

## EXPERIMENTAL AIRCRAFT ASSOCIATION - CHAPTER 55

**JULY 2020**

Meetings are the 2nd Saturday of each Month

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### **PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**

by Drew Seguin

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### **Notice:**

**July 11 Chapter Meeting Cancelled**

**M.A.D. Cancelled**

### **This Corona Virus is starting to upset me.**

Vox Populi. The broadcast email I sent on MAD generated 24 replies and the unanimous response was to cancel MAD.

There is no program for July and we haven't worked out how to hold a safe meeting in the current environment so let's not push it.

We'll see if we can have a Chapter meeting in August. I don't expect to have breakfast service and we'll probably do it in the hangar. Let's see if we can work out the details between now and then. With no Young Eagles event planned it would be great to have a presentation so I'm reaching out to the membership for help.

Reno Air Races cancelled

With Oshkosh cancelled this will be the first time in 45 years I won't be making the trip. It's become a family get together with kids and grandkids so this has changed up my whole summer schedule. It just makes me wonder how this pandemic will change life for the foreseeable future.

I missed the Mason Forth of July Fireworks this year. Mason Airport provides just about the best vantage point for watching I can imagine. Maybe next year.

### **Meanwhile, it's been HOT**

I'm a bit of a wimp so I've been trying to work on my project in the mornings and evenings. But as I always say "You have to take a bite out of the elephant every day" so I've been trying.

The flying weather has been fine, if you can handle the heat.

Stay Safe and make good choices.

*And with all this heat, I was just thinking...*





**MEMBERSHIP**  
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**CONGRATULATIONS:** to Deanna & Don McAlister on the opening of their new organic foods and goods store – THE PLANE FOOD MARKET – in Stockbridge, MI. You can check out their expanding list of vendors and offerings on their facebook page.



**AVIATION STORIES:** during our current pandemic status, events and activities are just about at a standstill. This would be a great time for you to write up an aviation story (or two) for our newsletter. Maybe something you saw, something you did, something you read, something you would like to learn more about. It could be a two-line humor anecdote or a full-blown story. Photos are also welcome.

<u><b>JULY</b></u>	<u><b>AUGUST</b></u>
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BOARD MEETING: 7:00pm: Wed; July 8th  
MEMBERSHIP MEETING: 9:30am; Sat; July CAN.  
with Breakfast served from 8:00am to 9:00am

**SCHEDULED PROGRAMS:**  
  
**TBA**  
  
**CONTACT DAVE COUREY or DREW SEGUIN  
WITH YOUR PROGRAM SUGGESTIONS**



**YOUNG EAGLES**  
by Margie Clark  
([margie@eaa55.org](mailto:margie@eaa55.org))

See you at the airport!

**THE EAA MISSION:** To grow participation in aviation, by inspiring people to fly, build, volunteer and outreach to promote aviation.

**CARDS & MEMORIALS:** Do you know of a member who is ill? Or, who has had a death in the family? Please contact me at 517-589-5051 or [vickie7463@gmail.com](mailto:vickie7463@gmail.com) so that the Chapter can send a card. (With my sincere thanks to those who have alerted me in the past.)

**AIRPORT OPERATIONS:** CRAA personnel are available 24/7. If you encounter anything amiss at our airport - please call 517-321-8525

**FLY-OUTS:**

To be announced

**FLIGHT TRAINING AT TEW:**

Great Lakes Air Ventures; Dale Foerschler;  
<http://greatlakesairventures.com/>  
Spartan Wings Flying Club;  
<http://www.spartanwings.com/>  
Deanna McAlister; [zirconmoons@gmail.com](mailto:zirconmoons@gmail.com)

**HANGARS FOR RENT AT TEW:**

Lloyd Brown; 517-589-8619  
KBS Trust; Deanna McAlister; 517-795-8171  
(waiting list)  
Tom Tuttle; 734-216-7532  
Gabe Blosser; 517-896-0020

**OTHER:**

Need Financing for a new plane?? Contact Tom Schroeder (517)282-0521 [tsds7534@gmail.com](mailto:tsds7534@gmail.com)

**EAA RECYCLES:** Our chapter works to reduce our carbon footprint by recycling any materials we can. The following people have volunteered their time to take care of certain "recyclable" products. If you care assist, we would love to hear from you!

RETURNABLE BOTTLE/CANS - Al Spalding  
PLASTIC - Vickie Vandebelt  
METAL - Vickie Vandebelt  
GLASS - Al Spalding & VickieV  
CARDBOARD - Al Spalding  
STYROFOAM - Jeff Shaud  
EGG SHELLS - Vickie Vandebelt



**YOUTH GROUP**

By Jeff Shaud

[jlshaud@wowway.com](mailto:jlshaud@wowway.com)

Temporary suspended meetings.



**LCC - MASON JEWETT CAMPUS**

By Mark Bathurst

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There's not a lot to report for this month's article. We have been out of the building since March 18, and have been teaching online-only since then. Online teaching is not the preferred method for a program like ours which is predominantly hands-on, but our instructors and students have risen to the task and have completed as much as they can for the spring semester, which ended May 11. Our summer semester starts June 5, and, while we are planning to start online again, we are hoping to be back in the building in short order. Obviously, safety is paramount, and we have spent a great deal of time working on a plan for the resumption of in-person teaching with new constraints to ensure everyone complies with all PPE, distancing and personal safety requirements.



**EDITORS PROLIX**

By Deanna McAlister

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See you at the airport!

(On another note, we are looking for junk, airplane junk parts to decorate the Plane Food Market walls!!!)

Contributions, corrections and additions to "WingTips" are welcome and can be made by contacting Deanna McAlister ([zirconmoons@gmail.com](mailto:zirconmoons@gmail.com))

**Deadline: 1st of each month.**

Joe Madziar "Breakfast Teams" ([madziars@msn.com](mailto:madziars@msn.com)) and Dave Courey "Monthly Programs" ([dcmi@reagan.com](mailto:dcmi@reagan.com))

**CHAPTER 55 CLASSIFIEDS  
FOR SALE:**

One David Clark model H10-40 noise attenuating headset. 24 db attenuation with m-4 electret microphone, 5 foot straight cord with one M643/5 and one M642/4 plug. In excellent condition with ear

cushions in like new shape and little sign of wear. In the original box with all papers. It's former home was in a Saratoga. Asking \$150.00 firm. Contact John Kuchar at 517-325-3059 or see me at the members meeting.

Chapter 55 T-Shirts; size L or XL; only \$15.00 each for chapter members.

Vintage Chapter 55 Sweatshirts; size L or XL; only \$15.00 each.

Bluebird/Songbird Houses; \$20.00 each; proceeds benefit the Mason Sycamore Creek Youth Garden Club; Vickie Vandebelt; vickie@eaa55.org

Used American optical aviation sunglasses; non-polarized, two (2) pairs, one gold and one silver frame color, original packaging with care case. Paid \$67; asking \$48 obo. Clarke Borgeson 734-516-4363

Pietenpol Sky Scout; single seat; Lycoming O-145; 65HP; good compression check; all new plugs; runs good and lots of fun ! \$5,500.00. Margaret Bradford; 517-663-3083

Aircraft tire bead breaker; \$5.00; George Moore; 517-536-1034

Nine pieces- 1/8" 3-ply, Mahogany faces w/Popular inner plies, MIL P6070, \$15 ea; One piece-1/4" 5-ply Birch faces w/Popular inner plies, MIL P6070, \$30 ea; .040, 2024-T3, 2'x4', \$15 ea; upholstery fabric; abt 2 yds; Voltage Regulator, Cessna PN C6110010201, \$100; Telex 100TRA Hand Mic \$50; Graco Series 700, HVLP paint sprayer w/several nozzles & accessories & 3M respirator; make offer. Prices negotiable. Gary Nicola; [glnicola@att.net](mailto:glnicola@att.net) or 517-898-6387.

Pure Michigan Maple Syrup John & Connie Bobcik 517-543-8238; [jbobcik@gmail.com](mailto:jbobcik@gmail.com) We can deliver to EAA hangar for pick-up.

**FREE STUFF:** There is a tub of magazines on the table, free to whoever might want them.

**FOR SALE:** Library overstock copies of hardbacks and softbacks; prices from \$.50 to \$3.00. In box.

**FOR RENT:**

Space for rent in common hangar; best for low wing but might accommodate high wing aircraft. Tim Martinson; 517-803-0462; [tmartins1575@yahoo.com](mailto:tmartins1575@yahoo.com)

**Do you have anything you want to sell?? Additions and corrections, contact Deanna McAlister [zirconmoons@gmail.com](mailto:zirconmoons@gmail.com)**

### **EAA55 = CHAPTER BUILDERS**

Members who are working on or completed homebuilts or restorations ... (Have I missed anyone? Additions, deletions & corrections appreciated):

David Alexander; Aventura II

Gabe Blosser; Bushmaster SuperCub Amphib

John & Connie Bobcik; Kitfox

Ivan Bradley; Zenith CH650B

Dave Cook/Greg Hover; RV-6A

Ed Crouse; Rans

Ken Drewyor; Kitfox

Ron Gorsline; Zenith 650

Ralph Gregus; Zenith 750

Dave Groh; Stearman; AT-6 restoration

Chuck Hacker; Zenith 701

Greg Harris; Zenith 750 project

Gordon Hempstone; Avid Magnum project

Steve Houghton; RV-7A

Doug Koons w/BPurosky; Glastar

Rick Laub; Sling 4

Wm. (Bill) Long; Kolb Firefly Ultralight

Terry Lutz; RV-8

Doug MacKenzie; Zenith 701

Tim Martinson; RV-6A & RV-12; RV14A project

Warren Miller; Fisher 303 ultralight

Chuck Moore; REVO Lt Sport Evolution

George Moore; KIS Pulsar 150

Gary Nicola; Grumman Traveler restoration

Jim Palmer; Glasair III

Bill Purosky w/DKoons; Glastar

Pat Salow; Zenith 701

Drew Seguin; Carbon Cub EX2 ; EX3 project

Jeff Shaud; RV-7 project

Jim Spry; RV-8

Tracy Tillman/Lisa Colletti; (2) E-LSA Bailey-Moyes 914 Dragonflies; (1) E-LSA Alatus-AL12 sailplane

Ken Vandebelt; Stearman project

David VanderMolen; Zenith 750 project

John VanderMolen; Zenith 750 project

Mason Jewett Field FBO:  
Great Lakes Air Repair

517-525-3673  
Maintenance - Painting - Upholstery - Engines

**POCKET CALENDAR:**

Everything is canceled.

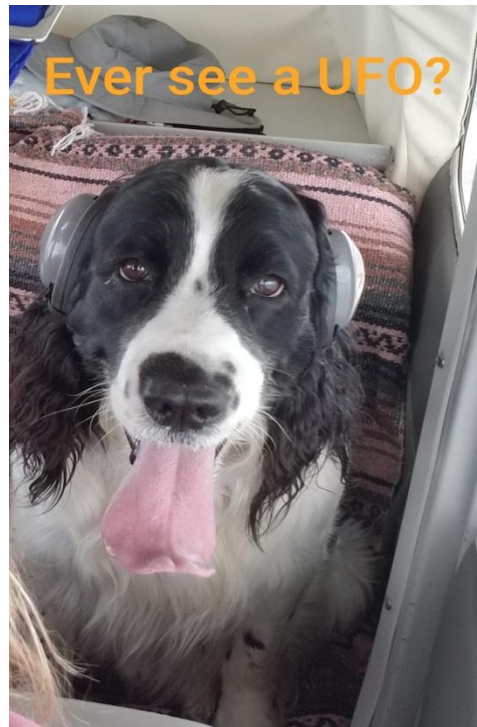
**FLYERS FROM OTHER AIRPORTS  
POSTED IN TEW TERMINAL (with  
thanks to Mark Bathurst)**

**WEB EVENT CALENDARS:**

<http://www.eaa.org/en/ea/events>

<http://www.fly-ins.com/>

<http://www.michigan.gov/aero/>



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**What Happens  
In The Hangar  
Stays In The  
Hangar.**

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