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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

EAA Young Eagles Build and Fly

CARRIE FORSTER

Youth mentorship is a big part of EAA and of chapters. The EAA Chapter 252 board is excited to announce that our chapter will be participating in the EAA Young Eagles Build and Fly Program in partnership with the Winnebago RC Flyers. You may remember that several members of the Winnebago RC Flyers spoke to the chapter membership about this program last winter. At the October board meeting, Rick Larsen and Sean Elliot from the Winnebago RC Flyers spoke to the chapter board

about moving ahead with this program, and the board unanimously approved a motion to embark on this great opportunity.

To learn more about the program, follow the link: [EAA Young Eagles Build and Fly Program](#)

What is chapter 252's role in the program?

- We will fund the \$500 to purchase the kit from EAA. We will be able to use chapter Young Eagle credits to cover this cost.



- We will provide the space for the youth and mentors to build the project in our chapter hangar.
- We will provide a project chair or co-chairs to oversee the scheduling, volunteers, and building of the project.

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Welcome

The Pylon is the monthly newsletter of EAA Ch. 252 and is published monthly by the newsletter editor.

Digital copies are emailed to each chapter member. Hard copies are mailed upon request to those without email access. Current and past copies can be accessed from the chapter website at www.252.eaachapter.org. If you have submissions for the newsletter, please send to editor Mike DiFrisco no later than the 20th of each month preceding the issue month at mickeydee59@me.com. Submissions received after the 20th will be included at the editor's discretion in the next month or held for a future publication.

Suggestions for submissions include (but are not limited to):

- > updates on build projects
- > flight milestones
- > technical articles
- > items of interest to the general membership
- > classified ads

Submissions in either Word or PDF format, and photos in .jpg format are appreciated.

November Gathering

NOVEMBER

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See you at the Chapter 252 Hangar for the November meeting. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. Meal and hangar flying. Meeting at 7:00 p.m. Members, Prospective Members, and Guests Welcome!

December Gathering

DECEMBER

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November Chapter Gathering on Thursday, November 14: Jakob Brouillette will present about winter flying. This is also our fall Chili Cook Off. Bring your favorite chili. Doors open at 6:00, dinner at 6:30, and presentation at 7:00.



December Chapter Gathering on Thursday December 12: Rotax 912iS Sport Engine Overview. Rotax Flying Safety Club instructor Jorge Tavio provides an overview of the system components in the technologically advanced Rotax 912iS engine. Using detailed graphics Jorge will show how the engine differs from previous Rotax 912ULS engines, also provide some information on the 915iS engine



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Welcome New Members!

Brian, Jennifer and Ike Langkau-the Langkau's live in Oshkosh. The real aviation enthusiast is Ike who at age 13 is already volunteering out on the EAA grounds in the summer to help with the AirVenture set up. Brian is a plant manager in Neenah and Jennifer is a teacher in Winneconne. Jennifer also volunteers during AirVenture. Brian has taken flights in the EAA's B-17 and more recently in the Travel Air. Ike and his brother are both Young Eagles. The Langkau's do a lot of things together and they all are willing to help out with our fund raising projects. We all certainly like to hear that! Welcome to Chapter 252!



Chris Hornady-Chris is an active pilot and has his private pilot's license. He is currently a student at Fox Valley Tech's aviation program. Chris owns a Cessna 120. He is also the previous Young Eagle coordinator for Chapter 485. He is willing to help out with our fund raising projects too. Great! Thanks for joining Chapter 252!



2004 Kitfox Series 7 Project Plane



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\$29,500

Ida, Michigan

Rotax 912ULS Engine- 100HP (203.3 hours), Warp Drive Ground Adjustable Prop, Tri-gear configuration (can be a taildragger), Gear Grove, King KY96 Com Radio, King KT76A Encoded Transponder, New Parts, 1320 Certified Max Gross on gear/1430 on floats, Heated Cabin, CD Player and Intercom, Hard Floor Cargo Area.

**** PROJECT PLANE****

Fuselage and Floor Pans are assembled.



RAY AVIATION SCHOLARSHIP



From Our Scholar, Sonja

I have exciting news!

First, on October 17, I successfully completed my first solo! I'm struggling to explain the feeling I experienced when I got onto 36 and saw the runway sitting in front of me; freedom and excitement don't do it justice. As soon as I opened the throttle, I focused back in and completed the flight. I felt relaxed, but still focused, throughout the whole flight. On each final, I reminded myself of the comments my instructor routinely makes to me and was pleased with how smooth each landing was. Since this flight, I soloed once more on a 'sightseeing' flight to the West, to get comfortable and thinking by myself outside of the pattern.

Since my solo, we have been planning cross countries and should be flying these this coming week. We have been reviewing the maneuvers I will need to execute during my checkride. I learned these prior to my solo but needed a refresher on some after flying in the pattern for a couple weeks. I was also introduced to short and soft field takeoffs and landings this month. On October 24, I had my first night flight. We flew to Appleton for three landings and then returned to Oshkosh to practice with different lighting situations. I have never been in the air at night and was amazed by the views but also understood how dangerous emergencies can be, as unlit populated

areas look the same as unlit non-populated areas.

Also on October 24, I successfully passed my written exam! I took the exam in the afternoon at the Fox Valley Technical College-S.J. Spanbauer Aviation & Industrial Center in Oshkosh. I was honestly more nervous for this exam than I was for my first solo flight, but I knew I had studied as much as possible and was fully prepared to pass the exam. As I progressed through the test, I gained more and more confidence in myself but still forced myself to slow down and think through each question to avoid silly mistakes. Although I was confident in my answers, I was extremely relieved when I saw the screen display "Pass". Since completing this exam, I have focused my studies on the oral exam and preparing to take that in the coming month.

In review, October has been a highlight month for me. I logged a total of 11.4 flight hours, including 1.1 night hours and 1.1 solo hours, and I completed 65 landings. This means I have a total of 34.8 flight hours and 183 landings, since I started training in June. I am extremely grateful for all of your support and remind myself of this each time I'm preflighting. Thank you!

I wish you the best in November and look forward to our next gathering!

Sonja Karner



Upcoming Fly-Outs!

November Fly-Out - Shawno Airport for lunch at Launching Pad.
Saturday, November 16.

Meet at the chapter hangar at 10:15 for a 10:30 departure from OSH.
Plan to meet at Launching Pad at 11:30 for those arriving from other airports.

Email davidleiting47@hotmail.com to RSVP your plane or to find an open seat. All are welcome!



Coming Up!

Save the Date: Winter Party at the Roxy on Saturday, January 11. Cocktails at 6:00, Dinner at 7:00 (order from the menu, as in past years). Annual Chapter Awards will be given out.

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Scrip & Save!

A limited number of Kwik Trip Scrip cards will be available for purchase at the chapter meeting. The cards, in \$20 and \$50 denominations, are convenient for personal use and for gifts. A portion of each Scrip card sale goes directly to the Chapter treasury, so you can help the Chapter while eating a Kwik Trip donut!



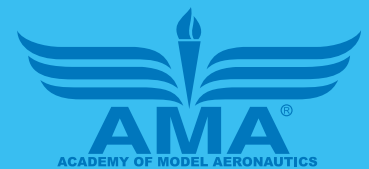
Wittman Flying Service t-shirts are now available for \$15.00. We have adult M, L, and XL in stock. Members who would like to order other sizes can contact Carrie Forster at eaa252@gmail.com. If I get 12 orders (they don't need to all be the same size) I can place another order for those specific sizes.

Please note that board meeting start will be changed from 6:00 to 6:15.

Starting in October, the board meetings will take place in the leadership classroom at EAA and will be in that location through April.



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Board Meetings

Fourth Thursday of every month at 6:15 p.m.

Location: EAA Leadership Classroom

Members Welcome at board meetings.

IMC Club Meetings

Third Tuesday of the Month 6:30 pm

Location: EAA Aviation Center

All Chapter Members

Welcome

Winnebago RC Flyers Club Meetings

Fourth Tuesday of the Month 7:00 pm

Location: Chapter Hangar

Local AMA Chapter

Are You Destined For Pancake Greatness?

EAA Chapter 252 is looking for a new chair or co-chairs for organizing the pancake breakfasts in 2020! Could that be you?



The 2020 dates are Saturday, April 18 and Saturday, September 12.

Duties (which can be shared by multiple people):

- inventory and purchase supplies (paper goods, coffee, etc.)
 - work with Perkins to get pancake supplies
 - get groceries (eggs, sausages)
 - organize Friday set-up volunteers
- transport supplies from chapter hangar and set up at the terminal on Friday afternoon before the Saturday event
 - organize volunteers
- be present on Saturday or designate someone to be the key person to be present

Assistance/mentorship will be provided by previous pancake breakfast organizers. Contact the Chapter if you think you'd stack up! Email ea252@gmail.com.

- We will provide volunteers to assist the youth build.

What will the Winnebago RC Flyers provide?

- Volunteers and expertise to guide the building of the project.
- Volunteers to train the youth in how to fly the model once completed.

How can you help?

- We will need one or two members to volunteer as chairs for this project. The responsibilities of the chairs will be to oversee the project, schedule dates for building, attend build sessions and/or designate another volunteer to be in charge of a build session when they cannot attend.

- We'll be recruiting about 6 - 12 youth to participate in the program. These can be youth whose parents are part of the chapter, but we can also recruit outside the chapter if we are looking for more participation.

We'll talk more about the program at our November chapter gathering. In the meantime, if you have questions, would like to volunteer to be a part of this great opportunity, or if you know of a youth between the ages of about 10 - 14 years old who would like to participate, email me at ea252@gmail.com.

*Blue Skies,
Carrie*

Join the 252 Family!

Annual Membership (Calendar Year)

Dues are \$20

(\$10 for partial year, July - December).

Student Memberships are \$10.

Dues in the amount of \$20 can be given to Doug Milius or mailed to him at:

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Thank you for your continued support of EAA Chapter 252!

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