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**Tuesday 2/20/2024** – EAA Chapter 551 monthly program. SCSU Aero Club Hangar 6:00 PM, meal and social hour, food will be spaghetti, salad, and a dessert. Mark Priglmeier will be discussing winter flying and ice operations. Even though Iceport 2024 is canceled this will be great information for all!



## [Upcoming 551 events:](#)

**Tuesday 3/5/2024** – EAA Chapter 551 board meeting. SCSU Aero Club Hangar 6:30 PM. Everyone is welcome. Light meals are available at 6:00 PM for a nominal donation.

**Tuesday 3/19/2024** --EAA Chapter 551 monthly program. SCSU Aero Club Hangar 6:00 PM, food for a nominal donation, all are welcome and social hour. Program at 6:30 PM.

**Tuesday 4/2/2024** – EAA Chapter 551 board meeting. SCSU Aero Club Hangar 6:30 PM. Everyone is welcome. Light meals are available at 6:00 PM for a nominal donation.

**Tuesday 4/16/2024** --EAA Chapter 551 monthly program. SCSU Aero Club Hangar 6:00 PM, food for a nominal donation, all are welcome and social hour. Program at 6:30 PM.

**Food Prep for monthly programs:** Do you enjoy grilling, cooking or entertaining? We want to try something new with people interested in preparing food for our monthly program meetings. This is your chance to show your cooking knowledge, work with others, and build community. Contact Greg Bednark at 320-282-1274.



**Non EAA 551 Events:**

The poster features the title 'ICEPORT 2024' at the top. Below it are logos for 'Mac's Twin Bay', 'Da Boathouse', and 'Tanis Aircraft Products'. A large red 'CANCELED' text is centered, with '(Due to poor ice/snow conditions)' underneath. A small airplane is visible in the background. A list of details and a venue/location section are at the bottom.

**ICEPORT 2024**

**MAC'S Twin Bay**  
LAKE MILLE LACS

**Da Boathouse**  
IN DA BAY

**TANIS**  
AIRCRAFT PRODUCTS  
Aviation Safety Starts with Tanis Preheat

**CANCELED**  
(Due to poor ice/snow conditions)

For the latest ICEPORT event updates, please visit:  
[Facebook.com/CreateLift](https://www.facebook.com/CreateLift)

- ✦ Pilots monitor: 122.9
- ✦ No fee for this event (Donations are highly encouraged to offset Mac's Twin Bay plowing expenses)
- ✦ Plowed iceway. Skis & wheels welcome.
- ✦ GPS coordinates: 46.17N/93.48W

*"Look for the orange safety cones depicting the landing zone"*

**VENUE:** ICEPORT 2024 Fly-in Brunch (Lake Mille Lacs, MN)  
**DATE/TIME:** Saturday, March 2nd, 2024 10:00am - 3:00pm  
**LOCATION:** Da Boathouse/Mac's Twin Bay [www.macstwinbay.com/da-boathouse-restaurant](http://www.macstwinbay.com/da-boathouse-restaurant)

**Chapter 551 members**, if you see other aviation related events that would be fitting to have in this section, please forward them to me, Ryan Rask, at [RyanCRask@gmail.com](mailto:RyanCRask@gmail.com), or tell me about them in person. I will add them as I get them if they are fitting, thank you for the help!

**News and Notes:**

**YOUNG EAGLE FLIGHTS**

Did you know that you pilots can still give Young Eagle flights (free flights to youth ages 8-17 years old) even when there is not a Young Eagle Rally? Pilots can find all of the information at <https://www.eaa.org/ea/youth/free-ye-flights/ye-volunteers/ye-volunteer-opportunities/ea-young-eagles-volunteer-pilots>

Young Eagle forms, Certificates of Young Eagles Flight, and Sporty's Log Book with access code to the Sporty's Online Ground School Program (\$249 value) are available to pilots to the right as you enter the Aero Club Board Room (Kitchen area).

*The Young Eagle form to be completed in its entirety prior to flight, including parent/guardian signature.*

Be sure to turn in your completed (flights given) Young Eagle forms. There is a file drawer below the TV in the EAA Chapter 551 Board Room marked for this. Pilots who are in compliance with giving Young Eagle flights and with each fully completed Young Eagles form, EAA Chapter 551 will be given \$5 in Young Eagle credits for each flight. EAA Chapter 551 can then spend those funds on items to support future Young Eagles Programs.

**T-Hangar Space at the St. Cloud Regional Airport.** T-Hangar space is very tight at St. Cloud Regional Airport. If you are in need of a T-Hangar or plan to purchase a plane and will be in need of a T-Hangar, please email [airport@ci.stcloud.mn.us](mailto:airport@ci.stcloud.mn.us) to get your name on the T-Hangar Waiting List.

It's time for you to fly! Complete your SCSU Aero Club application today! The website has changed for scheduling, info, and registration. The new website is: [www.scsuaeroclub.org](http://www.scsuaeroclub.org)

**\*\*\*PLEASE DO NOT PARK ANY VEHICLES IN FRONT OF HANGERS\*\*\*** EAA Chapter 551 membership dues are \$25.00 Dues can be submitted/mailed to EAA 551's Treasurer: Kenneth HT Olson CPA LTD. PO Box 335, Sartell, MN. 56377

**EAA 551 chapter programs are held on the 3rd Tuesday of every month @6:30 p.m, dinner at 6:00 p.m.**  
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## Chapter 551 Member's Corner

**What's happening around the chapter? Go somewhere cool in your airplane? Go flying with some friends?**



**Want to see it here? Send pictures (and a description) to [RyanCRask@gmail.com](mailto:RyanCRask@gmail.com) with "551 Member's Corner" in the subject line. Submit projects you are working on and/or project updates to [Steve Reisdorf at srreisdorf@charter.net](mailto:srreisdorf@charter.net) for publication in the newsletter.**

**2024 EAA Chapter 551 Board and Appointments**

**Officers**

**President:** Rob Jahnke

**Vice President:** Kathy Warzecha

**Second Vice President:** Bill Justin

**Secretary:** Angie Olson

**Treasurer:** Ken Olson

**Board Members**

Dale Field

Steve Reisdorf

Ryan Rask

Chip Sauers

**Ex-Officio Board Members (non voting)**

Steve Anderson

Greg Bednark

Lenny Pintok

Keegan Eibensteiner

**EAA Chapter 551 Appointments**

**Young Eagles Coordinator:** Chip Sauers

**Event Coordinator:** Bill Justin

**Webmaster:** Rob Jahnke

**Newsletter Editor:** Ryan Rask

**Tool Crib Manager:** Rob Jahnke

**Membership Coordinator:** Ken Olson

**Scholarship Coordinator:** Ken Olson

**Scholarship Committee:** Greg Bednark, Angie Olson, Ken Olson

**Board Minutes:**

**EAA 551 Board Meeting**

Date: 02/13/2024

**Attendees:** Rob J., Dale F., Ken O., Chip S., Kathy W., Steve A., Angie O.

**Call to Order:** 18:34

**January Meeting Minutes** read. Amendment to include “Regular board meetings will be held the 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of the month and regular program meetings will be held the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of the month.

Motion to approve – Chip Seconded – Ken M/S/P

**Treasurers Report:** Ken Olson General Fund: \$11,834.17

- o Scholarship Fund: \$2,255.62
- o Ray Aviation Scholarship Fund: \$0
- o 35 Paid members
- o The Initiative Foundation (IF) will return funds to EAA 551 with an email request stating that returned funds will be used for education. The IF funds will be used to support scholarships and educational opportunities for EAA 551.
- o Motion to approve – Chip. Seconded – Dale M/S/P

**Web Master:** Rob J.

- o Website has been updated to reflect EAA Air Academy and Ray Aviation Scholarship information.
- o EAA 551 domain has been renewed with Amazon.
- o Email addresses have been culled to eliminate inactive contacts for email blasts. This helps us to remain within the “free email blast parameter”.

#### **Young Eagles Report:**

- o STC event May 11<sup>th</sup>. Plan for a rain day (May 25<sup>th</sup> but do not advertise it to the public)
- o Not sure of the status of LXL YE event; possibly June 22<sup>nd</sup>. Kathy will check into plans/date.
- o STC event Sept. 07<sup>th</sup>
- o FAA prohibits fuel reimbursement for “services” i.e. YE pilots.
- o North Star Flyers has agreed to have an RC model display at YE events.

#### **Ray Scholarship:**

- o Duncan is continuing toward his private check ride. He is currently working on his X-Cs. Members are welcome to invite Duncan to fly with them.
- o EAA 551 has been awarded a \$11,000 Ray Aviation Scholarship that is that is 25/75%; meaning EAA 551 needs to raise \$2,750 (25%) and the remaining 75% is through the Ray Aviation Scholarship.
- o EAA 551 has a goal to raise \$2,750 annually to support Ray Aviation Scholarship candidates.
- o Keegan, potential Ray Aviation scholar, is working with Ken to complete the application.

#### **Activity/Trip Planning Idea Sharing:**

- o Duluth/Cirrus
- o Owatonna
- o Elbow Lake (Robinson helicopter shop)
- o Bemidji
- o Camp Ripley (Rob has a contact for that tour/flight)

**Recognition:** None this month

#### **Old Business:**

- o Flight simulator is for members only. Discussion regarding implementation of a logbook.

#### **New Business:**

- o Board Meeting March 05<sup>th</sup> .
- o Discussion about raising funds to support youth attending Air Academy and/or Ray Aviation Scholars.
- o 50/50 raffle will be conducted at each program meeting: \$5.00 each or \$10.00 for 3 tickets. Moved – Dale, Kathy – Seconded M/S/P.
- o Discussion regarding “Pathway to the Sky” program to develop programming and events that connect YE to Ray Scholarships; summer camp, Aero Educate badges, fly-outs. Resources needed: leadership, space, volunteers, funding.

#### **Lifetime Memberships**

- o Lifetime membership will be awarded to an individual adult for a donation of \$500.00 or more. Lifetime membership will be awarded to a family for a donation of \$650.00 or more. Moved – Ken, Seconded – Chip M/S/P

#### **Meal Planning:**

- o Consider Sysco (old Apperts) for the main course. Ken will visit to review costs.
- o Meal for Feb:
  - o Spaghetti/buns – Ken
  - o Salad – Angie
  - o Dessert - Dale
- o Christmas Party – Dec. 07<sup>th</sup> Moved – Ken, Seconded – Dale M/S/P

Motion to adjourn: Moved – Ken, Seconded – Chip, M/S/P  
Meeting Adjourned 20:35



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