



# FLYPAPER

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## CHAPTER NEWS

# Milwaukee Flugtag



**Only 89  
Days to  
Oshkosh!**



On July 16, the city of Milwaukee will host a Red Bull Flugtag.

Red Bull Flugtag is an event organized by Red Bull in which competitors attempt to fly home-made, human-powered flying machines, size-limited to around 33 feet and weight-limited to approximately 330 pounds. The flying machines are usually launched off a 30 foot pier into the sea or body of water (in our case, the lovely Milwaukee River.) Most competitors enter for the entertainment value, and the flying machines rarely fly at all.

The format was originally invented in Selsey, a small seaside town in the south of England under the name "Birdman Rally" in 1971. The first Red Bull Flugtag competition was held in 1992 in Vienna, Austria. It was such a success that it has been held every year since and in over 35 cities all over the world.

Anyone is eligible to compete in the Flugtag event. To participate, each team must submit an application and their contraption must meet the criteria set forth by Red Bull. The criteria vary with location. In the United States each flying machine must have a maximum wingspan of 30 feet and a maximum weight (including pilot) of 450 pounds. The craft must be powered by muscle, gravity, and imagination. Because the aircraft will ultimately end up in the water, it must be unsinkable and constructed entirely of environmentally friendly materials. The aircraft may not have any loose parts and advertising space is limited to 1-square-foot.

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Ugh.....it seems like every President's Message that I've written is about the weather. The latest from Mother Nature were the 30 knot gusts that cancelled the Young Eagles event scheduled with the Boy Scouts of America. I know how much you all love the BSA, and their policies, but Cindy Robinson, our intrepid Young Eagles Coordinator, worked very hard to coordinate enough factory aircraft to fly nearly 2745 scouts.....well, it wasn't that many...but it was a lot. Cindy also made sure that a number of Chapter members legally obtained credentials as ground volunteers so that security would allow them on the tarmac to assist. I know that I almost missed getting my blood and stool samples in on time to be accepted as a volunteer. In the end, it didn't work out. However, the coordinators of the event now know that our YE Coordinator kicks ass, and there are a number of Boy Scouts and their parents who are aware of when they can fly during our future events.

Good things are happening indoors, out of the weather. Vice President Tim Meyer and his Ray Scholarship Committee have found five candidates for the scholarship. I know they are working diligently, out of the wind, to mentor the group through the application process with the intention of receiving and reviewing the important application essays. These essays will be followed by meetings with the individual candidates and, ultimately, a decision. I am confident that Tim, and the committee, will forward a candidate that will make the Chapter proud. As you know, the process doesn't end there. The next Ray Scholar will be integrated into the Chapter through meetings and events. There will be many opportunities for members to mentor the scholar through their journey towards certification.

With a new scholar on the horizon, let's not forget about our current scholar, Owen Robinson. Owen has been back in his seat, getting in some hours. When you see him at a meeting, take the time to introduce yourself and offer up any and all wisdom you've gained in your experience with aviation. I think you all are an amazing group of aviators with so much to share to those who are learning, and those that are interested to learn. This is one of the key, non-financial, benefits of the Ray Scholarship.

We're back where it all started....sort of. Timmerman has been the Chapter home for many years and a good portion of our membership love meeting there. So, as we move through the Spring and Summer months, the Chapter will begin meeting again at Timmerman. Come on out and enjoy hangar talk in a real hangar while sipping on probably the worst coffee ever made. I will try to make up for it with some decent cookies. Keep the crunching to a minimum this month as you listen to RV-10 builder Clint Hanson provide an in-depth builders report.

That's it ..... As always.....remember to just fly right, build right, and enjoy the hell out of it all.

# APRIL MEETING



# April Meeting

Tuesday, April 26

Program: RV-10 Builder's Report with Clint Hansen



Regular Meeting at 7:30 p.m.

Timmerman Airport  
9305 W. Appleton Avenue  
Milwaukee

# MEETING MINUTES



The March meeting was called to order by President Thaddeus Pinkoski at 7:35 PM at Crites Field in Waukesha.

**Announcements:** Guests were asked to introduce themselves and 3 people did so. The Chapter will have it's spring picnic on May 21st. it will be hosted by Fred Keip at his Burlington Hangar.

**Building Reports:** John Nate reports that he tried a new type of epoxy on the right wing of his Defiant. He first heated the epoxy but when it cured, it caused air bubbles. He had to sand them out and then cover with new fiberglass. The right wing has now been moved to the garage. He is now starting on the left wing. Fred Keip reports that he is ready to start painting the frame o his Ultra Pup which is a 3/4 scale Cub.

**Flying Reports:** Jeff Romuald reports that he and his son flew their RV-7 to Kentucky and New Orleans. While in New Orleans, then went to the WWII Museum. Dave Dunn reported on flying his Debonair to Punta Cana with only one stop. Owen Robinson reported that he has completed a night cross country flight. Flight was from Waukesha to Appleton and then Manitowoc. He is now planning for his solo cross country.

**Young Eagles:** Cindy Robinson reported that a private event is scheduled for April 23rd at the 128th Air National Guard. This event is for certified planes only.

**New Business:** It was reported that our Chapter is being granted another Ray Aviation scholarship, Tim Meyer is looking for candidates. The evening program was a virtual tour of the EAA museum given by Chris Henry.

Treasurers report was approved a published. The minutes from the previous meeting were approved as published.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:15pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Jim Hatzenbeller (Secretary)

# BOD MEETING MINUTES



The March Board meeting was called to order at 6:35 by President Thaddeus Pinkoski at Crites Field in Waukesha. Jim Hatzenbeller, Tim Meyer, Clint Hansen, Glenn Botsford, Ken Ceranski, Harry Pinkoski and Jeff point were present. Web site manager, Darrell Kufalk was also present

**Announcements:** Programs for upcoming meetings were discussed. Thad said he would establish and post the schedule. Tim and Glenn are soliciting candidates for the Ray Aviation Scholarship Program. The selected candidate's name will be submitted to EAA in order to receive funding. Tim has agreed again to take main leadership of this program. Discussion took place as to how soon a candidate should be approved.

**Old Business:** No old business was discussed.

**Young Eagles:** A private event is scheduled for April 23rd at the 128th Air National Guard. This event is for certified planes only. Cindy Robinson has established a database listing youths who have taken a Young Eagles flight.

**New Business:** Jeff Point was appointed to fill a vacant Board seat position. Darrell would like to establish an airplane database of what Chapter members are building or have built.

Meeting adjourned at 7:10.

Respectfully submitted,

Jim Hatzenbeller (Secretary).



# CALENDAR OF EVENTS

**Tuesday, April 26, 2022 – Chapter 18 Meeting**

CAP Hangar  
 Timmerman Airport  
 Director’s Meeting 6:30 p.m.  
 Regular Meeting 7:30 p.m.

**Saturday, May 21, 2022 – Spring Picnic**

Keip Hangar  
 Burlington Airport  
 11:00 a.m. –

**Monday, July 25, 2022 – EAA AirVenture**

Oshkosh, WI

**Monday, April 8, 2024 – Total Eclipse of the Sun**

Somewhere, where there are no clouds. Remember your Social Distancing Protocols.



MAY 2022						
SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
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15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				



TREASURER REPORT-TREASURER GLENN BOTSFORD

March 2022	Checking	Savings	PayPal	Total	Paid Membership
Beginning Balance	\$2,914.74	\$763.65	\$138.28	\$3,816.67	102
Income					
Interest	\$0.00	\$0.02	\$0.00		
Dues	\$190.00	\$0.00	\$40.00		
Badges	\$20.00	\$0.00	\$0.00		
Total Income	\$210.00	\$0.02	\$40.00		
Expenses					
Ray Scholarship	\$1,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00		
Total Expenses	\$1,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00		
Ending Balance	\$2, 124.74	\$763.67	\$178.28	\$3,066.69	





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