



Above it All

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EXPERIMENTAL AIRCRAFT ASSOCIATION CHAPTER 327 - DUBUQUE IA USA
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From The Desk of the President



It has been quite an EAA 327 month!

Kevin Bohach organized and ran a Poker Run from the EAA Hanger 88 on May 8. Several planes and pilots from the Chapter participated and the Viroqua EAA Chapter President flew in for our event. Everyone had fun flying on

a beautiful Saturday morning, had lunch, and raised over \$500 for the Chapter.

The RV-12 is youth build project is now officially an airplane, N-744AN. Bill Kyle, an FAA DAR, or designated airworthiness representative, came to inspect our project and declared it airworthy with no deficiencies. I have flown it as test pilot for 6 hours now, gotten through Phase I flight testing, and given rides to several youth and adult build participants. We all have big RV-grins on our faces! It is a blast to fly, so much fun.

Taras Slyyka diagnosed a small leak of oil from the gearbox seal, so we'll be taking it to the Rotax service center for warranty work. Paint is on the horizon, and figuring out the plane's future.

We would like to have it available locally for rides and to generate funding for youth scholarships. If that doesn't work out, the plan is to sell it and use the proceeds for the same purpose.

Our May meeting will be on the usual third Tuesday of the month May 18th. Doug and Nancy DuPlessis will be doing the light dinner before the meeting. Come at 6:30 for eating and fellowship.

The general meeting starts at 7 and our program is a 99's member and friend of Elaine and Bill Fitch. She is Minnetta Gardinier who will talk about her flight to Greenland in her single engine airplane.

The Ninety-Nines is a group of women pilots who's first President in 1931 was Amelia Earhart.

Joe Sener organized and ran a Flying Start Program at the Jet Center conference room on May 15th. There were five aspiring pilots and twelve including CFT Erin Cram and others attending. Some synergy developed with some expressing interest in becoming members and others wanting to support our youth education programs.

Our plan is to offer Eagle rides to the adults who participated when the weather clears. We recruited a few participants in the radio control Build 'n Fly program with the Tri-State Modelers.



I went over to visit the EAA Observation area on the Airport Terminal drive. The structure's paint is in good condition as are the picnic tables. Bill Fitch and I looked through the handicap accessible high-power binoculars and were surprised at the clarity of objects over a mile away. It is a great place for a picnic.

The radio repeater that Bob Wagner built is still functioning well on solar power broadcasting ground and tower communications on a speaker under the shelter or to the car radios in the parking lot. Our Ray Scholar Bridger Hawkinson plans his Boy Scout Eagle Project in creating signage at the site.

Blue Skies & tailwinds,

-Chuck Weber

EAA327's RV-12 takes flight!



EAA 327 Hosts Flying Start Day *Saturday, May 15, 2021*



Ray Scholar Bridger Hawkinson



As far back as I can remember, I have been fascinated with airplanes and airports. I found myself wanting to go on vacations not for the vacation part, but for flying in an airplane and wandering through airports.

Several years ago, I took a Young Eagles flight at an event in Clinton, and I knew this was the way of

my future and I set my sights toward the sky.

In October of 2019, I began my ground school coursework at Kirkwood College in Cedar Rapids, driving down with my Dad every Tuesday night for 10 weeks of three-hour classes. As I neared the end of my coursework, I started private pilot training in Clinton with Tanner Rau with P&N Aviation. We flew as often as we could, and I started to accumulate hours.

Due to some airplane issues in Clinton, I transferred my instruction to Derek Harsen in Marion (C17) and have been taking instruction there since then. In the past few months, I have been working really hard to obtain my Private Pilot's license and completing all the necessary requirements for reaching my long time goal of being able to fly. Recently, I have been working the instrument portion of the certification with my flight instructor.

Lately, I have been busy working on Slow flight, Steep Turns, Stalls, ADF navigation, and landing at the Marion airport all while under the hood. I am 16 and the requirement for getting my license is 17. During this gap from now to November (when I turn 17), my flight instructor wants me to get started with the Instrument Rating. This summer I plan practice RNAV and ILS approaches into Cedar Rapids.

To date I am just short of 80 hours and have achieved all of the requirements for my private pilot's license; as I recently successfully passed the written FAA exam.

My goal is to attend school at UD and work my way to the airlines, with American Airlines on the top of my list.

Flying has been a great release for me and I take every opportunity to fly when it is presented to me. I can't think of a better way to spend my weekends than in the cockpit of an airplane as I work toward my future.

In my free time, I have been working with my drone. Last summer, I obtained my Part 107 license with the FAA which lets me fly unmanned aircraft such as drones commercially. Having this license lets me make a little money and lets me do something that I enjoy as well. I have been working with Realtors and other commercial business to get aerial pictures of properties before they list them on the market.

I hope everyone is staying safe and healthy. Keep your airspeed alive. - Bridger Hawkinson

Chapter set up for Amazon Smile Fundraising Opportunity

by Chuck Weber

I was speaking with Jim Skadal, President of EAA Chapter 75, Quad Cities at a recent fly-out to the Clinton airport. He mentioned this program to fund charities and he remembered our chapter is organized as a 501c3 charity to promote aviation.

Amazon has offered to send half of one percent of any person's purchases to the charity of their choice. The amounts will be credited quarterly. It does not affect the price of anything and is no cost to the customer. I signed our organization up with Amazon.

You can simply click this link to register:

<https://smile.amazon.com/ch/83-1145233>.

Or you can sign in to smile.amazon.com on your desktop or mobile phone browser. From desktop or mobile browser, sign in to your account on Amazon and select Change your Charity from the options at the bottom of the page. Select EAA Chapter 327 to support. Please register to support our Chapter at no cost to you.

While it's always best to try to support local businesses, if you are going to shop online at Amazon, you can do so in a way that our chapter benefits.

Young Eagles Day & Youth Protection Training

I'd like as many pilots who are able, to get Youth Protection Training to qualify as Young Eagle Pilots. Many hands make less work.

To find out if you're qualified, www.eaa.org website, click on Chapter Resources, Managing Your Chapter & finally EAA Chapter Member Look Up.

Here are the requirements:

- All participating pilots must hold an appropriate airmen's certificate (sport pilot or greater).
- Pilots must possess a current medical certificate (if applicable).
- Pilots must be current EAA national members.
- Pilots must be current to carry passengers in the aircraft they plan to use.
- Pilots must have a current flight review.
- Aircraft Passenger Liability Insurance is required for the aircraft used (owned, rental or borrowed).
- The Young Eagles registration form must be completed before the flight, complete with parent or guardian signature.
- The aircraft used for the flight must be in airworthy condition (experimental OK)
- Must complete EAA Youth Protection training & background check.

As an EAA member, pilots participating in the Young Eagles Program are eligible for an additional \$1 million of passenger liability insurance coverage, if they carry a minimum of \$100,000 per seat liability insurance.

To get Youth Protection Training & a background check (no charge) go to www.EAA.org and sign in.

Go to "My Training" &/or "Go to Course" link on top of the page. You'll need to take the Youth Protection Training and the Background check. It takes about a half hour and you'll hear from EAA in a week or two. I don't see if anyone fails so don't worry!

Let's put a smile on these kids faces. If anyone has trouble navigating the EAA website, let me know and I'll help.

For more resources, www.youngeaglesday.org.

EAA Chapter 327 Membership Meeting

April 20, 2021 7:00pm, EAA Hanger 88
Agenda & Minutes

6:30pm social time, gathering, food (Don Hedeman) & soft drinks, 7pm meeting kick-off

1. Call to Order
Attending were 29 members & guests, a record since Covid struck us.
2. March newsletter and minutes posted on website. We have 65 members, 19 expired, 17 new
3. Treasurer report
4. Old Business
RV-12is build had last rivets installed by Bridger and Nathan. AWC on-line form completed and DAR contacted

Flying Start program scheduled May 15. Joe Sener has PR material, press release from EAA. Karin Spisak and Cheryl Sheldon helping with promoting on airport website and publicity newspapers and radio.

Poker Run organized by Kevin Bohatch scheduled May 1, rain date May 8. Please sign up. Payment can be by PayPal link on poster.

5. New Business
Ray Scholar Joe Chapman successfully completed his private pilot checkride. A Ray Scholar cap and collared shirt commemorates his accomplishment.

A Chapter campsite has been proposed for AirVenture. Bob Woodward coordinating.
EAA T-shirt \$20 make list for those desiring one

Roster Management program available for sharing. Email charlesbweber@me.com for access to chapter member listing.

Volunteer welcome to prepare a light meal before our meeting. Subs, soup, pizza, etc fine. The cost is about \$5 so please be generous with your donations. Don Hedeman provided April meal.

Photos needed for the Chapter roster. Email your own to Chuck Weber @ charlesbweber@me.com or we can take one on iPhone.

Program: Jason Edwards, Boscobel A&P unable and EAA Chapter video shown.

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](#)

Check out this funny ATC video on YouTube



https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=K1hlp0DCE_8

Tuesday, May 18, 2021 Chapter Meeting

Location: EAA Chapter Hangar 88

6:30 PM - Dinner and 7:00 meeting

Program: Minnetta Gardinier will talk about her flight to Greenland in her single engine airplane.

Chapter Website: 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.

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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

For more information contact: charlesbweber@me.com

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Upcoming EAA Webinars

Go to www.eaa.org/webinars to view the schedule and to register.

| Date | Time | Title | Presenter(s) |
|---------|------------|--|--------------------------|
| 5/18/21 | 7 p.m. CDT | Ultimate Aircraft Buying Guide 2021 | Scott Sky Smith |
| 5/19/21 | 7 p.m. CDT | Are you Stumped About Weather? Here are the Top Ten FAQs Qualifies for FAA WINGS credit. | Scott Dennstaedt |
| 5/26/21 | 7 p.m. CDT | Flying to Meet the Challenge: Completing 5 Midwest State Flying Programs Qualifies for FAA WINGS credit. | Michael Haubrich |
| 6/1/21 | 7 p.m. CDT | AirCam Kit Aircraft HOMEBUILDERS WEBINAR SERIES | Phil Lockwood |
| 6/2/21 | 7 p.m. CDT | What Plane Should I Buy? Qualifies for FAA WINGS and AMT credit. | Mike Busch |
| 6/8/21 | 7 p.m. CDT | Spirit of St. Louis MUSEUM WEBINAR SERIES | Chris Henry and Ben Page |
| 6/9/21 | 7 p.m. CDT | Evolution of Flexwing: Weight-Shift Trikes Qualifies for FAA WINGS credit. | Mike Hudetz |
| 6/15/21 | 7 p.m. CDT | Decision-Making and Loss of Control Inflight (LOC-I) Qualifies for FAA WINGS credit. | Gordon Penner |

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 |
| Erin Cram | 563/513-9566 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | DBQ | Owners, Club Plane |
| Alaine Olthafer | 608/988-6864 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | PVB | Owners, Club, FBO |

e-mail - Bob Woodward (bob.woodward312@gmail.com) to add your name to the list.



EAA Chapter 327



Membership Application

Please print:

First Name _____ Last _____ Spouse _____

Address _____

City / State / Zip _____

Landline (____) _____ Cell (____) _____

Email address _____

National member ID. _____

Single membership: \$15.00

Family membership: \$22.50

Payable To: FAA Chapter 327

Return to: **Merle Neises**
6829 N. High Ridge Rd.
Galena Il. 61036



Meetings the third Tuesday of the month, 7PM, Conference Rm next to restaurant, DBQ Airport Terminal

Meeting times & places may vary in the summer time contact a chapter officer for exact times and place

Visit our webpage www.327.eaachapter.org

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