

Ohio Region Chapter News

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As always, Some News from National.

May 1, 2020

AirVenture 2020 is officially cancelled

My fellow EAA'rs. It is May here in Wisconsin, and unfortunately like many of you across the country, we are still under a stay at home order through May 26. Normally, this is the month when we start our preflight planning for EAA AirVenture Oshkosh. By this time, we should have begun ramping up our entire site in preparation for our July convention. Volunteers from across the country and world would have descended on Oshkosh. Together they would have formed work parties, our suppliers would begin start setting up tents and infrastructure. Our EAA staff would be printing wrist bands, campers guides, programs and an assortment of EAA collateral as full-on AirVenture execution begins.

But because of circumstances beyond our control, none of this can happen now. We cannot even get to the hangar so our preflight is left to watching the prog charts. While this certainly makes the ability to prepare for the event a scheduling problem, it does not preclude the bigger issue of predicting what will be the health guidelines in July. Right now, there are three phases that have been defined in Wisconsin as the recommended procedures. As I write this, we are not in Phase 1 yet. Phase 2 restricts gatherings to 50 people. Phase 3 allows for mass gathering with restrictions.

Our convention attracts EAA members not only from the U.S. but around the world. Today we cannot predict when we will be at a point that our event meets the all clear Phase 3 milestone for mass gathering with restrictions. As your leader, I see no clear path to meet our own requirements to insure the health and safety expectations our organization demands for our employees, members, volunteers, exhibitors and attendees. That includes sanitization, separation and personal protection requirements.

My conclusion is, like in any good flight planning, don't take the risk. Therefore, I have no choice but to cancel AirVenture 2020. Together, we can come back stronger, safer and ready for AirVenture 2021 and create a memorable world class aviation event. Because of our dedicated and enthusiastic EAA members, our Association is strong. We know that at some point this storm will pass. And over the next 12 months we will continue to support all of you as we again, together, grow EAA in the Spirit of Aviation.

Respectfully,

Jack J. Pelton
Experimental Aircraft Association
CEO and Chairman of the Board

COVID-19 & Virtual Meeting Solutions Updated – March 30, 2020

Guidance for Chapter Meetings and Events Regarding COVID-19

Virtual Meeting Options:

Since it may be some time before Chapter Gatherings and Chapter Board Meetings can return to full attendance, you may want to look at alternatives.

WARNING: You need to test run any solution you settle on before going live with your chapter. Too much can go wrong on your first try.

Our Recommendation:

- <u>Webex</u>: Now has a FREE plan that could handle a chapter gathering or board meeting. We have tested it and find it relatively easy to use and it allows up to 100 participants for free. Overall, we feel it is a solid option for a chapter meeting.
- ZOOM: We have tested ZOOM and find it relatively easy to use, allows up to 100 participants on the base plan and affordable. Overall, we feel it is the best option for a chapter meeting. You can start off with a free version that is limited to 40 minute sessions. (At the time limit, you can simply shutdown and restart immediately which could work for a board meeting). The Monthly subscription is \$15/month.

Other Virtual Meeting Options:

- GotoWebinar/GotoMeeting Great platform that EAA uses for webinars. However, basic plan is pricey.
- Google Hangouts Limited to 26 people Free
- FreeConference.com Free

EAA Resources:

- <u>Chapter Video Magazine</u> Available each month. Consider adding your own video recording of updates for your chapter.
- EAA Webinars Both the upcoming live webinars and the recording.

If you have another suggestion to add to the list, please send it to chapters@eaa.org.

EAA Encourages Caution Regarding Aircraft Registration Renewal

January 16, 2020 - EAA is warning its members to regard any solicitation they may receive regarding aircraft registration renewal, especially those that call for using a search engine to find the registration site, with a healthy dose of suspicion.

EAA is aware of several businesses — with names, web URLs, and logos that may appear reminiscent of a government agency — that notify aircraft owners of impending registration expiration (mined from publicly available registration information) and direct them to use search engines such as Google to find the proper renewal site. These businesses then buy ads from search engines to make their site appear first, before the FAA website, in search results.

Such operations add little or no actual value to the transaction, and charge a hefty fee for essentially duplicating the same process that the FAA directly administers for a mere \$5. EAA members should ensure they are on the <u>FAA's online registration portal</u> before filling out information and entering payment. Unless a business is known to be reputable and offers a tangible service above and beyond a simple registration renewal, such as expedited processing or automatic renewal, EAA members should deal directly with the FAA. If any members want EAA's help with registration renewal or any other issue, please contact us at 800-564-6322.

We know that Jack made the decision to cancel Airventure by weighing all the options. Already on facebook people are saying he should have waited to make the call. You can't wait too long to make this kind of decision. Jack is doing what a good leader does. He is taking everything into consideration. The best decision he could have made under the circumstances. We don't know what is going to be happening in a couple months. Thanks Jack, we know it was a hard decision.

With all that is going if an event is listed, please contact the Chapter or FBO to make sure that the event is still going to happen.

EAA Chapter 1625 Chillicothe, OH Ross County KRZT

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

https://www.facebook.com/groups/2221359754604751/ or call our Google # 740-207-2954.

Currently meetings are on hold. If you have any thoughts or ideas please email us at Chapter1625ofEAA@gmail.com

Locations of our meetings will be posted on the website and on our Facebook page. Our Chapter dues are \$ 10.00 year. Make checks payable to EAA Chapter 1625. Checks can be mailed to EAA Chapter 1625 P.O. Box 476 Chillicothe, OH 45601.

Our new website is up and running. Thanks to our Website editor Andrew Hale. The direct link is https://chapters.eaa.org/eaa1625

EAA Chapter 1629 Marysville, OH Union County KMRT

Currently meetings are on hold.

Saturday August 29, 2020 the Marysville EAA Chapter will do another Young Eagles Rally from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm.

Other events and meetings are also being planned so stay tuned.

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

With all these events going on now would be a good time to renew with the chapter if you have not already done so. You can renew your membership in one of three ways:

- 1. 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.
- 2. 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
- 3. 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.

Andrew Hale

EAA Chapter 382 - Beavercreek, OH

Meetings: Every 3rd Thursday 7:00 PM

Location: Greene County Airport, Term Bldg. 140 N. Valley Rd Xenia, OH 45385

Young Eagle Rallys May 16; June 16; August 1; August 22 and September 26

Warren County Career Center Aerospace Academy Senior Honesty Stanifer of Franklin, recently earned the Experimental Aircraft Association Ray Aviation Scholarship for \$9,000. This scholarship will enable her to continue with her career goal of becoming an airline pilot.

She enrolled as a junior in the Aerospace Academy and discovered the many career paths within the aviation field.

To read the full story on Honesty please go to https://www.daytondailynews.com/news/local/warren-county-career-center-provides-opportunities-for-aspiring-pilot/56ufPNHi8MZQJBqSfglmtJ/

I had the pleasure of meeting Honesty in December when I attended the Chapter Christmas party. She is truly a pleasure to talk to. I believe that she will go far in aviation. Also there is a story with interview of her in the new EAA Magazine.



Mt. Pleasant, MI

Visit our Facebook Page at "EAA Chapter 907" for the latest updates on Chapter activities.

Word from the President

Hello Evervone

Hope everyone is well and staying safe.

In light of everything that's going on and the governor's stay at home order, our meetings and activities will be put on hold.

Hopefully things will be back to normal by June and we can still fly Young Eagles. We will have to wait and see. In the meantime, everyone try to stay well Thanks, Randy MacDonald



Burke Lakefront Airport, 1501 North Marginal Road, Cleveland, Ohio, U.S.A. 44114-3726

Free Admission Exhibits Open Daily 8 a.m. - 8 p.m. Office, Gift Shop, & Fay Gillis Wells Research Center Open 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. Monday through Friday

Closed for all major holidays with the exception of Labor Day. Closed for home games of the Cleveland Browns.

We have decided to close the museum office and gift shop until further notice.

All tours and events have been cancelled or postponed through the end of the month. Please note the exhibits are in the public part of the building and remain open at the discretion of the airport. If the airport decides to limit hours or makes other arranges, we will let you know as soon as we can. It is recommended that large groups and the elderly hold off on visiting at this time. It's our main priority to keep our staff, volunteers and our guests safe.

If you have any questions, please call 216-623-111 or email us at info@iwasm.org.

Thank you for your cooperation and your patience.

Visit the website at www.iwasm.org

Welcome to <u>Women in Aviation</u>, <u>Cleveland Chapter</u>, we are a chapter of Women in Aviation International. Established in 2013 our goals are to provide mentoring, outreach, and support to women in aviation while promoting the aviation industry as a whole. All women and men are encouraged to join us and share in our interest of all things aviation.

EAA Chapter 50 Sandusky / Huron, OH area

EAA Chapter "50" 2020 Planned Events.

June 20th "Gleason Veterans Fly In" 12:00 (covered dish)

June 27th EAA 50 Board Meeting 10:00 am

July 11th Radio Control Fly In and program 10:00 am -02:00 pm

July 18th EAA 50 Board meeting 10:00 am

July 19-26 "Air Adventure" Oshkosh Wisconsin

August 8th event Gary Baker

August 15th Board Meeting 10:00 am

September 12th "Galloway Fly In" at the "Ole Mather field"!

September 19th Board Meeting 10:00 am

October 3rd EAA 50's "Annual Oktoberfest" 12:00 (covered dish)

October 17th EAA 50 Board Meeting 10:00 am

November "Fall Banquet" time and date?

November 21st Board Meeting 10:00

Good Morning EAA 50 Members and friends of Aviation: One of our Super Members Bruce Molnar has been working to make the New EAA web site productive, and boy is it getting better. Easy to get to and after totally finished between 50's web site and our facebook you will have access to much information.

Put this address in your favorites along with our Face Book page! Chapters.eaa.org/eaa50

EAA Chapter 50 Local News!

The Crank for the Ercoupe that we have interest in purchasing has been sent to a speciality repair shop, after completion it will be offered to us for purchase at the original price. Our A&P Ed Rusch, has advised the shop is a good one!

Good News Snow Birds Elaine and Joe Bores have returned from Florida without virus! Thanks for that! They have taken our Ohio Governors suggestion and are self- quarantining for 14 days. Joe by internet has been working with the Ohio Department of Transportation, Bowling Firelands Campus and the RR, to remove all brush and trees beside and in line with Hinde (88D) approach in order to make the Historic Hinde Airport even safer for operations. I got to talk to Joe on Thursday, but he made me stay across the fence. I got tired of hollering, so I said goodbye.

Yours truly has sent our Aviation Scholarship Applications to all local Schools, Face Book, and E-Mail to Membership and our Aviation friends. As you know we are offering two \$750.00 scholarships to graduating seniors enrolled in a college aviation program and this year we will begin offering a \$500.00 Mechanics scholarship, in Honor of our special aviation friend Don Helmick, to a graduating senior attending an Aviation Mechanics school. This is the first of this annual award!

Our next planned Educational meeting will be May 9^{th,} 2020. April educational meeting as you no is cancelled! The May 9th meeting will be outstanding. The history of the Historic Hinde Airport will be presented on power point by none other than Elaine Hinde Bores with husband Joe's assistance. This will be terrific Elaine's father

started the "Historical Hinde Airport" in the 30's. Elaine was raised on the airport and her family, are now the owners of one of the finest and beautiful privately owned and public use airports in Ohio.

Yours Truly had a good day yesterday. I met with Roger Munsterman, Ed beer, Tracy Hille, Ed Rusch, and Jim Molnor at the Nifty Fifty's workshop to discuss the Ercoupe progress.

A lot has happened! motor mount, crank case have all been cleaned and ready for first coat of preservative.

The back of case is being sent this week for update! Thanks Ed beer! Roger has been amazing in constantly getting things ready. Tracy Hille is going to paint the mount in his hangar. Jim Molnor joined the team yesterday and with him as an A&P and Ed as an AI, I can see things moving fast.

I personally called Michael Bowen to determine when the crankshaft would be ready for us. Michael says could be next week and if so he will be on a little road trip and deliver it to us at our venue!

We're looking for a wrench capable person with flexibility to be able to slip in the cockpit and unfasten some control cables if your capable contact Roger or yours truly!

Ed Beer is working daily with the Non-profit set up of the Flying Club. So it looks like our fantastic volunteers are well on the right path!

Thanks Special People! God Bless America, and all of 50's members friends and families!

Pres. Ben

CENTENNIAL COMMEMORATION

AIR MAIL 100 STORY

On September 8, 1920, a DH-4 biplane lifted off in the early morning from a grass air strip east of New York City on Long Island, beginning a grand experiment to carry mail from the East Coast to the West in a series of hops across New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Ohio and points west. Regional air mail service had commenced two years earlier linking New York and Washington, D.C. By 1919, 400 HP deHavillands where regularly carrying mail sacks between Omaha and Chicago, but the September flight that now pointed its nose towards the distant Hudson would link an entire continent, but not without financial cost and human sacrifice. Those first pilots called themselves "The Suicide Club."

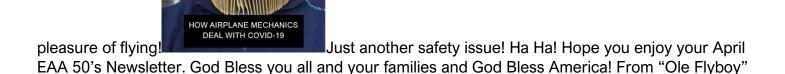
Air Mail 100 will commemorate that historic event, which led within the decade to the commencement of commercial passenger air service. With the support of the Experimental Aircraft Association and others, we seek to organize a series of volunteer flights linking the sixteen original transfer points, only seven of which continue today as active airports. The other nine have been "lost" to sands of progress, hidden under golf courses, urban shopping centers, hospital parking lots, and poetically, wind-swept grass fields again.

If you are interested in working one of the stops or flying a route the local stops are, Cuyahoga CGF or Williams County OG6 Contact (Airmail 100: Commemorating) on line.

Let's talk Safety a few seconds!

As most of you know our Brian Safran, is involved with the FAA Safety Team. We were talking about spring and since Brian is a ½ owner and lives on Valley City Airport which is grass or sod we discussed the runway conditions. So here are some great suggestions.

- 1.- First flight after Aircraft setting a couple of months COMPLETLY CHECK OUT EVERY ITEM.
- 2.- How about you? NEED A CHECK RIDE? Guys like Brian are around to sit in the right seat with you!
- 3.- If you are operating off of grass or sod and the runway is cleared to fly still EXCERSIZE SOFT FIELD OPERATING TECHNICS FOR YOUR AIRCRAFT! In other words No Nose Over! Your all special be safe and practice safe flying in the air and on the ground! Let's all enjoy the



Your Pres. and Board are always interested in improving what ever to continue to make 50 one of EAA's finest chapters!

God Bless America. Pres. Ben

This is from Bill Moore.

Hi All....

I trust this finds you and your loved ones safe and well at this profoundly challenging time.

I want to keep you apprised of developments on the **Air Mail 100 Centennial Flights** project, the goal of which is to commemorate the courage and sacrifices of the men — and women -- who flew the mail across 2650 miles of American mountains, plains and desert one hundred years ago this coming September. You may not realize that the Post Office launched the service in the midst of the 1918-19 Influenza pandemic.

Now, one hundred years later, we find ourselves dealing with another pandemic, but like Assistant Postmaster Otto Praeger, the father of the airmail service, I certainly am determined to do all in my power to see that the project takes place on schedule: God, the government, and good sense allowing.

As I have pointed out before, the objective of the project is to fly the original route from Long Island, NY to San Francisco, CA, transferring, as they did in 1920, a bag of mail between planes at each of the designative airports — some like Iowa City, North Platte and Cheyenne still operational after 100 years and others as close to the original airfield as practical. At a minimum, the proposed transfer would involve two to three individuals: the arriving pilot, the departing pilot and a community or chapter representative delivering a bundle of commemorative postcards for placement in the mailbag.

I have been working on just such a series of postcards to commemorate all 16 of the original airfields. You can review them on the Air Mail 100 website (http://airmail100.com/postcards/review_sheets.html). I would hope that more talented graphic designers might come up with an even more appropriate set. The aim is to create a collectible series for posterity. To keep the final weight of the mailbag to 50-60 pounds, each of the 16 participating communities and associated EAA chapters would receive a set of some 350 cards, each card 5-7 grams. Along with the bundle of postcards, we would provide a list of "must receive" addresses to make sure all participating organizations would receive at least one each of the sixteen stamped, cancelled, and - hopefully - handwritten cards. Beyond this limited list, who receives a card is entirely up to the local organizers. Schools could get involved, local Chambers of Commerce, senior citizen centers. How we pay for them, of course, yet needs to be worked out. Ken Martin, the CEO of the America Philatelic Society in Bellefonte, thought each community would be willing to help fund theirs.

So, besides enlisting planes and pilots and coordinating with each airport, the FAA, local city officials, getting commemorative postcards organized will be challenge enough, but it is keeping me out of mischief and gives me something to look forward to beyond the present malaise. I hope it will for you as well.

Stay well.

Blue skies and tailwinds always.

Bill Moore Air Mail 100 Centennial Flights

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Dear Fellow Aviators,

In just a little over four months, we are planning (and praying) to retrace the transcontinental route pioneered by a tiny cadre of very brave young men who set out 100 years ago from both sides of the American continent in a bold - and politically risky - venture to deliver the US mail at least one day quicker than the best express trains of the time. The success of a regular, coast-to-coast air mail system would, in time, pave the way for the introduction of better, safer aircraft kept aloft by more powerful and reliable engines than the de Havillands Jack Knight, Jimmy Murray, and William Hopson flew. Lighted airway beacons, accurate route maps, and eventually radio ranges eventually replaced the follow-the-tracks, seat-of-the-pants flying of 1920. Two key players in those developments would be airmail pilot Elrey Jeppesen and timber tycoon William Boeing, whose subsequent company histories would intertwin. Jeppesen would start compiling the data for his maps while flying for Boeing Air Transport, the predecessor of United Airlines, launching Jeppesen & Co. in the basement of his home in Salt Lake City in 1934 with his flight attendant wife, Nadine. He would continue to fly for United, retiring in 1954.

In 2000, Boeing acquired the company.

But as I learned from a phone conversation this week with AOPA's Kollin Stagnito, the days of pilots flying with paper charts clipped to kneeboards has long passed. (I still have a bunch them from my days of flying out of West Virginia). Nowadays, everything is electronic, Kollin told me, introducing me to a new term: EFB - **electronic flight bag** - basically an iPad app that combines airway sectionals and weather data with GPS navigation. EFB's came long after I had made my last landing at Mercer County Airport on the mountain top above Bluefield.

Seeing the handwriting on the iPad, Boeing last year acquired Foreflight [https://foreflight.com/], the "all-in-one solution that makes flying easier, safer, and more enjoyable," according to the company website.

So, what does this have to do with the **AirMail100 Centennial Flights** project, you ask? Nothing definite at the moment, but I have been told interest in what we're doing is growing, especially given the impact Covid-19 is having not just on the confidence of the country, but especially the airline industry, whose antecedents are those very airmail pilots we seek to honor. I regularly check my Flight Radar 24 app and the results are truly sobering. Most of the large aircraft passing over eastern Nebraska these days are cargo planes. Commercial passenger flights are a trickle compared to what they were just a few short weeks back. I recently sat in on an Aviation Week webinar with the head of Embraer S.A., who explained that it would take 3-5 years for the industry to revive, and when it does, it's likely to be different than what it was just sixth months ago.

Then yesterday, I learned that the EAA's **AirVenture 2020** has now been cancelled, a disappointing, but prudently cautious decision, in my view.

In planning for the AirMail100 transcontinental flights this September, I take some conciliation in the fact that we can still pull it off, if necessary, as a minimal contact event: two pilots on a remote ramp exchanging a mail bag of commemorative postcards destined to be cancelled and mailed from San Francisco. Except for that brief exchange, they'll be practicing social distancing at 10,000 feet most of the time. Of course, I hope we can raise pubic awareness "virtually" via social media. Kollin informed me that AOPA, who has volunteered to fly the first Long Island-to-Bellefonte leg, is planning to "live stream" the flight on the web. Hopefully, we can arrange for other pilots do the same on the other 14 segments.

There is still much to be organized, especially coordinating with local communities and airport authorities, as well as the FAA and Post Office. One thing we have need for is funds and given the financial impact Covid-19 is having on pretty much all of us, money is super tight. The corporate donors one might usually turn to have understandably tightened their belts. So, one area that I am exploring is setting up an **e-commerce component to the <u>AirMail100.com</u> website** and offering commemorative items like the polo shirt attached below. I have come up with three possible designs: the stamp cancellation design, the airplane design, and the Wings 100 design.

Before picking a design, however, should we even offer these as a fund-raising vehicle? Would you be interested in buying one to help support the project? I don't want to invest my time on something that isn't needed or wanted, especially now. If this does have a certain appeal, please take a moment to visit the website and complete the short design survey to help us gauge interest for this funding mechanism.

CHOOSE-A-DESIGN: http://airmail100.com/stores.php

Again, thank you so much for your interest in helping preserve the memory of one of America's most remarkable human and technological achievements.

And as always, here's wishing you clear skies and a 20kt tailwind,

Bill



- 1. July 25th August 1- Jasper County Fair. The Jasper County Fairgrounds are right across the street from the airport.
- 2. Date TBD- 2 Tunes on the Tarmac Concerts- Looking for acts (volunteers) for two local charity concerts at the airport. First concert to honor local/regional veterans while the second concert will help raise funds for the county Sherriff's department to obtain another K9 unit.
- 3. One other event potentially in the works and scheduled around Oshkosh time. More to come!

Ray Seif, Airport Manager

Jasper County Airport 2326 W Clark Street Rensselaer, IN 47978

219.866.2100 (Office) email to: lnfo@JasperCountyAirport.com







EAA Chapter 67 normally meets the first Monday of every month at 7:00 PM at the Noblesville Airport.

There is often a pitch-in at 6:30 PM prior to the meeting. A business meeting takes place at 6:00 PM before the pitch-in and is open to all.

Here are some highlights of what's coming. Look further below for more details. Lycoming Thunderbolt - Jeffrey Schans, Lycoming Thunderbolt Sales Manager, will be giving a presentation on Lycoming engines. It will include some history and technical information. OBVIOUSLY NOTHING IS CERTAIN.

Visitors and Guests are Always Welcomed

Business 6:00 PM

This is where we take care of official business. All are welcome but there are many who do not find this of much interest. So often people will wait and join us for the Pitch-In or the Program.

- Call to order
- Approval of Minutes
- Reports of Officers

Pitch-In 6:30 PM

May: Larry J. will have a dish. <u>June</u>: Tenderloins. <u>July</u>: open. <u>August</u>: Rob M. <u>September</u>: open. <u>October</u>: Family Day. <u>November</u>: Brian and Allan will have chili.

NOTE - THANK YOU TRINI BEAVER FOR VOLUNTEERING TO DO APRIL. Maybe another date will work out in the future.

NOTE - Please consider volunteering to help out with this. I believe the pitch-in is a great opportunity to visit, network, and getting to know people. Simple things like a stew, casserole, burritos, potpie, spaghetti, soup, lasagna, and chili are great. And all of those have nearly infinite variations. We reimburse you for the raw materials. Talk to me if you would like some guidance.

Program 7:00 PM

Lycoming Thunderbolt

Jeffrey Schans, Lycoming Thunderbolt Sales Manager, will be giving a presentation on Lycoming engines. It will include some history and technical information.

NOTE - We are always interested in your ideas on presentations. If you have ideas please reply to this email and let's discuss!

Dates 2020

NOTE - Let me know if I have missed a cancellation.

Sat, June 13 Pancake Breakfast - EAA Chapter 67. Noblesville (I80). From 8:00 AM to 11:00 AM.

Sat, June 20 Wings Over Indy - Indy Exec (KTYQ). This supports Down Syndrome of Indiana.

Sat, June 27 Young Eagle - EAA Chapter 67. Location TBD. From TBD to TBD.

July 20-26 AirVenture - EAA National. Oshkosk (KOSH). World's Greatest Aviation Celebration.

Sat, Aug 29 Pancake Breakfast - EAA Chapter 67. Noblesville (I80). From 8:00 AM to 11:00 AM.

Sat, Sept 5 Fly-In Cruise-In - Marion (KMZZ).

Sat/Sun, Sept 19-20 BBQ Bash for SMA Support - Glenndale (813).

Sat, Sept 26 Young Eagle - EAA Chapter 67. Logansport (GGP). From 8:00 AM to TBD.

FORWARD FROM FLIGHT TRAINING CENTERS (Home of the "Indiana Pilots' Club") AKA The Kokomo/Glenndale Pilots with a bit of Sheridan/Westfield/Noblesville mixed in and I could probably keep going...

NOshkosh 2020!

As I'm sure you're all aware by now, EAA AirVenture (aka Oshkosh) has been canceled for this year due to the Coronavirus.

Since we can't fathom a year without an aviation celebration, we have decided to hold our own version of Oshkosh, locally, during that same week, July 20-26th! We are coming up with some

fun new plans and ideas, and we think you're going to love it!

There will be options for camping, lots of airplanes, cookouts, several fly-outs and fly-overs, maybe some formations, and possibly even an airshow or three!

More details will be forthcoming, so keep an eye out, and Save the Date! After all, most of you already did. ;)

Steve & Laura

President: Nick Boland, 317-877-6425, eaachapter67@gmail.com

Noblesville Airport (180) 14782 Promise Road Noblesville, Indiana 46060

FAA Stops Medical En-forcement Until June 30

Russ Niles, 03/28/2020

Any pilot whose medical expires after March 30 can continue to fly until June 30 without renewing in light of the novel coronavirus cri-sis. The FAA announced on Friday it will not be enforcing medical expirations during that period so that medical personnel can focus on dealing with the pandemic. "The Notice states that from March 31, 2020 to June 30, 2020, the FAA will not take legal en-forcement action against any per-son serving as a required pilot flight crew member or flight engi-neer who holds a medical certificate that expires within this time period," AOPA quoted an email from FAA staff as reporting.

The announcement came after AOPA and other aviation groups called on the FAA to relax dead-line-sensitive pilot qualifications, which in addition to medicals in-clude checkrides and knowledge tests. "The FAA is meeting the moment by finding the quickest and most effective path to address an urgent need and we deeply ap-preciate the creative thinking and recognition that keeping general aviation operational serves a great-er good," said AOPA President Mark Baker. National Air Trans-portation Association Senior Vice President Ryan Waguespack also commended the action, saying it was necessary to keep Part 135 carriers operational. "NATA is grateful the FAA is continuing to listen to our requests to support the 135 industry during this critical time," he said.



Calendar of Events

Jun 14 Pancake Breakfast - Canceled
Jun 20 Young Eagles Rally #1 Tentative yet probable date. Canceled
Jul ___ A2GA2 Adopt-A-Road Cleanup
Jul 20-26 EAA AirVenture 2020 Canceled
Aug 29-30 Thunder over Michigan
Sep ___ A2GA2 Adopt-A-Road Cleanup
Dec 8 Holiday Party

For Sale:

BEARKAWK LSA WING PROJECT- FOR SALE Includes factory spars, aluminum sheet sufficient to complete, plans. DVDs, print outs, form blocks, master form block, etc. Nose ribs blanked and routed and some small parts completed. Bearhawk publications and a dimensioned wing table drawing. Lost interest and my flying days are over. A steal at \$1,500.00.

JD Woods. jdvespa@yahoo.com. Or 734 439-7717, leave message.

WANTED: Newsletter editor. What you see is what you get. eaa333president@gmail.com



Young Eagles Day Postponed

The Annual Chapter 846 Young Eagles Day, scheduled for Saturday, June 13, has been postponed. As the world quiets down, we will look at the calendar to see if a public Young Eagles Day can be scheduled or fly kids on a smaller scale by invitation. We have names of many interested kids from last year who have not yet gone on their ride. They will be contacted first to set up flights.

This quarantine that most of us are under might be a good time for any pilots who will be flying Young Eagles this year to complete the EAA Youth Protection Program. If you are unsure of your status with the program, please go to https://www.eaa.org/apps/chapters/ chapterpersonlookup.aspx and type in your last name and EAA member number.

Thursday, May 14, 2020	EAA Chapter 846 Monthly Meeting	May chapter meeting will be	7:00 PM
•	,	via video link-up	
Thursday,	EAA Chapter 846	June chapter	7:00 PM
June 14, 2020	Monthly Meeting	meeting will be	
		via video link??	



Another Pilots N Paws Flight

I was able to fly my second flight for the Pilots N Paws organization March 5. I flew my RV-6 to Danville, KY, to pick up Baxter, a 1 ½ year-old Husky. Baxter had found his way to the shelter in Danville and had been there for the past month. I had pulled out the passenger seat back and laid cushions and moving blankets down, as well as removing my smoke tank, so that Baxter would have room to move as needed. We flew to Grosse Ile, MI, where we met his new foster daddy, who will hopefully keep Baxter for his new forever home. Baxter was a fantastic passenger for the long flight!

As I was taxiing out to depart Danville, a Mooney was practicing touch and go's in the pattern. After I completed my run-up and predeparture checks, the Mooney had turned final. I glanced at him to see if I might take off ahead of him but decided against it. I'm glad I waited! As he got closer, I noticed an odd look to the Mooney: his flaps were down but not the gear. As he came in, I kept waiting for his gear to come down. He crossed the runway threshold at fifty feet and his gear was still up! But the flaps were down! I was calling on the radio and repeating myself: "Mooney, check your gear. Your gear's not down!" When there was no answer on the radio nor any configuration change on the Mooney, I

looked at my radio and noticed that my Ray Allen stick grip with multiple buttons on the top failed me again. The Unicom frequency was in Standby and replaced with 123.45 on the Active portion of my radio. I quickly switched the frequencies and made more radio calls to the Mooney. This time the pilot heard me when he was at ten feet and beginning the flare. He immediately applied full power and the nose came up to more than twenty degrees nose up. He reacted right away by pushing the nose down to the appropriate climb attitude and then climbed out normally. The pilot thanked me over the radio, and it did not sound like his normal pilot voice he had been using previously flying around the pattern. I told him he could check off that box of attempting a gear-up landing. He said he did not know how he had forgotten to put the gear down in the pattern, but he was going to land out of the next approach and call it a day. I was very glad that I had not rushed my takeoff, for his sake!

I stated above that my stick grip failed me again because this is a known problem in my RV. The buttons on the Allen stick grip do not give me positive feedback when pushed. One of the buttons changes the Comm #1 Active and Standby frequencies. I now normally put the same frequency in both positions so that accidentally touching that button does not screw up the radio. I had not done that when I had flown into Danville and had not noticed that during my taxi-out for the departure. Just another lesson learned and thankfully I was able to switch frequencies quickly enough to save the Mooney. If you are building or restoring an airplane, please take this example into account and check the operation of all your equipment. This will hopefully ensure that you are familiar with the little idiosyncrasies of your aircraft.

Pilots N Paws® is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization. It is intended to be a meeting place for volunteers engaged in the valuable services of rescuing, sheltering and adopting animals, and volunteer pilots and plane owners willing to assist with animal transportation. The intent of Pilots N Paws is to provide a means in which volunteers can come together and arrange or schedule rescue flights, overnight foster care or shelter and other related activities. For more information about Pilots N Paws, please go to their website: https://www.pilotsnpaws.org.



Congratulations to Randy Brooks!

I would like to offer my personal congratulations to Randy Brooks for completing the restoration of his Piper J-3 Cub and completing the first flight of it on Saturday, April 4, 2020! I had the pleasure of flying off his wing in my RV-6 during his second flight that afternoon. I called on the radio that I was inbound to Skypark and someone called me back. It was Randy who was airborne over Skypark! I joined up off his right wing and really had to watch my airspeed. He was cruising along at 75 mph and I had to slow from 160 mph back to his 75. Once I had slowed to flap speed, it was easy to extend full flaps and then maintain position off his wing. I was able to keep my position and

take some photos of another successful aircraft restoration by a chapter member!

I landed at Skypark and watched the second landing of Randy in his Cub. After parking at Ron and

Paul Lutz' hangar, I joined others in congratulating Randy on another successful flight. We all practiced the required social distancing with both ourselves and our aircraft. Well done, Randy!

- Gary



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EAA Chapter 373 Richmond, IN

Ford Tri-Motor Canceled We received a call from EAA that all Ford Tri-Motor stops are cancelled prior to AirVenture due to ongoing restrictions on travel.

May Chapter Breakfast Cancelled

After consulting with the officer team we are going to cancel the May breakfast as a precaution. We do see some light at the end of the tunnel as restrictions start lifting and are looking forward to seeing everyone in June.

FAA SPECIAL RULE EXTENDS MANY OPERATING PRIVILEGES TO JUNE 30 AOPA-Backed Initiative Addresses Several Pilot Concerns

FREDERICK, Md., April 30, 2020—The Aircraft Owners and Pilots Association supported efforts that resulted in the FAA issuing a <u>special federal aviation regulation (SFAR)</u> yesterday. The SFAR will help pilots by extending the validity of expired or soon-to-expire medical certificates, flight reviews, recency of experience requirements for instrument pilots, and flight instructor certificates—in most cases— until June 30.

Additional conditions tied to proficiency were attached to several provisions of the rule intended to provide relief from the near-total shutdown of flight training and testing caused by the coronavirus pandemic, which was declared a national emergency on January 31.

"The regulatory relief provided in this SFAR will enable the continuity of aviation operations that are critical during the COVID-19 outbreak, including operations that support essential services and flights that support response efforts," says the final rule, adding that the rule extends relief intended to prevent individuals from suffering "unnecessary economic burdens due to circumstances related to the outbreak that are outside of their control."

AOPA has begun a detailed review of the SFAR, which is titled *Relief for Certain Persons and Operations during the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID19) Outbreak, and* takes effect immediately on publication.

"We appreciate the FAA's work on this relief package," said AOPA President Mark Baker. "There appear to be some very useful provisions in the 94-page document, and we will address more of its details soon."

Here are some of the rule's impact on general aviation:

• **Medical certificates**. The FAA extended the validity periods of airman medical certificates that expire between March 31 and May 31 through June 30. However, the prohibition on operations during medical deficiency remains in effect.

Flight reviews. The FAA is offering a three-calendar-month "grace period" for those whose flight review may expire between March 1 and June 30. A condition of eligibility for the extension is that the pilot must have logged at least 10 hours of pilot in command time within the 12 calendar months preceding the month the flight review was due, in an aircraft for which that pilot is rated. Also, eligible pilots must complete FAA Safety Team online courses totaling at least three Wings credits. The courses must have been completed in January or later to meet this requirement, according to the rule.

- Recent flight experience, pilot in command. The FAA only provided relief for instrument recency. It extended by three extra months the requirement to be current under FAR 61.57(c) by having performed and logged, within the six calendar months preceding the month of the flight, six instrument approaches, holding procedures and tasks, and intercepting and tracking courses through the use of navigational electronic systems. An additional eligibility requirement is that the pilot must have logged, in the preceding six calendar months, three instrument approaches in actual weather conditions, or under simulated conditions using a view-limiting device. Eligible pilots may exercise the relief in this SFAR through June 30, it says. Pilots who are unable to meet the instrument experience requirements before June 30 may still reestablish recency in accordance with FAR 61.57(d), but the number of months available to attain the instrument experience before having to take an instrument proficiency check "will depend on when the person last established instrument recency" in accordance with the regulation.
- **Knowledge tests.** Applicants whose knowledge tests expire between March and June will have their knowledge tests' validity extended by three months, making the applicants eligible for a practical test for a certificate or rating issued under Part 61 for those additional three calendar months.
- **Flight instructors.** Flight instructor certificates, unlike pilot certificates, expire every two years. The SFAR will extend the validity of flight instructor certificates that expired between March 31 and May 31 until June 30.
- **U.S. military and civilian personnel.** The SFAR gives U.S. military and civilian personnel who were assigned outside the United States in support of U.S. Armed Forces operations and returned to the United States from deployment in October 2019 through March an additional three months beyond the six months allowed to comply with flight instructor and airframe and powerplant mechanic inspection authorization requirements, or complete the appropriate practical test, within six calendar months after returning to the United States.
- **Inspection authorization.** The SFAR grants to airframe and powerplant mechanics with inspection authorization who were not able to meet the first year (even-numbered year) renewal requirements by March an additional three months (April to June) to complete one of the listed activities to meet the first-year renewal requirements.

For ongoing news and advocacy updates around the impacts of the coronavirus on GA, visit AOPA's resource page.

Since 1939, AOPA has protected the freedom to fly by creating an environment that gives people of all ages the opportunity to enjoy aviation and all it has to offer. AOPA is the world's largest community of pilots, aircraft owners and aviation enthusiasts with representatives based in Frederick, Md., Washington, D.C., and seven regions across the United States. The association provides member services including advocacy at the federal, state, and local levels, legal services, flight training, and safety programs, and award-winning media. AOPA specializes in making aviation more accessible to everyone. To learn more, visit www.aopa.org.

M34 Kentucky Dam State Park Airport Calvert City, Kentucky

Ameribration – July 4 Memorial Park

Food Truck Friday May – August 11:00 AM – 2:00 PM

September – 4:30 PM – 8:00 PM Memorial Park

Fall Fun Fest – October 3 Memorial Park

Christmas Bazaar (over 100 arts and craft vendors) December 5

9AM – 4 PM Calvert City Civic Center

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Director of Marketing, Communications and Business Development https://calvertcity.com/community/

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

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Save the Dates !!!!

June 27th & 28th Dayton Air Show – Dayton, OH

U.S. Navy Blue Angels
U.S. Air Force A-10 Thunderbolt II

Redline Airshows Tora! Tora! Tora! Tora! AeroShell Aerobatic Team Kevin Coleman

Air Show Announcers: Rob Reider & Danny Clisham

July 20th - 26th Airventure – Oshkosh, WI **Canceled** (2)

EAA AirVenture Oshkosh 2020 to Highlight U.S. Air Force Special Operations Canadian Forces Snowbirds

August 1st Motors & Rotors – Bolton Field (KTZR) Columbus, OH

2nd Annual Motors & Rotors Bolton Field -2000 Norton Rd. Columbus, OH JP's BBQ, Free Spectator Admission 9 AM -3 PM, Registration Fee \$ 10, registration closes at noon; Sponsors \$ 50 table at JP's, logo on volunteer shirts. Hosted by GCCS, All profits go to SWCS Career Academy Contact sabsten@yahoo.com

August 13th – 15th The All Ohio Balloon Fest

Thursday – The Beach Boys Friday – Shane Stephens & Cliff Cody
Friday – The Reaganomics followed by Bon Journey
Stay tuned for more details

September 5th Wings & Wheels Marion, OH

Dronewerx

Under new management. There is a new committee installed to organize and promote the 2020 event Stay tuned for more details

September 5th - 7th Cleveland Air Show Cleveland, OH

US Navy Blue Angels
US Air Force F-16 Viper
USA Golden Knights
USCG HH-65C SAR Demo
Shockwave Jet Truck
WWII Focke-Wulf 190
WWII Messerschmitt 109
Playful Airshows
Kent Pietsch
Pyrotechnics

Metro Life Flight Announcer – Danny Clisham

Aeromodeling

September 26th Vintage 22 Fly in / Car Show Zanesville, OH

Stay tuned for more details

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Trevor Simoneau, 15, is a student pilot. In 2015, Trevor crafted a plan to finance his future education at Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University and the cost of AvGas with custom, one-of-a-kind shirts printed with aeronautical charts. Trevor is an IB Sophomore at DeLand High School and president of Aviation Explorers 747, a club dedicated to inspiring kids of all ages interested in all aspects of aviation. He also works as an aviation news reporter for Sun 'n Fun Radio.

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Also if you are a manager of an airport / FBO we would like your articles also.

Tell us about an event that is going to take place at your airport, a great restaurant that is on the airfield for those pilots that like those \$100 hamburgers.

A great place to visit that is close to the airport where you have a courtesy car or that they are willing to pick up visitors and take them to the location.

If you are a local chapter and are willing to transport visitors of your airport to a local event that is great. Let us know and we can post it here.

Afterall, EAA is known for its hospitality.

If someone from your Chapter has a plane, parts or tools for sale we can include it here.

If you don't want to write an article and would like for me to visit your website / Facebook page and gather my own 'intel' for an article, let me know.

Be sure to let me know if you have a different person that will be sending articles or to receive the newsletter to distribute to your Chapter members.

Please share this with your aviator friends.

I will be starting a comment section so please send your comments as to what you would like to see from Chapters and FBO's.

Thanks to all who sent me an article!

Also even if you don't have an event to talk about or an upcoming event to let us know about, a human interest article with pics is also welcome. We love to hear about your members. Also please start thinking about the June newsletter. I would like the articles for it by May 26th please.

Thanks again - Darlene Ford