

# The CHAPTER 221 FLYER

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#### President's Message



Our April meeting was back at the AirZoo. Andy Millin built a Velocity (it is a beautiful airplane) and struggled with nose wheel shimmy. Andy provided a detailed

explanation of what causes nose wheels to shimmy including several short videos. He presented examples of how Piper, Cessna, and some kit makers "solved" the problem then shared his nose wheel shimmy damper solution. It was a great presentation and opened our eyes to how damaging nose wheel shimmy can be.

Our May meeting is a tour of the new Kalamazoo/Battle Creek International Airport control tower. Our own Jeff Bishop has arranged to show us around the facility. The tower is on the east side of the airport. The access road is off East Kilgore Road on the airport northeast boundary. We will have to be let through a security gate at the end of the access road so please try to arrive at the gate at 6:55. Don't be late! Hope to see you Wednesday, May 7th at 7:00 PM.

Fly Safe,

Dave Hull

President, EAA Chapter 221 davhull@sbcglobal.net

#### **Next Meeting**

Wednesday May 7th, 2014

7:00 PM

Jeff Bishop New Kalamazoo FAA Tower Tour



New Tower Under Construction



AZO before construction

5400 Aviation Drive Portage, Michigan 49002

Map at www.EAA221.org

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Unless otherwise specified, our chapter meetings are the first Wednesday of the month at 7:00 p.m. at the **Airzoo Flight Center Classroom** on the west side of the Kalamazoo-Battle Creek International Airport.

### EAA 221 Young Eagles Rally Saturday May 3rd

Our Young Eagle Rally for 2014 will be **Saturday, May 3rd** at the Air Zoo East Campus, 3101 E.



Milham Road, Portage MI. Flights are free (ages 8-17) and start at 9 am.

More details available on our website www.EAA221.org

For more information about Chapter 221 Young Eagle activities or to schedule a flight, contact Jim Butcher, Chapter Young Eagle Coordinator at butcher43@att.net or 269-375-5923. The national website is www.youngeagles.com.

Reservations (optional) for May 3rd may be made at youngeagle221@gmail.com or by calling 269-599-0122 starting April 25th. Or just show up to get a ride on a first come – first serve basis.

Registration forms will be available at the event.

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