



# Above it All

**May 2023**

EXPERIMENTAL AIRCRAFT ASSOCIATION CHAPTER 327 - DUBUQUE IA USA

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## From The Desk of the President



There is more activity at the airport this month. I washed & waxed two airplanes this past week and am suffering back strain. Best not to do too much in the way of unaccustomed activities! Many people stopped by the hanger to say hello so that was nice.

Rich Theobald is going all out working to get internet to the T-hangers with the help

of Bob Moyer building brackets and mounting them. Cost for installation is \$85 per hanger, and no monthly fee, at least for now. I've been paying \$30/month for cell phone data to switch my engine heater on remotely, so this will be a big savings.

I hear Don was able to look up You Tube videos on how to build airplanes and Bob put a burglar alarm in his hanger and caught me borrowing a tail weight from him. Talk to Rich if you are interested.

Rich is also publicizing our upcoming Young Eagle event on Sunday June 4 from 8-noon. Last year we had 100 kids age 8-17 to get free rides. We need pilots, planes and volunteers and it is getting down to wire if your background check or youth protection training isn't done. To check, assuming you are an EAA National member, sign in to [EAA.org](http://EAA.org) and log in, then click on My Account and scroll down to Training Information for training status. If not done or not current, look at article in this issue and get it done, please.

We can use some help with this. Please coordinate with Rich at 563-564-1172. We had six pilots/planes last year and could use 10, and about 20 ground volunteers. It really is fun and rewarding.

Andrew Barbee, one of our Ray Scholar candidates, completed his Private Pilot check ride this week! He used up the \$10,000. Read his article about the experience in this issue. Congratulations, Andrew! We are proud of your accomplishment.

On May 27, Saturday, Memorial Day weekend, we are hosting Quad Cities Chapter 75 for a flyout to our Dubuque Chapter hanger for a luncheon and fellowship. We'll be grilling and enjoying each other's company so come

on out after 11-1pm. Rain date is 29 May.

A movie night was hosted in the EAA Hanger featuring "Fly Boys", a 2006 historical movie based on the real exploits of the Lafayette Escadrille, young American pilots who flew for the French in WWI before the U.S. entered the war. About 15 members and guests attended. Sound system and projector on large screen was great, although some internet glitches had us thinking we should download and not stream the next movie. We are hoping to do a film quarterly.

It is getting to time of year to touch up the paint on the EAA airport observation and picnic area shelter. There is some peeling and weathering of the paint on the shelter pillars. Watch for an email asking for help soon, when we'll sand and repaint the peeling portions. Always a fun event.

This month's meeting in EAA Hanger 88 next Tuesday, May 16 at 6:30 for a light dinner by Nancy & Doug DuPlessis. Meeting at 7pm will feature EAA Chapter video with news on Oshkosh AirVenture and discussion about Chapter camping. One camping space of six is left so come join us, 24-30 July or for several days.

Fair skies and tailwinds,

- Chuck Weber, President, EAA Chapter 327





## Tenth (scheduling) try is a Charm! EAA Ray Scholar Joins Peers with Successful Check ride

By Andrew Barbee

After at least 10 cancelled check rides (I lost track) since the beginning of February, I finally came across the opportunity to take one on Wednesday, May 10<sup>th</sup>, and I passed!

I started my flight training in April of 2022, was granted the Ray Scholarship in July, I passed the written test in September, and I was ready to take the check ride by this winter. So, it was a longer process than expected.



*Andrew after his 1st solo.*

One very memorable moment was on the way home from my last solo cross country to Cedar Rapids. On the way back I was over Anamosa and picked up ATIS from KDBQ, conditions had quickly gone to IFR and I had to divert to Monticello. That night, I spent around four hours in the Monticello airport waiting for the weather to improve, and well it didn't. Luckily my instructor, Logan came down to help me out and his roommate gave us a ride home.

A special thanks go to Dr. Weber and Kevin Bohach for helping to get the plane back to Dubuque after this event and my instructor for coming down and helping me out. This process has taught me a lot more than just how to fly. I've learned to be patient and I have also learned how supportive and kind the aviation community is. From every EAA meeting I have attended to every flight hour I've logged, I loved every minute of it.

Getting my pilots license has been a dream of mine ever since I can remember, So I cannot describe how much it means to me to have reached this goal. Without this Scholarship I likely would not be finically able to get my license in a year. For this I want to thank Dr. Weber for introducing me to this great organization and this opportunity.

Thank you to Mike Nickeson,, Sarah Day, and Logan Loitz for being the best instructors I could ask for. Also, a thanks to Bob Woodward for helping with study materials and Ahna Duggan who helped me prepare for the w.ritten test last summer.

Lastly, thank you to each and every one who is a part of the EAA and the Key City Fliers for caring about my success and being so kind. I can't thank you all enough for welcoming me into a such a great organization with even better people. I look forward to seeing you guys at future events. I can't wait to help with the young eagle's event in next month, and to spread the love of aviation to future aviators!



*Andrew after his successful check ride.*

# WANTED

## Young Eagles Pilots

The EAA is celebrating the 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary of its Young Eagles program; as part of this celebration, they are giving local EAA Chapters double credits through July for conducting YE events. We are planning to sponsor an event this spring and would like to establish a pool of pilots who would like to fly the Young Eagles. If you are interested in diving into our pool you need to complete the following steps:

- 1.) Go to <https://youtu.be/5kAjq-d3nnA> and review the EAA's video describing how to sign up as a pilot.
- 2.) Go to and log into your account at [www.EAA.org](http://www.EAA.org) then navigate to My Account>Go To Training>Youth Protection Training. After you have completed the Youth Protection Training proceed onto complete the Background Check by going to <https://www.eaa.org/ea/youth/youth-protection-policy-and-program> for a description of the steps to complete EAA's Youth Protection & Background Check program.
- 3.) If you would like to fly some individual YE flights, visit <https://youtu.be/Lrk10ksz-nM> to learn how to sign up for these flights so that the Chapter receives its credits and the Young Eagles get their full benefits from the EAA. If you are interested in the individual flights and would like some names contact me at [rjtheobald@yahoo.com](mailto:rjtheobald@yahoo.com).

### Signup Requirements

#### EAA Volunteer Pilots

- Current EAA member
- Youth protection and background check
- Legal to carry passengers
  - Currency requirements
  - Flight review
  - Medical/Basic Med (if applicable)
- Airworthy aircraft
- Passenger liability insurance
  - Pilot must carry a minimum of \$100,000 per passenger liability insurance
- Supplemental EAA insurance (\$1M)

### Before Flight Requirements

#### Before the Flight

- Complete registration form and waiver
  - Signature from parent/legal guardian and pilot
- Leave the waiver on the ground
- **No hot loading (boarding with the engine(s) running)**
  - **Helicopters included**
- Provide passenger briefing (suggested)
  - How to board the aircraft
  - How the seatbelts work
  - How the doors/canopy work



# Hangin' At the Hangar

*EAA 327 members and guests enjoy great aviation movie!*

The movie Flyboys, a 2016 historical romance and adventure film built around American pilots fighting for France in WWI was shown on the "big screen" Friday, May 12th. The storyline is very compelling:

Before the United States enters World War I, some American youths volunteer for the French military. Subsequently, they become the first U.S. fighter pilots and form a squadron known as the Lafayette Escadrille, whose exploits and heroism become the stuff of legend. This fictional version follows a laconic Texas rancher, an eager Nebraska kid, a Black boxer already in France, and a New York swell, as they arrive green for training, get their baptism by fire when German planes ambush them on their first mission, and graduate to heroics. Rawlings, the Texan, falls in love with a young woman he meets at a brothel.

The planes were built at Airdrome Aeroplanes at Holden, MO, not far from Kansas City. If you missed the screening in H88 this weekend, be sure to check it out on Amazon Prime Video or your favorite movie site!



## Lyle Hefel & Family Donate Photos and Aviation-themed library items to EAA 327



*Kevin Bohach hangs and organizes aviation library items donated to EAA327 by Lyle Hefel and family.*

## Local Calendar of Events

For many other Aviation Related events, visit the following websites. Click on the following links. Will only list events submitted to the editor and other most local events here.

[EAA Aviation Calendar of Events](#)  
[AOPA Calendar of Events](#)  
[Iowa DOT Office of Aviation Calendar](#)  
[Wisconsin Fly-Ins and Airshow Event Calendar](#)  
[Fly-Ins.com Calendar Website](#)  
[Fun Places to Fly Website](#)  
[Social Flight Calendar](#)  
[Midwest Flyer Magazine Calendar](#)



### Tuesday, May 16, 2023 Chapter Meeting

**Location: EAA Chapter Hangar 88 — KDBQ**

**6:30PM Dinner (courtesy of Nancy & Doug Du Plessis)  
and 7:00 Meeting**

**Program: EAA Chapter video, Oshkosh AirVenture  
and discussion about Chapter camping.**

Chapter Website: [www.327.eaachapter.org](http://www.327.eaachapter.org)  
Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/EAA327>

Send event information on those activities that would interest the membership. Will be delighted to include any information on aviation related activities, fly-in breakfasts, etc. e-Mail your information to [Bob.Woodward312@gmail.com](mailto:Bob.Woodward312@gmail.com).

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**EAA Chapter 327  
IMC Club**

*"To promote instrument flying,  
proficiency, and safety"*

Meets: 7pm, 2nd Thurs of month  
Location: Dubuque Airport Terminal  
Conference Room

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# Upcoming EAA Webinars

Go to [www.eaa.org/webinars](http://www.eaa.org/webinars) to view the schedule and to register.

Date	Time	Title	Presenter(s)
5/15/23	12 p.m. CDT	<a href="#">Stop Dreaming and Start Flying – Flight Training First Steps</a> Learn to Fly Week Webinar   Qualifies for FAA WINGS credit.	EAA Staff
5/15/23	7 p.m. CDT	<a href="#">Flight Simulators 101 - Leveraging a Home Simulator for Flight Training</a> Learn to Fly Week Webinar   Qualifies for FAA WINGS credit.	Chris McGonegle
5/16/23	12 p.m. CDT	<a href="#">How to Pass the Private Pilot FAA Written Test in Less Time</a> Learn to Fly Week Webinar   Qualifies for FAA WINGS credit.	Bret Koebbe
5/16/23	2 p.m. CDT	<a href="#">How to Save Time and Money in Flight Training</a> Learn to Fly Week Webinar	Larry Bothe
5/16/23	7 p.m. CST	<a href="#">Become a Professional Pilot; Which Path is Best?</a> Learn to Fly Week Webinar	Paul Maloy
5/17/23	12 p.m. CDT	<a href="#">Getting Back into the Left Seat – No Matter How Long It's Been</a> Learn to Fly Week Webinar   Qualifies for FAA WINGS credit.	Jamie Beckett
5/17/23	2 p.m. CDT	<a href="#">Getting Started in Ultralights</a> Learn to Fly Week Webinar   Qualifies for FAA WINGS credit.	Timm Bogenhagen
5/17/23	7 p.m. CDT	<a href="#">Pass Your Checkride (Part 1 of 2) – The Oral</a> Learn to Fly Week Webinar   Qualifies for FAA WINGS credit.	Larry Bothe
5/18/23	12 p.m. CDT	<a href="#">Preparing to Attend a Flying Start Event</a> Learn to Fly Week Webinar	David Leiting
5/18/23	7 p.m. CDT	<a href="#">Pass Your Checkride (Part 2 of 2) – The Practical Exam</a> Learn to Fly Week Webinar   Qualifies for FAA WINGS credit.	Larry Bothe
5/19/23	12 p.m. CDT	<a href="#">FAA Medical Certification and You</a> Learn to Fly Week Webinar   Qualifies for FAA WINGS credit.	Tom Charpentier

## Chapter 327 Flight Instructors

Here is a listing of Chapter 327 members that are flight instructors and would be willing to help with primary flight instruction, your next BFR or other. *If you are a Chapter member and a flight instructor please let me know and I will include your name in the listing. Additions/Corrections are welcome!*

CFI / CFII	Phone	New Students	CFII	BFR	IFP	Airports	Plane
Mike Nickeson	563/451-6246	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	DBQ	Owners, Club Plane
e-mail - Bob Woodward (bob.woodward312@gmail.com) to add your name to the list.							





## EAA Chapter 327

### MEMBER SIGN UP FORM

FIRST NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ LAST NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

NICKNAME: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE OF BIRTH: \_\_\_\_\_

STREET ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ STATE: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE #: \_\_\_\_\_ NATIONAL EAA NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_

LICENSES/RATINGS/SKILLS: \_\_\_\_\_

AIRCRAFT OWNED/ PROJECT/ BUILT: \_\_\_\_\_

(FOR REFERENCE AS OUR CHAPTER GROWS AND FOR EVENTS)

INTERESTED IN PARTICIPATING IN: VMC ☐ IMC ☐ CLUBS

YOUNG EAGLES: PILOT: ☐ VOLUNTEER: ☐

YOUTH PROTECTION BACKGROUND CHECK COMPLETED? (Y/N) \_\_\_\_\_

DATE COMPLETED, IF YES: \_\_\_\_\_ PASSPORT TYPE PHOTO \_\_\_\_\_

EAGLE FLIGHT: PILOT: ☐ VOLUNTEER: ☐

We'd be glad to have you as a member of our local chapter, our annual dues are: \$15.00 and can be paid in person by check or cash or mailed to us at: Brett Pearce, Treasurer, EAA Chapter 327, 16859 Thunder Hills Dr. Peosta, IA 52068(no cash via mail please)

MONTHLY MEETINGS ARE: 3<sup>RD</sup> TUESDAY EACH MONTH 6:30 PM LOCATED AT EAA HANGER 88, 11052 AIRPORT RD, DUBUQUE, IA



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OUR NATIONAL EAA ORGANIZATION EXPECTS LOCAL CHAPTER MEMBERS TO JOIN THE UMBRELLA NATIONAL ORGANIZATION. THE FEE IS \$40 AND AN APPLICATION CAN BE MADE AT [WWW.EAA.ORG](http://WWW.EAA.ORG). THEY ALSO OFFER A 6-MONTH FREE TRIAL MEMBERSHIP. PLEASE LET US KNOW IF YOU WOULD LIKE THAT. MEMBERSHIP INCLUDES A MAGAZINE AND SUBSTANTIAL DISCOUNTS TO THE EAA AIRVENTURE AIRSHOW AT OSHKOSH EACH SUMMER. IF NEW MEMBERS WANT TO "TRY OUT" CHAPTER MEMBERSHIP FOR A FEW MONTHS BEFORE DECIDING IF IT IS FOR THEM, JUST LEAVE THE EAA NATIONAL NUMBER FIELD BLANK. ONCE YOU'VE BEEN A MEMBER SEVERAL MONTHS AND DECIDED TO STAY, PLEASE JOIN NATIONAL, AS THEY PROVIDE OUR INSURANCE AND PROGRAM MATERIALS.

AN INFORMAL PHOTO OF HEAD AND SHOULDERS WOULD BE APPRECIATED FOR OUR CHAPTER ROSTER TO HELP NEW MEMBERS LEARN NAMES OF ESTABLISHED MEMBERS AND TO BECOME KNOWN TO THE REST OF THE CHAPTER. .JPG FORMAT WORKS IF YOU CAN SEND IT YOU HAVE THE PHOTO OF YOUR CHOICE. OTHERWISE, WE WILL TRY TO SNAP A PICTURE ON OUR TELEPHONE AND USE THAT. THE ROSTER IS AVAILABLE ONLINE FOR MEMBERS AND IS FOUND AT [WWW.EAACHAPTERS.ORG](http://WWW.EAACHAPTERS.ORG). USER NAME IS THE NAME YOU SIGNED UP WITH PLUS EAACHAPTER327, AS IN CHUCKWEBEREAACHAPTER327. THE INITIAL PASSWORD IS MUSTANG, AND YOU WILL ASKED TO CHANGE IT ONCE LOGGED IN. YOU WILL BE ABLE TO EDIT YOUR OWN LISTING. IF YOU HAVE TROUBLE ASK ME AT A MEETING OR GIVE A CALL/TEXT AT 563-663-3646

IF YOU ARE A PILOT AND HAVE AN INTEREST IN GIVING YOUNG EAGLE RIDES TO YOUNG PEOPLE PLEASE LET US KNOW, AND WE'LL GET YOU STARTED

YOU CAN PRINT THE REVERSE SIDE OF THIS FORM AND FILL OUT LEGIBLY, OR TYPE IN RESPONSES IF DESIRED. PLEASE SCAN AND SEND OR TAKE AN IN FOCUS PHOTO AND TEXT TO ME AT 563-663-3646. THEN INCLUDE FORM AND MEMBERSHIP FEE AND MAIL TO TREASURER BRETT PEARCE AS INDICATED ON FRONT OF PAGE.

THANKS SO MUCH. LOOK FORWARD TO MEETING AND HELPING FUFILL YOUR AVIATION GOALS.  
CHUCK WEBER, EAA CHAPTER 327 PRESIDENT