



CHAPTER 613

Franklin County State Airport (KFSO)
Swanton, Vermont

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Message from the Chapter President by John Fitzgerald

Greetings All,

I hope everyone is enjoying all the sunshine. This has been a very active month. First, we had an amazing and informative trip to Montreal to visit the ICAO Headquarters. Thanks to Miguel Marin and Christian Schleifer for the ICAO history and describing its mission to promote aviation safety worldwide. We enjoyed an amazing tour of the assembly rooms where many years of hard work and dedication take place. Thanks again for the Christian and Miguel's hospitality, as well as to our chapter members who were able to join us.



Green Mountain Aviation Field Days did a great job this weekend. Thanks to all the volunteers that made a great Young Eagle's weekend. Special thanks to Heritage Aviation for the really nice facility. We thank all the pilots from Chapter 613, Vermont Flight Academy and Beta Technologies for your support. We had lots of smiles from all the Young Eagles and their parents. And, as an added bonus, the weather was perfect. Miguel is finalizing the counts, but we flew over a hundred Young Eagles for sure.

Fall is upon us and the trees are letting us know. I hope everyone gets a chance to check out the changing colors. Franklin County Airport is open, and I finally got a chance to land on the new pavement, pretty nice. It's time to start thinking Potluck lunch next month that will kick off our Sunday morning breakfast season. See you all soon!

Safe flying! John

Chapter 613 Potluck Lunch

Marge Butterfield

It's that time of year to set a date for our annual Chapter Potluck.

Date: October 20th

Time: 1:00



Please bring your favorite dish or item.

As a lot of us haven't see much of each other since our last pancake breakfast, the potluck is a nice social event to get caught up and see each other again. We look forward to seeing you then!

Chapter 613 Pancake Breakfast

Marge Butterfield

The first pancake breakfast for the season will be the fourth Sunday in November,

Date: November 24th

Time: 9:00 - 11:00



We will be needing volunteers to help cook. No experience necessary! You can contact me at airbear9fj@gmail.com Thanks so much and I'll be looking forward to seeing everyone again.

Chapter 613 Hosts September 14-15 Young Eagles Day in Burlington

Thanks to all the pilots and ground support folks who made our two-day Young Eagle Rally a huge success. Special thanks to youth members /scholars, Liam Gallagher, Owen Mongen and Hardy Toof (see page 5 for their picture), who set up and manned an outside table with various snacks for donations. With their entrepreneurship, they raised \$363.00 in donations to the chapter!



Chapter 613 Members Visit ICAO Headquarters in Montreal

Chapter 613 members were hosted for a tour of ICAO’s Montreal Headquarters by our Chapter Vice President Miguel Marin, and his ICAO colleague Christian Schleifer. In addition to touring the facilities, we were also treated to a visit to the exhibit area for the upcoming Advanced Air Mobility (AAM-2024) Symposium. ICAO invited electric aircraft manufacturers, and other interested parties to participate in AAM-2024 in order to share information on new standards, procedures and regulations that will be required as electric aircraft play a larger role in aviation. Our sincere thanks to Miguel and Christian for being such wonderful hosts!



EAA Chapter 613 Picnic

We had a nice turnout for our chapter picnic on August 18th. It was great to see friends we hadn’t seen for a while and get caught up. (haha - of course it is always nice to get to see friends we see often too!) We had a lot of choices for food and drink, thanks to all the members who brought something. Special thanks to Habitat for Aviation who supplied the hot dogs, hamburgers and buns. We were fortunate to have two great grill masters, Denis White and Chris Chicoine who did all the grilling. In honor of the airport being open again with the extension of runway 18 – 36, Genevieve Gallagher made a special runway cake. It looked and tasted great!



Happy Birthday Bill!!!!





EAA Chapter 613
Youth Aviator Program Corner
September 2024



Beth White

Habitat for Aviation’s Women Build Planes team was thrilled to participate in the Green Mountain Aviation Field Days, which drew over 8,000 attendees—the largest aviation event Vermont has seen in more than 30 years. Stationed under the towering 70-foot tail of the KC 46 Pegasus refueler in BETA Technologies’ STEM Exhibit hangar, we joined over 20 exhibitors in making this the biggest STEM event in Vermont.

From toddlers to grandparents, our booth offered something for everyone, with a playful aircraft-themed space for the littlest aviators and hands-on activities for kids and adults alike. Children enjoyed playing with Green Toys float planes and helicopters, while older kids donned pilot outfits for photos with One Niner N802WB as a nod to our Rans S-21 built by the Women Build Planes team’s plane. Our interactive safety wiring and soldering stations were a hit, with hundreds of participants making aviation-themed keychains.

Throughout the day, we handed out hundreds of brochures and postcards and proudly displayed our Women Build Planes team member, Ashwil Bell’s, article featured in Women in Aviation’s (WAI) Girls in Aviation magazine, which will be included in WAI’s tote bags that go out to thousands of girls as part of Girls in Aviation Day.

Undoubtedly, the most rewarding part was the countless 1:1 conversations between our builders and the attendees. As the littlest of them looked up at our team members, many had a sparkle in their eyes, and time and time again we heard the quiet thought, “Maybe I could be her,” as our team sparked dreams for our future mechanics, pilots, and aviation specialists.

I was so proud of our other Youth Aviators and their hangar moms who poured out of the woodwork to assist with the Young Eagle flights. This was the first time since joining the chapter that I was not available to join in the flying and I am super thankful to our youngsters who rallied and made the day a total success. I knew our YEs and their families were in good hands and the Youth Aviators kept me in the loop throughout the two days of flights.





Scholarships Available

- ◆ Organization for Black Aerospace Professionals Fall 2024 Scholarship Application is open! <https://obap.org/outreach-programs/scholarships/>
- ◆ Women in Aviation 2025 Scholarship Application open now: <https://www.wai.org/scholarships> 59 scholarships provided by 41 funders for flight training, engineering, maintenance, dispatch, and general career advancement for individuals in all stages of life.
- ◆ Capt. Sax scholarships, given in honor of Capt. John J. Sax, USMC: <https://captisaxfoundation.org/>
- ◆ Lyons Aviation Scholarship: <https://lyonsaviation.org/application/>
- ◆ Aerial Tribute Project: <https://aerialtributeproject.org/sky-scholars/>



Are You Thinking About Purchasing a New Headset?

EAA Chapter 613 Youth Aviator Program is honored to be an affiliate of Lightspeed Aviation. This means, with every Delta Zulu sold through our dedicated URL or QR code, EAA Chapter 613 will receive a donation of 10% of the headset value for our youth programming. Please share this far and wide and help our youth access opportunities to fly! (<https://tinyurl.com/EAA613Lightspeed>)

EAA Chapter 613 Youth Flyers: Reflections from Flight Training

Ishir Agarwal, Ray Scholar, Aviator, UND Student

What a beautiful summer it was in Vermont! I was so fortunate to have gone back home to Vermont and see family and friends, work the family food truck, and enjoy the mountains and true Ben & Jerry's again! It was also amazing to have seen so many familiar and new faces at the Chapter Summer Picnic on August 18th. EAA Chapter 613 has been my aviation foundation and it was great to catch up with people I hadn't seen in a whole year!

In the meantime, it's back to school for me! I'm super excited to kick off my sophomore year at UND and I'm now working towards my commercial certificate, as well as a complex endorsement that I am earning in a Piper Seminole! It is such a fun and stable airplane to fly, but oh my is it fast!

I have to get used to the fact that my traffic patterns are only 30 seconds now. Other than that, I have been working like crazy to get Chapter 1342 up and running, and my first step was to fill all of our officer positions, as there are no past members or officers. After we got that done, it was time to jump through some hoops and schedule a room for biweekly meetings, figure out catering expenses, and register the chapter with UND to access student organization funding. It is also a major goal of mine to start a brand new IMC/VMC club for our chapter!

After going to countless VMC club meetings that Miguel hosted, I knew I needed to have it for our chapter, and what better place to do it than with trained and experienced UND Aviation professors? Once we get everything figured out, we hope to have our meeting schedule set with the over 55+ students interested so far in attendance! I will keep you all updated with the Chapter's progress and if anyone has any tips or tricks on running a chapter I am all ears! Talk to you all next month!

Miranda Gallagher, High School Aviator

This month has been a busy one. Not only are we coming up on the one year anniversary of the Women's Build but I have started early college at Vermont State University. The weather has been great for my past couple of flights so I got to fly solo over my house! Habitat For Aviation had a station at the Green Mountain Aviation Field Days where we showed kids how to make bracelets out of wire, shoulder, safety wire and heat shrink. The Rans S-21 Women's Build is right around halfway done, we're working on the wings and some of our electrical systems right now. There's a lot of work to do on all of my various commitments but I look forward to what comes next.



Sam Longstreet, Grade 8, Mechanic and Pilot in Training

This past month I worked with George greasing, and inspecting the wheel bearings and brakes on the Citabria. I also later this month volunteered with the chapter at the Green Mountain Aviation Field Days. We were doing Young Eagle flights! I was outside welcoming people in and giving out snacks. I later went over to the main part of the event where I saw some really cool airplanes like a Spitfire, KC-46, and BETA Technologies' Alia. Overall it was a great event and I hope it happens again.

Abby Demar High School Aviator, Ray Scholar, Mechanic-in-Training

This month has been full of many fun things! School started up and I have officially started my senior year. I'm taking a few hard classes including AP psych and AP calculus. Along with that my volleyball season has also started. It's been a blast so far and our team is looking strong. I had the opportunity to attend the Green Mountain Aviation Field Days with Habitat for Aviation and it was an amazing experience! I had a great time making safety wire bracelets with little kids and seeing all the aviation enthusiasts. Later that same day I went up to Franklin County State Airport and took my senior photos there! They turned out amazing from the sneak peek I got to see. At school I have been studying and preparing for college applications and for my oral exam. Today I completed my first solo cross country from KFSO to KMSS to KSLK and back to Franklin County. It was a great and straight forward flight but I have to admit I was pretty tired afterwards.



Owen Mongen, Aviator and Mechanic-in-Training

During the past month I have been very busy with school and work, while at the same time putting time into aviation, I have been going up to Franklin Country State Airport for flight lessons and working on ground training at home. Recently I also volunteered for Young Eagles at the Burlington Airport for Green Mountain Aviation Days, which was an amazing experience!

Kyra Becker, Ray Scholar, Instructor, Commercial Otter Pilot

As the dog days of summer draw to a close, we reflect on an incredible month of flying. August gifted us with clear blue skies and an abundance of VFR (Visual Flight Rules) days, making our flying experiences truly enjoyable. As we transition back into night flying, it's worth noting that these evening flights demand a greater level of precision and heightened situational awareness. Without the luxury of daylight to see our surroundings, our skills are put to the test, but it's all part of the adventure!

Recently, I had the privilege of participating in the Green Mountain Aviation Field Days. I had the honor of volunteering to host the Women in Aviation Vermont Chapter's Girls in Aviation activities on Sunday. It was inspiring to witness such a passionate gathering of aviation enthusiasts, united by our love for everything aviation. I sincerely hope that this wonderful event continues to thrive in the years ahead, fostering a community of aviators and encouraging future generations to come.



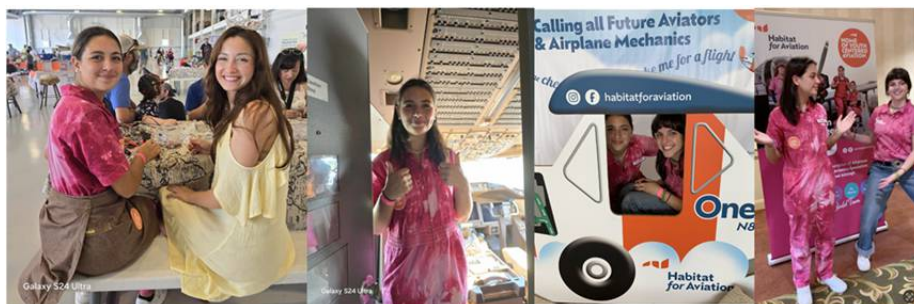
Calla Senasac, High School Aviator, Ray Scholar

Happy September! I started classes at CCV this week and it's a bit overwhelming, but that's only because I haven't gotten into the swing of things yet. I took my youngest sister flying a couple weeks ago which was super fun, and now she wants to go again (I don't blame her). At the plane build when I was there we were starting to work on electrical stuff. It's thrilling to be working with new materials and learning new techniques, and it seems like the plane is coming along!

Taylor Bushey, High School Pilot and Mechanic-in-Training

Friday last week there was a Women's conference for Superintendents and Principals in Killington and Habitat for Aviation was invited to present two workshops. We did an icebreaker, slideshow, and an activity that had the women thinking about how they can improve their classroom or school environment to include real-world work and be emergent leaders. It was a very beneficial experience because I saw so many women who loved what they did and were so supportive.

I also went to the Green Mountain Aviation Field Days and was helped with our Habitat for Aviation booth. This was very important because I met so many new people who showed me the amount of careers I could pursue in aviation.



Mya Adams, Pilot and Mechanic-in-Training

On Saturday I assisted in setting up the “Habitat for Aviation” tables and stations. I helped Beth unload the van along with Miranda, Disa, and a few others. My grandfather helped set up the photo booth and with whatever else needed to be done. After setting up, my grandfather and I met up with my grandmother and my sister and we went to where YE was having flights. Flying out of BTV was so much fun; the air space around BTV was not as busy as I expected it to be. During the flight, my flight instructor allowed me to take a few photos and videos which was really cool because it is so hard to explain what it is like up in the sky; it is something only people who have experienced it can understand.

After the flight, my grandfather and I walked around and looked at the aircraft they had at GMAFD, they had everything from the past to the present to the future. Some of the planes you could see the inside of and walk around in, which was one of my favorite things about the event. While I was walking around, I was also able to see a C17 fly overhead and a helicopter depart up close. Whenever I could, I would look over to the “Habitat for Aviation”

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