

**A Chapter Of The
EXPERIMENTAL AIRCRAFT ASSOCIATION
Bult Field (C56) – Monee, Illinois**



UPCOMING CHAPTER 2024 MEETINGS AND EVENTS

Meetings and Events below at Bult Field (C56) unless otherwise

Saturday, August 17 th	Chapter Meeting 10:00 A.M.
Saturday, September 21 st	Pancake Breakfast, Young Eagles Rally (Rain date Saturday Sept. 28th)
Saturday, October 12 th	Aviation Trivia 4:00 P.M.-8:00 P.M.
Saturday, October 19 th	Chapter Meeting 10:00 A.M.
Saturday, November 16 th	Chapter Meeting 10:00 A.M.
Friday, December 6 th	Chapter Christmas Holiday Party 6:00 P.M.

IN THIS ISSUE...A RE-CAP OF THE...
May 18th POKER RUN
June 6th OPERATION "AIRJAM"
June 15th YOUNG EAGLES RALLY & PANCAKE BREAKFAST
2024 AIR RACE CLASSIC
EAA CHAPTER 260 AT OSHKOSH AIRVENTURE
CELEBRATING BREEZY'S 60th at AIRVENTURE
IMC AND VMC CLUB MEETINGS

ALSO...
INFORMATION REGARDING UPCOMING EVENTS

IN ADDITION TO THE ABOVE EVENTS...

**The IMC Club meets the second Monday of the month at 6:00 P.M.
The VMC Club meets the third Monday of the month at 6:00 P.M.**

Specific details regarding these events will appear in upcoming newsletters, emails, on the Chapter website and on Facebook.

Event dates, times are subject to change.

TO MAKE THESE ACTIVITIES SUCCESSFUL, VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED!

CHAPTER 260 PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

I hope everyone is enjoying your summer with family and friends. Bult Field has been active with airplane builds, rebuilds and races!

The all women's Air Race Classic visited the airport as one of their timed stops, and several of our members volunteered to assist. Our first Young Eagles / Pancake Breakfast event was a resounding success! Thanks to everyone who was able to assist during this event. We're all looking forward to the next event – scheduled for September 21st. More details will be forthcoming.

Our Chapter 260 friends were again able to enjoy dinner and fellowship while at AirVenture on July 23rd. Much thanks to Ryan Doyle for again coordinating and prepping the dinner. We went through 26 pounds of tacos quickly, and everyone had a great time. See pages 3 and 4 of this newsletter for highlights and photos of the dinner and other AirVenture activities.

This year at AirVenture, the E.A.A honored the 60th anniversary of Breezy! Rob Unger gave a presentation on the history of the Breezy, telling the crowd of the engineering, building and flight testing of the original Breezy. Rob sprinkled a fair share of funny stories in the presentation also. It was very well received! See page 5 of this newsletter for a summary of Rob's presentation along with photos.

President, Joe Cirelli



WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!

*Recently joining
Chapter 260 are:*

*Kent Hamm
Jerry Ossowski
Chris Ossowski
Amira Marvel
Christopher Ratliff*

*Our Chapter continues
to grow!*

CONTRIBUTIONS NEEDED!!

If you have items for future newsletters, please let me know. These can include:

- An aviation project you are working on.
- If you flew to somewhere of interest; know of a good restaurant, let us know.
- Building an airplane? Share your progress!
- Have something to sell? List it for FREE see page 17
- Write a story..share your expertise!

Contact: Wayne Babiak, Newsletter Editor:
newsletter@eachapter260.org

VERIFY YOUR CONTACT INFORMATION

Keeping Chapter Members informed is a priority of our Board. HOWEVER, this cannot be done effectively if we do not have updated accurate contact information. Newsletters, event announcements and other items are conveyed by email.

Without current email addresses and phone numbers, this cannot occur. It is understandable that email addresses are sometimes changed. So, **PLEASE**, at the next Chapter meeting, there will be email change sheets for this purpose.

AN INVITATION...

We have been following Joe's RV Project progress, see page 13. Thanks Joe for your updates; keep them coming. If other Chapter Members are engaged in aircraft projects, please email information and photos to the newsletter editor for including in upcoming newsletters. Please include a write-up of your project along with photos.

AIR VENTURE RECAP



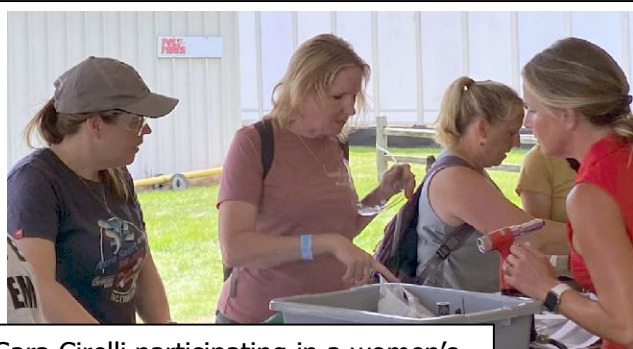
Several members from EAA Chapter 260 attended AirVenture which was held from July 22nd through July 28th. Good times were had by all! Airshows, planes on display, exhibitors and more.



Several of our Chapter Members set up camp.



As always...a spectacular night airshow took place.



Sara Cirelli participating in a women's riveting workshop. She will be helping Joe with his RV project!



Joe and Rob viewing all of the activity.



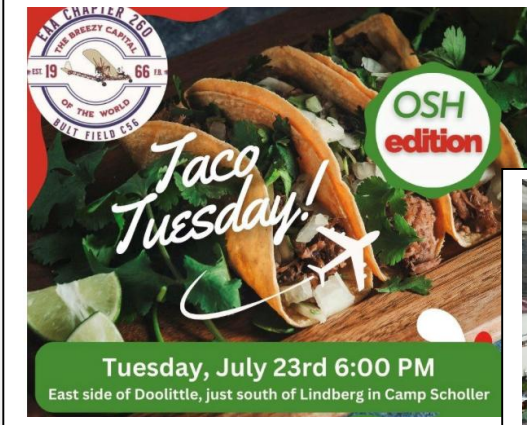
Two AirVenture attendees from England at the Chapter's campsite, enjoy their first margaritas and also tacos at the Tuesday Taco Night.

Thanks to Mark Wiater and Joe Cirelli for the photos on this page and also pages 4 and 5.

More AirVenture re-cap is on page 4.

MORE AIR VENTURE RECAP

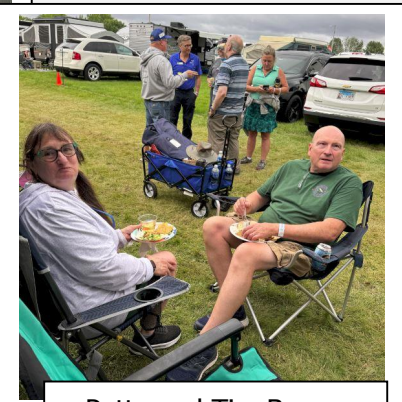
Taco Tuesday was held in the evening of July 23rd at the campsites of Joe Cirelli, Jim Orange, Rob Johnson and Mark Wiater..thanks guys for hosting it!



Rob Johnson, Joe Cirelli, Jim Orange.



CJ Pavilion, Terry Doyle.



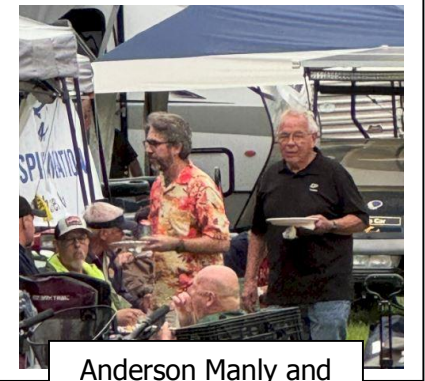
Patty and Tim Bryan.



John Limbach and Rob Unger.



Alyssa Cuevas, baby Jett Doyle -possibly a future pilot, Ryan's mom-Rose Doyle



Anderson Manly and Jerry Pearson.



Ryan Doyle on the grill.

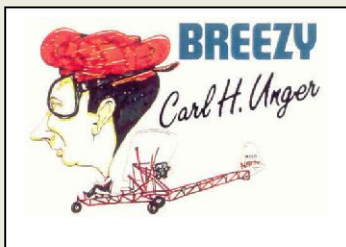
BREEZY CELEBRATES 60 YEARS!

Can you believe it...it has been 60 years since the Breezy made its debut.

To commemorate this milestone, the Breezy was on display at Oshkosh. Several Breezys flew in as well.



Rob Unger gives an overview of the history of the Breezy. Rob's dad, the late **Carl Unger** was instrumental in developing the Breezy.



Charley Roloff, Carl Unger, and Bob Liposky designed and constructed the Breezy in 1964.



Carl Unger



Carl Unger passed away in 2014. His contribution to aviation lives on!



RE-CAP of the POKER RUN - 2024

EAA Chapter 260 Poker Run

This event took place on
Saturday May 18th
and was well attended.



C56 - KRZL - KVPZ - C56
BONUS CARD - KGYG

The route..some also went to KGYG
for the extra bonus card.



Jim Orange gave a
route briefing.



Verifying who had
the best hand.



THE JUNE PANCAKE BREAKFAST and YOUNG EAGLES RALLY

On Saturday June 15th the Chapter's **FIRST COMBINED** event was held..Young Eagles and Pancakes. It was a resounding success!



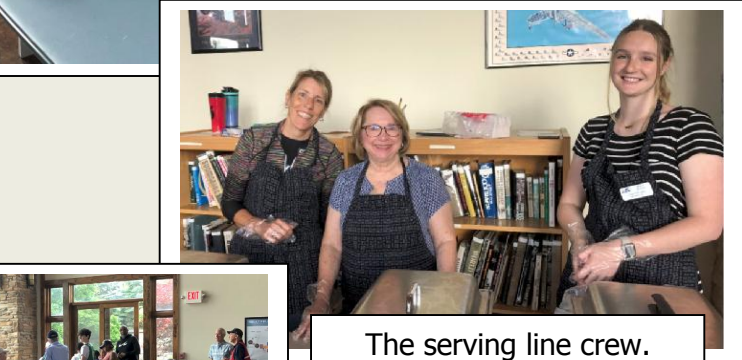
Mark Wiater.. sausages on the grill.



Bud Vancia, Glenn Leszczak, Rob Johnson



Jim "Wags" Wagner at the cash drawer.



The serving line crew.

There was a total of 106+ dining at the breakfast. We had 25 volunteers and 9 volunteers for the setup. Thanks to all for helping out!



A steady stream of breakfast diners.

Also see photos of the Young Eagles Rally on page 8.

THE JUNE YOUNG EAGLES RALLY

In conjunction with the June 15th Pancake Breakfast the Young Eagles Rally took place. 85 Young Eagles were flown. Several aircraft and many volunteers made this event a great success. Thanks to all!



Young Eagles coordinator Jerry Pearson, Patty Bryan and Pamela Rose at the log book signing table.



Victor Frankiewicz and his plane.



Young Eagles and pilot Anderson Manly.



Al Jacome, our Chapter's Ray Scholarship recipient and now a Private Pilot, flew Young Eagles.



A Young Eagle gets ready to fly!



Tim Campbell and Steve Westlund direct the planes on the ramp.



Joe Cirelli and Ed Punjak



Dave Vancina explains the function of the elevator.

Photos on this page by Steve Preslin and Wayne Babiak.

AIRJAM RE-CAP

THURSDAY, JUNE 6,

2024

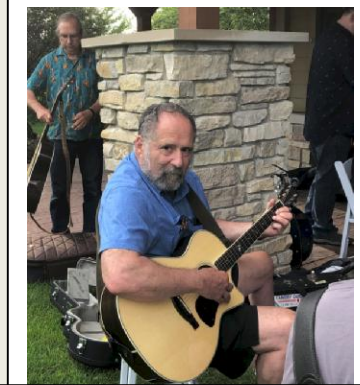
OPERATION "AIRJAM"

The Cicadas cooperated and it was a perfect evening. As at previous "Airjams", EAA 260 Chapter Member Tim Bryan and the Bluegrassers played a variety of Bluegrass music.



"Cheer-up, Uncle Willie!
The boys at 260 Squadron are havin'
a Bluegrass Airjam at Bult Field on
Thursday, June 6, starting at 6:00!
Great music and vittles!"

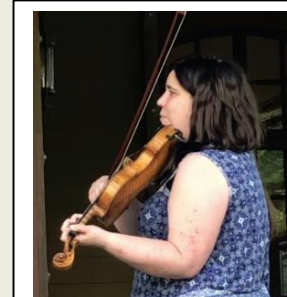
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Len Schneider on the guitar.



Tim Bryan strums along...



One of the Bluegrassers on the fiddle.



"Grillmaster" Steve.

The "jamming" was well attended....good music and food! Thanks to Tim Bryan for arranging the music for the evening. Nice job!

Also thanks to EAA Chapter 260 for furnishing the food. To Mark Thompson at Bult for the use of the facility!

COMING AGAIN IN SEPTEMBER!

This event was a great success in June..we will do it again!
Plan to attend on Saturday September 21st .
On the ground...pancakes, sausage and more!
In the air...Young Eagles will fly!



Young Eagles Rally & Pancake Breakfast

FREE airplane rides for kids ages 8-17. Parent/legal guardian approval and signed waiver is required.

Pancake Breakfast - \$10/adults, \$5 kids under 12

Location Bult Airport
28261 S. Kedzie Ave, Monee, IL

When Saturday,
September 21st

Register: www.YEDAY.ORG

More Information: youneagles@eachapter260.org
or Jerry Pearson (219) 923-1938



The pancake breakfast will be held from 8:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

The first flight Young Eagles flight will start at 9:00 a.m. The Rally concludes at 12 noon.

For other important information regarding the Rally, see page 11.

ASSISTANCE NEEDED!

WE NEED ASSISTNACE IN MAKING THE YOUNG EAGLES / PANCAKE BREAKFAST A SUCCESS!

Please scan the QR code and sign up for an available spot!

THANK YOU!!

FLYING YOUNG EAGLES

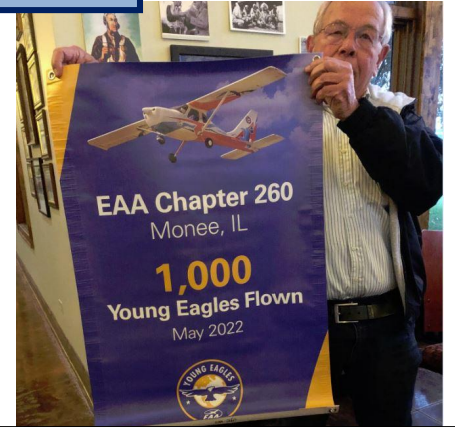
Our EAA Chapter 260 Young Eagles Rallies has always been a great success. Our upcoming Rally to be held on September 21st, should be another one to add to the list. See the flyer on previous page 9.

So..if you are interested in helping out..that's great! However, a few things to be aware of.

If you want to fly Young Eagles, you just can't "show up" that morning and say, " I want to fly". You must pre-register to fly Young Eagles.

Also, if you intend to fly Young Eagles or be a ramp escort bringing Young Eagles out to the planes, you must have completed EAA's Youth Protection Policy and Program. This is a short on-line course offered by EAA. This verification is valid for three years from the date of completion. The link is below:

<https://www.eaa.org/ea/youth/youth-protection-policy-and-program/ypp-for-young-eagles>



Young Eagles Coordinator Jerry Pearson shows the banner from EAA National recognizing Chapter 260 for flying over 1,000 Young Eagles over the years.

Young Eagles



Founded in 1992, the Young Eagles program is dedicated to giving youth ages 8–17, an opportunity to go flying in a general aviation airplane. These flights are offered free of charge and are made possible through the generosity of EAA member volunteers.

It's the only program of its kind, with the sole mission to introduce and inspire kids in the world of aviation.

Today, the Young Eagles program has flown over 2 million kids.

For more information from EAA headquarters about the Young Eagles program,

visit www.youneagles.org

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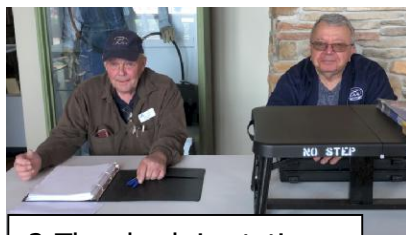
Name: David Vancina
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Email: vancinad@yahoo.com

For further information, check out:
<https://chapters.eaa.org/ea260/young-eagles>
 also...
www.youneagles.org
 for all of the requirements.

THE DAY OF THE FLIGHTS..



1-Attendance at a pre-flight route briefing for the pilots on the morning of the Rally is required. At the last Rally, Dave Vancina gave the briefing.



2-The check-in station.



3-Pilot assignments.



4-Going flying.



5-Post flight: Certificate issued and log-book signed.

CHAPTER 260 IMC & VMC CLUBS



Dan leads the IMC discussion.



Hope everyone enjoyed their visit to Oshkosh last month. The IMC and VMC Club meetings are back in full swing this month. As a reminder - The Chapter 260 **IMC Club** meets on the **second Monday** of the month at 6:00 pm at Bult Field. The Chapter 260 **VMC Club** meets on the **third Monday** of the month also at 6:00 pm at Bult Field.

The next **IMC Club meeting is Monday, August 12, 2024** and the next **VMC Club meeting is Monday, August 19, 2024**. The meeting format for both meetings leverages different questions, scenarios, and a teaching topic of some type. All current chapter members and their guests are welcome to attend regardless if you are VFR/IFR rated or not. The meeting takes place in the Theater room at Bult Field at 6:00 pm sharp. Look forward to seeing you there.

The IMC Club meeting agenda for August includes –

- Monthly Question – EAA and Dan's
- Discussion Scenario – Oil Consumption
- Holding Patterns - Three Recent IFR Accidents Discussion

The VMC Club meeting agenda for August includes –

- Question of the month-EAA & Dan's
- Discussion Scenario- Fuel Planning Follies
- Karl's Discussion Topics – Crosswind Takeoffs & Landings
- Getting started with ForeFlight Discussion

Please contact Dan Simanaitis if you have questions, want to be added to the email list, or have topics of interest you'd like to incorporate into a future meeting.

Fly Safely..... Dan

THE FRED BOOS MEMORIAL TOOL CRIB

The tool crib has been established in the Chapter hangar at Bult Field. The Tool Crib is named to honor **Fred Boos**. The Tool Crib will include various tools that Chapter Members can borrow for a short period of time in order to maintain their aircraft.

Several donations to date to the Tool crib have been made, however we are looking for additional tools. Our new Crib Coordinator is **Frank Barchi**. Thanks Frank for taking this on!



For further information, contact Frank at:
fbarchi@sbcglobal.net



FRED BOOS
 FIRST EAA 260 CHAPTER
 PRESIDENT

EAA Chapter 260 was initially formed in 1966 in Dolton, Illinois at the home of Fred Boos. Our Chapter has come a long way over the years to its present form.



THE BUILDER'S CORNER

JOE'S CIRELLI'S RV 14A PROJECT UPDATE:

The building generally slows down during the summer months, with the typical summer social activities and AirVenture providing convenient distractions. Many small parts have been prepped, and are awaiting assembly in the coming weeks. Once these smaller pieces get attached to the lower fuselage skin, the part becomes substantially bigger (and more difficult to store / maneuver). This is part of the reason we do as much parts preparation as possible, so that we have the parts ready to be assembled for that particular section at the same time. At AirVenture, the hundreds of assembled and flying RVs, along with the forums, are great motivators. We're eager to get back to assembling in the coming weeks.

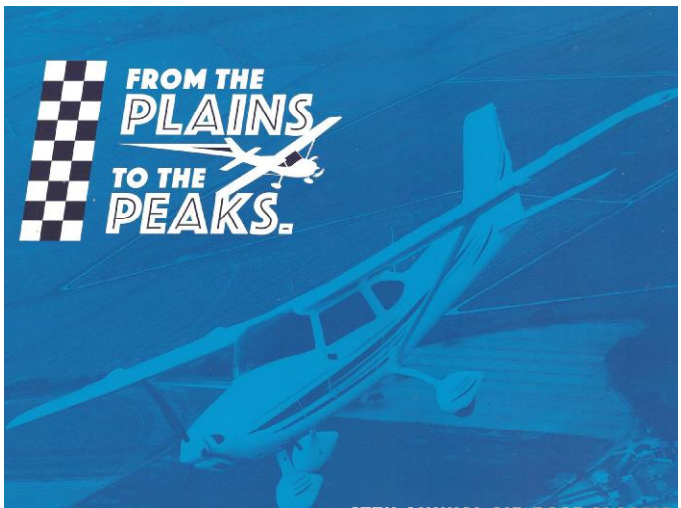
The finished product will look something like this. Joe is looking forward to that day!



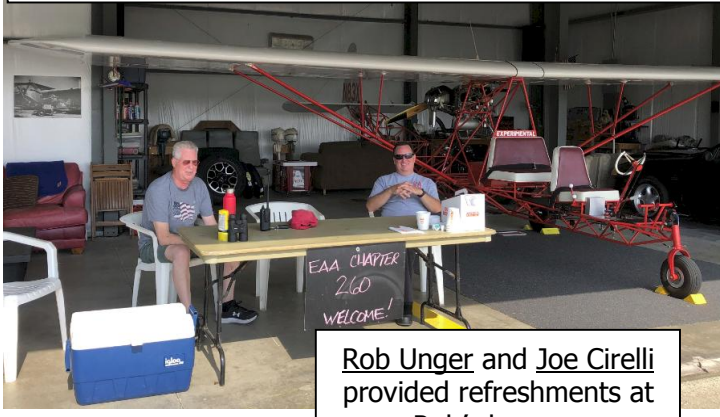
AIR RACE CLASSIC STOPS AT BULT

Bult Field (C56) was one of the airports in the flight route of the 2024 Air race Classic. The majority of the arrivals were on Wednesday June 19th.

Some of the participants stayed overnight at local hotels. Others chose to refuel and continue on. Several members of EAA Chapter 260 volunteered to assist at Bult.



47TH ANNUAL AIR RACE CLASSIC
CARBONDALE, IL TO FT. COLLINS, CO
JUNE 18-21, 2024



Rob Unger and Joe Cirelli provided refreshments at Rob's hangar.



Jack Walter and Jim "Wags" Wagner helped at the check-in table.

ABOUT THE ARC: Air Race Classic, Inc. is a nonprofit 501(c)(3) organization dedicated to:

- Encouraging and educating current and future women pilots
- Increasing public awareness of general aviation
- Demonstrating women's roles in aviation
- Preserving and promoting the tradition of pioneering women in aviation.

Note that the Air Race Classic was not an EAA Chapter 260 event. However, some of the members of our Chapter helped out at this event.

SHOW YOUR EAA CHAPTER 260 PRIDE !

There are a variety of items for sale to promote our Chapter. If you have not yet purchased something..consider doing so!



Bob Bryan previews the items for sale.



Tumbler Mug



Quarter Zip Pullover Augusta Sportswear with Logo

Weatherproof Jacket CoolLast Performax with Logo

These and other Chapter '260 items can be purchased on line at: <https://www.shopcapstees.com>



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- TRAVEL WITH STARLIGHT DANCE

JOIN EAA CHAPTER 260

Chapter Members who have paid their Chapter dues are considered to be in good standing and will be allowed to participate in Chapter Meetings and other Chapter events. ALSO...they may partake in the delicious lunches at our Chapter meetings. *A great deal for the price!*

CHAPTER 260 DUES STRUCTURE

One Year = \$30.00 Three Years = \$75.00 Five Years = \$120.00

Save by joining or renewing for more than one year!

Note: For new members joining the Chapter, an additional \$10.00 is required to cover the cost of an engraved plastic magnetic nametag.

Note that National Membership in EAA is also required in order to be a Member of EAA Chapter 260.

National Dues are \$48.00 per year for Individual membership; \$60.00 for Family.

Chapter membership expires in December of each year.

EAA Chapter dues are indicated above.

2024 CHAPTER DUES ARE DUE

Dues statements were emailed out. If you did not pay as of yet, please pay at the next Chapter Meeting.

Support your Chapter so programs, food and other benefits can continue to be provided.

Detach and submit the form below

**EXPERIMENTAL
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**CHAPTER
260**

Membership Application



■ Personal Information

Full Name :

Street Address :

City : Zip Code :

Home Phone : Cell Phone :

E-Mail :

E.A.A. National Membership Number :

Want to fill form online?

For Information about EAA Chapter 260 contact:
 Joe Cirelli at: joecirelli66@yahoo.com
If not already a member...consider becoming one!

E.A.A. Chapter 260
 28261 S. Kedzie Ave
 Monee, IL 60449

CHECK THESE OUT...

Open to all EAA Chapter 260 Members who have an affiliation with an aviation related organization. If you do, this page is for you!

These are free listings. Also, if you have any aviation related items for sale, this also applies to you.

Email information, JPEGs, write up etc. to:
Wayne Babiak, Newsletter Editor:
newsletter@eachapter260.org



Located at Bult Field in Hangar J-06, Midwest Aircraft Detailers is a budget friendly aircraft detailing service. Will Graves is a member of EAA Chapter 260 and is one of the owners.

For more information regarding their services, go to:
<https://www.madetailers.com>.
Phone number 708.251.1045. Check them out!

RPM FLYING CLUB

Established in 1972

- Did you always want to "own" an airplane, but due to the high costs of single ownership, felt this was out of the question?
- Are you looking for an airplane that is reliable and well maintained?
- Are you looking for all of this at a "reasonable" cost?

IF SO.....READ ON!

The RPM Flying Club is based at the Lansing, Illinois Municipal Airport (KIGQ), just South of Chicago.



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"Dry" rate: \$85.00/Hour-Hobbs



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Members are responsible for fuel costs.

Both planes are stored in private "T" hangars.

Garmin 430-WAAS GPS unit data card is updated regularly for instrument currency.



Dual Garmin G5s.

Garmin GTX 345 transponder with ADS-B In & Out.



SR-8A Engine Analyzer.

Please contact us for further information:
<https://rpmflyingclub.org/>



Also, check us out on Facebook.

Chapter 260 Members, your listing could appear here!!

Scan for further information. Also see EAA Chapter 260 & RPM Club Member Wayne Babiak at the '260 meetings for further information.

RPM is currently accepting new members.

EAA CHAPTER 260

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EAA Chapter 260 Website: www.eaachapter260.org

EAA Chapter 260 Facebook:

<http://www.facebook.com/EAA260/>

EAA National Website: www.eaa.org



SUMMER 2024 NEWSLETTER



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