at AirVenture Oshkosh 2023



The people and aircraft that participated in the Vietnam War will be remembered 50 years after the end of direct hostilities during EAA AirVenture Oshkosh 2023, which will be held July 24-30 at Wittman Regional Airport in Oshkosh.

The 70th edition of EAA's fly-in convention will include specific programs and activities that involve the aircraft of that period, from all branches of service that were engaged during that period.

“The Vietnam era was a remarkable time for aviation innovation and development,” said Rick Larsen, EAA’s vice president of communities and member programs, who coordinates AirVenture features and attractions. “It was a bridge from the early jet age to the aircraft that are still a foundational part of our armed forces. More important, this is an opportunity to recognize those who served, many of whom did not receive a grateful welcome when they returned from their service.”

The aircraft involved in the individual programs will be announced as their presence is finalized. However, the lineup will include land- and carrier-based aircraft, as well as rotorcraft that are examples of those that saw service in Vietnam. Special activities will encompass the AirVenture air shows, evening programs, Boeing Plaza and Warbirds area displays, and areas such as the Fly-In Theater, Theater in the Woods, and the EAA Aviation Museum.

In addition, the annual Yellow Ribbon Honor Flight is scheduled to return to the schedule on Friday, July 28, focusing on Vietnam veterans departing Oshkosh for a day trip to visit memorials in Washington, D.C., prior to returning at the end of that day’s air show.

Additional highlights are currently in development and will be announced in the coming weeks.

EAA Wants You! (To be an air tours maintenance officer...)



Traveling throughout the country, hanging around historic warbirds, and meeting enthusiastic visitors — if that’s your kind of gig, EAA has just the thing. We are currently filling several volunteer positions for TAMOs (Tour Aircraft Maintenance Officers) for our B-25 *Berlin Express* and, in the future, the B-17 *Aluminum Overcast*.

What does it take? A current airframe and powerplant certificate, with radial engine experience helpful. Also, a team-first attitude and the ability to work in a courteous and friendly way with

air tour crews, flight passengers, and ground tour visitors, since you'll be part of the traveling air tour operations team.

Among the responsibilities':

- Committing to at least two tour segments of 13-16 days during the flying season.
- Using manuals, tools, and equipment to perform maintenance tasks in accordance with FAA regulations and EAA's high standards.
- Climbing ladders and moving from ladders to wings for refueling and oiling aircraft daily. You'll be on ladders for extended periods for working on engine components as well.
- Ability to work on aircraft even in hot weather, and able to bend and move freely in cabin areas. You'll be asked to lift up to 50 pounds.

Your uniforms will be provided, and some travel expenses are covered for this volunteer position. You'll be part of a team that is eager to share the stories of the aircraft and the brave crews that flew them. And as an EAA TAMO, you'll meet people across America who want to discover more about the airplanes and their legacies.

Tour schedules traditionally run from April through October.

Interested? We'd love to talk with you about an unforgettable aviation experience. Contact John Hopkins at EAA by email (jhopkins@EAA.org) or by phone ([920-426-4875](tel:920-426-4875)).

Corsair Reunion Among the Warbirds Highlights at EAA AirVenture Oshkosh 2023

A reunion of the Chance Vought F4U Corsair, the unique gullwing fighter aircraft best known for its exploits off U.S. aircraft carriers, will be among the warbird highlights at EAA AirVenture Oshkosh 2023. The 70th edition of EAA's fly-in convention is July 24-30 at Wittman Regional Airport in Oshkosh, Wisconsin.

"With only about two dozen flying examples of the Corsair remaining in North America, the opportunity to bring together the largest-possible group of these unforgettable aircraft at Oshkosh was one we had to organize," said Rick Larsen, EAA's vice president of communities and member programs, who coordinates AirVenture features and attractions. "This airplane recently marked the 80th anniversary of its introduction to the U.S. military and remains a favorite warbird among many enthusiasts. Our goal is to create a memorable program with several activities that feature the Corsairs on ground display and in the air."

Corsair owners are encouraged to join this unique reunion by contacting Chris Henry at the EAA Aviation Museum (CHenry@EAA.org) for further details and registration information.

The Corsair received heightened attention at the end of 2022 with the release of the major motion picture *Devotion*, which recognized the Korean War exploits of Medal of Honor recipient Thomas Hudner and his wingman Jesse Brown, the first Black U.S. naval aviator. That movie will be played during AirVenture at the event's Fly-In Theater, with descendants of the Brown and Hudner families invited to participate.

In addition, visitors will have the opportunity most of the week to visit the newly opened Corsair display inside the EAA Aviation Museum, which is open to all attendees as part of their AirVenture admission. The exhibit honors both Brown and Hudner, including a Corsair flown by Hudner on his subsequent deployments in the early 1950s and painted with its original VF-32 squadron markings.

The Chance Vought F4U Corsair was first flown in 1940 and introduced to the U.S. military on December 28, 1942. Its unique gullwing design came as a way to allow use of the powerful Pratt & Whitney R-2800 Double Wasp engine and allow shorter, more rugged landing gear for use as a carrier-based aircraft. With those attributes and a top speed of more than 450 miles per hour, the aircraft became renowned as a naval aviation fighter and in support of ground forces.

Have you shopped the EAA store? There is a treasure trove of items there. You can even get



2023 Airventure merchandise early!

something from last year's Airventure. Here is the place to get it. From clothing to pilot supplies. Stop by the website and shop before they are gone.

Did you miss getting

<https://www.eaa.org/shop>

EAA Webinars

EAA Webinars sponsored by



3/1	A Matter of Trust	Mike Busch
3/8	Airframe Parachutes and Canopy Concerns	Prof H. Paul such
3/14	The Curtiss Jenny	Chris Henry
3/15	Advanced Skew-T Concepts	Dr. Scott Dennstaedt
3/16	EAA Learn to Fly Week – Hosting a Chapter Flying Start Event	David Leiting
3/21	EAA Chapters Insurance and Risk Management	
3/22	Caution: Helicopter Wake Turbulence!	Ned Parks
3/29	Airborne Medical Emergencies: How to Act as a PIC	Ken Solosky
4/5	Ethics of Misdiagnosis	Mike Busch

All webinars are at 7:00 pm CST unless otherwise noted.

Webinars are free, but registration is required as space is limited. You can also review any of the previous webinars

To register for one of the webinars go to: [Webinars \(eaa.org\)](http://Webinars(eaa.org))

Stop by EAA's website and see what you are missing.

EAA Chapter 1625 Chillicothe (SE Ohio) Ross County KRZT

Please check out our Facebook page for the latest up to date information

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/2221359754604751/>

Or check out our website at <https://chapters.eaa.org/ea1625>

Our next meeting is Saturday, March February 4 th at 9 AM. We will be meeting at Golden Corral located at 1660 N. Bridge Street, Chillicothe, OH. We will have a brief board meeting before starting our regular meeting. We will be discussing more about the upcoming year. Everyone is welcome to come to our Board meetings. We hope you come out and participate as we welcome your comments, suggestions, and ideas. Visitors are always welcome.

Our Chapter dues are \$ 10.00 per year. Checks (made out to EAA Chapter 1625) can be mailed with your information such as Name, address, email, phone, EAA National #, aviation interests to Darlene Ford 2776 Kenilworth Rd. Columbus, OH 43219.

You can email us at FirstCapitalAviators@gmail.com or call us at 614-557-1170

EAA Chapter 1629, Marysville, OH Union County Airport (KMRT)

As always you can visit our website at <http://eaa1629.org> for the latest up to date information.

You can also check our Facebook page at

<https://www.facebook.com/MarysvilleEAAChapter1629/>

Also if you would like to renew your membership or join the Chapter, you can do so in one of three ways: To renew your membership with a credit card or PayPal go to the following link: <https://eaa1629.org> and click the Join or Renew link on the left.

Mail a check for \$10.00 made payable to The Marysville EAA Chapter 1629 to Marysville EAA Chapter 1629 760 Clymer Rd. Marysville, OH 43040 Or you can bring a check for \$10.00 made payable to the Marysville EAA Chapter 1629 or \$10.00 cash (Correct Change preferred) to any of the Marysville EAA 1629 functions.



You can contact us for more details on the IMC Club meetings via email. Dr. Michael Stretanski, President of 1629 is our Coordinator along with Andrew Hale and me, Darlene Ford as co-coordinators. Email marysvilleeaachapter@gmail.com

Our next IMC meeting will be on Wednesday, March 15 th. Topic and speaker to be announced. You can check out the Facebook page also EAA Chapter 1629 IMC Club.



Meetings are held the 2nd Saturday of the month at Zanesville Municipal Airport (ZZV). We start gathering around 5 to talk and have some refreshments. The meeting will start at 6:00 PM. All are welcome to attend. Come on out to see what we do and hopefully you will join the Chapter. You do not have to fly a Vintage Aircraft to join. Please think about coming out to join us. We are an aviation friendly club where there are no strangers.

!! SAVE THE DATE!!

Saturday, April 22, we will be having a weatherman come to ZZV and talk about meteorology.

The meeting will start at 1:00 PM More details to come on out Facebook page and in next month's newsletter. Refreshments will be available.

!! SAVE THE DATE!!

Saturday, May 6, we will have a speaker for the meeting, and it will start at 1:00 PM. Ronald Manual is with the Historical Aircraft Squadron at LHQ (Lancaster, OH). He is a retired USAF and HAS member. Ron will be talking about what an aircraft owner is permitted to do as far as maintenance is concerned on their aircraft. This will be a very informative presentation and could save you several hundred dollars! Be sure to let us know if you will be attending so that we can plan the refreshments accordingly.

Also, you will be able to pick up a copy of the revamped Tailwinds newsletter if you do not have an email address on file.



OHIO AIR & SPACE HALL OF FAME AND MUSEUM

Ohio Air & Space Hall of Fame and Learning Center

Naming of 'Founders Walk' and flight simulator stations will recognize commitment of organizations to the renovation of original Port Columbus air terminal and tower.

Ron Kaplan, Executive Director Ohio Air & Space Hall of Fame, and Learning Center

About The Ohio Air & Space Hall of Fame and Learning Center:

The Ohio Air & Space Hall of Fame and Learning Center (OAS) is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization dedicated to permanently preserving the inspiring legacies of this state's outstanding pioneers of flight, prominently heralding their achievements both as a point of pride and to foster continued innovation and a skilled workforce. The OAS will additionally educate the public about the rich history of Ohio's aviation and aerospace industries, and its airports, including that of the OAS future home in the soon-to-be-renovated original Port Columbus Air Terminal, located at John Glenn International Airport (CMH) in Columbus, Ohio.



2260 International Parkway North Canton, OH 44720 330-896-6332

<https://mapsairmuseum.org/>

MAPS Air Museum is an internationally known museum of aviation and serves as a center of aviation history for Northeast Ohio. The museum features exciting educational displays of its collection of acquired artifacts, interactive exhibits, and historical archives in its own library.

Call for Volunteers!

MAPS relies heavily on volunteers for many tasks. If you have some time volunteer, please consider doing so. They have a significant need for volunteers to work in their gift shop. If you like talking to people and have some free time, consider volunteering. Contact Bob Hollis – hollis.robert@mapsairmuseum.org or call 330-896-6332

Speaking of Volunteers..

Occasionally, when asked a question by a visitor, the person responding might say, "I'm just a volunteer." At MAPS, there is no such thing as 'just a volunteer!' with a minimal number of paid staff, volunteers are the backbone of the organization and without them, the doors would close!

Each year, Independent Sector, headquartered in Washington, DC, gathers data and conducts research on volunteerism in the nonprofit sector. The results of the research provide nonprofits a way to calculate the value of volunteer time. For 2022, the estimated national value of each volunteer hour is currently \$ 29.95. With MAPS volunteer hours logged at 45,428 for 2022, that's a dollar value of \$ 1,360,569! That is nothing short of amazing!

EAA Chapter 421 Urbana Ohio

Monthly Chapter Gatherings:

First Saturday of Each Month at 10:00 AM Grimes Field Airport - I74, Champaign Aviation Museum, 1652 N. Main St. Urbana, OH 43078

Chapter Contact Information: President, Mark Curtner 937-726-1244
or mcurtner@ohiohipoint.com

GRIMES FIELD (I74) URBANA, OHIO UPDATE

1. Mid America Flight Museum of Texas Restoration Shop – currently with a New Standard they have restored and are now finishing up. Monday thru Friday 9:00 am to 4:00 pm) They now have a Beechcraft B-18 on site. Volunteers always welcome!

2. Grimes Flying Lab Museum, which has one of Grimes's original Beech C45 aircraft that flies at special occasions, events, July 4th, etc. and examples of many of the lights and equipment that Grimes built (Hours – April thru November Saturdays 10 to 1)

3. Champaign Aviation Museum – Building B-17 Champaign Lady, flying B-25 Champaign Gal, Stinson, Fairchild, COD1 (Hours Tuesday thru Saturday 9:00 am to 4:00 pm)

Grimes is the only Airport in the U.S. with 3 museums.

4. Grimes Airport Café – New Owners Mindy & Chat Orahood – same great food, adding some new dishes. Still making pies 100% from scratch, crust, filling, etc. (Hours – Tuesday thru Saturday 7:00 am to 8:00 pm, Sunday 8:00 am to 2:30 pm)

5. Ohio Hi Point Career Center (Bellefontaine) has an aviation class here. Champaign County high school students attend class first half of the day, then after lunch attend workshop/class here at Grimes where they learn about aviation. (Pilotage, maintenance, administration, riveting, etc.)

6. **EAA Chapter 421** meets Hangar 6, first Saturday each month. All are welcome. More info - <https://www.facebook.com/eaachapter421>

7. **Champaign County Pilots' Association** meets first Wednesday monthly at Champaign Aviation Museum, library/training room – All are welcome



Located at Grimes Field (I74) in Urbana, Ohio. The Museum's purpose is to restore and preserve aircraft specifically but not limited to the aircraft of World War II. It is also the intent of the Museum to operate these aircraft for static and flying displays. Stop in for a visit!

Exciting times are ahead! New events and activities are coming up for the museum and our B17 project!

Museum Hours: Tuesday-Friday: 9 a.m.- 4 p.m.; Saturday: 9 a.m. - 2 p.m.; Closed Sunday and Monday

Tour groups or for other times, please call the museum for information. 937-652-4710

Admission is FREE. Donations are welcome in assisting efforts in the restoration rebuild of the B-17 project and maintenance of the facility.

<http://www.facebook.com/pages/CAM-Champaign-Aviation-Museum/121903357954105>

Champaign Aviation Museum is located on Grimes Field as well as the Grimes Flying Lab the Airport Cafe! What a fantastic way to spend a Saturday checking out history! Fly in or drive in!



EAA Chapter 421
Annual Chili Cook Off with Dewey Davenport
Urbana, OH
Saturday, March 11th, 10am - 12 Noon

WHAT:

EAA 421 Annual Chili Cookoff with keynote speaker Dewey Davenport. He is an Ohio Native and aviation icon. He is the 2021 AOPA Sharples Award Winner, an accomplished military drone pilot and a pilot for NetJets. He is also the owner/operator of Goodfolk & O'tymes Biplane Rides in Jamestown, Ohio. He is featured in the article/ video "The Scourge" in EAA Sport Aviation's February issue. Urbana 421 is excited to have Dewey Davenport with us in March.

WHERE:

Champaign Aviation Museum, Grimes Field (I74)
1652 N. Main St.
Urbana, OH 43078

CONTACT US:

Mark Curtner, President
937-726-1244 or markcurtner@eachapter421.com

[Click here](#) for more information.

https://www.urbanaeachapter421.org/?mkt_tok=OTEwLVNFVS0wNzMAAAGKHcLS0WLFPPzBWLdDn7qgh_EhAPTdO2m6kA97cqZtWV9sOfn_WnxjVRIL5dgodny7LqZy_5o6Kyp4NGMGippgTBkSAFI27kJvB3sWwIR2s9ZE



The WACO Air Museum located at [1865 S. Co. Rd. 25A, Troy, OH](#) will be closed on Wednesdays. Here are our new hours of operation:

Mon	09:00 AM - 3:00 PM	Tues	09:00 AM - 3:00 PM
Wed	Closed	Thur	09:00 AM - 3:00 PM
Fri	09:00 AM - 3:00 PM	Sat	12:00 PM - 5:00 PM
	Sun		12:00 PM - 5:00 PM

Eric A. Combs, Museum Operations Manager, WACO Air Museum
937-335-9226 www.wacoairmuseum.org

WACO Aircraft Factory was the 1 manufacturer of civil aircraft in the country in the 20's 30's.
The museum preserves the factory and employees. (1WF)



EAA's local Chapters 1095 is about people, bringing together individuals interested in learning more about aviation as well as sharing their own knowledge.

Chapter members are involved in a variety of social and educational activities, including Young Eagles rallies, fly-ins, building seminars, and more, to build awareness in the community.

EAA Name Tags if you would like to order name tags for your members or at least your officers please check out Chapter 1095's website. These name tags are very professional looking and hold up well. <https://chapters.eaa.org/ea1095/ea-name-tags>



Philanthropy at Work

Over the past three decades, EAA's Young Eagles Program has flown more than 2.3 million young people. Tom Pobrezny created the program to introduce and inspire kids in the world of aviation through their first free ride in an airplane. See the impact of the Young Eagles program:

Your generosity to the EAA Aviation Foundation helps to sustain programs like EAA's Young Eagles. For more information on how you can support industry-leading programs like this, visit EAA.org/Give.



THE SPIRIT OF AVIATION

Chapter 1600

Delaware, OH

Meetings: 2nd Wednesday 7:00 PM

Meeting Location: Delaware Municipal Airport (DLZ) Terminal Building
1075 Pittsburg Drive Delaware OH 43015

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We are a local chapter of Women in Aviation International, based in Dayton, Ohio – where it all began.

To learn more or if you have questions, email us at

womeninaviationhuffmanprairie@gmail.com

We will be meeting for Coffee & Canvas: Aviation themed March 10th @ 6pm start, Greene Co airport.

WAI offers free student membership, and our chapter offers free participation as well. If interested in membership please reach out to our chapter, WAI offers many benefits to students and young adults entering the aviation industry.

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Aviation Safety

EAA Chapter 382 will be hosting a special FAASTeam presentation at the Springfield Beckley Airport on Saturday, March 25th at 1:00 PM. This presentation qualifies for “WINGS” credit to help you save on your aircraft insurance. We also want to help aircraft owners save money on their annuals.

The person who will help you do this is Joe Schott, Principal Maintenance Inspector for the Cincinnati FSDO. He will be giving a presentation on **The Owner-Assisted Annual: How Much Assistance May The Aircraft Owner Provide?** As well as what maintenance tasks may an owner or pilot perform and answer any questions or concerns that may be out there.

The second FAASTeam presenter, Kirk McConnell who is also with the Cincinnati FSDO. His area of expertise is in Operations. Kirk will be holding an **Open Floor Q & A session**. Do you have a question that you would like an answer to? Here is your chance. One thing we can count on from Mr. McConnell is candid and confidential answers that help you successfully navigate the complex Federal regulations.

The presentation will take place in the Terminal building located on the field at 1251 W Blee Rd, Springfield, OH 45502. For questions contact Carrie at 937-903-2936.



National Museum of the U.S. Air Force – Stealth Aircraft

The National Museum of the U.S. Air Force is the world's largest military aviation museum. Its 19-acre campus holds an unprecedented collection chronicling not only the history of the U.S. Air Force but also the history of flight and advancements in aviation and space. Nestled throughout this impressive collection of more than 350 aerospace vehicles is a one-of-a-kind collection representing the invention and evolution of stealth technology.

Read the full article here: https://www.flyingmag.com/national-museum-of-the-u-s-air-force-stealth-aircraft/?utm_medium=email&_hsmi=242358758&_hsenc=p2ANqtz-94mM4AcMI9Ft3_SmB-W8N8zaJpc5n_uoByJHpctH4zMkpeQoRspELHPicjzlimxURnOPvwDYRmxshOVjFifKBwV1_g&utm_content=241909098&utm_source=hs_email

Stealth Aircraft Collection

The museum's stealth collection goes beyond these iconic aircraft. During your visit, you can also see:

- **SR-71 Blackbird**
- **F-117A Nighthawk**
- **B-2 Spirit**
- **F-22 Raptor**
- The Lockheed D-21B, a highly advanced, remotely piloted aircraft
- YF-12, a high-altitude, Mach 3 interceptor to defend against supersonic bombers
- Boeing *Bird of Prey*, named for its resemblance to *Star Trek's* Klingon spacecraft, this single-seat stealth technology demonstrator was used to test "low-observable" stealth techniques.
- Northrop Tacit Blue, a proof-of-concept aircraft that demonstrated stealthy aircraft could have curved surfaces leading to later aircraft such as the B-2.

- The Northrop McDonnell Douglas YF-23A Black Widow II, which was designed to replace the F-15 Eagle; two prototypes were built, but full-production was halted in favor of the Lockheed F-22A.

- **Open 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. seven days a week.**

FREE Admission & Parking

- The Museum will be

CLOSED Wednesday, March 15

for Emergency Management Response Training

- We will re-open Thursday, March 16 at 9 a.m.

1100 Spaatz Street Wright-Patterson AFB Ohio 45433 (near Dayton) (937) 255-3286



Burke Lakefront Cleveland, Ohio



Dinner with a Slice of History

The Groundbreaking Experience of Sandra Durbin

Featuring California AmVets Commander, Sandra Durbin,
the first Black female Air Traffic Controller

Friday, March 24, 2023
6:30 p.m. EDT

This event will be held both in-person and virtually. Registration required. To register: www.iwasm.org



NATIONAL
ENDOWMENT
FOR THE
HUMANITIES

Hybrid (in-person & virtual)

Friday, March 24, 2023
Dinner: 6:00 p.m. EST
Program: 6:30 p.m. EST

Sandra Durbin joined the U.S. Navy in 1966 and after boot camp, had a choice: Air Traffic Controller or Electronics Technician. After careful and strategic consideration, she chose Air Traffic Control School becoming the first Black female Air Traffic Controller in the U.S. Navy, while simultaneously becoming the first in the United States.

On Friday, March 24, Durbin joins the International Women's Air & Space Museum to explore her groundbreaking career and service at both Naval Air Stations Pensacola and North Island. She will also share her post-military service activities and her work as the 2022-2023 California AMVETS Commander engaging with and serving fellow veterans.

Dinner begins promptly at 6:00 p.m. EST.

Program begins promptly at 6:30 p.m. EST

Registration Information

Registration is required prior to the event.

- Non-IWASM members - \$27
- IWASM members - \$17
- Get Tickets & Join IWASM for 1 year - \$55*
- Virtual -- minimum \$10 donation

In person tickets include admittance to the program, and a boxed dinner. Virtual attendees will receive a Zoom link to participate live. The program will be recorded and made available after the event.

Space is limited for the program. Registrations made via check can be sent to: 1501 N Marginal Rd. Ste 165, Cleveland, OH 44114 and must be received no later than March 21, 2023.

Reserve your spot today: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/a-birds-eye-view-the-groundbreaking-experience-of-sandra-durbin-registration-519102017107?utm-campaign=social&utm-content=attendeeshare&utm-medium=discovery&utm-term=listing&utm-source=cp&aff=escb>

News from Space:

Upcoming Missions, Developments, and More!



NASA astronaut Nicole Mann, the first Native American woman in space, chalked up another first when she ventured outside the

International Space Station (ISS) on January 20 with Japanese astronaut Koichi Wakata. Mann, on her first mission as a flight engineer for Expedition 68, performed her first spacewalk to prepare the space station for more solar panels that will augment the station's power. This task was to install support struts and brackets for new solar panels that are launching to the ISS this summer.

The space station program has been upgrading the original solar arrays with the installation of roll out solar arrays that are installed on top of the originals. Currently four new arrays of this kind, called IROSAs, are in place. Mann and Wakata worked outside the station together for seven hours and 21 minutes getting the platform ready for the final set of IROSAs. The original solar panels launched on four space shuttle missions from 2000 to 2009 and have degraded over time due to radiation. When all the upgrades are complete, there will be a 30% increase in power generation capability. This will help with new commercial modules that are planned to launch to the ISS.

Mann, the first female commander of a SpaceX Dragon, and Wakata, a mission specialist on the SpaceX Crew-5 Dragon have about a month left in their mission that launched on October 5. The SpaceX Crew-6 is set for launch on February 26 from Kennedy Space Center. Typically after the new compliment of astronauts arrives, the existing crew will have a handover of a few days with the new crew. Then weather permitting, Mann, Wakata along with NASA astronaut Josh Cassada and Russian cosmonaut Anna Kikina will return to Earth with a splashdown off the coast of Florida.



Member Benefits

[WAI members](#) seek to inspire and stand for encouragement, continued education, and a whole lot of fun! We invite you to take advantage of exclusive discount programs, including many diverse benefits, available to our valued members.

Exclusive Discount Programs for Members

- **Avemco:** 5% discount on insurance
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- **Enterprise and National Rental-A-Car:** special discount rates with promotion code
- **General Aviation News subscription:** free sample issues and 50% off subscription
- **King Schools:** free package of 5 King courses focused on Risk Management and 20% discount on all King Schools course
- **MedJetAssist:** reduced annual and multi-year rates
- **SmithAmundsen:** free 30-minute consultation on legal services
- **Travelpro®:** exclusive 20% discount on all products
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I have a gentleman by the name of Phil Rausch who is interested in starting an Aero Club. This is his email to me regarding it.

Hello and happy new year!

To anyone interested, I would like to start forming an Aero club in the central Ohio area and am looking for interested members.

The EAA and AOPA provide resources for club formation as well as individuals willing to help during the process of forming a club. Interested individuals with experience in forming a club are also welcome.

If interested, please contact me at my Email Fillupinpc@msn.com or call 614-774-3319. Date and time to be determined for our initial meeting to be based on availability.



EAA's Ford Tri-Motor, otherwise known as the "Tin Goose", is one of a few remaining today. As one of America's first mass-produced airliners, it brings to mind an era of excitement and energy.

The center section of the wing on the Tri-Motor is currently being replaced. The airplane sits in the hangar with the engines, props, landing gear, and outer wings all removed to gain access to the center section.

The center section was removed and is at Hov-Aire, Inc. in Three Rivers, MI. Hov-Aire is transferring brackets, pulleys, and mounts before returning it to Oshkosh for installation. While this takes place, the EAA team is repairing and repainting engine mounts for reinstallation.

EAA's goal is to have the first flight after reassembly by March 31, 2023. The goal is to work on discrepancies, train, and get the EAA Ford Trimotor out on tour by June of next year. Donations to the EAA Aviation Foundation help make developments like this to our aircraft. We want everyone to enjoy our touring aircraft for decades to come. Thank you for your support!



We have once again paired with EAA to bring you an amazing contest. Each pilot has a story — what's yours? Tell us the true story of how pursuing the dream of flight enabled you to do something that would have otherwise been out of reach. We want to hear how becoming a pilot and getting involved in grassroots aviation made a memorable experience possible for you. How did you pilot your own adventure? Tell us how flying helped you transform from dreamer to doer.

[MORE INFORMATION](#)

The contest period runs from January 13, 2023 through March 13, 2023, at 5 p.m. CST.



GRAND PRIZE

The Grand Prize winner will be provided the use of a unique teardrop camper on a campsite in Camp Scholler on the AirVenture grounds for eight nights, from July 23, 2023, to July 30, 2023.

https://www.flightoutfitters.com/pilot-your-own-adventure-contest/?utm_source=MarketingEmail&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=FO23012&utm_content=EAA%20AE%20Pilot%20Your%20Own%20Adventure%20Writing%20Contest



Fort Wayne, IN

Coming Events: Thursday March 9 — Chapter 2 Gathering, Former FBO building at Smith Field, 7:00 PM. Bruce Loos will discuss Aviation & Aerospace Career Opportunities and Training. This will be a good presentation for Young Eagles and other youth interested in an aviation career. Remember, VMC Club starts at 6:30.

Can you answer the two questions below? Bring your answers for a lively discussion.

Discussion Question 1 (from EAA VMC Coordinator): What is a Special VFR (SVFR) clearance, and under what conditions can a pilot get one?

Discussion Question 2 (courtesy of Pilot Workshops): What is the first thing you should try if you get a large RPM drop during your runup?

VMC Club Monthly Meeting, Jenison, MI Tuesday, Mar 21, 2023

Discussion of VMC aviation safety issues concentrating on public events and member incidents focusing on lessons learned and best practices.

COVID19 Statement: Prior to attending a safety seminar please review and abide by current CDC, State and Local health guidelines.

Riverview Airport 805 Taylor St Jenison, MI 49428



Our local group, Tin Goose Chapter 1247, was founded in 1995 by James Parker, a local private pilot who wanted to share his love of aviation with other like-minded individuals.

Unfortunately, Jim passed away a short time later from an unexpected illness, but the spirit and enthusiasm under which he started the group lives on.

Today, we continue his vision by fostering the spirit of aviation to our members and the local community by hosting a variety of programs and special events each year.

Tin Goose Chapter 1247 is based at the Erie-Ottawa International Airport (KPCW) in Port Clinton, Ohio. Our chapter meetings, as well as our Ford Tri-Motor restoration project, are located at the Liberty Aviation Museum complex on the SE corner of the airfield.

Chapter membership is open to all aviation enthusiasts and pilots. Whether your interest is learning to fly, building an airplane, volunteering at events or hanging out at the airport to do some "hangar flying", our Chapter has something for you!

Tri-Motor ride dates have been set for 2023 and, once again, we'll be asking for volunteers to help out. Here are the dates... June 30—July 2 @ Port Clinton August 4-6 @ Put-in-Bay September 1-3 @ Port Clinton If you are interested in volunteering, please put your name on the signup sheet.



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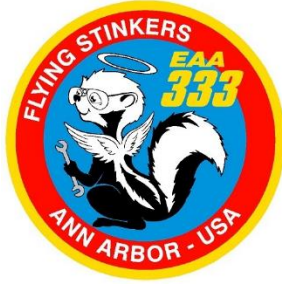
The latest Legacy Data Plate panel was installed last week and we are now taking orders for Panel 20! Honor a loved one with these unique, aviation-grade stainless steel plates. Each plate is engraved with a message of your choosing. Plates are \$500 and are mounted near the entrance for all visitors to see. All proceeds from the program help support the Museum. For more information about the program, or to order a plate, [visit the website](https://www.legacydataplates.com/?bbeml=tp-e_FquZ4ZnUSyjl2_yoM58Q.iOA70Li97s0u16JHDnTTr5g.rM-VObzI7JEC_5NcJXEpskA.lfuucCbiBnE6379_bcSU-Qg) https://www.legacydataplates.com/?bbeml=tp-e_FquZ4ZnUSyjl2_yoM58Q.iOA70Li97s0u16JHDnTTr5g.rM-VObzI7JEC_5NcJXEpskA.lfuucCbiBnE6379_bcSU-Qg or call 937.751.1575 and speak to Andrew.



Chapter 55 at Mason Jewett Field (KTEW) in Mason, MI meets the second Saturday of each month in our hangar on Mason Jewett Field (KTEW). Our March meeting will be Saturday, March 11th. We serve a complimentary breakfast (free will donations accepted) from 8am-9am. We will have a short business meeting at 9:30am followed with an aviation themed program.

In March, Mark Bathurst and Todd Cotter from the Lansing Community College Aviation Technology Center will present a program about aircraft maintenance and preparation for summer flying season.

Fly-in and Drive-in Visitors are always welcome to attend the breakfast, the meeting, or both. Aircraft parking is available at our hangar (if it is snow-free and frozen) and at the terminal ramp.



1) **March Monthly Gathering:** The board has agreed to resume the structured meeting format last seen in February 2020. Just like the good old days. Meaning a gathering with a plan and an agenda with a diversity of features serve the overall interests of the membership. We will return to the basement of the terminal (if available). Stay tuned for as plans solidify. I'm relieved that we are on the verge of being back to normal.

2) **Club Meeting Schedule:** The monthly gathering and board meetings remain on the 2nd and 3rd Tuesdays of the month respectively.

3) **Future Social Events:** And now for something completely different (again):

Happy Hour -- **Next is Friday, Feb 24.** Otherwise once a month the Friday after the board meeting, **5-7pm.**

Saturday Morning Coffee -- **Next is Saturday, March 4, 8-11am** Otherwise every Saturday (nearly) during the warmer months.

The hope with the Saturday coffee's is to increase the chance of an impromptu fly-out or other serendipitous opportunity.

4) **Chapter Roles:** We have a chapter full of diverse and interesting people. Everybody I talk to seems to pine for chapter activities to be taken to the next level. We have realized that the next level is to define roles and find a champion to make the roles be great. The roles identified at the moment are:

- New Member Outreach
- Programs
- Home Builders
- Flying Proficiency
- Newsletter / Website / Social Media
- Community Outreach
- Outside Activities / Flyouts
- Young Eagles - Mark Powell
- Ray Scholar Mentor - Rob Peterson
- Pancake Breakfast
- Annual Holiday Party

5) **Young Eagle Events:** Three Young Eagle events are planned for this upcoming season; 6/17, 7/15, and 8/12. Calling on area pilots to volunteer to participate in at least 1 event. We know that it is a huge commitment for a pilot to participate and so will not ask any pilot to participate in all 3 events. Contact Mark Powell mpowellwyo@hotmail.com TODAY to ensure you are fully registered with the EAA youth protection program.

6) **Pancake Breakfast:** Tentatively Sunday, June 11, 2023



CLEVELAND NATIONAL AIR SHOW

Featuring the U.S. Air Force Thunderbirds

September 2, 3 & 4 - Labor Day Weekend
Burke Lakefront Airport

Drum Roll Please!

One of the most highly sought-after tactical demonstrations is coming to Cleveland...



Release the Raptor!

The U.S. Air Force F-22 Raptor will perform an aerial demonstration each show day. The F-22 is a fifth-generation fighter with incredible maneuverability, aided by its computerized controls and powerful, thrust-vectoring jet engines. A must see at this year's Air Show!



Cleveland will host the U.S. Air Force Thunderbirds as headliners of the 2023 Cleveland National Air Show presented by Discount Drug Mart.

Each show day, the six select Thunderbird demonstration pilots will put their distinct red, white and blue F-16 Fighting Falcon jet fighters through a choreographed 50-minute performance at speeds up to 500 mph and as close as three feet from each other.



2023 will mark the 70th year the Thunderbirds have been performing and Cleveland is a part of the team's rich history. In 1965, the Thunderbirds made their first Cleveland appearance flying their North American F-100s (first supersonic jet fighters).

The Thunderbirds are the U.S. Air Force "Ambassadors in Blue" and composed of twelve officers (including six demonstration pilots), two civilians and 120 enlisted personnel performing more than 30 Air Force specialties. The Thunderbirds represent the United States at approximately thirty sites each year.

This newsletter goes out to the EAA Chapters in Ohio, Indiana, West Virginia, Kentucky, Michigan, and Pennsylvania. It also goes out to the FBO's in those states. So, if you are planning to host an event and would like to get the information out there, this is one of the places to do so. There is NO cost to advertise your events or your Airport Restaurant.

We would like to put your events or happenings in the Ohio Region Chapter Newsletter. So please feel free to get the article to me about a week before the end of the month. This way it can be included in the following month's newsletter. If you have an interesting story you want to share, send it. We like those feel-good stories also. Let us know about those restaurants that are located on or near an airfield. This way pilots will know of a good place to fly to for those \$ 100 hamburgers.

If someone from your Chapter, or on the airfield has a plane, parts, or tools they want to sell or give away let us know. It can be included in the newsletter. There is NO cost for this.

If you do not have time to draft an article and would like for me to visit your website / Facebook page and gather my own "intel" for an article, please let me know.

Be sure to let me know if there is a different person that I should reach out to for an article. Or if there is someone else who should receive the newsletter to distribute to your Chapter members.

Please share this with your fellow Chapter members, aviator friends and your local FBO's. You never know who would be interested in one of the articles/events in the newsletter. Or if you received this from a friend and would like to receive it directly, please let me know.

Send in your comments as to what you would like to see in the newsletter. We like those human-interest stories, especially those with pictures.

Send articles for the April newsletter to me by March 20th if possible. Email them to Daford1957@gmail.com

Thanks again and enjoy the newsletter.

Darlene Ford