

EAA Chapter 478

COCKPIT CHATTER

Lexington Park, MD

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A Bronze EAA Chapter





EAA Chapter 478 Monthly Gathering March 19, 2024, 6-6:30 PM Social Time Program 6:30PM – Pax River Airspace Review Pax River Controller AC1 Doering will be presenting 2W6 Terminal Building Conference Room

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For Sale - Vacuum Pump, Artificial Horizon

2024 Chapter Dues are Due - \$20.00

FROM THE TOP

Darryl Crawford, President EAA Chapter 478

Please share with anyone on the chapter board any aviation events, fly-ins/outs, airport restaurants, or aviation related charities you may know of. One of our goals is the maintain a comprehensive list of local events for our calendar and to partake in experiences together.

One airport hangar home for sale at Chesapeake Ranch (MD50), see listing at this link: https://www.realtor.com/realestateandhomes-detail/12003-Double-Tree-Ln_Lusby_MD_20657_M60965-39512?from=srp-list-card

The chapter hosted it's second Aero Educate, Build and Fly workshop yesterday Saturday March 16. This event was well organized and supported. Thank you to all that helped provide this meaningful event for the Young Eagles. A total of 9 Young Eagle participated, see the summary below of the event. Bernie Wunder is planning a week-long Build and Fly workshop this summer that will provide a tremendous experience for the Young Eagles that are able to attend. Pictures from the workshop are posted to our Website.

John Attebury has bought a flight simulator that is extremely capable. John is making the simulator available to Chapter Members to use at no cost. The simulator is in his house at this time. A short YouTube video was made showing some of the capabilities of the system. You can find the video on YouTube at 478 Sim. Check it out.

Remember Chapter Dues are due. Your dues help to pay for the cost of the Chapter cost to EAA which is over \$400 per year, thanks for your support of the Chapter.



Donation QR Code for EAA Chapter 478

EAA Chapter Directional Sign

Submitted by Bernie Wunder

I would like to challenge our EAA chapter to come up with a Chapter Directional Sign we can take to Oshkosh this summer. Maybe we could vote on the best sign at a future chapter gathering before AirVenture 2024. Here are the specifications:



Over the years, chapters have become more creative. Here are a couple more photos as to what a chapter directional sign looks like, along with the one I saw hung last summer.



May the whittling begin!

UPCOMING EVENTS

Chapter Gathering – 19 March 2024 – 2W6
Chapter Board Meeting – 2 April 2024 - 2W6
Chapter Gathering – 16 April 2024 – 2W6
VMC Club & Mini Young Eagle Rally – 20 April 2024 – 2W6
See Calendar of events at the end of the Newsletter

EAA CHAPTER 478 MEETING MINUTES

EAA Chapter 478 Board Minutes

Date/Location: 5 March 2024/1830/2W6 Terminal Bldg

Attending:

Darryl Crawford-President	X
Paul Gambacorta-VP	X
Bernie Wunder-Secretary	X
Don Byrne-Treasurer	X
Tom Weiss-Past President	X
Sid Wood BOD 2024-235	X
Chris Moody BOD 2023-24	X
Bill Englehart BOD 2023-24	X
John Attebury BOD 2023-24	X
John Reinert BOD 2023-24	X

Greg Stevens BPD 2023-24	X
Keith King BOD 2023-24	X

Agenda Items:

- 1. EAA Leadership Bootcamp Darryl and Bernie attended the Leadership Bootcamp webinar held 5/6 March 2024.
- 2. Aero Educate -Build and Fly (Bernie)
 - a. First workshop conducted in February with 6 youths. Bad weather stopped some attendees.
 - b. Works shop number two on track to do a wing rib construction project, an electrical wiring project, and another RC simulator session on 16 March 2024. So far 13 youth have been signed up (4 on waiting list).
 - c. April/May 3rd Saturday will be a YE mini rally (flying) with a RC simulator project/workshop conducted simultaneously.
 - d. Work continues on construction of a second model kit to be the prototype for the summer camp build and fly model. (John R/Don/Charlie)
 - e. The Treasurer would like to know how much is being spent and to submit receipts for reimbursement.
- 3. 2024 Event Schedule Review
 - a. Build & Fly/Workshops Feb-Apr 2024
 - b. Build and Fly summer camp 17-22 June 2024.
 - c. Young Eagles (Keith/Paul/Greg)
 - i. Keith and Paul presented a schedule for YE events.
 - ii. Working with Chris (web editor) to get the calendar posted on the chapter website.
 - iii. There is interest in conducting another YE rally in Lawrenceville, VA. Need to make a decision soon (by next month) on whether to do it there, or CGE or Easton, or another Eastern Shore location.
 - iv. Chapter (Tom) purchased 500 tote bags costing \$600; but shipping is another \$125.
 - v. Paul has a source for small balsa wood gliders if we want to purchase them.
 - vi. The chapter received \$1565 in Young Eagles credits for last year.
 - d. Our summer open hangar night gathering and the YE Build & Fly summer camp are both in the same week. Do we deconflict?
- 4. Reserving 2W6 terminal building for chapter events (Bernie): Special Event Permit request submitted in January to airport manager for Chapter Board and monthly membership meetings to be held at the Airport Terminal building; request received by airport manager but has not returned an approved request.
- 5. 2024 membership dues (Don)
 - a. About 10 have not paid.
 - b. The treasurer will send emails out to the individuals who have not paid..
- 6. Membership Meetings/Gatherings/Programs
 - a. February Program RV14 Build. Conducted and well received.
 - b. Future program suggestions
 - i. Pax ATC (Darryl/John) -working for March 2024 meeting.
 - ii. AMA club (Bernie) Patuxent Aeromodellers will hold a club flying day in April and EAA chapter members are invited to attend (Date TBD)

- iii. Need to coordinate a meeting at the AMA RC Flying Field in mid-July with a joint member cookout and RC flying demonstration.
- 7. Chapter goals discussion on going (Darryl)
- 8. Updating Chapter Logo (Tom)
 - a. Preliminary designs presented at February board meeting.
 - b. No additional updates.
- 9. PPL Ground School (John A): The individual who coordinates this has severe health issues and the ground school is on hold.
- 10. Newsletter Editor inputs due by around the 15th of each month.

Other items discussed:

- 1. The food ordering from Bird Dog Bistro (BDB) did not go well at first YE Build and Fly workshop. Bernie has discussed with manager and now when we do an event, after registration, the individual will go directly to the BDB and order/pay directly. They will label and mark the time of delivery on the meal.
- 2. Discussed tire collection bin to be located at St Mary's airport. Jorge Dominguez will be building.
- 3. The VMC and other meetings we have where non EAA member individuals attend should be offered a 6 month free EAA membership on the spot. Need to enter into EAA HQ website (requires birthdate, address, etc.) but easy to do.
- 4. From the leadership bootcamp, only about 25% of all EAA members belong to a chapter. There is a great opportunity to build chapter membership with just recruiting local EAA members. Darryl will present at a future gathering other information obtained from the leadership boot camp.

The meeting adjourned approximately 2000. Submitted by Bernie (Secretary)

TREASURER'S REPORT

Submitted by Don Byrne

EAA Chapter 478 Financial Report Through 29 February 2024						
Fund	Amount					
Petty Cash	\$114.40					
Savings	\$439.00					
Checking	\$22,610.28					
Total	\$23,163.68					

YOUNG EAGLES CORNER

Young Eagle Coordinators – Keith King, Paul Gambacorta, Greg Stevens

Young Eagle Mini-Rallies have been setup in YEDay.org for April 20th and May 18th from 10:30 to 12:30, immediately following the VMC meeting. Pilot and ground volunteers, please register to support these events. If you are not registered in YEDay.org, please register your interest on the YEDay.org website (www.yeday.org or www.youngeaglesday.org .) Last month's Newsletter provides more information about the Young Eagle Rally's and volunteering. If unable to register at YEDay.org contact Paul Gambacorta or Keith King.

With this year's YE Rally's there is going to be a renewed focus on "quality" over "quantity." Over a few months, EAA featured five surefire tips for improving the Young Eagles flight experience at our chapter rallies. The tips are included below:

Five Tips for Improving the Young Eagles flight experience:

- 1. Fly One Young Eagle at a Time
- 2. Involve the Young Eagle in the Aircraft Walk Around
- 3. Provide a Thorough Passenger Briefing
- 4. Narrate the Flight
- 5. Review the Young Eagles Flight Plan

Tip #1: Fly One Young Eagle at a Time

Although this is not always a practical approach, due to a packed flight schedule or siblings wishing to fly together, flying one Young Eagle at a time is highly recommended for improving the flight experience. Although the total flight numbers may not look as impressive, the Young Eagles attending the event are more likely to experience a high-quality flight.

When only one Young Eagle is on board, it allows the pilot to spend more time focused on that individual's experience, such as asking questions about the youth's background, their interest in aviation, and what goals they wish to achieve. Asking these questions will provide the pilot insight into what topics to discuss before, during, and after the flight.

With only one youth along for the ride, they are guaranteed a spot in the "front seat" or at the very least behind the controls if flying a tandem aircraft. Not only is the view better from this seat, but it also allows the Young Eagle to get a better understanding of how the aircraft operates. They will feel as though they are a part of the experience, rather than just along for the ride.

An additional benefit to the one-Young-Eagle-at-a-time mantra is the fact that following the flight, the pilot can spend more time going over the Young Eagles Flight Plan with the youth and their parents (more to come on this topic in a later article). There is a plethora of beneficial content within the flight plan, and it is imperative that the pilot makes sure to properly share that information with the Young Eagle and their parent(s).

The post-flight opportunities available to a Young Eagle are one of the aspects to the program that makes it so special.

Tip #2: Involve the Young Eagle in the Aircraft Walk-Around

Although most pilots conduct a thorough preflight prior to a Young Eagles rally, inviting the youth along for an additional walk-around is a great idea. This additional pre-flight will accomplish two goals: 1) An additional walk-around adds an extra level of safety and 2) It allows the pilot to give the youth a great introduction to what it takes to prepare an aircraft for flight and also assure them that the aircraft is fit for flight.

During the walk-around, pilots can place extra emphasis on control surface movements, inspecting the engine, and critical flight instruments such as the pitot tube. The pilot can explain what to look for during the walk-around, while also pointing out how certain parts of the aircraft (such as the flight controls) will be used during the flight.

These dual walk-arounds also give parents a great photo opportunity of their youth checking out the aircraft!

Tip #3: Provide a Thorough Passenger Briefing

Giving a Young Eagles participant a thorough, yet friendly passenger briefing will go miles to ensuring the youth is prepared for the flight. Here are a number of items pilot should considering including.

Show the Young Eagle how to properly enter and exit the aircraft. This includes where to step, what to grab a hold of, and how to operate the door/canopy.

Once seated, explain to the youth how the seat belt system works. If the harness is a more complicated system, such as a five-point harness, it may be beneficial to have a parent listen in, so they can help secure and tighten the safety belts for their child. As PIC, the pilot should still verify the belts are properly secured.

After getting the youth situated, show them how to properly wear their headset. Proper headset fit will drastically improve the comfort of the flight. Having the youth's parents nearby may also be beneficial for adjusting the headset. Explain to them that if they can hear themselves through the headset, then the pilot can hear what they are saying. If needing to maintain a sterile cockpit during any phase of the flight, pilots should explain they may ask the Young Eagle to stop talking during important radio transmissions. It may also be worth noting that only the people within that airplane will hear the youth talking. Often, youth may think that ATC or other aircraft on frequency can hear them talking.

With the Young Eagles participant comfortable situated, now is a good opportunity to remind them one last time to speak up if they are uncomfortable or nervous at any point. Something such as "One last reminder. If at any time you are feeling uncomfortable, nervous, or feel like you want to land, please let me know." This is a great way to let the youth know you can return to the airport at any time, especially if they are nervous or start feeling sick without planting the airsickness seed.

Tip #4: Narrate the Flight

Finally, the highlight of the event has arrived— for the youth and the pilot. Pilots will encounter a wide variety of personalities when flying Young Eagles— everything from shy and timid, to excited and talkative. Narrating the flight is a great way to help bring a youth out of their shell, or settle an overly excited passenger.

While taxiing out, if work load permits, pilots can point out how the aircraft is controlled on the ground with the rudder pedals. Taxi time may also present the opportunity to explain a bit about how taxiways and runways are named and identified.

During the engine run-up, pilots are provided the opportunity to talk through this procedure. This also presents another opportunity to ease the Young Eagles' nerves by explaining that this run-up is completed to ensure the aircraft is suitable for flight.

As the aircraft is pulled onto the runway, pilots may want to explain to the youth what they will experience during the takeoff. This can keep them from being surprised when the wing dips due to

crosswind correction, or the tail lifting in a tailwheel. Movements that seem second nature to a pilot can seem surprising and sometimes frightening to a passenger.

Once airborne, only if workload permits, pilots can point out unique landmarks outside the aircraft. Perhaps there is a lake or school that can be pointed out, to give the youth a frame of reference. Pointing out these landmarks can keep the youth occupied during the flight, and help them soak in the moment.

While maneuvering, pilots can also educate the Young Eagle on how the control inputs affect the aircraft's flight path. Demonstrations, with the youth following along on the controls, that show how elevator and aileron movements change the aircraft's flight attitude almost always draws excitement from the first-time fliers.

As the traffic pattern is entered, engine power is reduced, and flaps are added, the youth will experience noises and sensations never heard or felt during this flight. Talking through the power changes, extension of flaps, and turns in the traffic pattern will help the youth understand what is occurring, while also putting their mind at ease.

While taxiing back to the ramp, the pilot may have the opportunity to review the flight with the Young Eagles participant. Ask them what they liked about the flight, if they would go again, etc.

Tip #5: Review the Youn Eagles Flight Plan

After exiting the aircraft and returning to the hangar/terminal, now is the pilot's chance to fill out the Young Eagles logbook and certificate. When delivering the logbook, it is critical to go over the Young Eagles Flight Plan. Following the Young Eagles Flight Plan will help Young Eagles maximize this experience.

The Young Eagles Flight Plan is laid out in five simple steps.

Step 1. Take a Young Eagles Flight

• The chapter volunteer pilot has already completed the first step of the flight plan.

Step 2. Redeem a FREE EAA Student Membership *

• Student members receive all the same membership benefits as regular EAA members, including a free AMA student membership, access to a FREE AeroEducate account, as well as FREE access to the Sporty's Learn to Fly Course.

Step 3. Activate FREE AeroEducate Account *

• AeroEducate is EAA's newest youth initiative that provides a clear pathway for aviation involvement, which will lead to a career or lifelong hobby in aviation. Activities for youth are computer-based, chapter-based, and classroom-based. Learn more at AeroEducate.org.

Step 4. Take the Sporty's Learn to Fly Course for FREE *

• Young Eagles receive free access to this course, which is valued at \$279. The entire course is designed to teach users what they need to know to learn to fly and pass the FAA Knowledge Exam. Following completion of the course, users can receive their endorsement for the FAA Knowledge Exam. As an added bonus for Young Eagles, EAA will reimburse them for the cost of the FAA Knowledge Exam after they pass, if they also passed the Sporty's Learn to Fly Course.

Step 5. Get a FREE First Flight Lesson

- Once Young Eagles have completed the first three volumes of the Sporty's Learn to Fly Course, they will qualify for a free flight lesson voucher valued at \$130. EAA will contact the Young Eagles as soon as they qualify.
- * Steps 2, 3, and 4 can be completed by following one of two available methods:

Option A. When a youth is registered for a flight via YoungEaglesDay.org, there is an option to opt in for a student membership, AeroEducate, and FREE access to Sporty's Learn to Fly Course. **Option B.** If a student did not opt in while registering on YoungEaglesDay.org or a paper sign-up

was used, Young Eagles can visit YoungEagles.org/Join and enter the code from the back of their Young Eagles logbook. This code will also activate their AeroEdcuate account as well as their FREE Sporty's Learn to Fly Course.

For more information on the Young Eagles program visit **EAA.org/YoungEagles**. Or if you would like more information about our EAA Chapter 478 events, please contact Keith King, Paul Gambacorta and Greg Stevens.

Build and Fly Workshop #2 - March 16, 2024

Schedule of Events

DRAFT EAA YOUNG EAGLE B&F WORKSHOP #2 on March 16, 2024								
Time	Location	Team	Volunteer					
1030am-1045am	Conf		Wood or					
	Room		Byrne?					
1045am – 1100am	Conf		Gambacortta/					
	room							
11am-1130am			Wood or					
	room	Charlie	Byrne?					
1130pm-1230pm	<u>-</u>	Alpha	Reinert/?					
			Stevens/?					
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Build and Fly Workshop #2 Summary

On Saturday morning, 16 March 2024, EAA Chapter 478 had the Second Build & Fly Mini Workshop at the St. Mary's County Airport, 2W6. We had 9 participants with a lot of member help. Paul Gambacorta coordinated the sign-in process and Don Byrne, the ring master, directed & ran the event. There were three different stations for the participants: Electrical Circuits by Sid Wood & Greg Stevens, Wing Rib Construction by John Reinert & Charlie Fox7, and Flight Simulators by Joe Allen & Chuck Jones. The pictures from the event will be posted to the chapter google drive and a link placed on the home page sometime over the next few day. There were a lot of positive comments from the participants and their parents.



												EAA Chapter 478 Young Eagles Total			
												Year	Flights	Year	Flights
												1992	6	2012	242
												1993	54	2013	79
												1994	44	2014	127
												1995	79	2015	248
Pilots	3/18	6/10	7/1		ı	1				Other	Total	1996	89	2016	206
John Attebury	3	9, 20	-/-								3	1997	90	2017	205
Scott Boas											0	1998	47	2018	209
Robert Bray											0				
Don Byrne											0	1999	23	2019	112
Dan Byrnes											0	2000	113	2020	2
Richard Byrnes											0	2001	94	2021	65
Matt Carruthers											0	2002	90	2022	269
Michael D'Errico Egon Frech	3										2				
Paul Gambacorta	- 3										0	2003	101	2023	164
Don Gates											0	2004	66	2024	
Robert Lightstone											0	2005	138	2025	
Grant Miller	2										2	2006	97	2026	
Chris Moody											0				
John Nelson										1	1	2007	122	2027	
Robert Jake Piercy	,										0	2008	51	2028	
William Posnett											0	2009	113	2029	
David Rivera											0				
Ron Shipee											0	2010	156	2030	
Ronald Surfield											0	2011	187	2031	
Benard Wunder	2										2	Total	1760	Total	1928
Total	12	67	34	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	13		Grand Total 3688		

THE HOMEBUILDER'S CORNER

No Inputs this Month

THE FLYING/MAINTENANCE CORNER

Zenith CH650B Finds a New Home

Submitted by Jim MacWilliams

I finally, finally, got my Zenith CH650B that I bought in November ferried to St Mary's. Everyone who has had a plane ferried seems to have a story with it and I'm no different. Lots of anxiety and hand wringing, but it's here. Looking forward to good weather.



Arcadia (FL) Municipal Airport: We Could Use More Like It

Snowbird Report by Chris Moody

Every week the airport hosts Taco Tuesday. The airport has a very nice, shaded picnic/camping area where the food trucks are set up. The Tuesdays I was there I would estimate around 30 aircraft fly ins for lunch plus also many locals that drive into have lunch and watch the many arrivals and departures. In addition to the food trucks, an added draw is the fuel price (\$4.59 recently including the Taco Tuesday discount.) This photo shows that a new arrival would be number 7 for the gas pump as lunchtime begins. To the right of the fuel tank is the courtesy van under the shade canopy and several airport



bicycles available for use. Neither is needed on Tuesday though since it's all right at the airport.

This photo shows one of the food trucks and some of the picnic area. Some members of the Venice Air Force (my ride) in the foreground.



This picture of the airport lounge area shows the arrival/departure display that presumably gives management their official traffic counts. Sort of gives it the look of a scheduled terminal. I assume it works off ADS-B but may also use cameras. There is also a long porch full of rocking chairs facing the flight line. Pictures below taken from the porch show Shelly and Vera-the airport management team--in their golf cart, on the move making sure everything is running smoothly. Also, a very nice painted metal wind



vane someone made and donated to the airport.

Nice to see such an open, friendly and well-managed airport.





Cessna 175 Panel Upgrade Updates

Submitted by Noel Fallwell

No new pictures for this month but there have been some changes / enhancements that required my involvement. I finished all of the wiring and system check outs several weeks ago. The avionics system paper design was completed over one year ago and approved by the owner. Now, after all the wiring has been completed, the owner wanted to add a Garmin FlightStream feature. This required removing the

Garmin GNS 430W and then removing one of the High Density "D" shell connectors and inserting some additional wires / pins for a new shielded cable that would attach to the FlightStream device. This device allows uploading flight plans via Bluetooth from a notebook device instead of button pushing all the info into the 430W navigator.

Well, this change wasn't too difficult as the engine and firewall still have not been reattached. The next change request was a bit more difficult. The Cessna 175 is a 4-place aircraft. The owner wanted to use a PS Engineering PMA7000BT Audio Panel / Intercom. This device is plug compatible with older King audio panels and as such use card-edge connectors. These connectors are double row, 22 positions and there are two of 'em. The bottom row of each connector is labeled 1-22. The top row is labeled A-Z. That's right, A-Z in 22 positions. Look close. Letters G, I, O, and Q are not used. Not the first time I have seen this. Just be careful when counting the pins.

Now for the change. The owner now wanted to add a second Entertainment Audio Chanel into the audio panel so the back seaters could have their own music. No real problem, just another three conductor shielded cable from the audio panel to the back seat area. The problem was connecting these wires to the back of the PS Engineering panels card edge connectors...attach each wire to a gold plated bi-fucerated spring contact and insert each into the proper contact slot position. The audio panel is located at the top of the radio stack and directly underneath the cockpit windshield glair shield. Ugh!! Several hours and one bloody hand later the wires are connected. Done.

The next step for the aircraft is to reattach the firewall and then the engine mount and the engine.

Until next time...

FOR SALE/FREE

RC Allen Gyro Horizon p/n RCA227. Working when removed from RV-9A. Replaced with uAvionix AV-30E. \$200.00





Overhauled Rapco Vacuum Pump p/n 215CC. 65 flight hours. Includes air filter assembly. \$100.00



CHAPTER 478 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

FEBRUARY	
20-Feb	EAA Chapter 478 Monthly Gathering - 6-8 PM 2W6
MARCH	
5-Mar	EAA Chapter 478 Board Meeting - 6-8 PM 2W6
16-Mar	EAA Chapter 478 VMC Meeting - 9-10 AM 2W6
16-Mar	Build & Fly Workshop - 11 AM-3 PM 2W6
19-Mar	EAA Chapter 478 Monthly Gathering - 6-8 PM 2W6
APRIL	
2-Apr	EAA Chapter 478 Board Meeting - 6-8 PM 2W6
16-Apr	EAA Chapter 478 Monthly Gathering - 6-8 PM 2W6
20-Apr	EAA Chapter 478 VMC Meeting - 9-10 AM 2W6
20-Apr	Build & Fly Workshop - 11 AM-3 PM 2W6
MAY	
7-May	EAA Chapter 478 Board Meeting - 6-8 PM 2W6
11-May	Fly-in at Massey Aerodrome
18-May	EAA Chapter 478 VMC Meeting - 9-10 AM 2W6

In the Chocks

Thanks for all of the inputs this month, looking forward to seeing all of you at a Chapter event soon.

Build, Repair and Fly Safe.

Tom Weiss – Editor

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Program Coordinator: Paul Gambacorta

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