

# Chapter 77 Flypaper



June 2023

[www.eaa77.org](http://www.eaa77.org)

Volume 62, Issue 6

The Ralph O. Helgeby Chapter 77 of  
Greater Flint Michigan

## Table of Contents

Board of Directors & Officers.....	Page 1
President's Corner .....	Page 2
Looking for Program Ideas.....	Page 4
EAA77 Dawn Patrol Flyer .....	Page 5
Thank you for May Presentation (GHOST) .....	Page 6
#thePilotLife.....	Page 7
Did You Know.....	Page 16
Young Eagles .....	Page 17
EAA77 Social Fun .....	Page 18
Tentative Upcoming Events.....	Page 19
EAA77 Calendar .....	Page 21
Aviation Humor, Flowers & Cards..	Page 23
Building Use Policy.....	Page 24
Classifieds .....	Page 25
Membership Dues .....	Page 26
Apr. Membership Mtg Minutes .....	Page 27
May Membership Mtg Minutes.....	Page 29

## This Month's Membership Meeting

**June 8, 2023**  
**Social Hour at 6PM**  
**Meeting at 7PM**

### Presentation

**Dawn Patrol Prep – Jeff Spinney  
& Sandy Matthews**  
**&**  
**Alkay Updates – Doug Smith**

**PLEASE join us!**

## **2023 Board Members and Officers**

President:	Jake Carmer	810-919-0121	Tech Counselors:	Tom Carr	805-714-0807
Vice President:	Tim LeClair	810-908-9908		Rick Hayes	248-462-9338
Secretary:	Lorna Hunter	810-287-3336	Flight Advisor:	Justin von Linsowe	810-444-3141
Treasurer:	Eric LaForest	810-577-5292	Dawn Patrol Directors:	Jeff Spinney	810-210-6882
Past President:	Unfilled			Sandy Matthews	810-659-3501
Trustees:	Isaac Faris	810-493-7346	Fly Out Coordinators:	Kerry Matthews	810-659-3501
	Jim Plourde	810-938-2010		Jake Carmer	810-919-0121
	Dan Willoughby	810-513-3917	Young Eagles Coord:	Sandie Carmer	517-391-7197
Newsletter Editor:	Sandie Carmer	517-391-7197	Workshop Coordinator:	Eric LaForest	810-577-5292
Program Chairman:	Shared by Board Members		Hangar Manager:	Kevin Curtis	810-836-0294
			Website Editor:	Tanmoy Ganguly	248-877-8390

## ***President's Corner***

It's that time of year!!!!

Before I begin, Sandie and I have an announcement to make..... for those that haven't heard there is another pilot on the way!!! Our first grandchild, a baby boy, is due to arrive in August. I guess I really need to get my hangar built so me and my new buddy will have a place to work and hang out!!!

Now back to your regularly scheduled message

First of all a huge thank you to everyone who came out for airport cleanup day. We cleaned up around the hangar inside and out and it looks great. We also had a number of people with weed eaters out cleaning up the frontage on Pierson Rd and picking up trash. This is not only great for our Chapter and our Dawn Patrol but is great for the whole airport and Flushing community. It is always great to see people coming together to make things happen.

Next up we have the parade on Wednesday which is always a great time. We meet at the chapter building at 5pm or you can meet us behind Central Elementary at about 5:30. We will have the grill and hotdogs going, lots of laughs and so much fun interacting with the great people of Flushing. This is our main advertising for the Dawn Patrol, and it is so cool when handing out the flyers and hearing people tell you how much they love it and the ones who tell you they come every year, along with the people who haven't been and get excited about it.

Thursday will be our regular membership meeting with burgers on the grill, fun stories and an all-around good time. Doug Smith will be presenting on everything he has going on up at Alkay airport and it is quite a bit. If you haven't been up there lately do yourself a favor and check it out.

Then on Saturday we will be setting up for the Main event!!!! We will meet at the hangar at 9am to start setting up tables and chairs, put signs out, setup canopies and a long list of other projects. We need all the help we can get. Remember to bring your appetite as well because when we finish up we will be having a potluck luncheon to relax and celebrate everyone's hard work. Everyone is invited to bring a dish to pass.

SUNDAY, SUNDAY, SUNDAY!!!! (Did I sound like the monster truck announcer?) Here is our main event for the year that funds the amazing facilities we have and allows us to be one of the greatest Chapters out there. We will be there at 6am to start heating up the grills and preparing for the masses of hungry aviation-loving people that will be coming in. It is an amazing, busy morning that flies by with tons of excitement surrounded by great people. Once breakfast ends at 11:30 there is still work to be done. We have to return our hangar and airport to the clean, beautiful site it always is. That means taking down canopies, tables and chairs, lots of dishes, safety fencing and numerous other tasks, as we bask in the glow of another successful event and breathe a sign of relief and take a hard-earned break.

As you all can see this is a very busy week for our wonderful organization and it can't happen without all of you. It's the one week out of the year where we really dig in and work hard to make this chapter the success that it is and continue to build on what our founding members started. I look forward to working side by side with all of you and after it is done, I plan to relax and look forward to OSHKOSH and all the other flying adventures I have planned for this summer.

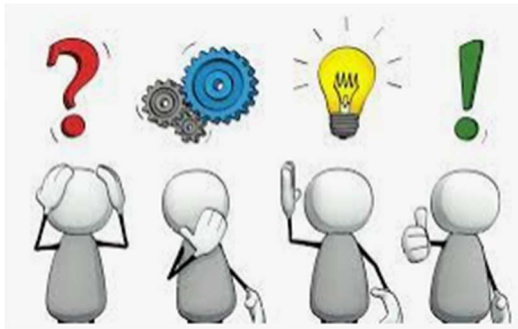
THANK YOU ALL,  
Jake Carmer

## Looking for Program Ideas!

We are looking for programs for future membership meetings. Remember, these meetings are YOUR meetings and meant to be fun and engaging! So, share your ideas with us!

- Project report?
- New technology or aviation concept?
- Special flyout location you'd like to share?

Send them to Sandie Carmer at [EAA77Newsletter@gmail.com](mailto:EAA77Newsletter@gmail.com).



## Rain or Shine!

## Fly In - Drive In



**7:00 AM - 11:30 AM**

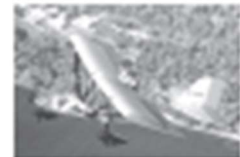
A black and white photograph of a small helicopter, possibly a Robinson R22, parked on a grassy field. The helicopter is facing towards the left of the frame. In the background, there are some buildings and trees. The image is tilted slightly to the right.

**Returning this year!! Classic Car Show**

- 

- Helicopters
- General Aviation Display
- FREE Kids Activities provided by Flushing Farms
- Helicopter Rides provided by MiFLIGHT

Eggs  
Fruit



**Drive In Info**

Park

2-4 Miles

Flushing Rd

Flushing Road

**Fwy In Info for Flushing Cation GDA**

Coordinates: 43° 05' 47" N, 083° 48' 28" W  
 PNT VOR (110.0) Power: 340 / 1.6 NM  
 First Approach 110 & Cation Unknown 122 B  
 Surveys 09077-010000



## Last Month's Membership Meeting Presentation (May 2023)



Sergeant Victoria Davis and Sergeant Ryan Dobbs of the Genesee County Sheriff's Office Genesee Human Oppression Strike Team, or GHOST, gave a detailed and informative presentation. This included information on what human trafficking is and how they are working to stop it in Genesee County. If you'd like to learn more or to see how you might be able to help, please visit their website at:

<https://www.gcsomichigan.com/ghostcertified>

Thank you to Sergeants Davis and Dobbs for coming to our chapter and sharing this information with us.



## #thePilotLife

This new section is for you to share photos, captions, and flying stories.

Email to 

[EAA77Newsletter@gmail.com](mailto:EAA77Newsletter@gmail.com) or [tanny.gang@gmail.com](mailto:tanny.gang@gmail.com)

**JAKE & SANDIE**



**Memorial Day visit to Grandpa Carmer**



**Houghton Lake (KHTL) Dawn Patrol, June 4**



**PIREPs from the home turf**

**Sandie's first landing at the home strip**



**Memorial Day – remembering the ones who gave us this freedom.**



**Another month, another Stinson visiting the Carmer**



**JOHN V LINSOWE**

**With all that good weather John has been actively flying and instructing on Ultralights**



**Flight Training 2.0**



**Flying V-Ranch Visitors; Scott with his Aerolite**



**Walter, after an evening cruise**



**Flying V-Ranch Visitors; Rick with his 2-place**



TANMOY

Stay with me, I have a lot to share! 😊



Had a blast hanging out with MULA at Alkay and ultimately joining the club too.  
Had my first ultralight experience on the M-Square with John, as a “ballast” though!

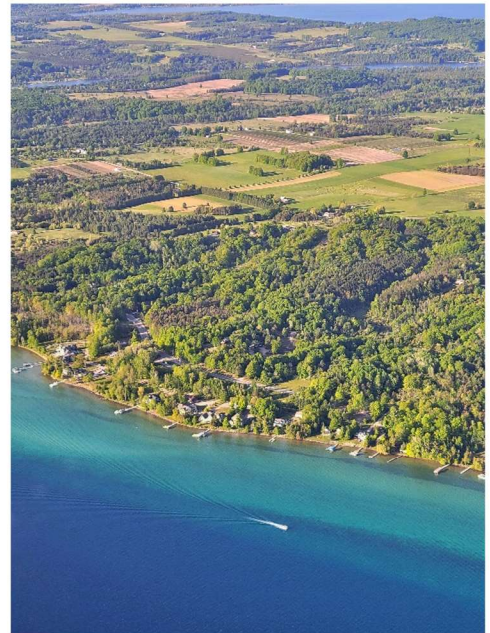


Spent some time sharpening my soft-field technique  
All this practice made it possible to ultimately fly into Cheat River Island  
(you will see those photos next)

Thanks to Scott who volunteered to go up with me and hold onto his dear life as I practiced!

**SONNY & TANMOY**

**We camped at the Torchport Airpark during their Memorial Day fly-in**





# Cheat Island Spring Fly-in, WV

## ABOUT Cheat River Island Fly-in

The Cheat River private airstrip is owned by Dave Graybill. Dave is a private pilot who built this air strip on his island several years ago. The island is open for camping throughout the year but twice a year it becomes a very active little airport. The record so far has been 80 to 100 planes and many others arriving on vehicles.

Dave and his team of volunteers put on an amazing event with a free BBQ lunch on the fly in day (*freshly made ice-creams too*). Camping is encouraged. Wake up to the sound of the river and spend the day looking at airplanes, watching them take off and land and socializing with other aviation enthusiasts.

Facebook Page : [https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100089260571180&sk=about\\_details](https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100089260571180&sk=about_details)

Google Maps : <https://goo.gl/maps/aTCQxqLYQZwNRoNA>

Guide : <https://www.dropbox.com/s/dhzn26jslrwx24i/Cheat%20Island%20Fly-In%20Procedures.pdf?dl=0>

### Info for Pilots

Coordinates 39.33'N 79.68'W

RWY 12 x 30 –1850 x 50 ft, Excellent Grass

Elevation 1,412 ft MSL

CTAF 123.45

**Note:** Landing on Cheat River is not advised for brand new pilots (*I may have missed reading this part*) without grass field experiences. View some of the videos on Facebook and YouTube to familiarize yourself with the procedures.

## TANMOY's Triplog

This was my longest ever flight and I had been preparing for over 2 months. I watched every Youtube video multiple times, practiced flying the approach on XPlane and Microsoft Flight SIM. Did performance calculations with all possible situations. After all the preparation, the weather forecasts turned out terrible for the weekend. We almost called off the trip, but finally some weather windows opened up, and we were off on our way.

My pilot friend Ehsan Hamtaei from Michigan Flyers joined me on the right seat, and I am still very thankful that he trusted me to take that Cherokee into one of the most challenging airfields. We raced the cold fronts and were able to get to Ohio while watching those dark clouds on our rear-view mirror (*well, kinda!*). A filling lunch at the Airport Restaurant of Carroll County (KTSO), some cheap fuel and we were ready for our final push to fly into West Virginia.

As we reached the hills, the scenery, and the weather everything was majestic and seemed to welcome us with a smile (*and a tailwind on the landing runway*). Flying into the valley following the river was an absolute hoot, just why I learnt to fly. After 4 switchbacks we could finally see the runway, I can do this...I can do this.... I can do this!!!

Phewwh!!! Did it.... Ehsan was probably already calling God as I got on the brakes and stopped us.

The next 2 days we camped, ziplined to cross the river and get beer, made friends with everyone on the field, soaked in that rain the whole of Saturday, watched some droolworthy airplanes all day, had some absolutely amazing food (*cooked by other campers and the organizers*). This was my first ever fly-in camping experience, and I think it beat every imagination I had.

The next one is on October 7<sup>th</sup>, who's joining me?

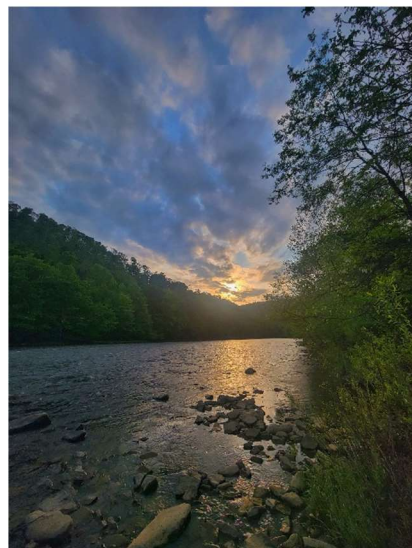
**Let's call this a pattern**



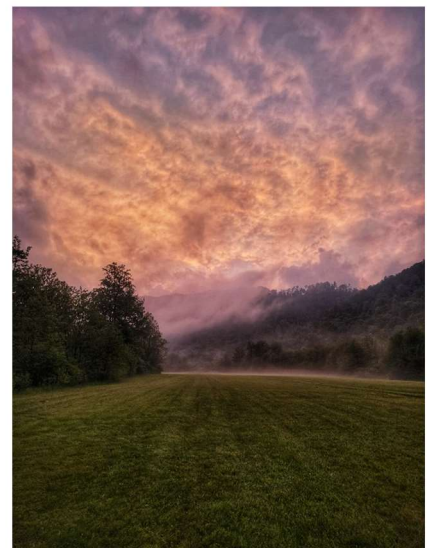
**Cherokee riverside neighborhood!**



**Planespotting!**



**Sunset over Cheat River  
This was just behind our tent**





**Room with a view**



**DAVE GRAYBILL, the man behind the show!**



**Dave's cottage on the hilltop**



When I asked Dave why he does this, his answer was:  
**"For this view..."**





**The Cherokee out in the wild!**



**This was a first solo for this young pilot, kudos to “CFI dad” for preparing him for this day.**

*I was still the lowest time pilot on the field*



**Great Michigan Bush Co. Corner!**

**PRO TIP:**

If you want the best camaraderie and camp food experience: find the nearest Comanche, and make friends with the pilot.





**Come!!! Join this month's member meeting to hear more stories from this trip and watch some exciting videos!**

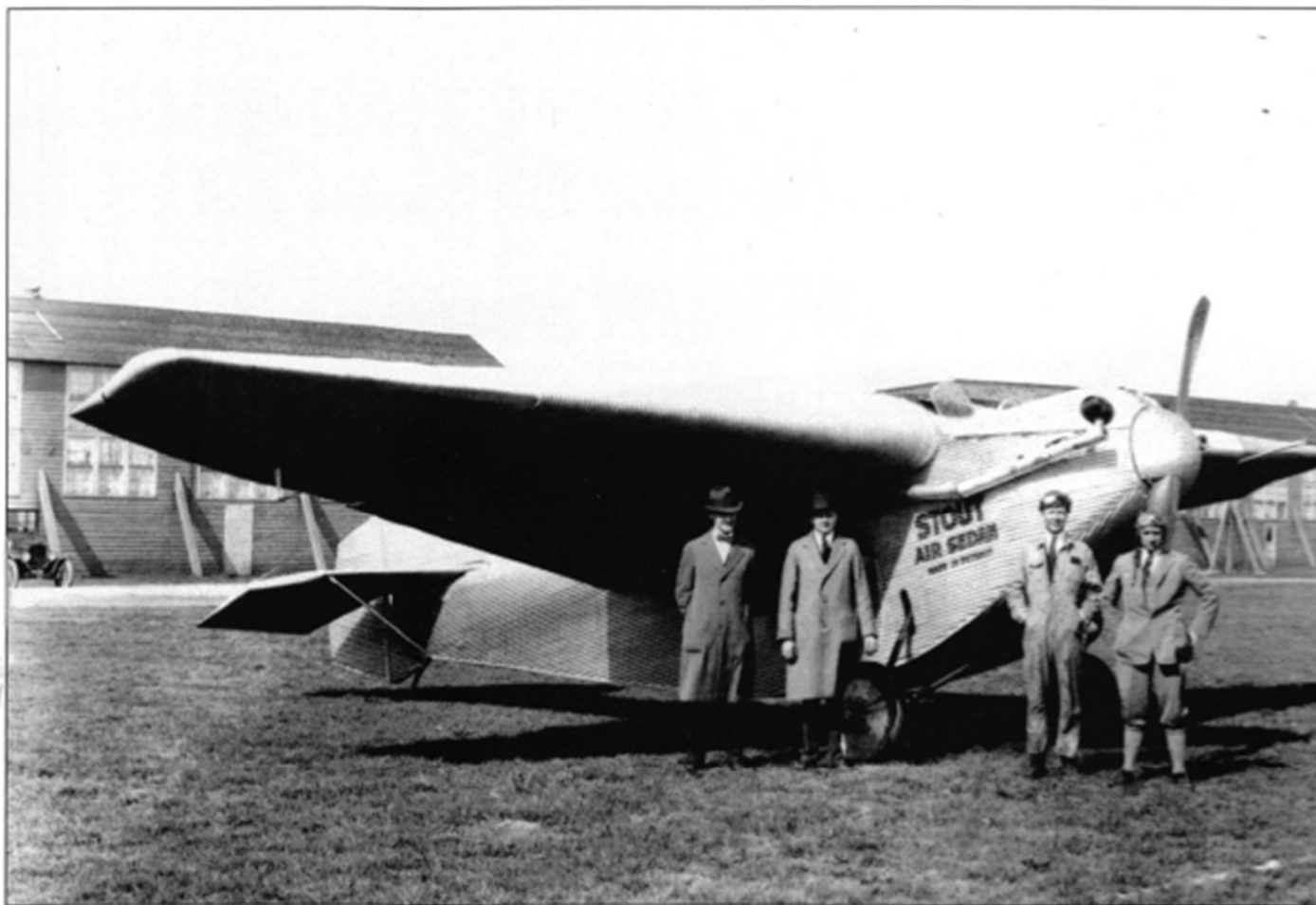


#### **RV PIPEPs for John**

An effort to convince our RV drivers that the grass is nice



## Did You Know...



Undaunted by the loss of the ST-1, Stout was determined to continue building all-metal airplanes. In 1922, he personally typed over 100 letters addressed to prominent businessmen asking each to pledge \$1,000 to promote aviation with only one promise, "That you will never see your money again!" Much to Stout's surprise he collected \$128,000 from influential Detroiters, including Henry Ford and his son Edsel, and formed the Stout Metal Airplane Company on Beaubien Street in Detroit. There he built the Stout 1-AS Air Sedan, an all-metal, corrugated-skin, four-place monoplane powered by a 90-horsepower Curtiss OX-5 engine. First flight took place at Selfridge Field in Mount Clemens in February 1923 with Walter Lees at the controls (seen here, with Stout at far left). The airplane was underpowered, so to improve performance, Stout switched to a 150-horsepower Hispano-Suiza engine. Stout later offered rides in the Air Sedan to promote interest in Michigan's growing aircraft industry.



# Young Eagles!!

*(Submitted by Sandie Carmer, Young Eagles Coordinator)*

It's a new year so it's time for a reminder since we hope to fly many, many Young Eagles this year! I always need more pilots and ground crew! Here's what is needed to be each. 😊

## **Young Eagle Pilot – Before you can fly a youth:**

*(See link at: [Become a Volunteer Pilot | EAA](#))*

- 1) Be a current EAA National member
- 2) Complete the EAA National's [EAA's Youth Protection Training and background check](#)
- 3) Sign up with Young Eagles Day.org (<https://youngeaglesday.org/>). Fill in all your information and be sure to say you are a part of Chapter 77.
- 4) When there is a future Young Eagles Day Event, Sandie will be able to see you in Young Eagles Day.org and send you an invite to participate through that program!

## **Young Eagle Ground Volunteer:**

- 1) (OPTIONAL) Be a current EAA National member
- 2) (OPTIONAL) Complete the EAA National's [EAA's Youth Protection Training and background check](#)
- 3) Sign up with Young Eagles Day.org (<https://youngeaglesday.org/>). Fill in all your information and be sure to say you are a part of Chapter 77.
- 4) When there is a future Young Eagles Day Event, Sandie will be able to see you in Young Eagles Day.org and send you an invite to participate through that program!

If you have any questions or concerns, reach out to Sandie at [EAA77YoungEagles@gmail.org](mailto:EAA77YoungEagles@gmail.org). Thank you to all who have volunteered in the past and who will volunteer in the future! I appreciate you!!

**Join your fellow EAA77 members and families for some social fun!!**

- ➔ **Ice Cream** Flyouts to Chesaning – Tuesdays at 7pm (on VFR days) – Call Jake Carmer with questions at (810)919-0121.

**Come join the fun!!**

## Upcoming Events – 2023

*(All Membership Meeting programs are tentative)*

### EAA77 Chapter Meetings

- *Board of Director Meetings are the first Thursday of each month at 7:00 P.M. - - These are the chapter's business meetings. All are welcome!*
- *Membership Meetings are the second Thursday of each month at 7:00 P.M. (6:00 P.M. is social hour) These are the fun, social meetings. Come and have fun!*

# Join us

### June

7 – Parade

8 – Membership Meeting; Social hour & dinner, 6pm; Meeting, 7pm

(**Presentation:** 1) [Alkay Changes and Activities – Doug Smith](#)  
2) [Dawn Patrol Prep – Jeff Spinney & Sandy Matthews](#))

3 – Airport Clean Up Day, 9am (Rain day, 6/4)

10 – Dawn Patrol Setup Day, 9am, with potluck at noon

11 – Dawn Patrol

24 & 25 – Bishop Airport Airshow

### July

6 – Board Meeting; 7pm

13 – Membership Meeting; Social hour & dinner, 6pm; Meeting, 7pm

(**Presentation:** [Oshkosh Airventure Hype!](#))

### August

3 – Board Meeting; 7pm

10 – Membership Meeting; Social hour & dinner, 6pm; Meeting, 7pm

(**Presentation:** [TBD](#))

12 & 13 – Chesaning STOL Competition (Young Eagles Day morning of 8/12)

25-27 – Owosso Pilot Rodeo (Young Eagles Day morning of 8/26)

### September

7 – Board Meeting; 7pm

14 – Membership Meeting; Social hour & dinner, 6pm; Meeting, 7pm

(**Presentation:** [TBD](#))

### October

5 – Board Meeting; 7pm

12 – Membership Meeting; Social hour & dinner, 6pm; Meeting, 7pm  
(Presentation: TBD)

### November

2 – Board Meeting; 7pm

9 – Membership Meeting; Social hour & dinner, 6pm; Meeting, 7pm  
(Presentation: TBD)

### December

2 – Banquet



## EAA Chapter 77 Activities June 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				<b>1</b> 7pm – Board Mtg	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b> 9am - Airport Cleanup Day <b>Varies</b> – Occasional dinner flyout
<b>4</b> 9am – (Rain Day Airport Cleanup Day) <b>Varies</b> – Occasional breakfast or dinner flyout	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b> 6pm – Social hour 7pm – Membership Mtg (Alkay Updates & Dawn Patrol Prep)	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b> 9am – Dawn Patrol Setup Day 12pm – Potluck <b>Varies</b> – Occasional dinner flyout
<b>11</b> 7am-11:30am – DAWN PATROL <b>Varies</b> – Occasional dinner flyout	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b> <b>Varies</b> – Occasional breakfast or dinner flyout
<b>18</b> <b>Varies</b> – Occasional breakfast or dinner flyout	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b> Flint Airshow <b>Varies</b> – Occasional breakfast or dinner flyout
<b>25</b> Flint Airshow <b>Varies</b> – Occasional breakfast or dinner flyout	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	

**Saturday and Sunday Flyouts:** Contact Flyout Coordinators for details – Kerry Matthews 810-659-3501 or Jake Carmer 810-919-0121

**TaylorCraft Build Dates:** Contact Doug Isham for dates and details – 810-820-0765

## EAA Chapter 77 Activities July 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						<b>1</b> <b>Varies</b> – Occasional dinner flyout
<b>2</b> <b>Varies</b> – Occasional breakfast or dinner flyout	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b> 7pm – Board Mtg	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b> <b>Varies</b> – Occasional dinner flyout
<b>9</b> <b>Varies</b> – Occasional dinner flyout	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b> 6pm – Social hour 7pm – Membership Mtg (Oshkosh Airventure Hype!)	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b> <b>Varies</b> – Occasional breakfast or dinner flyout
<b>16</b> <b>Varies</b> – Occasional breakfast or dinner flyout	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b> <b>Varies</b> – Occasional breakfast or dinner flyout
<b>23</b> <b>Varies</b> – Occasional breakfast or dinner flyout	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>
<b>30</b> <b>Varies</b> – Occasional breakfast or dinner flyout	<b>31</b>					

**Saturday and Sunday Flyouts:** Contact Flyout Coordinators for details – Kerry Matthews 810-659-3501 or Jake Carmer 810-919-0121

**TaylorCraft Build Dates:** Contact Doug Isham for dates and details – 810-820-0765

## Aviation Humor

### Should I go flying today?



---

### *Flowers and Cards*

Do you know of a member who is ill or has had a death in the family? Email Jake Carmer at [EAA77President@gmail.com](mailto:EAA77President@gmail.com).





## **Ralph O. Helgeby EAA Chapter 77**

### **Building Use Policy**

Members are allowed to use the EAA Chapter 77 Facility in accordance with this policy ONLY.

Approval of use will be at the discretion of the EAA Chapter 77 Board of Director, on a first-come first-served basis, with EAA Chapter 77 activities ALWAYS taking precedence.

All use of the EAA Chapter 77 Facility must be an acceptable use per the current insurance carrier of EAA Chapter 77.

All uses of the EAA Chapter 77 Building Must Be Approved by the EAA Chapter 77 Board in advance of the Use. Application for Facility use will to call the current president, or vice president if the president is unavailable (out of town or unresponsive for more than 48 hours) for approval. Then put the requested event on the calendar in the EAA Chapter 77 meeting room.

Use of the EAA Chapter 77 Facility is restricted to the Meeting Room and Workroom ONLY; the hangar space cannot be used except by EAA Chapter 77 and those renting hangar space from EAA Chapter 77 without special Board approval.

EAA Chapter 77 use of ANY portion of the Facility shall supersede all other uses of the Facility.

All Use of the Facility will be placed on the Chapter Calendar.

Use of the Meeting Room will not exceed 75 occupants, 6.5 or 4.3 ft<sup>2</sup> per person.

Occupation of the Workroom will be approved by the Workroom Chairman in advance of occupation.

No Alcohol is allowed on EAA Chapter 77 property.

None of the Chapter Kitchen or Eating supplies shall be used; i.e. Plates, silverware, dish towels, etc. for anything other than Chapter activities.

No tape, pins or any adhesives are to be used on walls, doors, etc. when decorating or entertaining in any way. Magnets may be used on the Whiteboard. Tables, Chairs, etc. will be kept off the walls.

The used portion of the Facility shall be cleaned immediately after use, kitchen, towels, dishes, tools, floors and walls, etc.

A Donation is Expected for use of the Meeting Room and Workroom usage,

Any damage to EAA Chapter 77 property during the use will be billed to the using member.

No chemicals are to be poured down any drain or toilet in EAA77 facility. This includes paint and paint cleaning products, petroleum, grease, etc., regardless of chemical makeup of the product.



### Matthews Stump Grindings, LLC

Do you have unsightly stumps that need to be removed or have brush hogging needs? Contact Kerry Matthews at [Kerry@matthewsstumpgrinding.com](mailto:Kerry@matthewsstumpgrinding.com) or visit their website at <https://matthewsstumpgrinding.com/stump-grinding/>



### Blacktop Anchors

<https://www.blacktopanchors.com/>

Tie downs

Submitted by: Paul Allar

Phone: (248)761.8937

Email: [paul@allarse.com](mailto:paul@allarse.com)

Send your ads to Sandie Carmer at [EAA77Newsletter@gmail.com](mailto:EAA77Newsletter@gmail.com)

Click here for webpage: <https://chapters.eaa.org/ea77/join-or-renew-membership>

**2023** annual chapter dues are just \$30.00 per member and includes immediate family members.

1. Fill out Membership Form and send it and your \$30 to the address below
2. Fill out the Membership Form and email it to the email address below, then mail your \$30 to the address below
3. Fill out the Membership Form and email to the email address below and click the link here to pay by Paypal: [EAA77 Membership Renewal](#)

A sample of Membership Form is below as FYI

**Email Address:** [FAA77Treasurer@gmail.com](mailto:FAA77Treasurer@gmail.com)

Page 26



EAA77 Membership Meeting Minutes  
April 13, 2023

Secretary's Report:

- In newsletter
- Motion to Accept: Bob Deuker
- Seconded: Eric LaForest
- Motion Passed (none opposed)

Treasurers Report:

- Motion to Accept: Sandy Matthews
- Seconded: Dan Willoughby
- Motion Passed (none opposed)

Guests and New Members:

- Micheal Vandenheede
- Mark Massey

Dawn Patrol:

- Dawn Patrol Cleanup Saturday June 3rd. June 4th is backup cleanup date.
- Setup June 10th with potluck after.

Brief intermission when Chinook did a low pass

New Business:

- May General Membership meeting speaker GCSD Sergeant Victoria Davis on GHOST
- program

TaylorCraft:

- Doug Isham welding up fuselage modifications for the STC to go from 65 horsepower
- engine to 100 horsepower engine. Contacted original STC holder to get supplemental
- information for electrical mods.
- Tom Carr and Doug have been looking at possible brake modifications.
- GoFundMe page is working. Raised \$1515.00 so far
- As many as 12 people have shown up on work days.
- Randy Lavar has been doing some of the welding
- Reaching out to EAA National to figure out how to set up corporate sponsorships.
- Making inroads with GISD to bring students in to give them exposure in building a
- general aviation aircraft.
- Doug will be in Alabama for National Guard duties for 5 weeks, back for a few weeks, then gone for 3 weeks. Back around July 3rd. Hopes to attend June General Membership meeting.
- No Saturday work on plane unless Doug or Tom Carr present.

- Email address is N77FJ@gmail.com.
- Working on getting YouTube channel.
- Kate Zerbe has generously provided Jerry Zerbe's flight logs back to 1947. The logbooks show at least 100 people from EAA77 have flown N77FJ.
- Eric LaForest states we are assembling pictures of the Taylorcraft.

Speaker:

- Tom Shendel gave a gyrocopter presentation.

Flight Reports:

- Tanmoy Ganguly gave Trip Report. He requested pilots provide pictures of their trips to make part of the monthly Trip Reports.
- Tanmoy said Jake and Sandie Carmer took a trip in Jake's RV-4 now that cowling is done.
- John and Justin are now back. Showed pictures of John flying in Georgia.
- Tanmoy went to Bad Axe, Battle Creek and Kalamazoo. Battle Creek was a fly-in. They have a 737 simulator.

Doug Isham made motion to adjourn at 7:59 p.m. Sandy Matthews seconded motion. No opposition.

Gideon Hein has been accepted to Aviation Academy at Genesee Career Institute.

EAA77 Membership Meeting Minutes  
May 11, 2023

Suspended meeting immediately after the Pledge of Allegiance to facilitate GCSD Ghost Presentation.

- GCSD Sergeant Victoria Davis and Sergeant Ryan Dobbs of the Genesee Human Oppression Strike Team gave a detailed and informative presentation on mission of the team.

Returned to meeting agenda at 8:08 p.m.

Secretary's Report:

- Did not make it into the Flypaper, so it will be handled next meeting.

Treasurers Report:

- Motion to Accept: Sandy Matthews
- Seconded: Kevin Curtis
- Motion Passed (none opposed)

Guests and New Members:

- James Dienes works at FAA Bishop
- Mirium Hein
- Harry Simons

Dawn Patrol:

- Dawn Patrol Cleanup Saturday June 3rd. June 4<sup>th</sup> is backup cleanup date.
- Setup June 10<sup>th</sup> with potluck after.
- Possible face painter that worked Midland Dawn Patrol.
- Balloon artist

New Business:

- Ernie Harbin's family has donated extensive EAA and Chapter 77 historical materials.
- Skip Coucke has issues taking time away from being newsletter editor. He would like someone else take over the editor job. Tanmoy Ganguly volunteered to take over the position.

Project Report:

- Dave Wojciechowski discussed building his RV-10
- Kevin Curtis cleaning up the kit for the Rebel.

Project Report(cont.):

- Jake Carmer discussed results of his cowl modifications.

Pilot Report by Tanmoy Ganguly

- Fly-in at MULA this weekend (May 13 & 14) at Alkay airport.
- Tanmoy going to Cheat River Fly-In in West Virginia May 19<sup>TH</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup>.



Jake Carmer adjourned meeting at 8:45 p.m.