



The CHAPTER 221 FLYER

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President's Message



Hello Everyone!

Thanks to Bill Wilson for inviting us over to his house last month to see his RV -7A project. And what a project it is! For those of you who missed it, you missed witnessing a masterpiece in the making. Beautiful craftsmanship Bill and thanks for sharing it and inspiring us all.

I recently received an email from Bob Shane, one of our chapter members stating that he is putting his Glastar up for sale. This airplane grew up in Chapter 221, started many years ago by Matt Russell. Matt passed away a few years ago so Bob bought and finished it. He is still flying it and it is hangered in KHAI (Three Rivers). He thought it

might be nice to keep it in the chapter, so he wanted to advertise it locally before he puts it on the Glastar website. It too is a very nice and great performing airplane.

Contact Bob at:
shane.r@att.net

Our November meeting will be 100th year birthday celebration (thanks to Kevin Mazer) for a very special item in aviation history. Don't miss it!

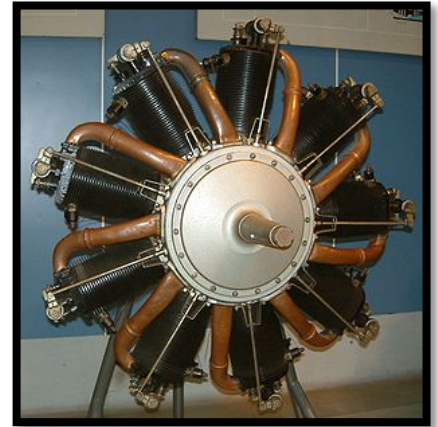
See you all at the AirZoo on November 7. Note the location and time change from our regular meetings. ⬆

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Tony approves Bill's work.

Next Event...



Air Zoo Main Campus
Wednesday, November 7
at 6 pm
6151 Portage Rd, Portage, MI 49002

Young Eagles, Unique Aircraft and More.



AIR+ZOO Like No Place Else on Earth!

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

Dates of Upcoming Chapter Events

November EAA Chapter 221 Meeting 100th Birthday of the Rotary Engine

Wednesday, November 7, 2018

6 pm

Air Zoo Main Campus

6151 Portage Rd., Portage, MI 49002

November IMC Club Meeting

Tuesday, November 13, 2018

8:00 pm.

WMU Parkview Campus

Room C124

VMC Club Meeting

Tuesday, November 27, 2018

7 pm

Brewster's, Portage Road

December Chapter 221 Meeting

Wednesday, December 5, 2018

Time and Location TBA

December IMC Club Meeting

Tuesday, December 11, 2018

8:00 pm.

WMU Parkview Campus

Room C124



Photos from the October Meeting



Runway 17/35 Rehabilitation Project

WHAT'S HAPPENING?

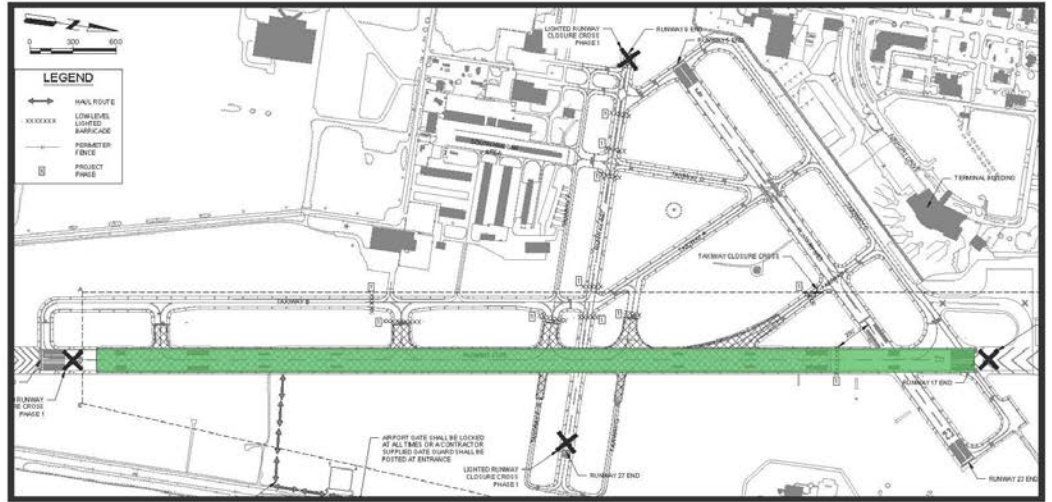
Runway 17/35, the Airport's air carrier runway, was last rehabilitated in **1998**.

As current pavement approaches its end of life, the Airport has planned to rehabilitate the runway in **June of 2019**.

During much of this project, **the Airport will be closed to commercial/airline traffic.**

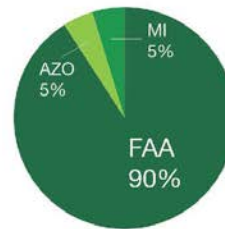
WHAT SHOULD I DO?

Please work with your airline or travel partners when making your travel plans during this time.



FUNDING DETAILS

- ▶ Funded 90% by the Federal Aviation Administration's Airport Improvement Program
- ▶ 5% State of Michigan funds
- ▶ 5% Airport funds.



KEY DATES

- ▶ **Projected Start:**
June 10, 2019
- ▶ **Projected Completion:**
June 26, 2019

ESTIMATED COST

\$5 Million





Our next meeting is
Tuesday, November 13 at 7:00 PM.

**WMU Parkview Campus
Room C124**

Contact Andy Millin: amillin@sbcglobal.net

For a map and more info visit www.eaa221.org. IMC meeting information at the bottom of the webpage.

IMC Question of the Month:

You are flying as a passenger in a right seat with a new, low time private pilot who is the PIC on this flight. You are not a flight instructor. Close to the ground, you see a hazardous situation and potential emergency develop, and it should be addressed in seconds. You do have more experience, and you exactly know what to do. Can you take away the PIC role from the pilot flying if he or she is not voluntarily handing it over to you? Would you do it? Should you do it? ✈



Our most recent meeting was Tuesday, October 30 at 7:00 pm at Brewster's at 5135 Portage Rd. The meeting was well attended, and food and drinks were served by the friendly staff.

We watched a video and had a lively discussion regarding an interesting scenario: what would you do when taking off, and within 5 knots of your take off speed, you are faced with an on-coming Piper Cub which just landed in front of you?

Next, we addressed our Question of the Month: What is the proper way to depart the traffic pattern? Can you depart straight out? Do you have to, or can you turn? If you are turning, are you going to follow the traffic pattern (i.e., the crosswind leg)? When would you start your turn?

Our next meeting is Tuesday, November 27, 2018 at 7 pm at Brewster's once again. Mark your calendar. ✈

Falcon Ultralight for Sale



The photo is an example of the airplane that is for sale.

For sale by third owner family. Falcon Ultralight plus trailer. Last flown in the year 2000. Only sold as complete parts plane. \$4,500.00. Always hangared or garaged. Ballistic parachute. Custom windscreen cover. UP kit for rudders. NEVER DAMAGED.

Contact Steve Weaver (269) 615-1500. ⤴

Skyhawk For Sale

Ron Hassing is selling a 172M Skyhawk. N13770. The plane is hangared in Plainwell. Contact Ron at (269) 375-4446. ⤴



This is A4 Skyhawk. It is not the Skyhawk aircraft owned or listed for sale by Ron Hassing. (But it got you to read Ron's advertisement, didn't it?)

The Build



N4493E, a 1948 Aeronca Champ was purchased out of New York in early June. It is an 85 hp version, known as a 7DC, as opposed to the popular 65 hp 7AC model.

Since its purchase the fuselage has done a fair amount of traveling. It's been to Evansville, Indiana to spend some time in a jig. After making the airframe nice and square, the fuse spent some time in Plainwell being sandblasted. It has now been painted with primer and we are prepping the hardware and controls. The wings were finished before the project was purchased. They have not been inspected and have been safely stowed away in Dale's hangar.

The engine is being rebuilt by Poplar Grove and should soon be ready for pick up. When will it be finished? Well, you know the old response. On Thursday, of course. Probably not this Thursday or the next. But certainly, on a Thursday. Stay tuned. ⤴



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