EAA 50 NEWS

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WISCONSIN OR BUST

On Sunday, May 5th, Ed Beer began the trip to deliver the Starduster Two to Wisconsin. The Starduster was donated



to EAA 50 and sold. The proceeds are used to help fund Chapter 50 Scholarships and other programs. EAA 50 owes Ed a big thank you for donating his time to make this delivery.

Vice President Notes



"Volunteers don't get paid, not because they're worthless, but because they're Priceless" Sherry Anderson

I recently saw this quote on Social Media and it got me thinking about how much people volunteer in the Aviation sector. If you've ever been to Oshkosh, you quickly realize that the majority of the event is run by Volunteers.

At Chapter 50 we are all Volunteers. From the work done by the Board of Directors to run the Chapter to all the members and friends that support the events we hold. I believe we do it because of our love of airplanes but mostly for the Aviation Community, the folks we call our friends.

I always knew that when I retired I wanted to volunteer more. At Oshkosh I started to volunteer in the Vintage Aircraft area. Why not, I spend most of my time there and they give you a great Vintage

The Chapter has two more donated planes to market.



Above: Starduster loaded and ready to go.



Double Duty

Hinde Field's mascot does double duty as the guard of the EAA 50 Gathering Room. Watch your step! Volunteer Hat. My wife Laurie & I both volunteer for the Sandusky Old House Guild and for EAA 50.

This spring I started volunteering at the Liberty Aviation Museum in Port Clinton. I'm working with Ed Rusch, Scott Brogan and George Taylor (all are CH50 members). Every Thursday our task is installing the three Pratt & Whitney Radial Engines on the Tri-Motor that the Tri-Motor Heritage Foundation is restoring. Scott & I also recently went thru two training sessions to be Ground Crew Volunteers for the B25 Mitchell, TBM Avenger, PBY, Tri-Motor & Stearman Bi-Plane that they regularly fly during the summer months. The Museum is always looking for Volunteers; you should check it out.

So where do you volunteer? I know many of you are always willing to help EAA CH50 and we sure appreciate your assistance. We will be looking for assistance this summer during our 2nd Annual Young Eagle Flying event. If you don't volunteer your missing out on an opportunity to give back and spend some great time with folks that will really appreciate your help. I'm sure they will consider you "Priceless".

Come Hang

Hanging at Hinde this Saturday, 5/18 ~dogs, burgers, ribs, chicken, and plenty of goodies. For families, fishing in the Field pond and swimming in the pool. This is EAA 50's first fly in of '24.





Thank You

EEA 50 member Tim Stienbauer for washing the gathering room and shop windows. The windows look great!



Past Scholarship Winner Update

EAA Chapter 50 would like to congratulate our 2018 Scholarship winner Grant Fisher who just graduated from Kent State University with a Degree in Aeronautical Engineering. Grant also is part of the Air Force National

Guard. He is a Private Pilot and is currently working on his Commercial ratings.

Congratulations Grant, Chapter 50 is very proud to have been part of your journey.



Congratulations: to Scott Brogan on the purchase of his

new to him 1964 Cessna Skyhawk. Finally – Some leg room!





Liberty Aviation
Museum Ford
Tri-Motor
restoration crew

With Airplanes, You Can Have Breakfast in Michigan

Submitted by Tracy Hille

I walked out the back door to a crisp cold Thursday morning. It was March 25 and it had rained during the night but this morning, it was so cold that the puddle of water on my Trucks Tanneau cover was a solid sheet of ice. Not a cloud to be seen, the sky was a vibrant blue and the air was fresh and no wind.

As I sat in the truck waiting for the windshield to defrost, I thought a moment about how this Thursday was going to be different from my normal Thursday routine. I wouldn't be stopping at the Burger King drive-thru for an Egg and Cheese Croissan'wich on my way to the Liberty Aviation Museum. Instead my Breakfast this morning would be more of an adventure.

Instead of heading west towards Port Clinton, I headed East to Hinde Airfield (88D) in Huron where I met up with Scott Brogan. He was still doing the pre-flight on his new Cessna Skyhawk (7908U). With a slight tug, she rolled out into the sunlight and we climbed aboard. Because of the cold morning air, we had a longer engine warm up time that was well spent going over the array of fancy features that Scott didn't have is his previous Cessna 150 (leg room being one).

The takeoff run was brief and we soon we were skimming along the South edge of

Sandusky Bay headed West for a rendezvous with three other airplanes at the Erie-Ottawa Regional Airport (PCW). We taxied up to the back side the Liberty Aviation's Hangar No. 2 and found Jody Brausch's Twin Comanche sitting just outside his hangar. Across the airfield, we could see the hangar door open and Todd Mather's Cessna 195 with its polished aluminum skin gleaming in the



morning sunshine. Next door, George Taylor's hangar doors were starting to open.

The plan for this Thursday wasn't to work on the engine installation on the Tri-Motor Heritage's Foundations restoration project but to venture farther west into Michigan and have Breakfast at the Apron Restaurant located in the terminal building at the Jackson County Airport (JXN).

Within a few minutes, Scott, Doug and I were off the ground and heading on a bearing of 310° for the 84 nm trip to JXN. Departing behind us was Jody with the Twin Comanche and his passengers Jim & Bob. We never saw Jody pass us, his ADS-B showed he was a bit south of us. On the radio, we heard George departing PCW with Jerry in the left seat. Todd, Tiff & Warren were the last to leave in the Cessna 195.

After we listened to the ATIS on 125.725, Scott started listening to all the traffic at Jackson and we heard Jody receive his clearance to land at the Class D airspace a Jackson. We were still 20 minutes away....

As we approached, Scott made the call to the Tower for permission to land. The response from ATC was we were No. 1 Clear to land runway 14. George followed behind us and Todd was the last to

The restaurant, located in the terminal building has all glass windows facing the runways. We were seated quickly and the service and breakfast was excellent.

land.

After Breakfast, we all gathered on the tarmac for a group picture and then departed each going their own way back to PCW.



After dropping off Doug, Scott & I headed to Huron County Airport (5A1) for some fuel. The landing was uneventful but Scott did get some more cross wind landing practice with the beloved tree line at Norwalk.

The final leg of this trip brought us full circle back to 88D where I got some more aerial pictures of Hinde Airport.

Everyone should have an Airplane for their daily Breakfast run. I wonder if any of these Airport Restaurants have a "Fly-Thru" lane?



The Breakfast Crew standing in front of Todd & Tiff's Cessna 195 Front Row: Jerry Duncan, **Tracy Hille** Back Row: **George Taylor**, Jody Brausch,



Warren Cermak, Todd & Tiff Mather, **Scott Brogan**, Bob Fujita, J, Doug Moore (Bold are EAA50 members)

Spring Educational Events

In March and April EAA 50 presented two education events. In March a presentation on Fore Flight was given and April a flight school refresher was presented. Both presentations were given by EAA 50 member Jeremey Colvin. Thank you Jeremey for sharing your expertise.

Bores Air Parts Move Complete

Last Winter into Spring, Bores Air Parts moved into its new and larger facility located on the north side of the

runway at Hinde Field. Scott Bores opened the business in 2018 and quickly outgrew the original location. The first two planes parted were Cessna 175s that were purchased from tenants at Hinde Field. Five more



planes were purchased for parts this year and Scott continues to look to add inventory. The new building is nearly 7,500 sq. ft. Of which 6,500 sq. ft. is warehouse and work space. Inventory consists of 2,500 parts with 1,000 more soon to be listed. To see this inventory go to boresairparts.com or call Scott at 419-503-3531.

Current Planes Inventories

1960 CESSNA 175 A	1958 CESSNA 175	1966 CESSSNA 150F	1965 CESSA 172F
1946 ERCOUPE 415- C	1946 CESSNA 140	CESSNA 310 A	1946 CESSNA 140
CESSNA 150 L	CESSNA 150 J	1968 CESSNA 150 H	1963 BEACH BARON 95-B55
1972 PA-28 140	1961 PA-28 160	1967 PA-28 140	GRUMMAN YANKEE
CESSNA 182 A	PA-28 140	PIPER PA-20 PACER	PIPER PA28 140
ERCOUPE			



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Up Coming Chapter 50 Youth Events

EAA 50 will again sponsor a Young Eagles event at Hinde Field. Last year 80 individual signed up with over 20 on the waiting list. We expect a similar turn out in 2024. This events takes lots of volunteers including pilots, ground crew, pilot assignment, student tent organizer, parking assistance, grill master, safety monitors and more. Watch your upcoming emails and text for volunteering requests and instruction.

On July 12-14 Chapter 50 will be sponsoring a Boy Scout Merit Badge event. Chapter 50 has to date done 25 programs and awarded 325 Merit Badges from 22 different troops. The first program was in 2008 to promote youth in aviation. The troops arrive on Friday evening a camp by the pond. We conduct the program all day Saturday than the troop departs after their breakfast.

If you are interested in volunteering on a Saturday contact Tracy Hille at: 419-624-6243



Scouts on the simulator at the Hinde Field Gathering room



FREE YOUNG EAGLE FLIGHTS

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