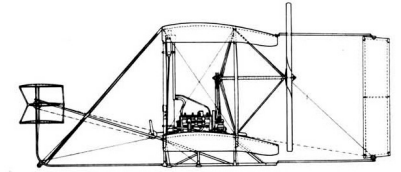




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OPEN HOUSE 2024 & BART UPDATE

by Bob Nelligan-Barrett

It's not often that I can combine two reports into one. But this time, there is a connection.

Despite very strong winds, our Open House Fly-In was a success. We had six planes fly in, four first-timers, two of them Van's RV's, a DA-40 from OnCore Aviation, and a Cub Special with a Baby Ace connection. We also had half a dozen classic cars join us and about 100 hungry guests that provided a profit at the grill. The Civil Air Patrol provided many cadets to help with car parking, airplane parking or anything we needed. Thank you to them and OnCore for helping to make our event a success. Thank you also to the many Chapter volunteers who stepped up to provide a seamless experience to our guests.

Oh, and I met some Hepler's; Squeek's step-daughter, Nancy Miller, and his grand-daughter, Laura Hills! Nancy's husband Victor, a 727 driver, saw our Open House flyer with 75H in the photo in the Akron Airport newsletter and wondered if this was a replica or a restoration of the original. They had to see for themselves. They were shocked that we are restoring the original. I was shocked to meet relatives with FIRST-HAND KNOWLEDGE of Fury. They have an abundance of photos and other memorabilia about 75H, early Chapter history, the Cunningham Hall GA-36 Restoration Association, and the Hilton Flying Service, which was the EAA 44 back in the day.

I will be meeting with them in August along with Eric Weiss, grandson of Charter member Lloyd Feary, builder of Baby Ace 126L "Lil Phyll." We will bring together all we have individually collected over the years and share. Much of it may join our collection of Chapter and local aviation history. They will be our Guest Speakers in September along with a special surprise.

A second Baby Ace connection happened at the Open House when I talked to Waldo Moore, owner/restorer of the Cub Special, and son of Charter members Dayne and Helen Moore, builders of Baby Ace N9429H. This is another of the eight or nine Baby Aces built by members and assisted by Squeek.

The next page has photos of the day by Gail Isaac and myself.

Mission: EAA Chapter 44 is a tax-exempt 501(c)(3) organization of aircraft builders and aviation enthusiasts in the Western New York region dedicated to promoting aviation and encouraging participation in aviation-related activities. These include designing, building and restoring aircraft, education, advocacy, and youth outreach programs. We promote flying with high standards of safety in an environment that supports freedom, family, and personal fulfillment.



Laura Hills, Squeek's grand-daughter, Nancy Miller, his step-daughter, her husband Victor with me.



An RV-14EH. For Everett Hepler? Done up in a bees (N56BZ) paint scheme.



Some of the classic cars that attended, including Chris Koch's classic Cadillac (say THAT three times fast!)



Waldo Moore's Cub Special (left) and an RV-10 (right.)

BARTS EARN ACADEMIC RECOGNITION, A SCHOLARSHIP & PILOT CERTIFICATES

By Bob Nelligan-Barrett

It gives me great pleasure to announce to you the achievements of several of our youth and young adult BART members. Some of you may have heard this information already, but I want to get it in the official Newsletter of Record, The Flyer, for posterity.

Nicky Koval was surprised at the Churchville-Chili Academic Awards Ceremony with a Presidential Academic Excellence Award including a commendation letter from President Biden. This was awarded based on his academic success in 7th and 8th grade. He is also a member of the Junior National Honor Society. Congratulations Nicky!

Lucas Jones was awarded a \$1,000 Scholarship from the Christian Airmen Educational Foundation. This is awarded to students who have completed an aviation ground or trade school and have demonstrated an interest in a particular field of aviation. Congratulations Lucas!

Jace Carey, after many trials and tribulations, earned his Private Pilot Certificate! Between commitments with school sports, the weather (of course, it's Rochester!), CFI changes, and life, Jace found a fellow student to study with and they helped each other across the finish line. Jace's congratulation cake below has him sitting in an airliner left seat at age five. He's taken the first big step. Congratulations Jace!

Last but not least, **Jake Daly** just earned his Commercial Certificate from Middle Tennessee State University. Jake's goal is to fly for the airlines. Now he can...with a few more hours under his belt. He will be speaking to the BARTS who are interested in a professional pilot career at a July BART meeting and outlining his pathway to aviation from Chapter 44 to his Commercial and beyond.

Please congratulate all these young aviators. They join a long list of their BART predecessors who are members of the National Honor Society, have won awards and scholarships for their academic success and community service, earned Glider and powered Private Pilot Certificates, and a Commercial Certificate, and are in training for an Instrument Rating.

These achievements are an unexpected consequence of the Baby Ace Restoration Team. I thought we were just going to restore an airplane. Instead, we have provided an outlet for their passion in aviation. Chapter 44 and BART have provided opportunities and mentors that WE OURSELVES didn't have when we were their ages. THAT has been the biggest reward of BART.



This is coming up next month! If you know of a young person who would like to attend, et them know and have them (parent/guardian) get in contact with Norm & Elise. Also, volunteers will be needed to staff this event. Please help with the future of aviation! Thank you!



Workshops

EAA Chapter 44

Join us for hands-on, aviation-related activities that provide creative, social, and educational growth to kids interested in a potential recreational or career path in the world of flight!

Located at

EAA Chapter 44 Sport Air Center
Ledgedale Airpark (7G0)
44 Eisenhower Drive
Brockport, NY 14420

When

August 10th & 11th, 2024
9:00 AM to 4:30 PM

Contact

Norm & Elise Isler Ages 11-17
585-764-9811 Cost \$99
SingHolley@aol.com
chapters.eaa.org/ea44



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Steaks at Ledgedale!

Cody Johnson and crew are holding Steak & Baked Potato Fly Ins this season (see poster below). Gail Isaac said that she & Jerry, along with Tom & Eileen Henion, went to the May event. In Gail's words, "The steaks were tender and cooked perfect. Baked potatoes had all the toppings and rolls were fluffy."

Come and have dinner and support our airport and its new owners!



LEDGEDALE AIRPARK

Steak & Baked Potato Fly In

May 22 • June 26 • July 24 • Aug 28 • Sept 25

Rain Date: Next Day
6:00pm - 9:00pm

**Meal: Steak, Baked Potato,
Salad, Soft Drinks**

Everyone: \$25.00

RSVP recommended, but not necessary
ledgedaleairpark7GO@gmail.com
Under wing camping available

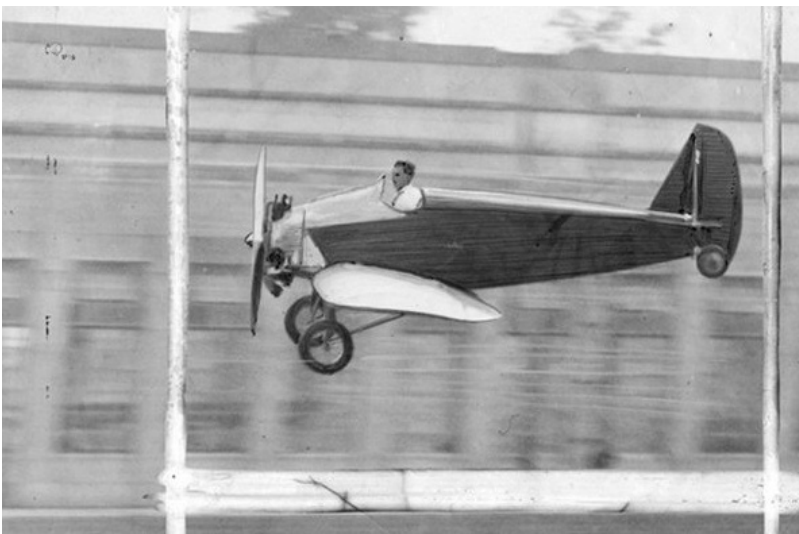
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Editor's Empennage

Here are my historical finds for this month:



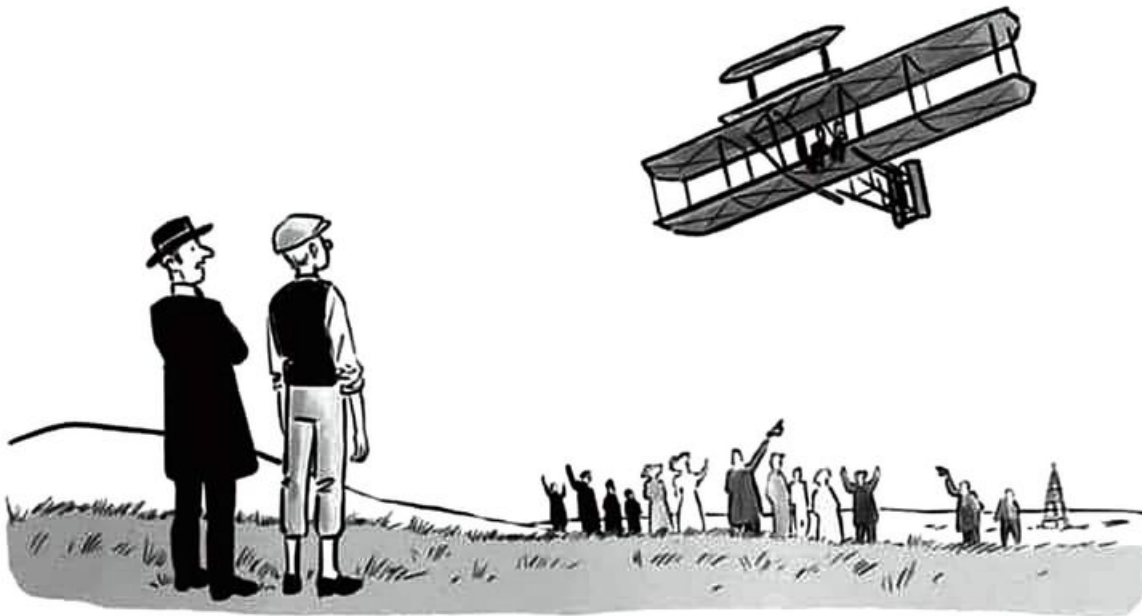
A C-124 Globemaster delivers a De Havilland Canada DHC-3 Otter to Antarctica in 1956.



This is a Ford Flivver, being piloted by Harry Brooks, circa 1927. This is the only public domain photo that I found. There is a good article on Wikipedia. https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Ford_Flivver

There is an original at the Henry Ford Museum, and a replica at EAA AirVenture Museum. The replica was built in 1989 by EAA Chapter 159 from Midland, Michigan and donated in 1991.

Sammy Rae and Willie (Mary) Mattocks during the 2024 Air Race Classic. They flew 2546 miles in 4 days!



“Well, what I see is my bike not getting fixed.”

EAA Chapter 44 Calendar

Next General Gathering

July 16, 2024

Dinner @ 6:30 pm \$5 donation

Chapter Cookout -
Hots and Hamburgers.
Please bring a dish to pass.

Gathering is @ 7:30 pm.

There will be a presentation by
Dan Vinton about The Miracle on the
Hudson

SAC Work Day - Saturday before
General Gathering, 10 am.

Air Shows 2024

July 13-14, National
Warplane Museum
Airshow, Geneseo, NY

July 22-28, EAA
Airventure, Oshkosh, WI

August 3-4, Rochester
International Airshow,

August 31- September 1,
Wings over Batavia

**All activities take place at the Sport
Aviation Center of Western New York,
and are free and open to the public, unless
otherwise noted.**

Sport Aviation Center, EAA Chapter 44
44 Eisenhower Drive, Brockport, NY 14420
Brockport Airport / Ledgeale Airpark (7G0)
43° 10' 56" N, 77° 55' 1" W

Board Meetings
2nd Tuesday of the month

General Gatherings
3rd Tuesday of the month
\$5 Dinner 6:30 pm, Meeting 7:30 pm

BART - Every Wednesday 6pm to 9pm,

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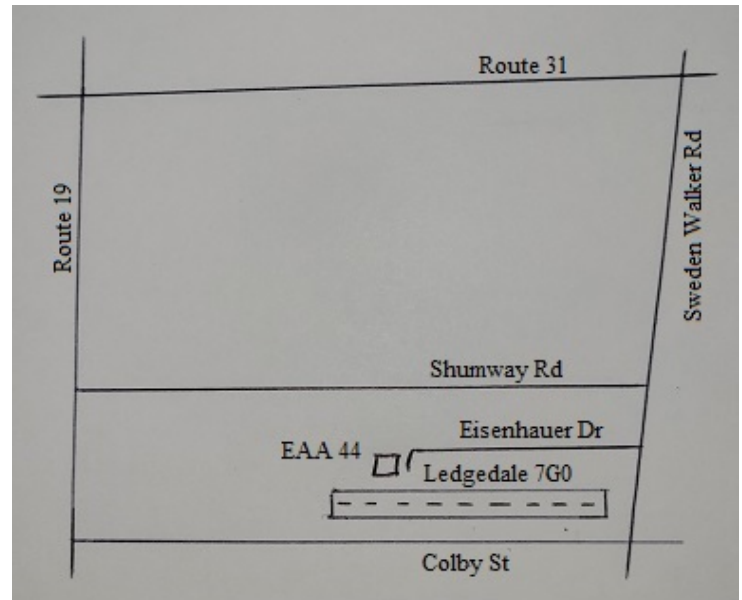
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