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Thoughts Aloft

Manitowoc EAA Chapter 383 Newsletter

Chapter Logbook

by Chapter President Jim Zuege

Greetings Fellow Grumpy Ducks

The Chapter is coming to life and it's really great to see. Our activities are really picking up!

In August, I went with John Basten and Mark Eben to the new Pilot Proficiency Center in Oshkosh for flight simulator training hosted by FAAST (FAA Safety Team) in Milwaukee. The flight simulator is crazy different than flying my Sonex; it's more like a video game. It's not at all like training with Jim Wheeler because you spend more time looking at the instrument panel than out the window! Refreshing your basic emergency procedures was beneficial.

Hangar cleaning day was successful. We moved a lot of stuff and it looks better and more efficient. Thanks to everyone that helped. Many hands make light work! You will notice too, that the hangar is much brighter because Jesse Vetting and Josh Honey installed new LED lights over the sink area.

Jesse Vetting, Shannon Vetting, and Josh Honey did massive clean up, edging, planting, and mulching in front of the Chapter building. It looks great! Thank you to Scotty Landscape Supply for donating!

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Monthly Business Meeting 2nd Wednesday 1900 hrs

Monthly Gathering
3rd Saturday 0800 hrs

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In case you've missed the recent news, the biggest change of the year is our meeting schedule. Chapter 383 will gather as a group on the 3rd Saturday of every month. A social hour with coffee and donuts will be held from 0800-0900 hrs. followed by an activity. The activity could be a field trip, hangar work, youth activity, speaker or anything else we decide on. A business only meeting will continue to be held on the 2nd Wednesday of every month. Officers must attend and anyone else can attend if you wish.

Speaking of business meeting; the next one is September 11. Board members must attend and anyone interested in the Young Eagles event scheduled for September 14.

September 14 is the Young Eagles fly day. We have 20 students lined up! Pilots for the day are Mark Eben, John Basten, Ken Schuller, John Younger and Jim Zuege. We could use more help on ground crew! You have to have a background check and brief Young Eagles training before you can help. It's a protocol for the safety of the kids and only takes a few minutes. Reach out to KMTW383@gmail.com to get you set up.

Kristen Eben is our new Youth Education Coordinator. We're excited to have youth activities in our hangar.

Young Eagles flight day

September 14

Event Briefing at 0700 hrs

Corn Roast when the flights are done which is expected to be around noon.

The Chapter will provide the corn and burgers. Please bring a side dish or dessert. If you've never been to a chapter corn roast, I suggest you attend. Crosswind Gary is the king of finding and roasting the best sweetcorn hands down.









2024 Wisconsin Airport Events

September 14 EAA Chapter 252 Pancake Breakfast and YE Rally

Wittman Regional Airport (KOSH)

0730 - 1100 hrs

Breakfast is free for pilots who fly homebuilt aircraft to the event. Breakfast is all you can eat pancakes, sausages, and scrambled eggs.

September 15 Wings and Wheels

New Holstein Municipal Airport (8D1)

0730 - 1400 hrs

Fly in breakfast 0730-1030, lunch 1100-1400. Car show and anything with wheels will be on display.

September 21 Oconto Elks Fly-In and Car Show

Oconto J Douglas Bake Municipal Airport (KOCQ)

0900 - 1600 hrs

16th annual, featuring Dacy Airshows, military aircraft display, hundreds of displays of cars and tractors and a variety of food and beverages.

September 28 Girls in Aviation Day

Milwaukee Mitchell International Airport (KMKE)

1300 - 1600 hrs

The Southeastern Wisconsin Women in Aviation Chapter is hosting an annual celebration for girls in aviation. Free activities for girls 12-18 years old. Learn to fly on flight simulators.

September 28 4th Fall Color Fly-In

Ontonagon County Airport (KOGM)

0900 - 1600 hrs

Enjoy the beautiful fall colors as you fly along the shores of Lake Superior. Lunch and enter drawings for great prizes.



Photo Album

Jesse and Shannon Vetting showed their pride in the Chapter by cleaning up and revitalizing the front of the EAA Chapter 383 hangar. Scotty Landscape Supply of Manitowoc generously donated \$869 in landscape material! This dedication and effort to our Chapter exemplifies what it means to be part of the Grumpy Ducks!

Joshua Honey











"EAA Chapters are like our churches, each one dedicated to spreading the world of sport aviation"

Paul Poberezny, Founder EAA