



JAN 2025 NEWSLETTER



THE WINDSOCK

GEAUGA COUNTY AIRPORT 7G8 MIDDLEFIELD, OHIO

FAA WINGS
HELICOPTER WAKE TURBULENCE
MONDAY JAN 20
DINNER 6PM MEETING 7PM



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Opportunities to go flying have been few and far between these last few weeks due to an unbroken string of cold weather but there has been plenty of activity around the airport.

For the second year now **Becky** has produced our own **chapter 5 calendar**. If you ordered one, it's available for pickup at the airport - if you want one, we have just a few unspoken for, first come first served.

We are in the process of applying for a **Ray Aviation scholarship**. Perhaps we will be able to add one more to the pilot population of Geauga County.

Planning for our **Summer Youth Aviation Camp** is getting underway. Check the calendar for planning meeting dates.

And the big news is that the chapter is raffling off a trip to go to the **Paris Air Show** in June. See details below.

Don't forget, we need your favorite flight stories. This is a picture or two from a memorable aviation experience you've had along with a paragraph to describe it.

We put these in this newsletter!

NEW MEMBERS

MATT JOHNSON

Although Matt has been around the airport for a long time, he is not only our newest A&P mechanic but our newest chapter member.



NEW RATINGS

CHRIS MARS

Congratulations go out to Chris Mars who successfully completing his instrument check ride.



NEW AIRPLANES

BRIAN SZUTER

It's official! The FAA was here and they have certified that the pile of airplane parts Brian has been hiding in his hanger is, in fact, truly an airplane! Congratulations Brian!



Engine run
for the FAA.

Finally,
it's the official
paperwork!

UPCOMING EVENTS

JANUARY PROGRAM MEETING

We will hold our January meeting this coming Monday.

Dinner at 6:00pm and meeting at 7:00.

This is an FAA Wings program that will be presented by **Ned Parks**.

Topic: **HELICOPTER WAKE TURBULENCE**

Many pilots have never heard of helicopter wake turbulence.

Many accidents have occurred as a result of helicopter wake turbulence on fixed wing aircraft. Ned will discuss the hazards and impact of helicopter wake turbulence on fixed wing aircraft in both VFR and IFR environments.

We'll start this evening with a chili bar beginning at 6:00pm. The chapter will provide several pots of chili ranging from mild to atomic. Please bring some fix'ns to go with if you can. We'll need salad, sides, chips, and desserts.



UPCOMING EVENTS

IMC VMC CLUB

Our January IMC/VMC Club meeting happens **Saturday, January 25th** - Donuts at 9:30am, meeting at 10:00. Meet over coffee and donuts with other pilots to discuss scenarios they have experienced and work through real-world IMC stories. If you were in this situation...What would you do? Our topic for this meeting is:

ASOS? AWOS? AWHAT? - ATIS Differences in Weather Reporting Stations.



RECENT EVENTS

EAA 5 CHRISTMAS PARTY!

The chapter Christmas party was a grand Affair as usual. Thanks go out to the decoration committee and all those who helped make this another successful event.



RECENT EVENTS

NOVEMBER IMC/VMC CLUB

On November 23rd, we spent the morning with **Tim Niederkorn** reviewing many of the rules of thumb used to do math on the flight deck.

DECEMBER IMC/VMC CLUB

On December 14th, **Tim Callahan** Presented a look at the bewildering rules and regulations required for maintaining proficiency with flight simulators.

TAKEN NOTE

**BENEFIT EAA CHAPTER 5
FIRST-CLASS TRIP TO**

PARIS

AIR SHOW

RAFFLE!

**FOUR (4) FIRST-CLASS
SLEEPER SEAT TICKETS**

**THE 55TH INTERNATIONAL
PARIS AIR SHOW
AT LE BOURGET
PARC DES EXPOSITIONS**

JUNE 16-22, 2025

**INCLUDES ROUND-TRIP
PARIS AIRPORT
GROUND TRANSPORT**

**DELUXE KING ROOMS
FOR FOUR NIGHTS**

JUNE 15-19 2025

**AT THE FOUR SEASONS
PARIS HOTEL GEORGE V**

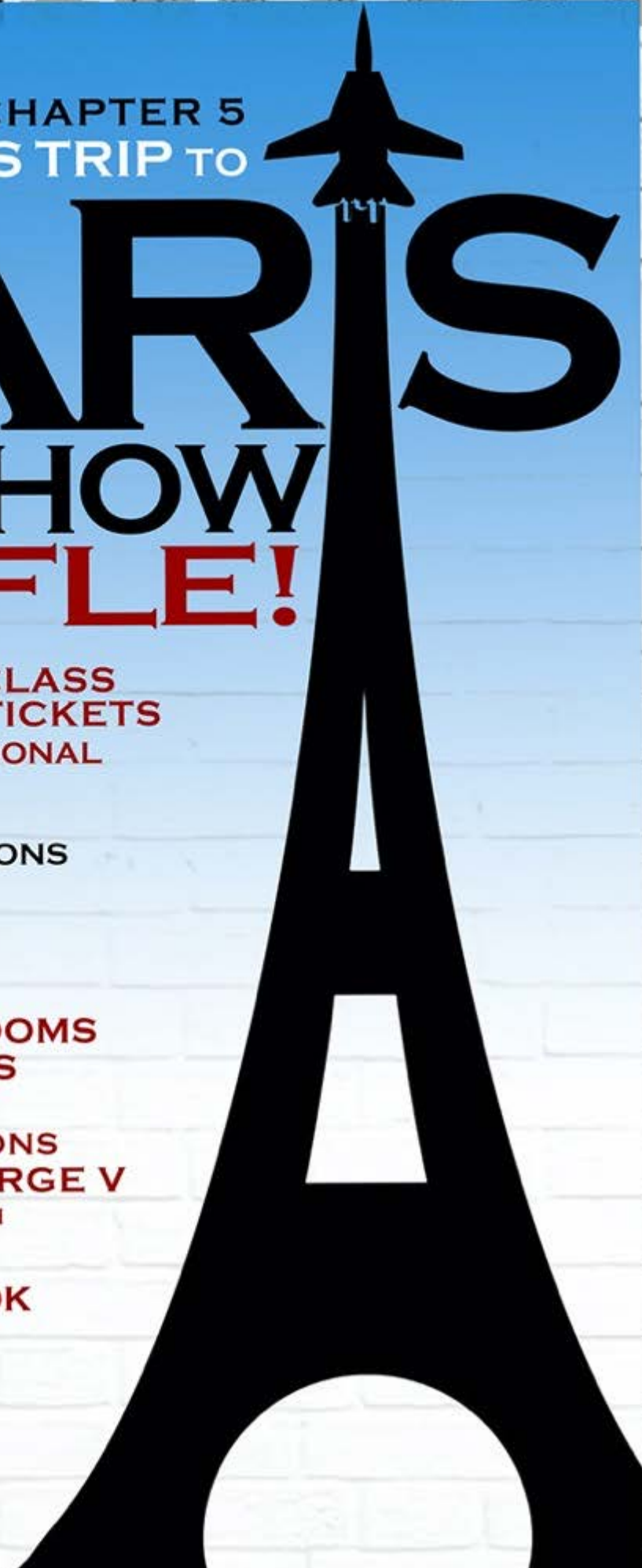
**INCLUDES FULL AMERICAN
BREAKFAST DAILY**

TRIP VALUE \$100K

**RAFFLE DRAWING
MAY 3RD, 6PM. ET**



**VISIT
EAA CHAPTER 5**



TAKENOTE

NEW METAL MACHINE

We have been able to procure a new and larger metal machine for the shop. This is a 40 inch shear, brake, and roller that will replace the small and worn out 30-in machine that we currently have. Thanks go out to **Dave Rigotti** for making this acquisition happen.

NEW WEB ADDRESS

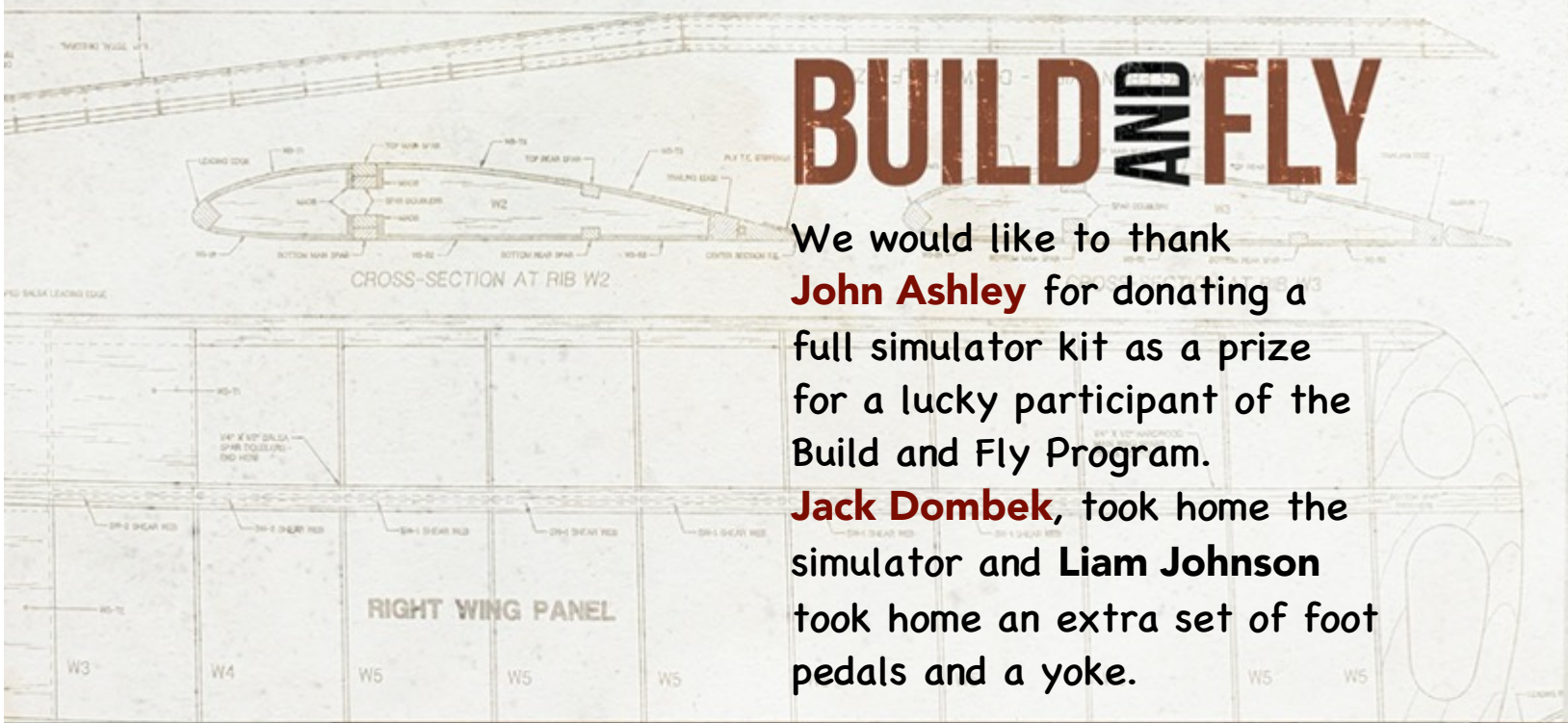
We have acquired a new and simplified web address (URL) that will replace the confusing one that we had.

aaa5.org replaces the old web address.

The old one continues to work but going forward we will only advertise this new one.

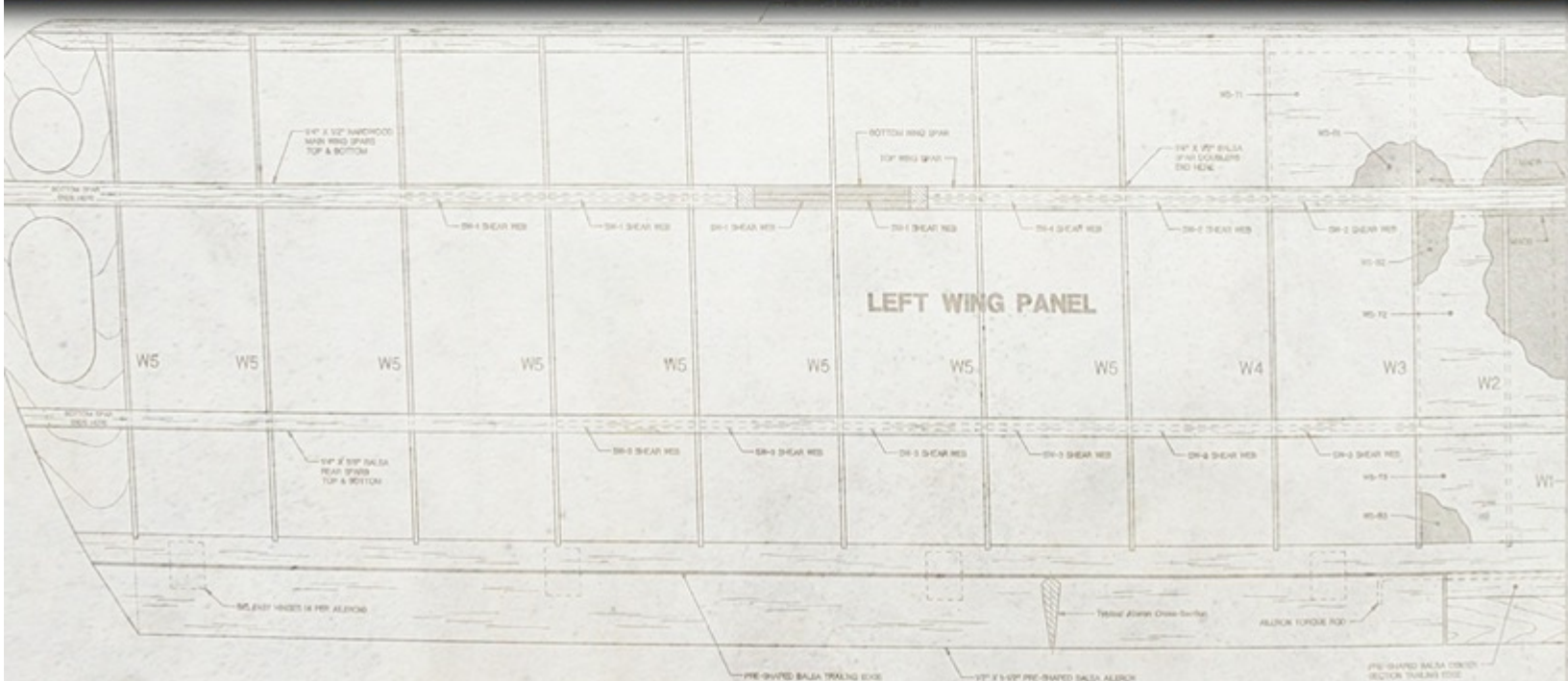
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TAKE NOTE



BUILD AND FLY

We would like to thank **John Ashley** for donating a full simulator kit as a prize for a lucky participant of the Build and Fly Program. **Jack Dombek**, took home the simulator and **Liam Johnson** took home an extra set of foot pedals and a yoke.



ROCKING AIRPLANE

EAA 5 thanks the estate of **Duff Long** and his wife **Marti** for donating a rocking airplane to the chapter, Also **Dennis Overholser** (**Becky Wiegman's dad**) for refurbishing it and making it look brand new. Stop by the airport to see the handy work. The kids are going to have a blast with it this summer!



TAKE NOTE

SUMMER YOUTH AVIATION CAMP 2025

Now is the time to think about joining our fabulous Volunteer Staff of the Summer Youth Aviation Camp. This camp is for only 18 new campers who are very interested in Aviation. The dates for 2025 are Monday, July 7 thru Friday, July 11 from 8:45 am to 3:45 pm. Please attend the first planning meeting to find out more about the camp and how you can help these students in grades 7 through 10 satisfy their quench for learning about aviation.

Sun, March 9 @ 2 pm via ZOOM - SYAC Planning Meeting #1

Sun, April 27 @ 2 pm in Hangar 3 of 7G8 - SYAC Planning Meeting #2

Sun, July 6 @ 2 pm in Hangar 3 of 7G8 - SYAC Staff Meeting



TAKE NOTE

DINNER, DRAWING AND DERBY EVENT!

BENEFITS EAA CHAPTER 5

YOUR CHANCE TO ATTEND THE 2025

PARIS AIR SHOW \$100 RAFFLE TICKET

NAME _____

PHONE _____

EMAIL _____

TICKET NUMBER HERE _____

KEEP THIS TICKET STUB for YOUR CHANCE TO WIN...

- **FOUR FIRST-CLASS FLIGHTS:** Round-trip tickets for four people from anywhere in the continental US to Paris, France. Get ready for a luxurious travel experience!
- **AIRPORT TRANSFERS:** Comfortable, private transport to and from your hotel.
- **FOUR NIGHTS** at the **FOUR SEASONS Hotel GEORGE V** in Paris - in two king bedded deluxe rooms June 20-23, 2025. Includes a delicious American breakfast to start each day right.
- **FOUR AIR SHOW TICKETS:** FOUR 3-day public passes to the **PARIS AIR SHOW**.

As the world's largest aerospace show held every two years, you will discover the latest innovations, developments, and emerging aviation and space technology trends.



Got Questions: pattyfulop@windstream.net
440-321-9036 Voice or Text

Visit EAA Chapter 5 website for details



Mark your calendar for **Saturday, May 3rd** for the first **Dinner, Drawing and Derby Event** at the Hangar.

The festivities start with social time at 4:30 pm and dinner served at 5:00 pm.

The drawing for the winner of the **Paris Air Show raffle** will follow dinner.

Wear your fancy hats to the party (if you wish) as we will continue the evening's fun with the Kentucky Derby on the big screen.

The main course will be provided by the chapter, and members are encouraged to bring a dish to share.

LOGBOOK

This month's memorable flight comes to us from an EAA member named **Ron Bazman**. Ron is a friend of **Bob Rose** who belongs to their chapter 1087 in Harbor Springs, Michigan. Ron has led an interesting life including stints as an air traffic controller and as Operations Manager at Detroit City Airport. He is currently spending his summer vacation working in Antarctica. The following is an email he sent to friends updating them on his first few weeks on the ice.

PART ONE

I hope everything is going great on your end!
I'm pretty much settled in and I thought it appropriate to start with a coincidence here on the ice. For those that gamble, quick, go buy a Lotto ticket! Another one of our staff showed up last week. His name is Kurt Carlson and lives on Powell Road near Round Lake in Harbor Springs! Now what are the odds of that? Kurt was a controller in the USAF and he is down here to help with helicopter flight following. What a coincidence. Currently we have 4 helicopters supporting the mission here operating from a pad next to our building that houses Mac Center, Weather, Airfield Operations, IT, and Air National Guard Units. We will be together when I'm working at McMurdo Center, enroute non-radar sector up to FL600 from the 60th south latitude to the south pole. I will also be at the Williams Tower where we conduct Class D surface operations on two "skiways" while running the non-radar approach control. I had to remove some serious cobwebs for some of this type of controlling but it's coming back slowly, but surely. As you might expect, I'm already being a pain in the ass questioning the Class E airspace design and drawing attention to some operations conducted to the airport when the NOTAM listed it as Aerodrome Closed.



LOGBOOK

They are operating with a unique mix of rules here and it is kind of like the FAA, Airforce and Navy/DOD. No one really claims to have authority even though FAA Flight Check was here checking the Instrument Approach Procedures (IAPS), Standard Instrument Departures (SIDS) and Standard Terminal Arrival Procedures (STARS) last week. We also have Transponder Landing Systems at both Phoenix Field and Williams Field. For the pilots, it looks just like an ILS and the instrumentation in the cockpit is no different. However, it captures the transponder code we give them, and sends out signals that the aircraft equipment interprets as standard localizer and glideslope frequencies. On the ground, the antennas look different and there isn't a localizer or glide slope critical area. I met the US Marine Corp Colonel in charge of the Corps' Air Traffic folks and they are evaluating the equipment for purchase. I also befriended the TLS system engineer and consultant assistant. Fascinating! Both Phoenix and Williams airfields have TACAN, RNAV GPS, Airborne Radar Approaches (ARA), and the TLS approaches that I mentioned. The flight from DFW to SYD was 17 hours...UG. Then on to Christchurch, New Zealand where I was outfitted with extreme cold weather gear and participated in training. A C17 took us from Christchurch to Antarctica where we landed at Phoenix Airfield, the uncontrolled airfield just for heavy wheeled aircraft. They groom the snow on the runways to provide friction and eliminate snow drifts. There were 22 of us on board the C17 and I also shared space with 3 helicopters on the way. We landed on sea ice 55' thick that is part of a glacier that moves on average of 14' a month. It was -25 degrees F when I landed. Landing on the ice 10 miles out from the shore on an open frozen ocean. We are on an island called Ross Island, about 2200NM south of Christchurch, New Zealand...

TO BE CONTINUED!



FLY OUT SCHEDULE

We are
currently
planning
this season's
Fly-Outs!



2025 CALENDAR

IMPORTANT: These dates were accurate when they were published.

Always check the EAA 5 online calendar for last minute changes at:

<https://chapters.eaa.org/ea5/chapter-calendar>

JANUARY

- Business Meeting 13-Jan
- Program Meeting 20-Jan
- Wings - helicopter wake turbulence
- IMC/VMC Meeting 27-Jan
- ASOS? AWOS? AWHAT?

FEBRUARY

- Business Meeting 10-Feb
- Program Meeting 17-Feb
- Todd Rader's Naval Aviation career
- VMC/IMC Meeting 22-Feb

MARCH

- Business Meeting 10-Mar
- Program Meeting 17-Mar
- IMC/VMC Meeting 22-Mar

APRIL

- Business Meeting 14-Apr
- Program Meeting 21-Apr
- Wings-
- VMC/IMC Meeting 24-Apr
- Project Visit 27-Apr

MAY

- Air Show Drawing 03-May
- Dinner, Drawing, and Derby
- Business Meeting 12-May
- Program Meeting 19-May
- VMC/IMC Meeting 22-May

JUNE

- YE & Pcakes @ LNN 07-June
- Business Meeting 09-June
- Program meeting 16-June
- Solstice fly-out 25-June
- YE & Fly-in @ 7G 21-June

JULY

- Business Meeting 07-Jul
- Hangar party 05-Jul
- Barker/Atwood hanger at POV
- Summer camp 07/11-Jul
- Program Meeting 14-Jul
- Wings -
- Oshkosh(AirVenture) 21/27-Jul

AUGUST

- Business Meeting 11-Aug
- Ice Cream Social 17-Aug
- Program Meeting 18-Aug
- VMC/IMC Meeting 28-Aug

SEPTEMBER

- Business Meeting 08-Sep
- Program meeting 15-Sep
- Airport day @ 7G8 20-Sep
- IMC/VMC Meeting 25-Sep

2025 CALENDAR

OCTOBER

Clambake	04-Oct
Business Meeting	13-Oct
Program Meeting	02-Oct
Wings -	
VMC/IMC Meeting	23-Oct

NOVEMBER

Business Meeting	10-Nov
Program Meeting	17-Nov
Annual Meeting	
IMC/VMC Meeting	22-Nov

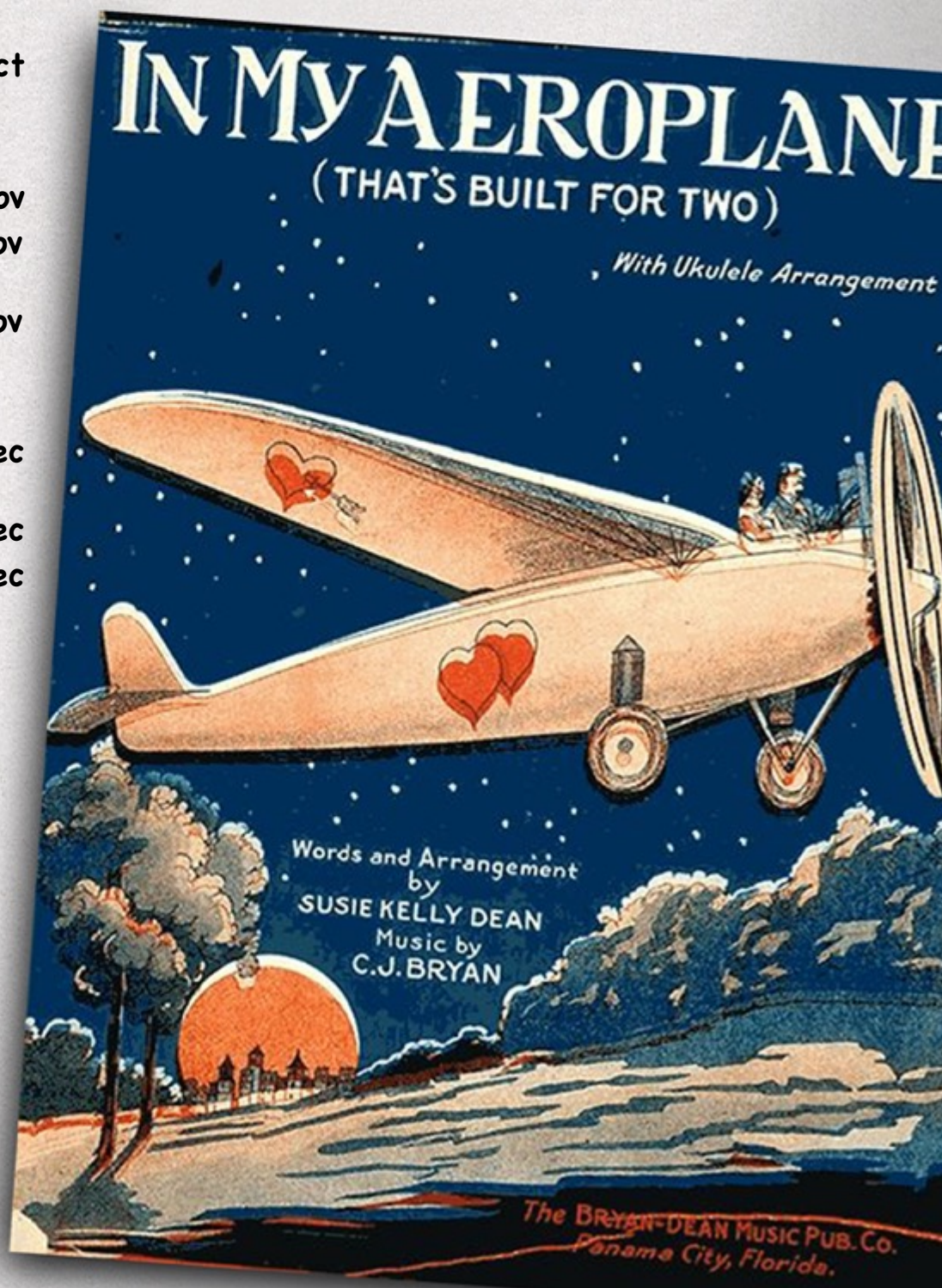
DECEMBER

Program Meeting	06-Dec
Xmas party	
Business Meeting	08-Dec
VMC/IMC Meeting	13-Dec

VIDEO OF THE MONTH

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=v_WDFpaE2IY

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"...worth a
thousand words"

LA SPECIAL FLIGHT RULES CORRIDOR OVER KLAX

Photo: ROB BIRO

