



THE CHAPTER 221 FLYER

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President's Message



Hello fellow AV8R's

Hopefully everyone had a great time at Kosh and have stories to share.

This month's upcoming meeting will be held at Jeff Bowdidge's home and we will get to see the progress on his RV10. Details to be posted soon.

Attached is a short bio from Jeff.

Hope to see y'all at his home on the 4th.

Prez breaking right

Brian Klenoski

Chapter 221 president

September Meeting

RV10 build and Oshkosh Recap

Visit Jeff Bowdidge's home in Battle Creek.

[115 Briars Farm Lane
Battle Creek, MI](#)

**Wednesday Sept 4th
7:00 PM**

Join us as Jeff Bowdidge hosts our next meeting at his home to see his RV10 build. We will also revisit Airventure 2024 experiences. Bring your own chair.

We hope to see you there.

See Kevin's Oshkosh pictures [here](#).

VMC Club Meeting

The next VMC Club meeting is on September 11th, 2024 at the [Travelers Craft BBQ and Whiskey Bar, 5225 Portage Rd, Portage, MI](#).

Show up at 6:30 if you want to order dinner. Meeting starts at 7.

Our [VMC Club monthly meeting](#) is where local pilots can network and share their knowledge and experience flying in the SW Michigan area. The meetings use real-world scenarios to engage members, and encourages a free exchange of information that improves awareness and skills. We look forward to seeing you there.

See the event calendar [here](#).

A note from our host, Jeff:

"As a United Airlines Captain and graduate of WMU's aviation program, I really enjoy Aviation. I'm also easily interested in new things and am a "Jack of all trades". I do, however, have to be careful about biting off more than I can chew. So it took us several years of attending Airventure, EAA Chapter 221 meetings, and speaking with others about building a kit plane, before I made the leap. My entire family are all interested in aviation and so after a lot of debate, we decided to take the leap and chose Van's RV10 to build. We ordered it in the spring of 2020 as Covid was starting and I saw that I was going to have some extra time on my hands. We received our empennage kit in the fall of 2020 and began working. Unfortunately, life started to return to normal and after the first year of construction our progress slowed to a near standstill. We have recently gotten reenergized and committed to continuing our work. Please come and see our progress and lend your experience to helping us complete this beautiful aircraft."



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