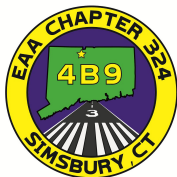


EAA 324 Simsbury, CT



June 2022



June 19	Simsbury Airport Fun Day And Landing Contest 10 am
June 21	VMC Club Simsbury Airport Clubhouse 7 pm
July 6	EAA 324 Gathering 6 pm Flying, food, drink, project updates, topics of interest, videos and general storytelling
July 25-31	AirVenture Oshkosh, WI
Sep 24-25	Simsbury Fly-In events

Chapter Happenings:

Welcome to guests Rob Glissman, Greg Kozbinski, Jamason Pestana, Vinnie Smedick and Ray Aviation Scholarship applicant Ava Laudadio. It's great to see new faces and old friends at our gatherings.

Our **Flying Start event** was an awesome success! We had 29 people registered and 14 of them showed up the day of the event to learn about different avenues to learn to fly and experience an intro flight. Read more about the event in the following pages!

Our **Young Eagles event** that was scheduled for Saturday, June 11th has been cancelled. We need to have more pilot availability to make this event viable.

The next **Simsbury Airport Fun Day** is scheduled for **Sunday, June 19th** (yes, that's Father's Day), starting at 10 am. As with our event last December, we'll plan on a landing contest, BBQ and maybe Barnstormer's Food Truck again – yum!

If you've considered going to **AirVenture in Oshkosh** but haven't quite committed, how about this year??? We have six camping spots and there might still be room for YOU. Contact Mark Ranstead as soon as possible if you're interested.

Thank you, Brad Griswold, for turning your volunteer hours into a \$2,000 grant awarded to our EAA Chapter!

Read more about this month's happenings on the following pages!

Flying Start Wrap Up:

- Many thanks to Bill Thomas for helping to promote this event from the very beginning. Bill's breadth of contacts in the media gave us great coverage.
- Many thanks also to Karl Boehm for letting us use his hangar for a classroom...it worked great and kept our large group on the ramp side of the airport with easy access to the clubhouse.
- And our pilots, Charlie Luke (who headed up the whole event as well), Phil Vonrichthofen and Doug Melville did an exceptional job in giving the intro flights to our 14 participants. Who knows what career or dream may have started from their flights? Great job, guys!
- Lastly, but equally as importantly, no event can take place without ground support – set up, food coordination (thank you, Laura), check-in, directing, chatting up, walk arounds, safety and a great intro to general aviation and a very clear picture of how much we all love flying. Thank you!!





Upcoming Events:

- **Simsbury Airport Fun Day and Landing Contest** --- It's back, this time on Father's Day, June 19th, by popular demand, starting at 10:00 am. Flying, food, fun and the infamous "X Marks the Spot" trophy will be awarded to the winner of the landing contest. Please RSVP to Jill if you plan to come out. Jill Nulsen jilln658@ymail.com.
- **Volunteer Opportunity:** Greg Kozbinski, a member at the New England Air Museum, noted that the museum is looking for volunteers to facilitate the flight simulator there for their visitors. If you are interested, contact Greg at kozbo@me.com.
- **Reminder:** Oxford County Regional Airport (81B) is hosting their "First Ever Airplane Fly-In and Car Show" on July 2nd (rain date is July 9th). The event runs 8 am til Noon, admission is free, although this is a fundraiser for them (donations welcome). They will have a cookout and a 50/50 raffle that will be drawn at noon. Check out this Maine event!
For more information, call either (207) 743-5077 or the airport at (207) 539-6056.

Attendees this month:

Mark Ranstead, Charlie Luke, Laura Doherty, Jill Nulsen, Dan McKeeman, Karl Boehm, Doug Melville, Eric Nulsen, Walter Adams, Jay Ely, Phil Vonrichthofen, Bob Upson, Jeff Neumann, Don Chamberlain, Bill Woodsome*, Chris Duskos, Vinnie Smedick*, Bob Leeve*, Rob Glissman*, Greg Kozbinski*, Jamason Pestana* and Ava Laudadio*

**Thank you for visiting our chapter gathering – we hope you'll join us again next month!*

Treasurer's Report:

Our Treasurer, Vince Carucci, has the most recent statement on file.

News from EAA:

The June Chapter Video Magazine is available here: <https://www.eaa.org/videos/chapters>
In June's Chapter Video Magazine, Charlie Becker discusses:

- Recap on EAA Learn to Fly Day.
- Add your Flying Club to the new **Flying Club locator tool**.
- Volunteer ambassadors are needed for **One Week Wonder**, and last chance to pick the **paint scheme**.
- AirVenture **Chapter activities** and volunteer needs.
- Kick-off to **Young Eagles 30th Anniversary Celebration** at AirVenture.
- Learn to Fly Center returns to AirVenture.

Charlie had an exceptional flight experience on Memorial Day down in the Hudson Valley area. Not only did he get this beautiful photo on that flight, but he found himself on frequency with and in the proximity of the Blue Angels doing a photo shoot in the general area!

