



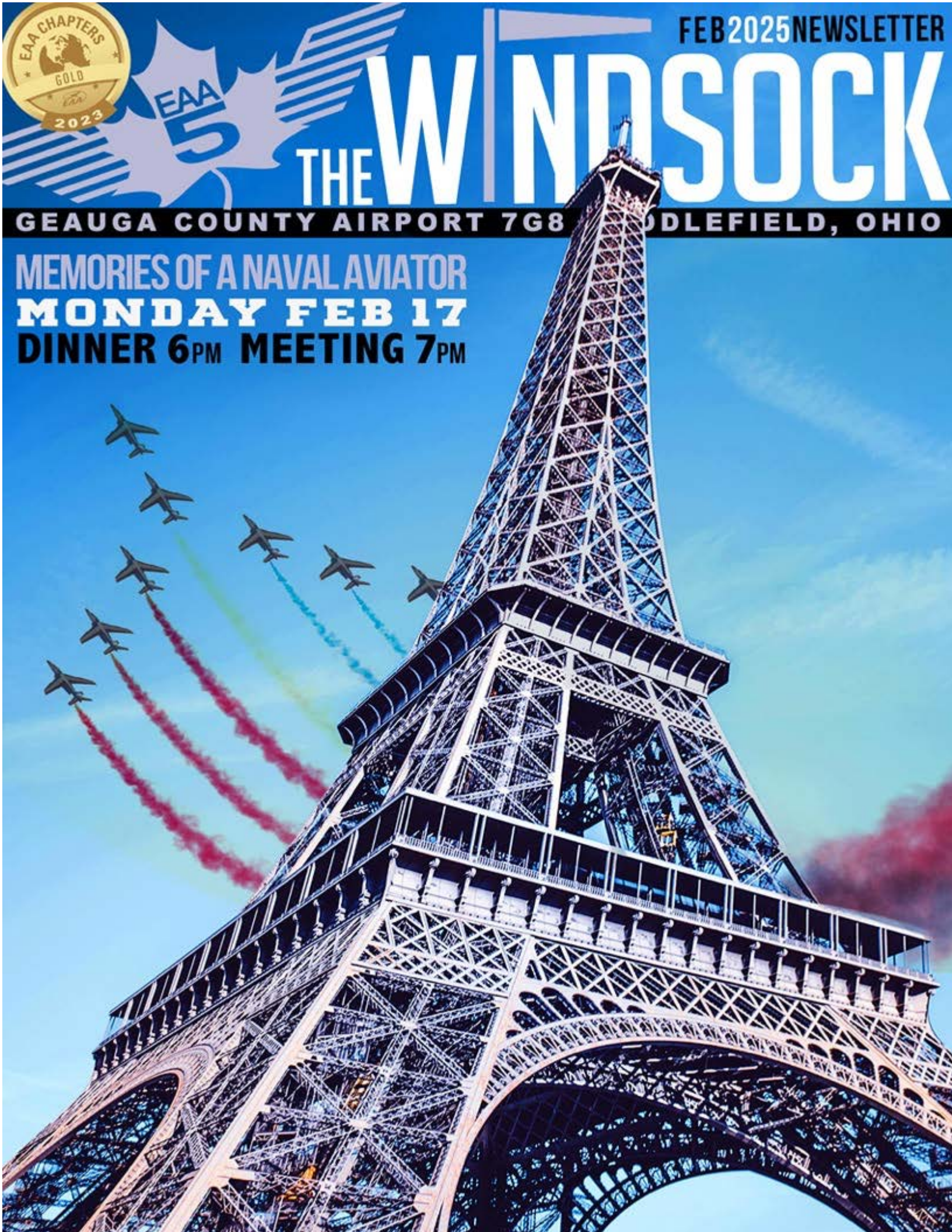
FEB2025 NEWSLETTER

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# THE WINDSOCK

GEAUGA COUNTY AIRPORT 7G8 CUDDEFIELD, OHIO

MEMORIES OF A NAVAL AVIATOR  
**MONDAY FEB 17**  
**DINNER 6PM MEETING 7PM**





# PRESIDENT'S AIRSPACE



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For as lousy as our weather has been, a number of determined students have made use of the few good days and are working diligently towards completing their PPL late this winter.

Elsewhere on the airport, hangars are full of airplanes getting their annual inspections and winter upgrades.

Of concern to me, our Paris Air Show raffle tickets sales are off to a disappointing start. This is a huge opportunity to raise enough funds to do some significant projects.

Unfortunately, The air show is in June so we are handicapped by the short time frame that we have to sell 1000 tickets. Please see our article about what you can do to contribute to this effort.

Otherwise, the chapter is busy and thriving. Several new airplanes have joined the chapter roster and a new project is in the shop.

Most members have paid their 2025 dues but there are still a few stragglers out there. If you haven't paid your dues please do so via Paypal, the dues box in the shop, or snail mail.

Don't forget, we need your favorite flight stories. This is a picture or two from a memorable flight you've made along with a paragraph to describe that flight. We put these in this newsletter.



# NEW MEMBERS



## **TIM HESS**

Tim joins us from the Burton area where he operates an independent insurance company. He is a student pilot who is preparing for his check ride later this month.

## **BOB KOHN**

Bob got his license at 7G8 in 1984 but hadn't flown for a long time. He started flying again at Portage County after retiring from the police force. Now he's got his eye on a couple of interesting homebuilt designs.

## **JAMIE BORKOWSKI**

Jamie has had so much fun hanging around the chapter with Denny Klingman that she decided to join.

# NEW RATINGS



## **PHIL PROSSER**

Congratulations go out to Phil who just recently earned his Advanced Ground Instructor (AGI) certificate.



# NEW AIRPLANES



## JOHN FISHER

John is one of our student pilots who decided that he would rather learn in his own aircraft so he went out and bought a C-172 that he found at N23 in Sidney, NY. John plans on taking his check ride at the end of March and start work on his IFR ticket this summer.



## TIM HESS

Tim wanted to learn in his own airplane so he bought a Cherokee 180 From someone at Cuyahoga County Airport.



## RIC BLAMER

Ric also bought a C-172. The traditionalists in the crowd are going to love it - N8292B is a straight back square tail from 1957. It is presently in maintenance getting some engine work and a panel upgrade.



# UPCOMING EVENTS

## FEBRUARY PROGRAM MEETING

We will hold our February meeting this coming **Monday**.

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

We will serve grilled cheese sandwiches with tomato soup. EAA 5 will provide the sandwiches. Please bring soup or some fix'ns to go with if you can.

We'll need salad, sides, chips, and desserts.

Our speaker for the evening is **TODD RADER**. He will discuss the 20 years he spent flying P-3's during his 20 year career in the Navy.



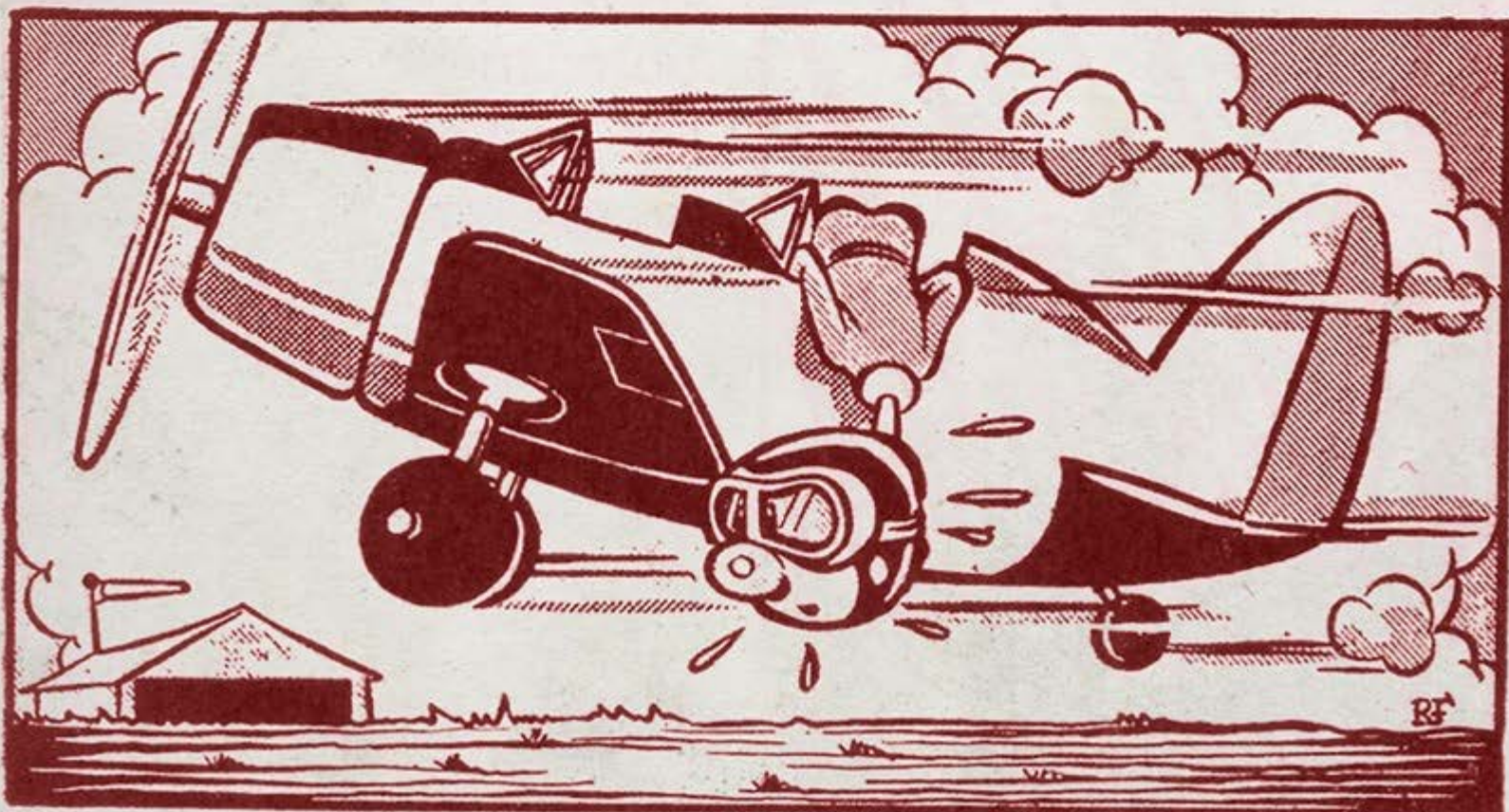


# UPCOMING EVENTS

## IMC VMC CLUB

Our February IMC/VMC Club meeting happens **Saturday, February 22nd** - 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:

**Flaps or No Flaps:  
Bad Landings or Bounced  
Landings with Ric Blamer**

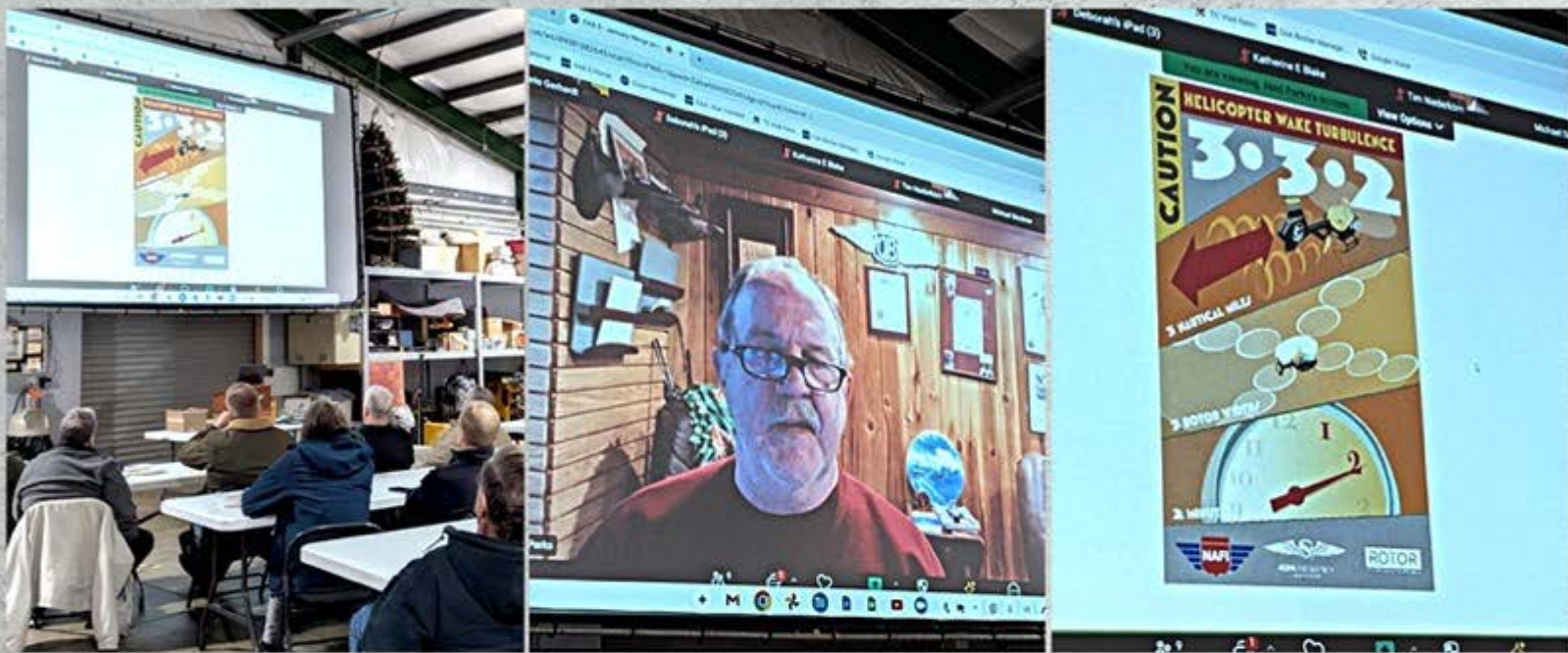




# RECENT EVENTS

## JANUARY WINGS PROGRAM

After a fine dinner of chili and fixings, our January program was presented by Ned Parks. Ned spoke about the dangers of helicopter wake turbulence.



## JANUARY IMG/VMC CLUB

On January 25th, we spent the morning with Tim Niederkorn reviewing the numerous types of weather reporting systems.





# TAKE NOTE

# PARIS AIR SHOW RAFFLE!



As you surely know by now, **we are in the middle of the largest fundraising project that we've ever had.** This is an enormous opportunity to take on some projects of a size and scope that we have never been capable of before. Just two projects that come to mind include a chapter hanger or a youth aircraft building project that could turn into another flying club at the airport.

The best part is that you don't even have to go out and sell tickets if that's not your thing.

The goal is to sell a thousand tickets which we obviously cannot do locally - This requires a program with nationwide visibility. Using an online raffle platform, we're able to reach aviation enthusiasts far and wide. All we have to do is **drive people to the online site.** All it takes is getting people to go to our website [eaa5.org](http://eaa5.org) where all the details are laid out. It is as simple as aiming your phone camera at the QR tag on all of our material. That QR tag will take you directly to the website.

**Send an email** to your contacts detailing the raffle, the prize, and how the funds raised will benefit our outreach programs at EAA 5.

**Be sure to include our web address [eaa5.org](http://eaa5.org)**

**Your Support Makes a Difference!**

Every ticket purchased helps fund our mission to introduce aviation to more people and create a lasting impact in our community. Together, we can make this raffle a huge success and continue inspiring future aviators!



# TAKE NOTE

# PARIS AIR SHOW RAFFLE!



Here's how you can help make this raffle a success:

## 1. Share on Social Media

Use your favorite social media to spread the word! Post engaging content, including visuals like our raffle graphic attached to the email that brought you this newsletter and relevant hashtags to maximize reach.

A sample caption could be:

"Want a chance to win a once-in-a-lifetime trip to the Paris Air Show? ✈️🌟

Enter our raffle to support aviation education at EAA Chapter 5!

Visit [eaa5.org](http://eaa5.org) to get your tickets today!"

## 2. Word of Mouth

Personal recommendations go a long way! Talk to friends, family, and colleagues about the raffle – hand out the business card flyers available at the airport. If you like selling in person, we have paper tickets available for easy transactions.

## 3. Distribute Flyers

Help put the word out by distributing flyers at aviation hotspots—think pilot lounges, local airports, and aviation clubs. Posters are available at 7G8 that clearly explain how people can purchase tickets and join in on the fun. Think of this as an opportunity to go flying and take posters to other airports.

## 4. Email Campaign

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# TAKE NOTE

## DINNER, DRAWING AND DERBY EVENT!

BENEFITS EAA CHAPTER 5

YOUR CHANCE TO ATTEND THE 2025

**\$100 RAFFLE TICKET**

**PARIS AIR SHOW**

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.

Get Questions: [pattyfulop@windstream.net](mailto: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.



# **TAKE NOTE**

## **SUMMER YOUTH AVIATION CAMP 2025**

Registration for Summer Youth Aviation Camp will open in early March and we are inviting chapter members to have the opportunity to register new campers at the end of February before it is open to the public.

The dates for the camp are **July 7 thru 11, 2025** from **8:45 am to 3:45pm**. Please check the website for more information.

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

## EAA AIRVENTURE CONCERT BAND 2025

The EAA AirVenture Concert Band will return to the stage **Wednesday July 23, 2025** at the Theater in the Woods and is enlisting brass, woodwind and percussion players. With so many musicians in chapter 5, wouldn't it be fun to have a significant presence in this concert band.

If this sounds like fun, sign up here.

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The music and rehearsal schedule will be emailed to you. Those of us chapter members who are not musically inclined, can attend the concert at **4:00** on **Wednesday afternoon**.





# TAKE NOTE



**Looking for a new home!**

This carport/paint booth has served its purpose of painting the Atwood/Barker RV-14 and is now looking for a new home. If you could use this, contact **Mark Atwood** [Atwoodm3141@gmail.com](mailto:Atwoodm3141@gmail.com)





# LOGBOOK

## PART TWO

Continued from January's newsletter, **Ron Bazman's** email while spending his summer vacation working in Antarctica...

I certified through weather observations this past week and again, they have their own system here. It is pretty much like the Limited Aviation Weather Reporting System (LAWRS) that we use in the states, but they add different remarks such as "Surface Definition and Horizon Definition" to describe the shadowing effects of light on the snow, the obscuration of the sun, and blowing snow. Climbing the ladder to the top of the building sometimes takes your breath away, both from the view, and the wind slamming ice crystals into your exposed face. Close in communications are VHF but long-range communications are on the HF frequency band width. Typically, we can communicate 1000 miles out except during solar flare disruptions. They are more frequent than I care for. On those days, we communicate via "InReach", a digital communication system much like ACARS. Somedays, it is with satellite phones from the aircraft. I think we would have more luck with 2 tin cans and a string.

October 19, I worked a morning shift and was then asked to help with changing a communication dish on top of Crater Hill, a dormant volcano. It was my 63rd birthday. My father passed away at 50 of a heart attack and here I was climbing a volcano in Antarctica for my 63rd. I reached the top and couldn't help but to reflect on my father, the differences between our generations, and the opportunities presented to me. I admit, I teared up a little bit while taking in the whole picture and reminiscing about friends such as you that have enhanced my time on this planet. Before I forget to say it, thanks for allowing me to be a part of our group. I never anticipated that our move to Harbor Springs would spur such great friendships.





# LOGBOOK

I've attached several pictures to give you a glimpse of the station and the views. Spectacular! The building photo is the Air Traffic, Weather, and Airfield Operations. For now, I work there 100% of the time but will soon train in the Lower. The airfields are 6 and 10 miles out onto the ice and it takes about 45 minutes each way to drive there. The roads and runways are marked with flags. Air Traffic, TechOps, IT and Weather all bunk together in the same dorm. Food is served cafeteria style. We have laundry facilities and a lounge in our dorm with a big screen tv hooked to a computer for movies and satellite TV, popcorn machine, microwave, and internet/WiFi in the building. We aren't exactly roughing it, but there isn't a tree or something green for 2000 miles. Think of the Station as a mining town marrying a small college. The entire complex is built on crushed lava rock and some sort of dirt. To call it soil is totally incorrect.

I often wondered why there are no dead penguins on the ice in Antarctica. Penguins are very ritualistic birds that live an extremely ordered and complex life. Also, the penguin is very committed to its family and will mate for life, as well as maintain a compassionate contact with its offspring throughout theirs. If a penguin is found dead on the ice surface, other members of the family and social circle have been known to dig holes in the ice, using their vertical wings and beaks, until the hole is deep enough for the dead bird to be rolled into, and buried. Crazy, huh? Well, it gets better...as the male penguins then gather in a circle around the fresh grave and sing "Freeze a jolly good fellow", Freeze a jolly good fellow!" Now I have to admit, I didn't write that. I wish I could take credit for it though. My friend Coleman Hartigan, the Air Traffic Manager of Boston TRACON, sent it to me and I almost snorted Diet Mountain Dew out of my nose when I got to the punch line...Thanks Coleman!

**...TO BE CONTINUED**





# SUPPORT CHAPTER 5

LICENSE TO THRILL.



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# 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>

## FEBRUARY

Business Meeting 10-Feb

Program Meeting 17-Feb

**Todd Rader's Naval Aviation career**

VMC/IMC Meeting 22-Feb

## MARCH

SYAC Planning Mtg #1 09-Mar

Business Meeting 10-Mar

Program Meeting 17-Mar

**Hurricane Hunter**

IMC/VMC Meeting 22-Mar

**Looking for the CAPE:**

**No Superheroes here! What is your SOP?**

**Fly like a pro!**

## APRIL

Business Meeting 14-Apr

Program Meeting 21-Apr

**Wings-All About Wind**

VMC/IMC Meeting 24-Apr

**Testimonies from Chapter members:**

**Hear about real events and their outcomes**

SYAC Planning Mtg #2 27-Apr

## MAY

Air Show Drawing 03-May

**Dinner, Drawing, and Derby**

Business Meeting 12-May

Program Meeting 19-May

**Astro photography**

VMC/IMC Meeting 22-May

**Special Use Airspace: MOAS/TFRs/SFRAs**

## JUNE

YE & Pcakes @ LNN 07-June

Business Meeting 09-June

Program meeting 16-June

YE & Fly-In @ 7G8 21-June

Soltice Fly-Out 24-June

## JULY

Hangar party 05-Jul

**Barker/Atwood hanger at POV**

Business Meeting 07-Jul

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

**Running on Empty: Don't be that guy!**

## SEPTEMBER

Business Meeting 08-Sep

Program meeting 15-Sep

**FAA Medical Issues update**

Airport day @ 7G8 20-Sep

IMC/VMC Meeting 25-Sep

**Washington D.C. SFRA**



# 2025 CALENDAR

## OCTOBER

Clambake 05-Oct

Business Meeting 13-Oct

Program Meeting 02-Oct

**Wings-Creating your personal SMS**

VMC/IMC Meeting 23-Oct

**Collision Avoidance and Tight patterns**

## NOVEMBER

Business Meeting 10-Nov

Program Meeting 17-Nov

**Annual Meeting**

IMC/VMC Meeting 22-Nov

**Too Far to Glide: Emergency planning**

## DECEMBER

Program Meeting 06-Dec

**Xmas party**

Business Meeting 08-Dec

VMC/IMC Meeting 13-Dec

**LOCI: Upset Training & Loss of control**

## VIDEO OF THE MONTH

<https://youtu.be/IkEsMi6LOUI>







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**"...worth a  
thousand words"**

**CHICAGO SKYLINE FROM THE FIVE BROTHERS RV12**

Photo: JOHN YOCHUM

