



# Chapter 172

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## UPCOMING CHAPTER EVENTS



**Saturday, December 10, Noon at the Pea Patch**

You and your family are invited to join us in celebrating this holiday season!

We will provide roasted chicken, so please bring a side dish or dessert to share. Enjoy a delicious meal and the warmth of visiting with other chapter members and their families.

Note: Although we will not be collecting toys or gifts for donation at this event, we encourage you to donate to a charity of your choice at other locations.

## Chapter Membership

It's time to renew your chapter membership! Chapter dues will remain at \$30 if you pay by January 31, then will be \$40 for those who pay late. Please bring your dues to the our holiday party on December 10<sup>th</sup> or mail a check payable to "EAA Chapter 172" to Sandy Walther, 2220 Gregory Lake Road, North Augusta, SC 29860.

Your dues help fund our chapter's activities and right to operate (insurance, taxes, utilities, maintenance). We have an exciting year planned with guest speakers on interesting aviation topics and several fun events. For updates on chapter activities, watch your email for these monthly newsletters and visit our website at <https://eaa172.org> or our Facebook site "EAA Chapter 172".

We look forward to seeing you at our monthly chapter gatherings and eat-outs!

## November meeting recap

Our November 12<sup>th</sup> meeting was our annual business meeting during which we elected chapter officers for the coming year. Nandi Shetty agreed to continue as President, with Al Nodorft rejoining the officer board as Vice President. Ronna Hiltz was elected as Secretary, and Sandy Walther continues as Treasurer. Our chapter thanks those who volunteer not only as chapter officers but also helping with hangar maintenance, technical advice, and support for our meetings and events.

We also want to thank all those who shared their favorite Thanksgiving foods for our chapter meal!

After the business part of our meeting, we were treated to a great presentation by Pierre Smith. Pierre shared many pictures and stories from his experiences with “crop dusting” as an ag pilot. We learned how flight patterns over a field have shifted to be more efficient (and less hair-raising!). Pierre shared how ag pilots adjust variables such as chemical dilution, expected coverage, field acreage, and overspray prevention. He answered lots of questions from his audience. Thank you, Pierre, for providing a fascinating glimpse into this aviation specialty.



  
**Let's  
Eat Out**  


Plan to join us in January when we resume our monthly Eat Outs on the fourth Thursday of each month.

Have a wonderful holiday season!

## Free advertising!

Do you have stuff in your hangar that you would like to clear out and make a few bucks? Do you have some aviation books or supplies that you will never need again? Do you want to get it advertised in next month's newsletter? Send your list of stuff WITH prices to Sandy Walther at [sandywalther@yahoo.com](mailto:sandywalther@yahoo.com).

## **Flight Tracking**

One of our members, Russ Dedrickson, wants to know if you are interested in a workshop to build your own ADS-B tracking station. He has built three of these previously and has a set of two brand new kits that need assembly, programming, and initialization to place them in service. The kits cost around \$120, and the build should take one to two hours. You can contact Russ for more information at [crdedrickson@gmail.com](mailto:crdedrickson@gmail.com).



## **Engine for Sale**

Keith Robbins is selling a Continental O-300-D, 2294 TT 1077 MOH 2212 6 reman. cylinders, Air Flow Performance fuel injector system, Custom intake manifolds to match fuel system. For more information and pictures, call Keith at 702-359-2418.

## Identify this Airplane

### **LAST MONTH**



[description courtesy of Wikipedia]

The mystery aircraft to the left is a **Flylab Tucano**, an Italian ultralight aircraft produced by Flylab of Ischitella. The aircraft is supplied as a kit for “amateur construction” or as a complete ready-to-fly aircraft. The Tucano was produced in the 1990s by Ferrari ULM. The aircraft is made from bolted-together aluminum tubing with its flying surfaces covered in Dacron sailcloth, and its engine in a pusher configuration. The Tucano V has a glide ratio of 11:1.

### **THIS MONTH**

Just for fun, see if you can identify the airplane pictured to the right. The answer will be revealed in the next newsletter.



## SC Breakfast Club Schedule

Date	City	Airport Name	Unicom	Airport ID
December 11	Hartsville, SC	Hartsville Regional	122.8	<a href="#">KHVS</a>

### 2023

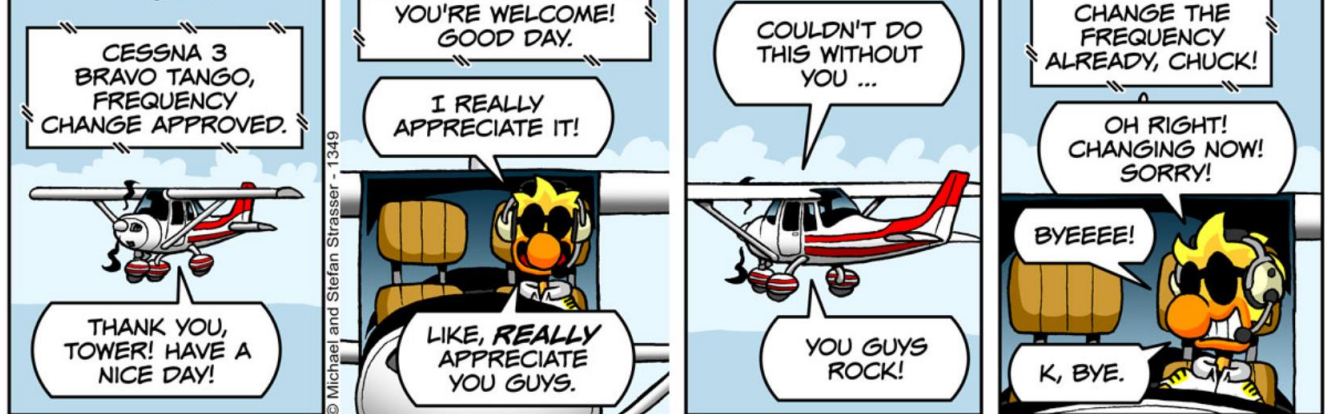
January 8	Greenville, SC	Greenville Downtown	ATC	<a href="#">KGMU</a>
January 22	Conway, SC	Conway-Horry County	122.7	<a href="#">KHYW</a>
February 5	Beaufort, SC	Beaufort County	122.7	<a href="#">KARW</a>
February 19	Georgetown, SC	Georgetown County	123.0	<a href="#">KGGE</a>

## Other Upcoming Events

Feb 24, 2023 – Chilly Chili Fly-in at Triple Tree (tta.aero)

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### WHERE TO FIND US:

EAA172 meets every 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of the month at several locations around Augusta, GA throughout the year. However, our primary meeting place is at our chapter clubhouse on Pea Patch Aerodrome (61GA) in Blythe, GA. Take Route 1 toward Blythe, turn south at the Citgo/Quik Mart station onto Bath-Edie Road. At the first intersection, turn right onto Patterson Road and follow ¼ mile. Make a left turn onto Boulineau Road (across from the Rec Center) and drive 1 mile. The entrance to Pea Patch is on your right. The clubhouse is at the end of a row of hangars next to the grass strip, just south of the windsock.

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